EXCEPTIONAL MISSION
HISTORIC & RURAL
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8 Historic Structures
and Archival Library

150 Acres of Land
in Preservation

8,000 Annual Volunteer
Hours Donated

50+ Programs, Events and
Rentals Each Year

37,500+ Annual Visitation
Dear Friends,

We finish the past year with a renewed mission: to be the best stewards of our historic buildings, museum objects, archives, and lands and to welcome all audiences to learn along with us, explore our collections, and interpret the unfolding, diverse stories of Duxbury’s history.

This was the revised mission statement published in our 2021 Strategic Agenda. With this renewed commitment to our mission and our activities, the DRHS implemented an important planning document that will continue to guide us for years to come.

2021 was the year of possibility: we were able again to offer tours again at the King Caesar House, the Textiles & Historic Clothing Committee has resumed its exhibition of DRHS clothing at the Duxbury Free Library, Cheryl Kilduff offered Barre on Bumpus Park, we had a beautiful summer program called “The Art of Pressed Flowers,” and enjoyed a spectacular sunset at the Members Picnic in August.

Yet, we also learned from the pandemic, including increased digital offerings and access. Our “You Are Here” Community Exhibit was a huge success - now a selection of the panels are installed at the Drew Archival Library. Our biennial Bradford Symposium continued this year as well, welcoming Kyera Singleton from the Royall House and Slave Quarters to discuss slavery in the North.

Our Book and Collections Clubs in 2021 explored a range of topics from women’s history, to maritime history, to the history of Duxbury’s Cape Verdean families. We also welcome Plimoth-Patuxet for a program on Wampanoag history and culture. Town Historian Tony Kelso also assisted in a number of programs, including neighborhood tours and Dateboard Research for historic houses in town.

The Publications Committee published our first ever fiction, and children’s book, Ezra & The Mouse: The Search for Lafayette in conjunction with local author Victoria J. Coe. Taking place in 1822 in Duxbury, it features real historical figures, events and places, including our King Caesar House. Ms. Coe and illustrator Walter Swartz generously donated all proceeds to support the DRHS and Ms. Coe has been generous with her time at signing events to promote the book.

The DRHS is always grateful to the Community Garden Club of Duxbury and the Duxbury Garden Club, as well as the volunteers on the Historic Gardens Committee. This year they helped re-invent the Reynolds-Maxwell Garden, which was rededicated in July.

The DRHS has benefited from the new stewardship agreement with Wildlands Trust, which provides supervision, maintenance, and repair services to our lands portfolio, a relationship we are thrilled to continue into the next year. The DRHS also successfully completed

The Community Garden Club of Duxbury continues stewardship of the Soule-Nash Garden at the King Caesar House, as well as the Kitchen Herb Garden.

Classic urns at the Nathaniel Winsor, Jr. House were planted by DGC including a striking vertical arrangement on the pergola patio. Partnering with an Eagle Scout on a project cleared out the south side of the property.

– Jayne Talmage O’Farrell and Mary Ott, Co-Chairs
additional Conservation Restrictions this year, on lands at Round Pond and Lapham Woods.

Our 2021 acquisitions included paintings by Elisabeth Weber-Fulop, an established Austrian painter who was also the last owner of the King Caesar House, and we continue work on an ongoing project to re-establish her catalogue and learn more about her and her family.

The Properties Committee continues the prioritization of the projects outlined in the 2019 Properties Assessment. Our Nominating Committee is busy working on developing potential leaders of the DRHS. Our Membership Committee has enacted a number of outreach efforts to welcome new members to the DRHS.

The Investment Committee continues to oversee our investment assets, the financial backbone of our organization. We were very sad to lose our dear friend, Ken Johnston, a member of the Investment Committee and past President. He, along with the other members lost this year, will continued to be fondly remembered for their many contributions.

This fall, we received an important SHARP grant from Mass Humanities to continue to rebuild our audiences. We were proud to be called an “exemplary humanities organization” by this funding source. Financially, the DRHS continues to see resounding support from our community, and we were able to finish this uncertain year with a small surplus, growing membership, and new partnerships and grant opportunities.

We were sad to say goodbye to our long time Executive Director, Erin McGough. After 10 years at DRHS, Erin left us to join the Fuller Craft Museum as their next Executive Director. Through her professionalism and unshakeable core personal values, Erin coalesced our sense of purpose as conservers and storytellers of Duxbury’s lands and history. Of course, we wish her the very best in her new endeavor, but I know I speak for everyone when I say that Erin will be deeply missed. She leaves us with an extraordinary and talented professional staff, a dedicated and committed Board of Trustees, an exceptional group of volunteers, a strong and growing financial foundation, and attention and care of our properties and lands with plans firmly in place for continued restoration.

We are also looking ahead to the next chapter for DRHS. We have already begun to put our search process into place, and we look forward to sharing further details in the weeks ahead.

Jim Hartford   Donna Wood
Interim Executive Director    Chair, Board of Trustees

LEADERSHIP
OUR STAFF
Interim Executive Director  Jim Hartford
Office Administrator/Function & Rentals  Cheryl LaLonde
Outreach Manager  Sabrina Kaplan
Archivist & Historian  Carolyn Ravenscroft
Museum Collections Manager/Museum Visitor Services  Melanie Correia

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EXTRAORDINARY COLLECTION WITH 35,000 UNIQUE ITEMS REFLECTING DUXBURY’S HISTORY

Works of Art

Period Furnishings

Historic Clothing and Textiles

Documents

Photographs
CREATIVE + INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMMING

Programs including walking tours and author talks.

Activities for Family Fun and Education, including contests, informational packets and driving tours.

Online Participation:

43,000 annual web page views

7,761 social media followers

17,000 annual website visitors
In 2021 we engaged with the community both in-person and virtually. We created our first ever community-wide exhibition, *You Are Here*. It was an incredible collaborative effort between the DRHS and 24 local businesses. From restaurants, grocers, shops, cafes, banks, schools, libraries, doctors offices, and more, the DRHS collections were exhibited throughout the entire town. Moving into 2022, you can look for these history panels in their new exhibition spaces at the Drew Archival Library and the Duxbury Senior Center.

We were thrilled to open the King Caesar House to the public again, where we offered two new specialty tours, *Women of the King Caesar House*, and *Changes at the King Caesar House*. The season ended with a wonderful book launch, where we paired Victoria Coe’s, *Ezra and the Mouse: The Search for Lafayette*, with a children’s tour and the installation of Ezra IV’s childhood bedroom in its original location. Fans of Coes’ book will be able to visit the house next summer and continue to see where young Ezra and his little mouse Bertie slept.

This year we accepted and purchased several new items into the permanent collection including clothing, paintings, archaeological materials, household items and more. We also took steps to discover more about our historic wallpapers at the King Caesar House with the expertise of Studio TKM Associates. Their report has uncovered information that helps inform us about the history and preservation of the King Caesar House.

The Drew Archives was open to the public during 2021, but with Covid still an issue, fewer patrons came through the doors. That did not stop remote visitors from accessing our collections online or emailing research queries. A bright spot in the year was the arrival of Simmons University intern Melyna Lemon. Melyna tackled her job with enthusiasm as she processed our recently acquired Capt. Simeon Weston Collection.

Along with 22 new acquisitions, there was much accomplished in cataloging items that have long been in our hands. This included the inventorying and scanning of over 300 photographs; a project that will continue in 2022 with the help of Duxbury High School interns.

Eight historic houses were also added to our growing list of Dateboard recipients during 2021. The research on these homes was conducted by both Carolyn Ravenscroft and Tony Kelso.

Thank you all for an incredible year, and for your support to the Duxbury Rural and Historical Society. We’re excited to see you all in 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Ravenscroft (Historian & Archivist) and Melanie Correia (Collections Manager)
PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

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–Bill McArdle, Chair

2021 Outreach

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–Bill McArdle, Chair

2021 Outreach

FEbruary

Ongoing February–October, You are Here pop-up exhibit panels installed, multiple sites
2 DRHS Annual Meeting via Zoom with guest lecturer, Kyle Nyberg
4 Carolyn Ravenscroft, Zoom lecture for Village at Duxbury: Mayflower Cemetery
11 You are Here, Virtual Exhibit Opening
19 Carolyn Ravenscroft, Zoom lecture for Village at Duxbury: Abolition in Duxbury
32 Carolyn Ravenscroft, Zoom lecture for DAR

March

4 Book and Collections Club, Virtual Meeting - Benito Cereno by Herman Melville
7 Carolyn Ravenscroft, Zoom lecture for Newcomers Club: Women at Sea
16 Sabrina Kaplan presentation to Duxbury Public School Curriculum Coordinators on DRHS Resources
21 Bradford Symposium - Virtual Presentation by Kyera Singleton, ED of Royall House and Slave Quarters

April

3 Book and Collections Club, Virtual Meeting - Chiquinho by Baltazar Lopes
15 Virtual Presentation on Indigenous History by Plimoth Patuxet Museum: 13 Moons and 12,000 Years
22 Take a Hike! Round Pond hike for Earth Day

May

6 Book and Collections Club Meeting with TaraShea Nesbit
14 21 28 Barre on Bumpus with instructor, Cheryl Kilduff
21 R&R (Read and Relax) Outdoors with the DRHS at Bumpus Park and Renyolds-Maxwell Garden. Books and Storytimes provided by the Duxbury Free Library.
12 HGTV Filming at King Caesar House - Houses with History

June

1 Launch - You are Here Exhibit, new panels

Ongoing, Race Amity Banner on Display, Bradford House
7 Garden Club Meeting at King Caesar House
11 Create and Learn - The Art of Pressed Flowers event
18 International Picnic Day - Picnicking on DRHS lands
Who was King Caesar - Family Friendly Tour at King Caesar House
21 King Caesar House Open for Tours

July

Ongoing, select Fridays and Saturdays, Summer–Fall, King Caesar House Tours
5 Reynolds-Maxwell Garden Rededication Ceremony
7 Themed Tour at King Caesar House by Carolyn Ravenscroft - Women at the King Caesar House
10 Wedding on Bumpus Park, private rental
23 Clark’s Island Picnic, cancelled due to weather
AUGUST

2 King Caesar House private tour by Carolyn Ravenscroft
4 Myles Standish Cemetery private tour for Alden Kindred by Carolyn Ravenscroft
6 Members’ Sunset Picnic at King Caesar House with Sparrow Blue
13 King Caesar House Themed Tour by Carolyn Ravenscroft: New Beginnings at the King Caesar House

SEPTEMBER

September & October – Shoes on Display, exhibition by the DRHS Clothing and Textile Committee at the Duxbury Free Library
17 Carolyn Ravenscroft presentation on Grace logbook to Delano Kindred
18 Wedding on Bumpus Park, private rental
28 Backroads of the South Shore Meeting at Nathaniel Winsor, Jr. House
29 HGTV Premier of King Caesar House on Houses With History

OCTOBER

1 Wedding on Bumpus Park, private rental
5 6 7 13 14 Duxbury Public Schools third grade field trips to Drew Archival Library for Village Evolves Program
15 Newcomers Book Club meeting at King Caesar House with author Victoria J. Coe
16 Private rental of King Caesar House for filming of The Lightkeepers.
23 You Are Here Exhibition Closing Event at NWJ House

24 Ezra and the Mouse: The Search for Lafayette Book Launch event at King Caesar House
31 Happy Halloween from the DRHS trick-or-treat at Nathaniel Winsor, Jr. House

NOVEMBER

Launch of ongoing cell phone tours of Nathaniel Winsor, Jr. House
3 Pirates in Plymouth! Lecture by Stephen O’Neill at the Drew Archival Library
10 Private rental of King Caesar House for filming of The Lightkeepers.
11 Veteran’s Day Cemetery Tour at Mayflower Cemetery by Carolyn Ravenscroft
15 Carolyn Ravenscroft talk at Duxbury Senior Center on the Myles Standish Monument
18 The Westons and the Bradfords: History and Fiction conversation by Carolyn Ravenscroft, Victoria J. Coe and Patrick Browne at the Drew Archival Library

DECEMBER

1 Duxbury Literary Circle with Victoria J. Coe and Carolyn Ravenscroft event at the Duxbury Senior Center
3 Duxbury Holly Days with Victoria J Coe and the DRHS, book signing at Winterly Realty
10 50th Annual Holiday Celebration at King Caesar House, Members’ Party
11 & 12 13 & 14 50th Annual Holiday Celebration at King Caesar House, decorated house tours, public and private bookings.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The membership committee had a productive year, adding one new volunteer to the committee. During the first quarter we conducted our first online survey to gain feedback and insights from the membership for guidance as to how we can better serve the community. We had several conversations with other community-based organizations to collaborate our outreach efforts.”

–Drew Strawbridge, Chair

LANDS COMMITTEE

The DRHS continues to add Conservation Restrictions thanks to the great work of Pat Loring, who continues to lend her expertise and guidance on these complicated legal documents. These restrictions will preserve the wildlife and scenic values while maintaining public access and benefits. The Lands Committee is also working with Wildlands Trust to maintain the DRHS’s historical and ecologically important properties.”

–Sam Butcher, Chair
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We apologize for any errors or omissions. Please contact our office so we can correct the issue.
IN MEMORIAM 2021

It is with sadness we look back upon this past year and realize that a number of our Members have passed away. We are grateful for their contributions and they will be remembered.

Shawn M. Dahlen
Robin Daley
Richard Dickson
Rothchild
Kornelis (Neil) Smit
Elaine Prince
Faith Tayor Diehl

Patricia Edith Randall
Larence H. Smith
Leslie Lawrence
Jerry Kriegel
Monty Healy
Dorothy Kelso
Kenneth A. Johnston
INVESTMENT COMMITTEE
The DRHS is fortunate to have a full slate of active Investment Committee members, each with decades of investment experience and perspective on market dynamics. Fiscal Year 2021 provided another strong year of investment performance for the endowment resulting in a combination of income and growth that was in-line with benchmarks used to measure market performance, invested prudently and appropriately.”

–Christopher P. Sherman, Sr., Chair

For the Fiscal Year 2021
(November 1, 2020 through October 31, 2021)
David Uitti, Treasurer

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**FY2021**

- Income: 627,437
- Expenses: 593,874
- Net Income: 33,563

**FY2020**

- Income: 593,874
- Expenses: 545,057
- Net Income: 8,404

Complete Financial Statements are available through the DRHS office.
Committee Volunteers

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Ashley Mohrman

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Gardens are maintained in partnership with:
Duxbury Garden Club
Community Garden Club of Duxbury

Bill McArdle

Lands Observer
Paul Wales
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We welcome new Members, and those who have rejoined at a higher contribution level:

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Mike Cowden
Peter Jackson
George Whitlew
Candida Brush
Mary Ann Jackman
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Heather Knapp
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Laurine Hollbrook
Mary Langner
Frederick Carroll

PROPERTIES COMMITTEE
A number of significant projects were completed in 2020, including restoration, asbestos abatement and exterior painting at Nathaniel Winsor, Jr. House; foundation and sill repair at the King Caesar House; stair and deck repair at the Bradford House; a new roof at Cedarfield; new roof, siding and trim at the Allen Boathouse; and numerous improvements in gardens and grounds at King Caesar, Nathaniel Winsor, Jr., and Reynolds-Maxwell Gardens. In addition, improved DRHS financials and the comprehensive Property Assessment Report completed in 2019 continue to pay dividends as we pivot from an ad hoc program of reactive repairs to a proactive schedule of ongoing maintenance and restoration across all buildings.”

–Paul Wales, Chair
Museums & Archives

2020.025 Watercolor of ship Smyrna (1846), Purchase with funds donated by Anne and Stephen Williams
2020.026 Delano sea chest and DRHS jacket, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel M. Hall
2020.027 Archaeological pieces, Mia Curran
2020.028 Three headstone pieces (1780), Sheila Lynch-Benttinen
2020.030 Two John Alden plates, Susan Purpura
2021.002 Bradford family liquor chest and family bible, Linda McCue
2021.003 Millbrook Motors seal embosser (1954), Linda Collari
2021.004 Drawings of “Proposed Dwelling for R. Stanwood Briggs Property,” Purchase
2021.006 Signed Charlie Rogerson book, bullet mold and bullet, glove stretcher, Amy Annis
2021.007 Collection from Isaac Simmons House, Town of Duxbury
2021.010 Nails and tercentenary coin, Emily Hunnewell
2021.013 Rev. E. R. Magathlin pitcher with porcelain liner (1882), David Corey
2021.014 Pete J. Damon “Autumn Windows” giclee print (2019), Purchase
2021.015 Elisabeth Weber-Fulop interior painting, Purchase
2021.016 One British coin, Grace Klausky
2021.017 Elisabeth Weber-Fulop “Cuba” painting (1938), Purchase
DAL.2020.013 Photograph albums and photos, Emily Hunnewell
DAL.2020.016 Letter written by George Barstow (1830), Noah Yonge
DAL.2020.018 Powder Horn (1911), Bette A. Spencer
DAL.2020.020 Photographic Duxbury (2020), Duxbury Camera Club
DAL.2020.021 My Heart is Boundless by Eve LaPlante, Carolyn Ravenscroft
DAL.2020.022 Summer Suffragists by Lyle Nyberg (2020), Lyle Nyberg
DAL.2020.023 Slides of Duxbury (1970s), Kathy Readon
DAL.2020.024 Photographs of Duxbury Houses, Stephanie C. Gill
DAL.2020.026 Reminiscence of WWII Duxbury, Elizabeth Stevens
DAL.2020.027 Duxbury map, plan and chart (1937–1950), John & Shirley Schuster
DAL.2020.028 Deeds and documents relating to Duxbury families, Robert Frazier
DAL.2021.001 Landing of the French Atlantic Cable (1869), Brewster Gifford
DAL.2021.003 Three bound volumes of deeds, Town of Duxbury
DAL.2021.004 Duxbury Beach parking tag (1960), Pat Denneshey
DAL.2021.005 Diploma of Mary A. Stewart (1935), Sarah Daly Lemiuex
DAL.2021.007 Batelle Corp. marketing material, John Galluzo
DAL.2021.008 Four journals of Frederick A. Chandler (1856), Maggie Luongo
DAL.2021.009 Postcard of Standish monument (1903), Steven J. Rowley
DAL.2021.010 Life of Peregrine White (2020), Marshfield Historical Society
DAL.2021.011 DHS newspaper and Student Council notes (1989–1990), Kyle Roberts
DAL.2021.015 Booklet Company I of the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment, Josephine Tanner
DAL.2021.016 Powder Point School for Boys material (1910), Richard W. Bridgeo
DAL.2021.021 Photographs of Daniel and Sally Loring, Nicole Wright
DAL.2021.022 Letter written by Nehemiah G. Lovell (1831), Purchase
DAL.2021.024 Material relating to Irene Walker, Eric & Joan Woods
DAL.2021.028 Postcard of Duxbury Days pageant (1909), Purchase
DAL.2021.029 Facey photograph album, David Mallen
DAL.2021.033 Ledger of Robert Kennedy (1840s) and Plan of Standish Shore (1871), Purchase
DAL.2021.035 Glass plate negatives of Camp Chappa Challa (1937), Kate Otto-Macuch
DAL.2021.037 Material relating to Winston Franklin Bolton (1912–1950), Laurel Hennewell
DAL.2021.038 Map of Duxbury (1964), Karen Meyer

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Georgia Taft Pye is elected for a term expiring in 2025. Georgia has been a Duxbury resident since 1959 and has been a Real Estate Buyer Agent with her own company since 1993. Her other work experience includes being a staff writer for Colonial Williamsburg and being a grant writer/program coordinator for a Federally funded project. Her recent volunteer experience has been with the Local Historic District Study Commission and Partridge Academy as a Trustee.

Trustees, Barbara Hayes, Pat Loring and Peter Rapelye are re-elected to terms expiring 2025.”

–Donna Wood, Chair
2022 Spring - Summer Calendar

APRIL

Monday, April 18, 3pm (Rain date - Saturday, 4/23, 3pm) - Patriot’s Day Cemetery Tour with DRHS Archivist and Historian, Carolyn Ravenscroft. Over 200 Duxbury soldiers and sailors fought in the American Revolution, while women tilled the fields and cared for their families. Join Carolyn Ravenscroft at Mayflower Cemetery for a walking tour, at the graves of some of Duxbury’s citizens from this era.

Tuesday, April 19, 10-11:30am - There’s a Mouse in the House! Wool felting workshop and author “meet and greet” with Victoria J. Coe. Learn the craft of wool felting as you make an adorable little mouse! This project celebrates our recent publication by Victoria J. Coe, Ezra and the Mouse: The Search for Lafayette which takes place at King Caesar House in 1822. Books will be available for signing and purchase, and the house will be open for tours. Craft instruction by Jennifer McCarthy: https://www.thefeltedbee.com/#/. Event appropriate for adults and children 7+ with an adult.

MAY

Thursday, May 19, 6:30pm – Talk by Patrick Browne: “King Caesar of Duxbury: Exploring the World of Ezra Weston, Shipbuilder and Merchant.” Browne will speak about local legend “King Caesar,” also known as Ezra Weston II, describing key factors to King Caesar’s success, and humanizing a fascinating figure of local legend.

Saturday, May 21, hours TBD (rain date Sunday, May 22) – Duxbury Days at DMS/DHS Complex. Visit us at Duxbury Days! We will offer new DRHS items for purchase, information on our summer events, book signing by local author Victoria J. Coe, and 2-for-1 summer entry tickets to the Bradford House.

THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2PM

“Having a Swell Time Here” Summer Camps of Duxbury Talk by Tony Kelso. The Duxbury Senior Center, 10 Mayflower St. Duxbury had many summer camps during its heyday as a place for the summer. Many people have fond memories of Miramar, St. Margaret’s, Camp Wing and Camp Chappa Challa. Learn about those iconic camps and others! Presented by the Duxbury Senior Center in collaboration with the DRHS.

JUNE

Thursday, June 2, 6:30-8pm – 1807 Dateboard Society Reception at the home of Regan and Marc Peterman, 113 St. George St. Thank you to Regan and Marc for hosting us! Learn the history of this beautiful home, built in 1871 in the Second Empire style by widow Catherine D. Delano. This event is open to all current members of the 1807 Dateboard Society.

Sunday, June 12, 3pm – Tony Kelso Walking Tour of Cove Street Neighborhood. Stroll the hidden gem of Duxbury’s Cove St. neighborhood and hear about how it was the town’s first “planned development”.

Tickets and pre-registration are required for most events. Refer to our events webpage for full event details and to learn about summer programing, including historic house tours, the Members’ Sunset Picnic, and the Clark’s Island Picnic: www.duxburyhistory.org/events