

Bill as Introduced

SB 379 - AS INTRODUCED

2010 SESSION

10-2778

04/03

SENATE BILL **379**

AN ACT proclaiming September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.

SPONSORS: Sen. Fuller Clark, Dist 24; Sen. Odell, Dist 8; Sen. Barnes, Jr., Dist 17;
Sen. Hassan, Dist 23; Rep. R. Read, Rock 16; Rep. Cali-Pitts, Rock 16;
Rep. Watters, Straf 4; Rep. Pantelakos, Rock 16; Rep. Splaine, Rock 16

COMMITTEE: Election Law and Veterans' Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill requires the governor to issue an annual proclamation recognizing September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten

AN ACT proclaiming September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 **1 Findings.** The general court finds that:

2 I. On September 5, 1905, the signing of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty at the Portsmouth
3 Naval Shipyard ended the war between Russia and Japan over control of Korea and Manchuria; and

4 II. Annual observance of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty would recognize and honor the part
5 played by New Hampshire citizens and their efforts in citizen diplomacy which significantly
6 contributed to the successful international negotiations between Japanese and Russian diplomats
7 that resulted in the signing of the treaty; and

8 III. The Portsmouth Peace Treaty is a permanent and important chapter in New Hampshire
9 history and should be recognized and appropriately commemorated for generations to come.

10 **2 New Section; Powers of Governor and Council; Observances Proclaimed by Governor.** Amend
11 RSA 4 by inserting after section 13-n the following new section:

12 4:13-o Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day. The governor shall annually issue a proclamation calling
13 for the proper observance of September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day and shall call on the
14 citizens of New Hampshire to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities
15 commemorating this important day in New Hampshire history.

16 **3 Effective Date.** This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Speakers

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

PUBLIC HEARING ON SB 379

BILL TITLE: proclaiming September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.
DATE: April 1, 2010
LOB ROOM: 203 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 2:00 p.m.
Time Adjourned: 2:32 p.m.

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. ~~P. Garrity~~, ~~Domingo~~, K. Roberts, Haley, ~~Sweeney~~, ~~Hutz~~, G. Katsiantonis, Chininis, ~~Hardy~~, T. Katsiantonis, Cushing, Baldasaro, Twombly, Priestly, L. ~~Christensen~~, ~~Emiro~~, ~~Fields~~, ~~Pepino~~ and T. Smith.

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***Caroline Clair** on behalf of Sen. Fuller Clark - prime sponsor.

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***Stephanie Seacord**, member Portsmouth Peace Treaty Forum. Reading letter on behalf of Judge Sawako Gardner, supporter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Rep. Sarah A. Hutz,
Clerk

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Testimony



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Thomas G. Ferrini
Mayor

April 1, 2010

The Honorable Patrick Garrity
Chairman, NH House State Federal Relations and Veteran Affairs
82 Norris Street
Manchester, NH 03103-3726

Dear Representative Garrity:

As Mayor of the City of Portsmouth, I write in support of the bill now before the Committee on State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs, SB379 to make September 5th Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day in New Hampshire.

We respectfully ask you to support the bill for the reasons we in Portsmouth recognize the importance of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty to New Hampshire history:

- **President Theodore Roosevelt won the Nobel Peace Prize for orchestrating the negotiations for the Portsmouth Peace Treaty.** The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Forum whose members include educators, scholars and citizens throughout the State, works to commemorate the diplomacy Theodore Roosevelt and the envoys of Russia and Japan practiced in 1905 to end the Russo-Japanese War which is now known as “World War Zero” for the modern weapons employed, huge armies and navies engaged, and its effect on European colonialism, and the international balance of power.
- **The Treaty of Portsmouth – signed at 3:47 pm on September 5 – is celebrated annually in Portsmouth as an important piece of New Hampshire history.** At that exact moment the Shipyard salute is repeated with bell-ringing throughout Portsmouth. There is also an exhibit in Portsmouth and at the NH State Archives detailing events the citizens of New Hampshire helped make possible in 1905.

The Honorable Patrick Garrity

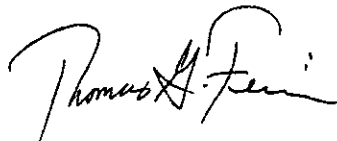
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April 1, 2010

- **President Roosevelt chose Portsmouth** for our secure Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, telegraphic communications network, supportive state and local government officials and the impartial, welcoming citizens. **Roosevelt, who never came to Portsmouth, relied on the U.S. Navy at the Shipyard -- and the Governor of New Hampshire to be his official hosts, supporting his back-channel diplomacy and our own "citizen diplomacy."**
- **When the Treaty was signed, the Russian and Japanese negotiators invited just 6 guests to witness the proceedings, suggesting their importance to the proceedings:** the commander of the Shipyard, the US Navy captains of the two vessels that had brought them to Portsmouth, the US Asst. Secretary of State, the Governor of New Hampshire and the Mayor of Portsmouth.

By approving this bill, you help ensure that such an important piece of New Hampshire history will be regarded by our schools, our citizens and our visitors as worthy of their attention and study. I thank you and the Committee for your consideration of this legislation.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas G. Ferrini". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "T".

Thomas G. Ferrini
Mayor

Sawako T. Gardner
Justice, Portsmouth District Court
Rye, New Hampshire

Members of the Committee, Senators, and Representatives,
Thank you for the opportunity to address SB 379.

As a member of the JASNH board of directors, and resident of the Seacoast community, I am writing in support of Senate Bill 379 which would commemorate September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.

In doing so, New Hampshire will recognize the historic significance of the role that the citizens of NH played in encouraging the efforts for peace between Japan and Russia. New Hampshire hosted diplomats from two very different warring nations and provided what is known in international law as its "good offices". Governor McLane, state officials, local citizens, Portsmouth judge Calvin Page, local churches, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, and the Seacoast community all graciously provided a neutral forum for peace.

The importance of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty cannot be minimized – we can examine just a few developments:

- President Theodore Roosevelt was the first American to receive the Nobel Peace Prize for efforts in brokering the Portsmouth Peace Treaty.
- NH, Japan and Russia share a chapter in diplomatic success; Japanese citizens and diplomats continue to visit NH each year.
- Sister city relationships formed between Portsmouth and Nichinan, continuing to foster cultural understanding.
- Through the efforts of the Japan American Society of NH, Portsmouth Peace Treaty forums are hosted. Scholars, business leaders and diplomats continue their discussions for peace using the Portsmouth Peace Treaty as a model for successful multi-track diplomacy.

To commemorate September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day will bring greater awareness of the historic role that NH played in international diplomacy and will serve as an inspiration for the future of the State in taking a leadership role in peace. NH has historically been in a unique and influential position in setting an example for the rest of the country by being First in the Nation primary and as such takes on a responsibility to serve as a leader in other ways. Every NH citizen counts in the First in the Nation primary as did the individual efforts of informal diplomacy in NH in 1905. SB 379 will further recognize the legacy of the Treaty.



Testimony

I thank you Mr. Chairman and thank you committee members for this opportunity.

My name is Don Alusic and I live in Amherst. I am an independent film maker.

I am speaking in support of SB379.

I knew almost nothing about the treaty until five years ago. What I learned in 2005 and since then led me to work over the last five years on a video documentary about the peace treaty signed in 1905 from a spiritual/religious perspective, what happened in 2005 remembering the peace treaty along the same line and what this means for us today.

There are many people who have worked longer and harder than I have on remembering and celebrating the treaty and what it means to Portsmouth, New Hampshire and the world at large. You have heard from some of them today and I am grateful for their efforts and I salute them and their work on behalf of the treaty.

During my research and related travels I met many people in Portsmouth, around New Hampshire and elsewhere, who had no knowledge of the treaty, the related events and their implications. This was truer outside of Portsmouth and the nearby surrounding areas. When I gave people information about the treaty, they were grateful and wanted to know more.

Passing this bill will give many people an opportunity to find out about this very important, but little known piece of New Hampshire history and its implications.

With your permission I would like to play for you the two minute theatre trailer of the documentary. This trailer is available on the documentary web site.

Thank you

Chuck Doleac
Stephanie Seacord
Senator Martha Fuller Clark
Rep. Robin Read
Rep. Jackie Calli Pitts
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Judge Suwako
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NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSE

STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

I would like to request that you support this bill for the following reasons:

- The treaty which ended a war between Russia and Japan represents events where New Hampshire played a positive role on the world stage. All eyes were focused on Portsmouth at the time and the world rejoiced at the signing of the treaty.
- This treaty represents an ideal example of what has come to be called multi-track diplomacy, which requires the involvement of government officials, businessmen, spiritual/religious leaders, individual citizens and others. to make peace, to sustain peace and to remember peace.
- The negotiation and signing of the treaty took place during the month of August 1905 and was one of the quickest resolutions of a major war in modern times. This makes it especially noteworthy.
- I found that the events of this treaty are very little known especially outside of the Portsmouth area and that there is receptivity to knowing about them and their implications. The passage of this bill will help to rectify this.
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SB379:

The Treaty of Portsmouth of 1905 stands today as one of history's great peace negotiations. It ended the Russo-Japanese War and marked the emergence of a new era of diplomatic negotiations and multi-track diplomacy. Due to the efforts of Governor McLane, along with the State of New Hampshire, Portsmouth and its citizens became the unlikely host for the first international treaty to be signed in the United States. Only now is it becoming apparent that the hospitality of the State of New Hampshire and the residents of Portsmouth played a significant informal role in creating an atmosphere that made the formal peaceful settlement possible. This international affair settled immediate difficulties in the Far East and created four decades of peace between the two warring nations, later awarding President Theodore Roosevelt the Nobel Peace Prize.

On the one hundredth anniversary of the Treaty of Portsmouth, we look back on this unusual event, its historical impact on world history, and its example for diplomacy today. On behalf of Senator Fuller Clark, I ask you to bring recognition to the city of Portsmouth and ^{New Hampshire} ~~its citizens~~ by voting in support of SB379, proclaiming September 5th as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.

Thank You.

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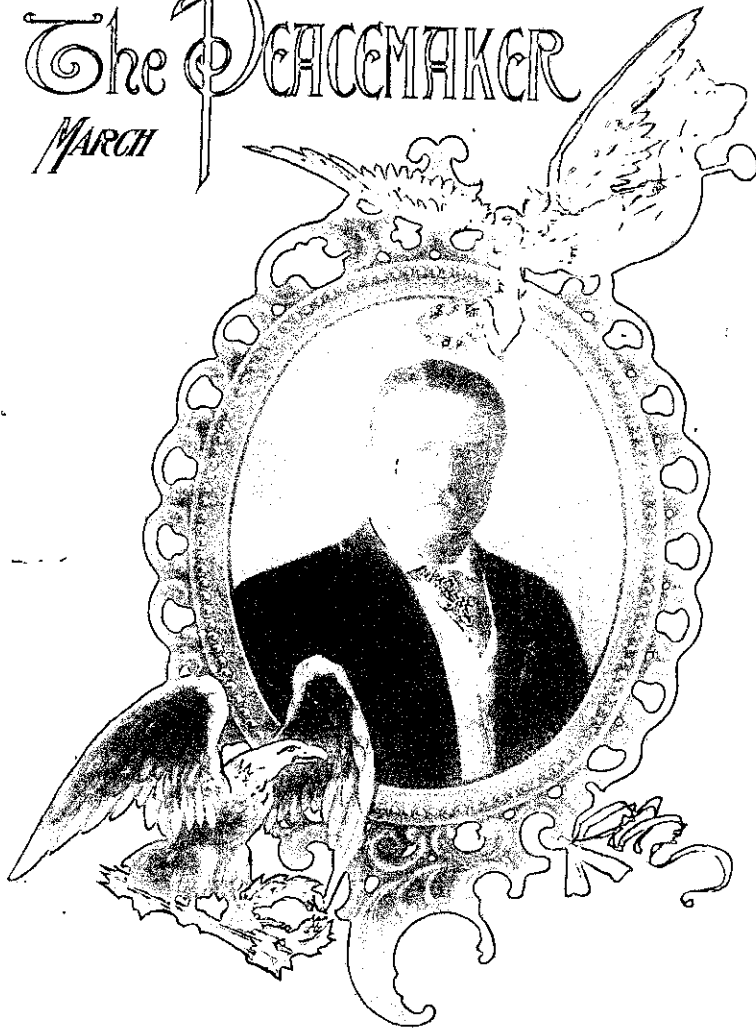
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Commemorating the
Portsmouth Peace Treaty Celebrations of 1907



Supported by the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee
For information: www.PortsmouthPeaceTreaty.com

President Theodore Roosevelt won the 1906 Nobel Peace Prize for his diplomacy in helping to end the Russo-Japanese War with the 1905 Portsmouth Peace Treaty. Commemorations continue. For more information on these 2007 events visit www.PortsmouthPeaceTreaty.com

The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee announces

The New Hampshire State Archives Special Exhibit

“An Uncommon Commitment to Peace:

Portsmouth Peace Treaty 1905”

71 So. Fruit Street, Concord, New Hampshire

Open Mon-Fri 8:30 am – 4 pm

2007 Portsmouth Peace Treaty Legacy Commemorative Events include:

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail Tours, daily

Permanent Exhibit, Portsmouth Historical Society, daily

“Serenade for World Peace” Seacoast Wind Ensemble Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Concert, Jun 24, 2 pm

Pontine Theatre, “Peace of Portsmouth,” Aug 26, 2 pm

Green Acre Peace Flag Raising, Sep 2, 2 pm

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Commemoration & Portsmouth Bell-ringing, Sep 5, 3:47 pm

Portsmouth Peace Treaty/Labor Parade, Sep 23, 2 pm

“Flags Over Portsmouth” Special Screening, Portsmouth Public Library

Theodore Roosevelt Nobel Peace Prize Commemorative Dinner, Dec 10

The Japan-America Society of New Hampshire
presents the Special Exhibition

AN UNCOMMON COMMITMENT TO PEACE:

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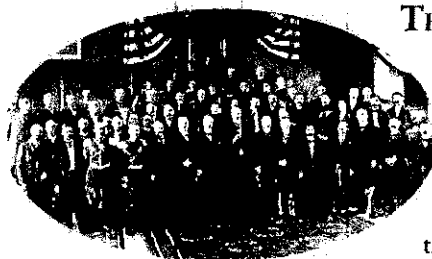
PORTSMOUTH PEACE TREATY OF 1905

ポーツマス条約締結100周年記念特別展

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR, fought from 1904-1905, marked history's largest battle to date between two nations in numbers of troops and ships involved. The conflict ended with the Portsmouth Peace Treaty.

AN UNCOMMON COMMITMENT TO PEACE explores the causes of the Russo-Japanese War, the conflict and the multi-track negotiation process consisting of:

- formal negotiations between Russian and Japanese delegates.
- behind the scenes diplomacy of President Roosevelt.
- the U.S. Navy's hosting and protocol for peace.
- the hosting of the delegates by the N.H. Governor and Portsmouth Mayor.
- the informal social events and activities of the local people to encourage the peace process.



THE EXHIBITION

features images of the war and the peace process, artifacts from the time and a timeline showing the relationship among the formal diplomacy, back-channel diplomacy and

local events that led to the Treaty signing on September 5, 1905. Artifacts include a pen used to sign the Treaty, the chair in which the Japanese diplomat Baron Komura sat, and other objects loaned from various collections.

FOR 30 DAYS IN PORTSMOUTH, New Hampshire, an uncommon commitment to peace became a common virtue.

The Portsmouth process is an example of the ability of local communities to be involved in resolving international disputes.



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日露戦争は、動員された兵隊そして軍艦の数において、それ以前に類を見ない大規模なものでした。1905年、明治38年9月5日、ポーツマス条約がこの酷烈な戦いに終止符を打ちました。特別展「平和への誓い」は、戦争とその原因に続いて、日露両政府代表団による公式会議、ローズベルト大統領による舞台裏での外交努力、アメリカ海軍、ニューハンプシャー州、ポーツマス市による講和会議の運営、そして地元市民による両政府代表団に対する励ましと社交行事の催しなど、一連の多元的な和平交渉の過程を考察するものです。ポーツマスで繰り広げられたこの稀有な平和への取り組みには、交渉が行われたおよそひと月の間に、一般市民を含めてたくさんの人々が参加するところとなりました。国際紛争の解決に一般市民が大いに貢献することができるということを、このポーツマスにおける例が証明しています。

特別展では、数々のイメージと歴史資料に加えて、緊迫した公式交渉、それと平行して行われている水面下での駆け引き、そして地元市民が数々の行事を催して両政府代表団を支援している様子などをパネルにして展示しています。展示資料には、条約署名に使用されたペン、小村寿太郎全権大使が交渉時に座っていた椅子など、様々な組織、個人からお借りした貴重なものが含まれています。

This permanent exhibition is located at Portsmouth Historical Society's **John Paul Jones House** on the corner of Middle and State Streets in historic downtown Portsmouth, NH. For information, call (603) 436-8420 or visit their website at:
www.portsmouthhistory.org

For more information about the Treaty's permanent and traveling exhibits, visit:
www.portsmouthpeacetry.org

This exhibition is organized by Charles B. Doleac (Project Director), Hayato Sakurai (Guest Curator), Christie Jackson (Assistant Curator), Richard Candee and Peter Randall (Consulting Curators), LifeSize Graphics, Lightship Design and MapWorks (Exhibit Panel Designers).



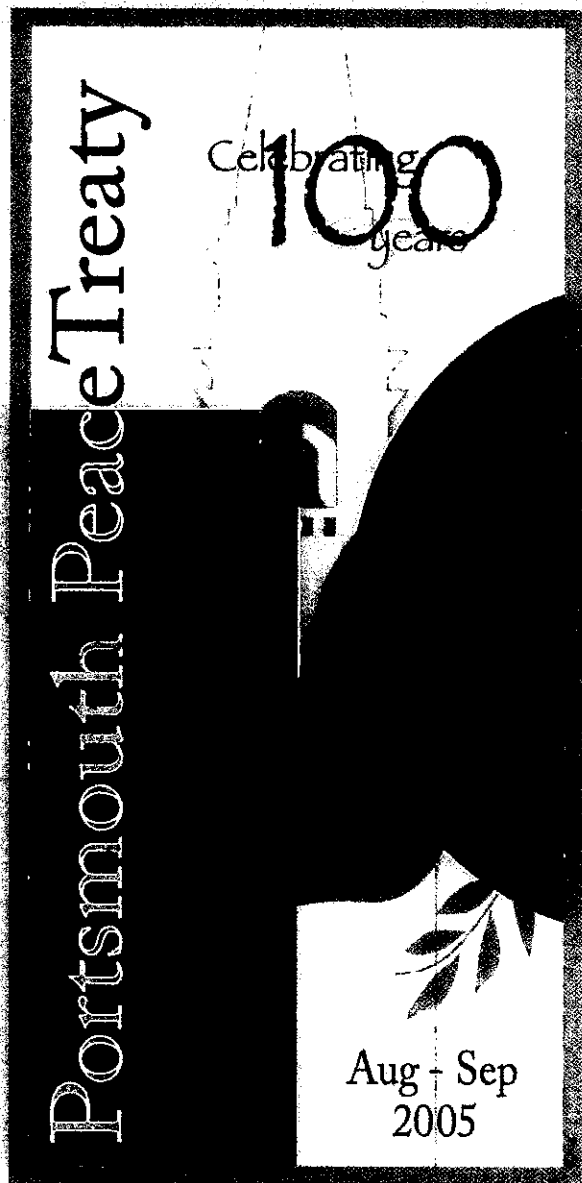
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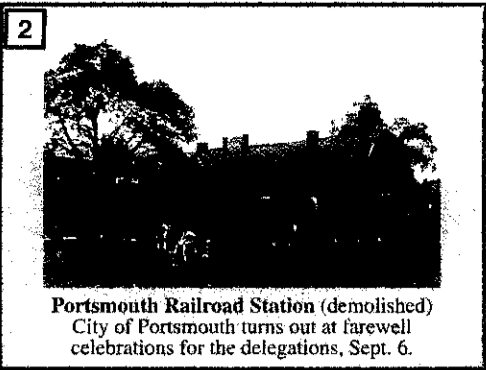
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PORTSMOUTH PEACE TREATY TRAIL

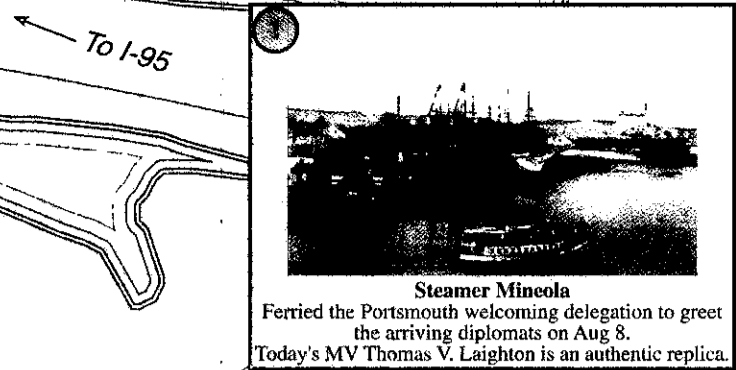


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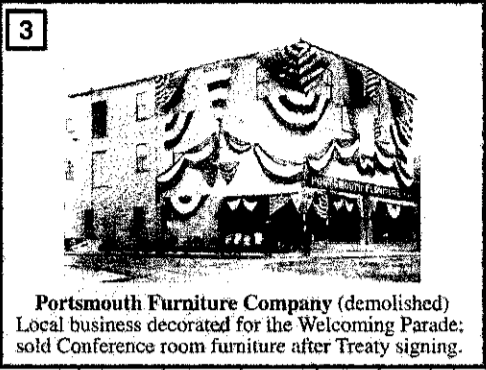
Portsmouth Sites →



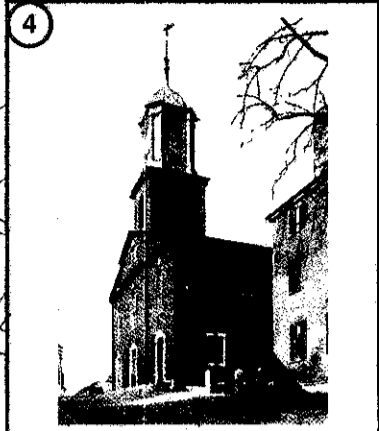
2 Portsmouth Railroad Station (demolished)
City of Portsmouth turns out at farewell celebrations for the delegations, Sept. 6.



1 Steamer Mineola
Ferried the Portsmouth welcoming delegation to greet the arriving diplomats on Aug 8.
Today's MV Thomas V. Loughton is an authentic replica.



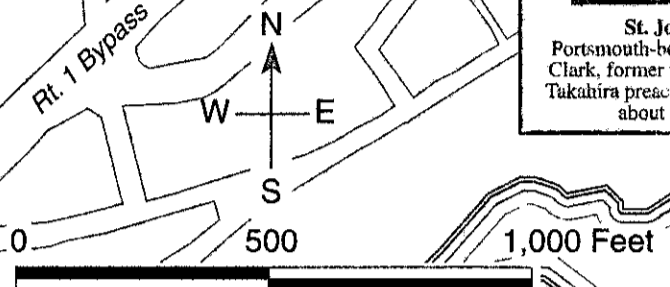
3 Portsmouth Furniture Company (demolished)
Local business decorated for the Welcoming Parade; sold Conference room furniture after Treaty signing.



4 St. John's Church
Portsmouth-born minister E. Warren Clark, former teacher to Komura and Takahira preached to both delegations about Japan in 1905.



5 Market Street
Russian Jewish émigré merchants welcomed Russian delegates to their shops.



2005 Special Event (circle with dot)

Treaty Building (circle with horizontal line)

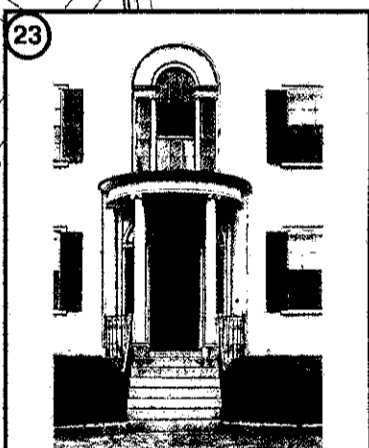
1905 Building Site (square with horizontal line)

Other Building (square)

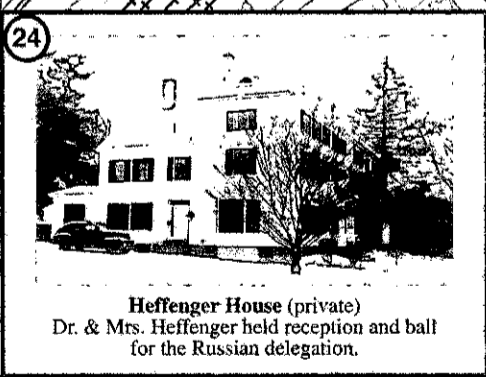
1905 Parade Route (arrow with tail)

Parking (circle with P)

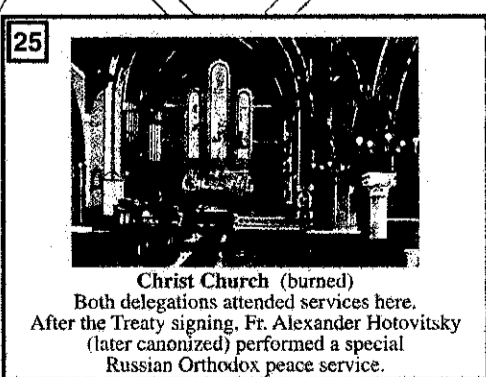
- Portsmouth Peace Treaty Sites and 2005 Special Event Locations:**
- 1 Steamer Mineola*
 - 2 Portsmouth Railroad Station
 - 3 Portsmouth Furniture
 - 4 St. John's Church
 - 5 Market Street
 - 6 Portsmouth Athenaeum*
 - 7 North Church*
 - 8 Music Hall*
 - 9 Kearsarge Hotel
 - 10 Former Portsmouth YMCA
 - 11 Portsmouth Historical Society*
 - 12 Rockingham Hotel*
 - 13 Portsmouth Post Office
 - 14 Page & Bartlett Law Office
 - 15 Rockingham County Courthouse
 - 16 Former Methodist Church
 - 17 Seacoast African American Cultural Center*
 - 18 Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery*
 - 19 Shapiro House, Strawberry Banke*
 - 20 Portsmouth Children's Museum*
 - 21 Former Merrick Hotel*
 - 22 Former Portsmouth Athletic Club
 - 23 Mayor Marvin House
 - 24 Heffenger House
 - 25 Christ Church. Interior
- * 2005 Special Event Location



23 Mayor Marvin House (private)
As Mayor of Portsmouth, he hosted the delegates and was one of only 6 American witnesses at the Treaty signing.



24 Heffenger House (private)
Dr. & Mrs. Heffenger held reception and ball for the Russian delegation.



25 Christ Church (burned)
Both delegations attended services here. After the Treaty signing, Fr. Alexander Hotovitsky (later canonized) performed a special Russian Orthodox peace service.



22 Former Portsmouth Athletic Club
Both delegations used the private club facilities including billiards and pool tables on the third floor.

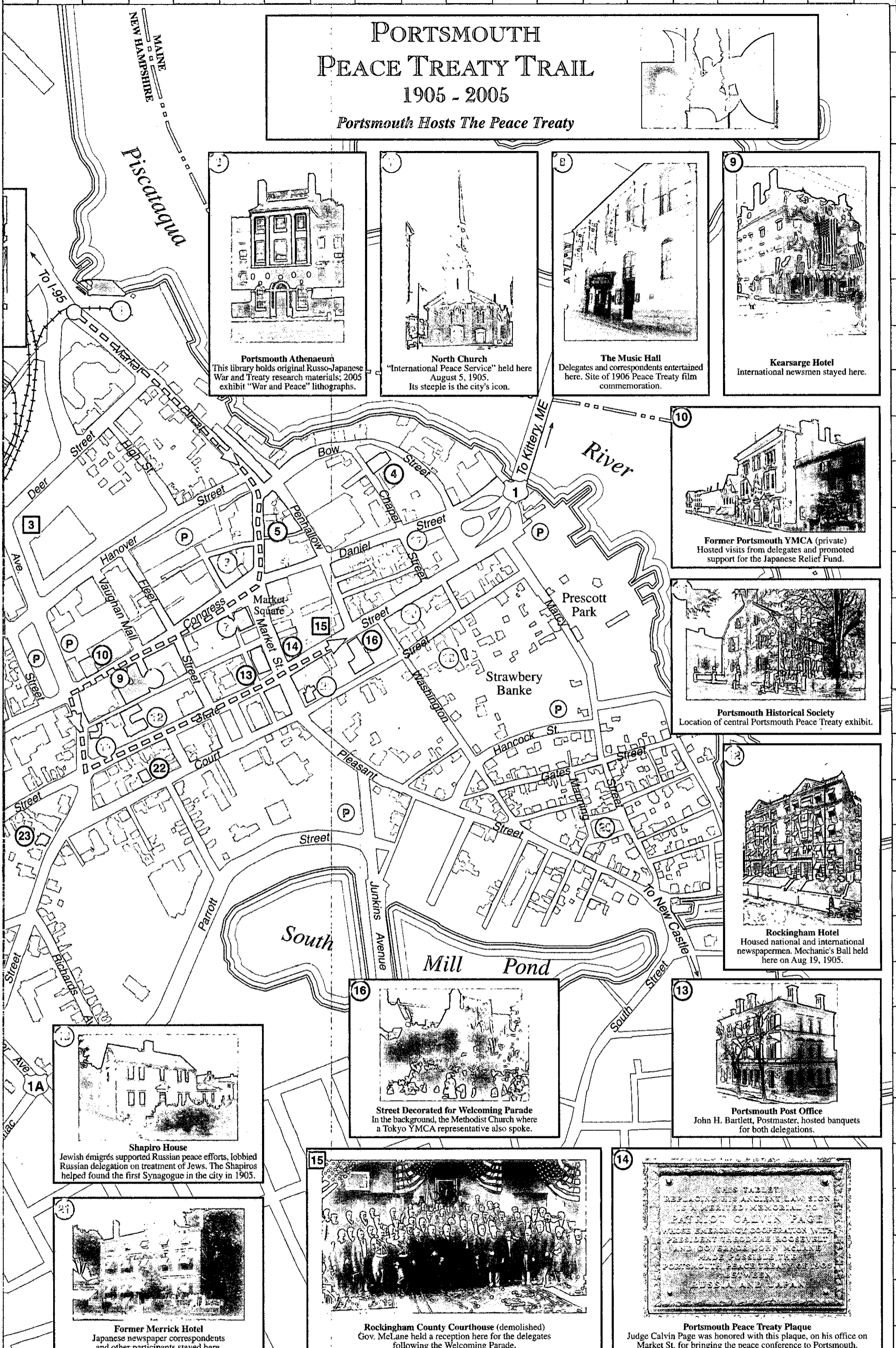
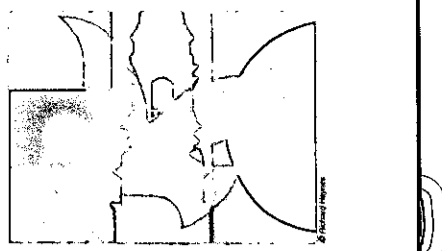
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PORTSMOUTH PEACE TREATY TRAIL 1905 - 2005

Portsmouth Hosts The Peace Treaty



Portsmouth Athenaeum
This library holds original Russo-Japanese War and Treaty research materials; 2005 exhibit "War and Peace" lithographs.

North Church
"International Peace Service" held here August 5, 1905. Its steeple is the city's icon.

The Music Hall
Delegates and correspondents entertained here. Site of 1906 Peace Treaty film commemoration.

Kearsarge Hotel
International newsmen stayed here.

Former Portsmouth YMCA (private)
Hosted visits from delegates and promoted support for the Japanese Relief Fund.

Portsmouth Historical Society
Location of central Portsmouth Peace Treaty exhibit.

Rockingham Hotel
Housed national and international newspapermen. Mechanic's Ball held here on Aug 19, 1905.

Portsmouth Post Office
John H. Bartlett, Postmaster, hosted banquets for both delegations.

Shapiro House
Jewish émigrés supported Russian peace efforts. Lobbied Russian delegation on treatment of Jews. The Shapiros helped found the first Synagogue in the city in 1905.

Street Decorated for Welcoming Parade
In the background, the Methodist Church where a Tokyo YMCA representative also spoke.

Former Merrick Hotel
Japanese newspaper correspondents and other participants stayed here.

Rockingham County Courthouse (demolished)
Gov. McLane held a reception here for the delegates following the Welcoming Parade.

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Plaque
Judge Calvin Page was honored with this plaque, on his office on Market St, for bringing the peace conference to Portsmouth.

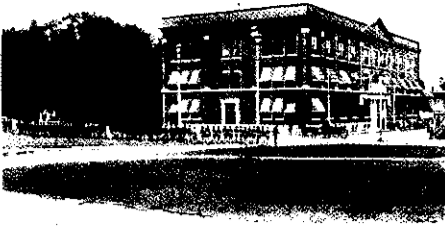
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The Seacoast Hosts The Peace Treaty

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2nd Christian Congregational Church, Kittery, ME
Japanese delegates attended services here.



Building 86
US Navy converted the second floor of this building into negotiation rooms where the Treaty was formally negotiated and signed on September 5, 1905 at 3:47 pm.

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Naval Shipyard Quarters "A"
Residence of Admiral Mead, Shipyard Commander. He hosted the protocols of peace and was one of the six Americans who witnessed the Treaty signing.



Green Acres Conference Center
Peace conference held. Peace Flag flown. Visited by Japanese delegates.

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Sites and 2005 Special Event Locations:

South of Portsmouth:

- 26 Fort Constitution
- 27 Niles Cottage
- 28 *Wentworth By The Sea Hotel**
- 29 *Creek Farm**
- 30 *Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion**
- 31 *Christ Church**
- 32 *Pontine**

North of Portsmouth:

- 33 *Green Acres Conference Center**
- 34 *Kittery Historical and Naval Museum**
- 35 2nd Christian Congregational Church
- 36 *Naval Shipyard Building 86**
- 37 Naval Shipyard "Quarters A"
- 38 Champenowne Hotel
- 39 York Country Club
- 40 *Perkins House**
- 41 Short Sands, York Beach

Beyond Portsmouth Region:

- 42 Amoskeag Mills, Manchester NH
- 43 Derryfield Club, Manchester NH
- 44 Oyster Bay, Sagamore Hill, NY

* 2005 Special Event Location

- 2005 Special Event
- Treaty Building
- 1905 Building Site

Delegate Activities Beyond The Portsmouth Region:



Witte, Rosen, Roosevelt, Komura, Takahira
President Roosevelt greeted the plenipotentiaries on board the Mayflower at Oyster Bay, NY.



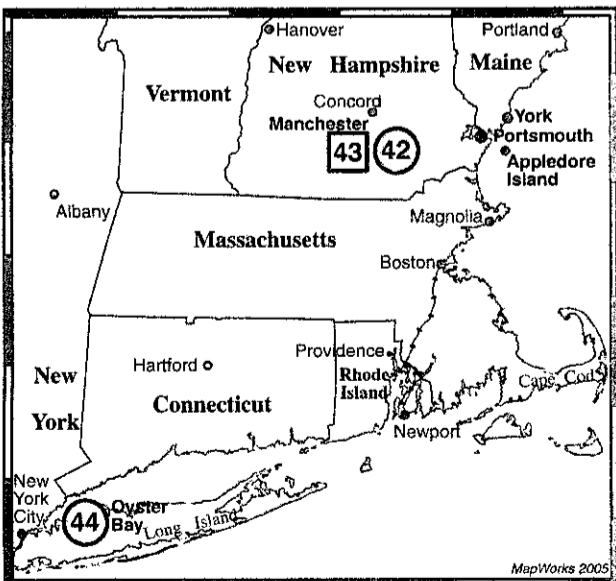
Amoskeag Mills, Manchester, NH
Members of the Japanese delegation toured the mills on a special visit.



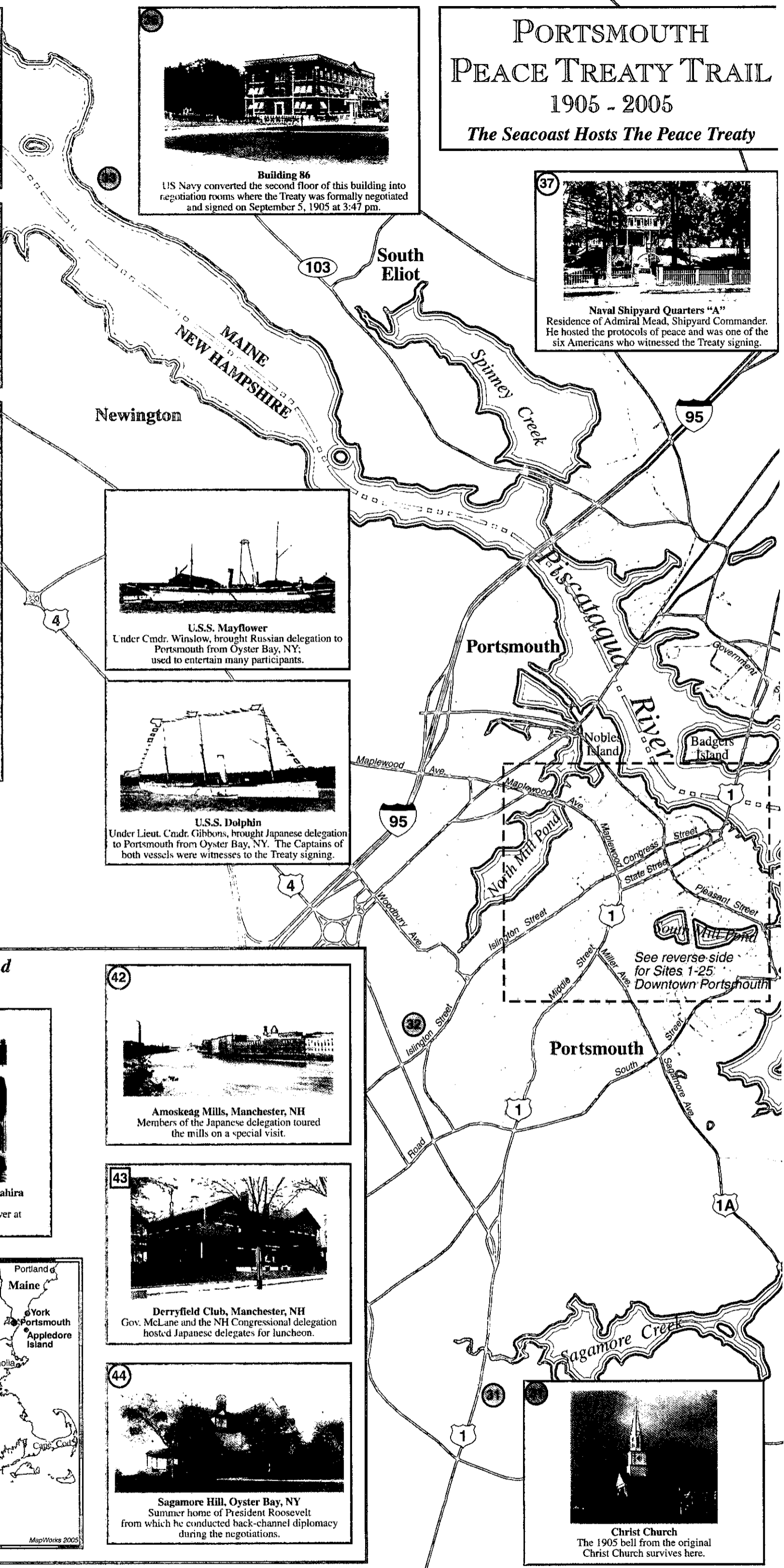
Derryfield Club, Manchester, NH
Gov. McLane and the NH Congressional delegation hosted Japanese delegates for luncheon.



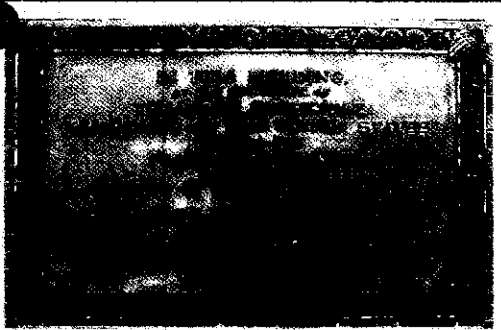
Sagamore Hill, Oyster Bay, NY
Summer home of President Roosevelt from which he conducted back-channel diplomacy during the negotiations.



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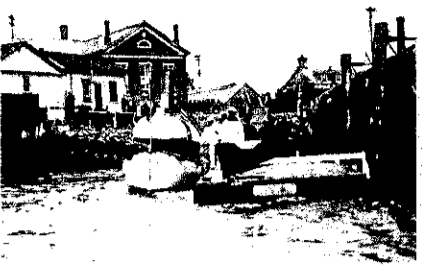
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Plaque on Building 86
Placed on the first anniversary in commemoration of the Treaty signing.



Short Sands, York Beach
Witte often visited here and talked with summer residents.



Portsmouth Naval Shipyard
US Navy welcomes envoys arriving by launch.



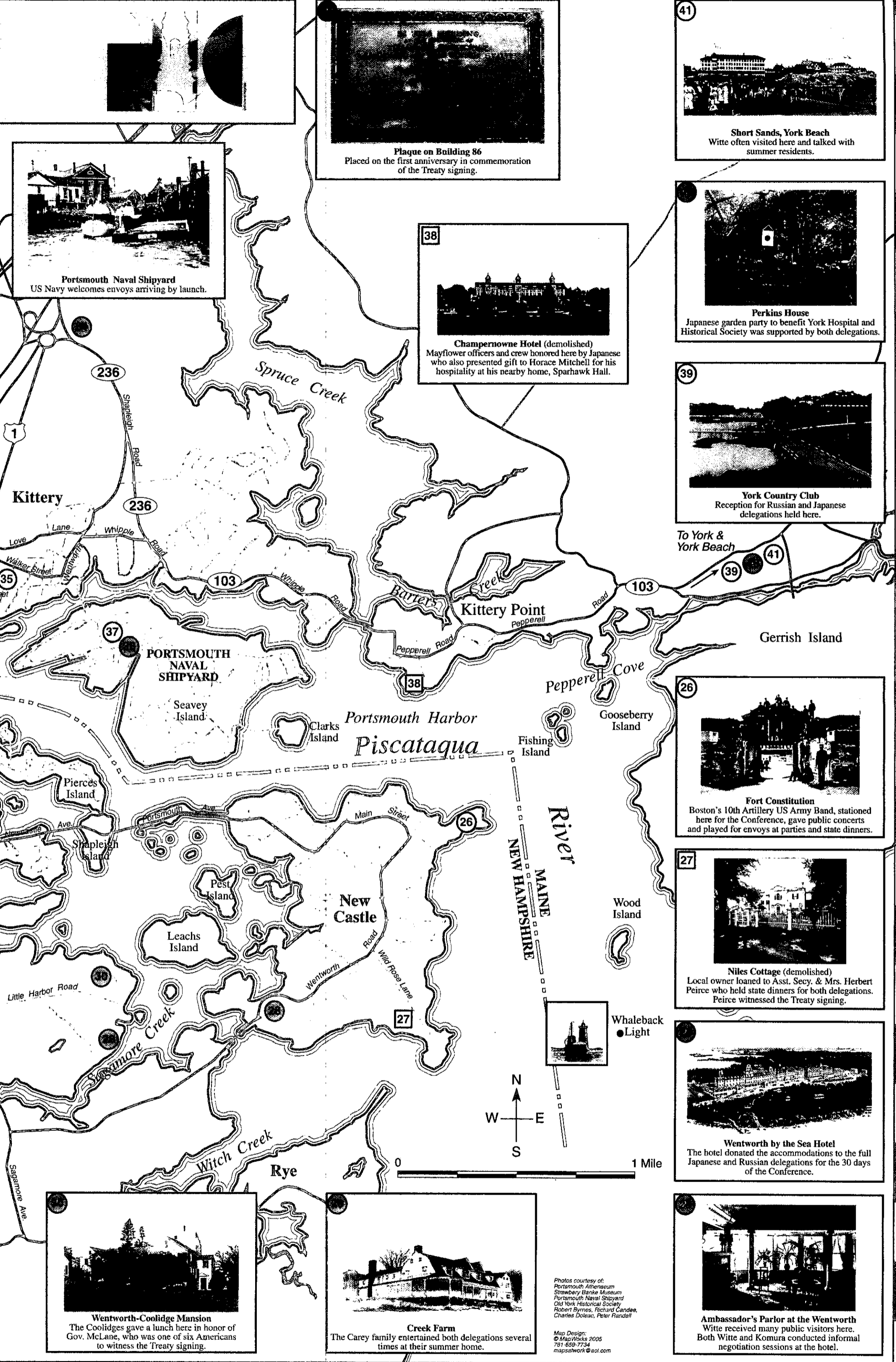
Champernowne Hotel (demolished)
Mayflower officers and crew honored here by Japanese who also presented gift to Horace Mitchell for his hospitality at his nearby home, Sparhawk Hall.



Perkins House
Japanese garden party to benefit York Hospital and Historical Society was supported by both delegations.



York Country Club
Reception for Russian and Japanese delegations held here.



To York & York Beach

PORTSMOUTH NAVAL SHIPYARD

Portsmouth Harbor
Piscataqua

MAINE
NEW HAMPSHIRE
River

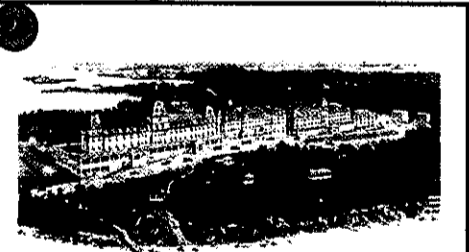
New Castle



Fort Constitution
Boston's 10th Artillery US Army Band, stationed here for the Conference, gave public concerts and played for envoys at parties and state dinners.



Niles Cottage (demolished)
Local owner loaned to Asst. Secy. & Mrs. Herbert Peirce who held state dinners for both delegations. Peirce witnessed the Treaty signing.



Wentworth by the Sea Hotel
The hotel donated the accommodations to the full Japanese and Russian delegations for the 30 days of the Conference.



Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion
The Coolidges gave a lunch here in honor of Gov. McLane, who was one of six Americans to witness the Treaty signing.



Creek Farm
The Carey family entertained both delegations several times at their summer home.

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Ambassador's Parlor at the Wentworth
Witte received many public visitors here. Both Witte and Komura conducted informal negotiation sessions at the hotel.

The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail "An Uncommon Commitment to Peace"

The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail identifies the sites in and around Portsmouth that helped Russian diplomat Sergius Witte and Japanese diplomat Jutarō Komura negotiate the Portsmouth Peace Treaty to end the Russo-Japanese War. In August and September 1905, "an uncommon commitment to peace became a common virtue" in Portsmouth, ending "World War Zero" with the signing of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty on September 5, 1905.

President Theodore Roosevelt won the Nobel Peace Prize for his diplomacy in arranging the conference. Although Roosevelt remained at his summer home at Oyster Bay, he relied on his representative, Asst. Secretary of State Peirce, the US Navy and Admiral Mead to host the formal diplomacy at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, while depending on New Hampshire Governor John McLane, the citizens of New Hampshire and Maine, and especially the City of Portsmouth, to be the official hosts.

The Trail retraces the path of diplomacy, both formal and informal, in the footsteps of Witte, Komura, their attaches and hosts. Starting in downtown Portsmouth, with the route of Gov. McLane's Welcoming Parade, see the homes and businesses that welcomed the delegations, the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and Wentworth By the Sea Hotel where the envoys held negotiations, and visit the many exhibits that tell the story.

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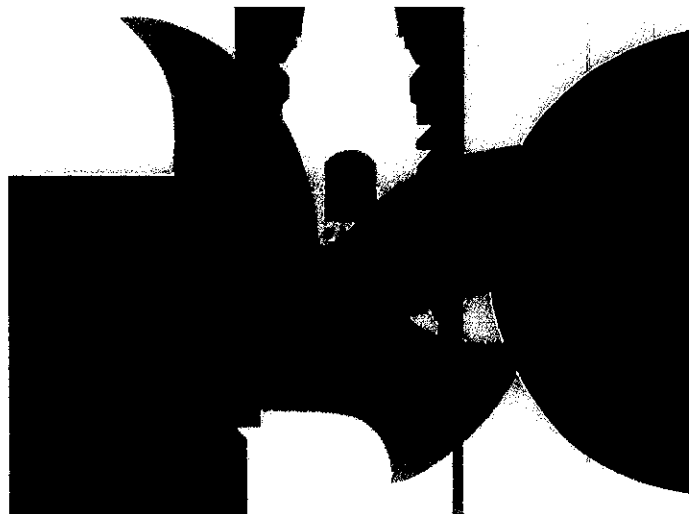
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**Portsmouth Peace Treaty 100th Anniversary Celebration
Commemorative Program of Events
July - October 2005**

Portsmouth Celebrates “Portsmouth Peace Treaty” Centennial

All eyes were on Portsmouth, New Hampshire during the summer of 1905 as Japanese and Russian envoys met to end the bloody Russo-Japanese War. For thirty days, Sergei Witte and Jutaro Komura, the plenipotentiaries representing Tsar of Russia and Emperor of Japan, gathered every available resource including the social graces found in a Seacoast summer to draft the Treaty of Portsmouth that ended the fighting on September 5th. President Theodore Roosevelt won the 1906 Nobel Peace Prize for bringing the countries together and for the back-channel diplomacy that aided the face-to-face negotiations of the extraordinary Russian and Japanese diplomats.

Portsmouth helped achieve the Peace, thanks to the the US Navy's peace process and the hospitality of Governor John McLane and his Executive Council, and the citizens of New Hampshire. Today it's called multi-track diplomacy. A committee of Portsmouth citizens representing businesses, cultural groups and a diverse host of community organizations are presenting a calendar of events that will let visitors to Portsmouth, New Hampshire in the summer of 2005 see how it all happened a hundred years ago



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Welcome to New Hampshire. I hope you all enjoy the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial celebrations.

In 1905, Governor John McLane was honored to welcome a distinguished assembly of ambassadors, advisers, media and fascinated visitors to Portsmouth. President Theodore Roosevelt placed his trust in New Hampshire and the United States Navy at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard to host discussions to resolve the conflicts of the Russo-Japanese War. This centennial celebration offers us an opportunity to learn more about the treaty and about how much the people and places of New Hampshire contributed to helping achieve that peace.

Today, as in 1905, we warmly welcome you to the Granite State. I hope that you will find time to enjoy our many attractions and activities. From scenic beaches to great restaurants and shopping, New Hampshire has it all.

We trust you will remember the City of Portsmouth and the State of New Hampshire as places that inspire. I think that once you've discovered us you'll want to come back again and again.

John Lynch
Governor of New Hampshire

Welcome, from the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard!

This summer, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in conjunction with the City of Portsmouth, will be hosting various events commemorating the Treaty of Portsmouth. As the Shipyard commander, it is my privilege to welcome guests from both home and abroad for this historic occasion. As many of you know, in 1905 the Shipyard was called upon to fulfill a vital mission for our country and the nations of the world: providing the delegates from Russian and Japan with a secure location in which to carry out the negotiations that led to the end of the Russo-Japanese War.

In 1905, my predecessor Rear Admiral Mead, along with his officers, staff and the Shipyard workers themselves, labored tirelessly to ensure the facilities were readied in short order and that the comfort and security of the delegates were ensured during the entire negotiation process. Rear Admiral Mead would remark at the dedication of the bronze tablet which marks the building where the conference took place, "One year ago at about this hour, the Treaty of Portsmouth which ended the war between Russia and Japan was signed, and the building in which it was signed will always be known as the Peace building." I am honored to be the steward of a site of such international historical importance.

The effort and commitment shown by all at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard during this time to help bring about peace, is part of a long tradition, which continues to this day. Portsmouth Naval Shipyard has always played a major role in ensuring peace and stability in the world and, of all the historic events that have occurred at our Shipyard, this may be the most poignant in our storied history. As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Treaty of Portsmouth, let us honor all those who worked to achieve this noble and historic goal.

Sincerely,

J.C. Iverson
Captain USN
Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Commander

Welcome to the City of Portsmouth and the 100th Anniversary of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty!

Historians have pointed to several reasons Portsmouth, New Hampshire was chosen as the host city for the negotiations to end the Russo-Japanese War: our refreshing seaside climate, our outstanding hotel accommodations, our state of the art telecommunications for the time, and the security of our Naval Shipyard.

But if you look closely at the records left by the participants in the negotiations in that summer of 1905, you find that what they remembered was Portsmouth's hospitality. Truly, the people of Portsmouth helped achieve the Portsmouth Peace Treaty, through the various small but heartfelt gestures of informal diplomacy provided by everyone from our distinguished families to 'the man in the the street.'

As you join us in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty, remembering the drama of those 30 days in August/September in 1905, we hope you enjoy, once again, a demonstration of what Portsmouth has to offer: the best of New Hampshire, the best of who we are.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Sirrell
Mayor of Portsmouth

Welcome to Greater Portsmouth!

In 1905, the citizens of the Greater Portsmouth area made some very important visitors feel welcome and well-accommodated. In 2005, our goal is to make you feel the same.

Just as 100 years ago, when the Seacoast greeted the delegates to the Portsmouth Peace Treaty conference, a variety of businesses, shopkeepers, hotels, community groups and art and entertainment venues have joined forces to make sure you have a stimulating and enjoyable stay. And just as then, you'll find that the Peace Treaty festivities only add to the vibrant and dynamic elements that brought you -- or them -- here in the first place.

As you walk the streets of Portsmouth, you will find a city that in its most pleasant aspects is virtually unchanged since the Russian and Japanese delegations gathered here. Yet, you will also find a young, progressive and wired-in community -- in 1905 our telegraph connectivity was state-of-the-art; today we're WiFi connected virtually all over town.

As you explore the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail, whether in the company of one of our gracious and informative Chamber tour guides or with the help of the detailed trail map, we are sure that you'll find reasons to make Greater Portsmouth a regular stop in your future travel plans. We look forward to making you welcome while you're here, and to welcoming you back.

Cordially,
Dick Ingram
President, Greater Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce

On behalf of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee, welcome!

In this summer of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial, we are opening our city to the world as we did in 1905, welcoming visitors and reminding ourselves of our history and the responsibility President Theodore Roosevelt entrusted to us: to be the hosts for an event with global repercussions.

As a committee of Portsmouth citizens representing businesses, cultural groups and a diverse host of community organizations, we invite you to enjoy the calendar of events that lets you see how it all happened a hundred years ago. Thanks, in particular, to the support of the Japan-America Society of New Hampshire funded by the Center for Global Partnership of the Japan Foundation, the Committee has created the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail, the official website, www.portsmouthpeacetreaty.com; the central exhibit, "An Uncommon Commitment to Peace: The Portsmouth Peace Treaty of 1905" and its traveling exhibit designed as a companion to the Portsmouth Peace Treaty school curriculum.

Centennial events include re-enactments, parades, performances, exhibits -- right up to and including the 100th anniversary of the moment the Treaty was signed: 3:47 pm EDT on September 5th.

The observance of the Centennial of the signing of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty has allowed new scholarship to document the example of how individuals can shape world events. In the Seacoast, we often take that role for granted, because it is "who we are." We hope you enjoy the experience of exploring that proud tradition with us as you learn how ordinary citizens can -- and did -- make a difference..

Charles Doleac
Co-Chairman

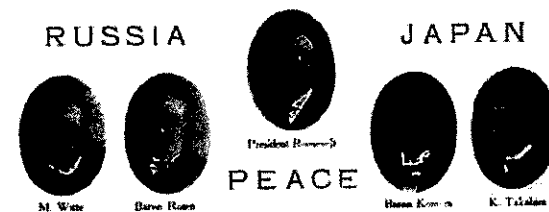
Peter Bowman
Co-Chairman

All this summer, Portsmouth is celebrating the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial with Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail walking, trolley and boat tours of iconic sites; a 15-week Centennial Concert Series; Pontine Theatre's original play, "The Peace of Portsmouth;" a Portsmouth Athenaeum scholarly lecture series; conferences at Dartmouth and the Green Acre Baha'i School; and exhibits, including:

- "An Uncommon Commitment to Peace: Portsmouth Peace Treaty 1905" presented by the Portsmouth Historical Society and Japan-America Society of NH;
- "The Art of Peace" New Hampshire Art Association competition co-chaired by New Hampshire First Lady Susan Lynch and Yoko Ono;
- "Symbols of Peace" at the Seacoast African American Cultural Center,
- "PEACE! A Pictorial History" at the Children's Museum of Portsmouth,
- "Images of War & Peace" at the Portsmouth Athenaeum,
- "Portsmouth Peace Treaty" at Old York Historical Society
- "Peace and the Pursuit of Pleasure" at Wentworth Coolidge

Significant events are being re-enacted, including "Portsmouth's Welcoming Parade" on Aug 6th, produced again by the New Hampshire National Guard; the Creek Farm Garden Party on Aug 27th, and the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard's "Peace Achieved" bell ringing and signing commemoration on the exact anniversary (3:47 pm on September 5th.)

For more details and continuous updates, visit www.PortssmouthPeaceTreaty.com



The Treaty of Portsmouth

Signed September 5, 1905

Why Portsmouth, New Hampshire?

Historians have pointed to several reasons Portsmouth, New Hampshire was chosen as the host city for the negotiations to end the Russo-Japanese War. Washington DC was inhospitable because of its summer climate. More prominent tourist destinations such as Newport RI were likely to be politicized (most thought, in favor of the Russians). President Roosevelt knew the Seacoast of Maine and New Hampshire (he had visited Kittery the previous summer of 1904) and was confident in the protocol and security capabilities of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (Roosevelt was former Secretary of the Navy.)

But in fact, the decision was largely the result of quick realization of the strategic tourism value of being host to a Conference that would bring international fame to its venue, and due to the prompt and generous hospitality on the part of the Governor and his Executive Council, the NH Secretary of State, the Congressional delegation, and prominent hoteliers. That proactive hospitality, when echoed down to the 'man in the street' and the hostesses of the Seacoast, would prove to be fertile ground for a Peace that was not at all predetermined.

The 100th Anniversary of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty is designed to present the drama of the 30 days in August 1905 that showcased the best of New Hampshire. The Centennial Celebration is not an end in itself, but a beginning, demonstrating for current and future generations in words, art, events, performances, re-enactments, scholarly studies, and a memorial Peace Treaty Trail, the special character of New Hampshire: the best of who we are.

A few facts:

President Roosevelt began efforts to broker a peace to end "World War Zero" between Japan and Russia (with their international allies) in March 1905. But it took until June 12th for both the Japanese and the Russian governments to accept his offer of neutral ground for a peace conference. After that, key players in New Hampshire moved quickly:

6/20/05 The owners of the Mount Washington Hotel suggest their hotel as the conference site to NH Governor John McLane.

6/21/05 Governor McLane presents the idea to Jack Chandler, former NH Senator, Secretary of the Navy, and friend of Roosevelt.

6/22/05 NH Executive Council votes to extend a formal invitation to the Russian and Japanese to hold peace negotiations at State expense.

6/23/05 Senator Chandler and Senator Gallinger contact Secretary of State Hayes who suggests they go directly to the Russian and Japanese Embassies with their invitation.

6/24/05 NH Secretary of State Pearson and Senator Burnham join

Chandler to meet with Russian Ambassador Cassini and Japanese Minister Takahira and extend the State of New Hampshire invitation.

6/30/05 Governor McLane, Senators Gallinger and Burnham, Congressmen Currier and Kimball, members of the Executive Council and others pledge "handsome sums" to defray expenses, if necessary.

7/01/05 US Asst. Secretary of State Peirce meets with Pearson and Senator Gallinger and indicates that Portsmouth Naval Shipyard is preferred because of sea access, security and Navy protocol ability.

7/03/05 Pearson, Governor McLane, Executive Councillor Towle visit Judge Calvin Page, executor of the Frank Jones Estate, who make the estate's Wentworth by the Sea Hotel available at no charge.

7/10/05 US Secy of State Peirce advises NH Secy of State that delegations have agreed to Portsmouth.

8/8/05 Japanese and Russian delegations arrive.

The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail, exhibit, traveling exhibit and website (www.portsmouthpeacetreaty.com) were produced thanks to the Japan-America Society of NH and a grant funded by the Center for Global Partnership of the Japan Foundation. Additional support comes from the Otto Fund of the Greater Piscataqua Community Foundation.



Delegates arriving at Building 86, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, site of the formal negotiations. (Courtesy: Portsmouth Athenaeum).

Thanks also to the following Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial participants and their sponsors:

Children's Museum of Portsmouth-- "PEACE" Pictorial History

Dartmouth College -- "Portsmouth & Its Legacies" conference
Japan-United States Friendship Commission, John Sloan Dickey Center of International Understanding, Office of the Provost, and Office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Downtown Business Association -- downtown street decorations: City of Portsmouth, Citizens Bank, Ocean National Bank, Richards Avenue Residents Association

Green Acre Baha'i School -- "Toward a Culture of Peace" Symposium

NH Art Association-- "Art of Peace" Juried competition, exhibit Co-chairpersons: Susan Lynch, Yoko Ono

NH National Guard -- Governor's Portsmouth Welcoming Parade:
Strawbery Banke Military Appreciation Day sponsored by
BAE Systems and Service Credit Union

NH Division of Travel and Tourism Development -- Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail map, posters and Commemorative Program

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Portsmouth Marine Society

Portsmouth Men's Chorus -- Centennial Concert Series (15 weeks): The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, Portsmouth Mnisterium, Women's City Club; Sponsors, Patrons, Backers and Friends

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial Hosts

Portsmouth Public Library -- "Prelude to Peace" 5-week lecture series

ProPortsmouth -- Market Square Day & Children's Day events

Russian Society and The Severodvinsk Connection

Seacoast African-American Cultural Center -- "Symbols of Peace" created by Richard Haynes' McIntosh College students

Strawbery Banke -- "1905 America Reinvents Itself" Chautauqua: NH Humanities Council

United States Navy, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard -- Re-enactment ceremonies, Aug 6, Sep 5; USS Ross (DDG 71), her officers and crew

Wentworth By the Sea Hotel & Spa, Ocean Properties Ltd.

Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion -- "Peace & the Pursuit of Pleasure" exhibit; "A Toast to the Past" Lawn Party with Gov. & Mrs. Lynch: Greater Piscataqua Community Foundation

Treaty of Portsmouth Memorial

To celebrate the Treaty, and the efforts that led up to it, the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee has established a Portsmouth Peace Treaty Memorial Fund, the proceeds of which will enable the commissioning of a memorial to be located in Portsmouth.

The memorial is to be a permanent reminder of the event and a celebration of the roles President Roosevelt, Japan, Russia, the US Navy, the State of New Hampshire, and the citizens of Portsmouth played in the treaty negotiations. The memorial itself will be the product of an international design competition.

To raise money for the memorial, the committee commissioned a painting by celebrated maritime painter, and seacoast resident, Christopher J. Ward, from which limited edition prints were made. The painting depicts the arrival (in US Navy motor launches) of the Russian and Japanese delegates to Portsmouth Harbor on their way to signing the treaty at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, and includes images of the USS Dolphin, the North Church steeple, St. John's Church, Merchant's Row storehouses, the Moffatt-Ladd House, the Steamer Mineola Isles of Shoals ferry, and other historically accurate sights of 1905.

Purchasers of the prints are credited as "Founders" of the Memorial. To purchase the Memorial print of this historic event, **contact the Memorial Fund Office, 59 Deer Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801, 603-427-1905.**

Additional Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial fund-raising items are available for purchase through

www.portsmouthpeacetreaty.com. These include:

- *There Are No Victors Here* by Peter Randall (\$20.)
- "The Peace of Portsmouth" original graphic design by Richard Haynes available as a fine art print in three sizes: 12" x 15" (\$75), 15" x 22" (\$125) and 22x36" (\$264)
- "Treaty of Portsmouth 1905-2005" postcard book of ten historic images reproduced from original 1905 souvenir postcards (\$9.50)
 - Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail map (unfolded) suitable for framing (\$15)
 - Commemorative coin depicting "Building 86" (\$5)

Also available at "An Uncommon Commitment to Peace" gift shop in the Portsmouth Historical Society's Museum

CALENDAR OF CENTENNIAL EVENTS

Jun 25 - Sep 30, daily at 9:55-12:45, 1:55-4:45

Peace Treaty Cruise: Historic Isles of Shoals, Lighthouses, and Portsmouth Harbor Tour

Isles of Shoals Steamship Co.'s M/V Thomas Loughton, 315 Market Street, Portsmouth

Contact: 800-441-4620, www.islesofshoals.com

Jun 30 - Oct

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail walking & trolley tours

Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce Thurs & Sat at 10:30 am, Fri & Mon at 5:30 pm, Sun at 1:30 pm. Tours start at the Freedom Flag Pole in Prescott Park, Marcy St. (opposite Strawberry Banke) and at the John Paul Jones House (location of the main Treaty exhibit.) During August and on Labor Day weekend, trolley tours will cover downtown and outlying Treaty sites. Trolley tours must be reserved 3 days in advance by calling 603-436-3988 exy. 10 or go to

www.portsmouthchamber.org/treatytrolleytours.cfm Tickets: Walking tour only: Adults \$8, Seniors, \$7, children 8-14 yrs. \$5, under-8, free. Combination Walking tour & exhibit: Adults \$15, Seniors \$12, Children 8-14 \$10. Under 8, free. Trolley Tour: Adults, \$15; Seniors \$12; Children 8-14 yrs., \$10; Under-8, free. Combination Trolley tour & exhibit: Adults \$20, Seniors \$18, Children 8-14 \$15, Under 8, free.

Contact: 603-436-3988 or visit www.portsmouthchamber.org

Opening August 1

Exhibit: "An Uncommon Commitment to Peace: The Portsmouth Peace Treaty of 1905" Portsmouth Historical Society

John Paul Jones House Museum, corner of middle and State Streets, Portsmouth. Open daily, 11 am - 5 pm, Admission: \$10

Contact: 603-436-8420, www.portsmouthhistory.org

Exhibit July 1 through Sep 4; Reception July 14, 5-6:30 pm

PEACE! Pictorial History For Young People

Children's Museum of Portsmouth, Mon-Sat 10 am - 5 pm/Sun 1-5 pm
Admission \$5 for children and adults, \$4 for seniors, free for members and children under 1.

Contact: 603-436-3853, www.childrens-museum.org

Through Aug 27

Old York Historical Society Treaty Exhibit

Perkins House Visitors Center, York, Maine. Guided tours Mon-Sat at 3 pm and 4 pm

• **Peace Day! For kids aged 8-12, Aug 16, 1-2:30 pm**

• **For kids aged 5-7, Aug 18, 1-2:30 pm**

\$10 members, \$12 non-members. Reservations required.

Contact: 207-363-4974

June 18 - November 5

"War and Peace: Images from the Russo-Japanese War 1904-1905" Exhibit

Portsmouth Athenaeum, Randall Gallery, 6-8 Market Square, Open Tues, Thurs, 1-4 p.m.; Sat 10- 4 pm. Free.

Contact: 603-431-2538

July 16 - October 1, all lectures 5:30 pm except *

Portsmouth Athenaeum, Treaty of Portsmouth Lecture Series

North Church, Market Square, Portsmouth except * at 7 pm,

Wentworth By the Sea. Free

- Jul 16, Constantine Pleshakov, "The Russian Role in the Russo-Japanese War"
- Aug 4, Peter Randall, author of *There Are No Victors Here*
- Aug 16, Cmdr. Jerry Hendrix, "An Unlikely Location"*
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Contact: 603-431-2538

July 10 - October 16, all concerts at 3 pm

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial Concert Series

Sundays. Free. Donations at the door welcomed.

Jul 10, *Seacoast Community Chorus*, First Congregational Church, 149 State Road, Eliot ME

Jul 17, *Angel Band/Kelly Hathorne, flute*, First Congregational Church, 23 Pepperrell Road, Kittery Pt, ME

Jul 24, *Chorus Boston* (Japanese language), North Church of Portsmouth, Market Square, Portsmouth
Jul 31, *Portsmouth Symphony Orchestra*, The Music Hall, 28 Chestnut Street, Portsmouth
Aug 7, *Japanese Musical Artists*, South Church (Unitarian Universalist), 292 State Street, Portsmouth
Aug 14, *Catherine York Knowlton, piano*; St. John's Episcopal, 101 Chapel Street, Portsmouth
Aug 21, *Larry Simon and Jazz Friends*, United Methodist Church, 129 Miller Avenue, Portsmouth
Aug 28, *New Hope Baptist Church Gospel Choir*, New Castle Congregational Church, Main Street, New Castle
Sep 4, *Nevers' 2nd Regiment Band, Service of Peace re-enactment*, Christ Episcopal Church, 1035 Lafayette Road, Portsmouth
Sep 11, *Massed Choirs, "Ode to Joy" from Beethoven's 9th, "Portsmouth Peace Hymn" World Premiere*, Portsmouth High School Auditorium, Alumni Circle
Sep 18, *York First Parish Congregational Church Men's Choir, Women's City Club*, 375 Middle Street, Portsmouth
Sep 25, *John Perrault & Friends*
United Methodist Church, 60 Dow Highway, Eliot ME
Oct 2 *Amare Cantare/Opus 39*
Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center, Eliot ME
Oct 9, *ARC Trio*, Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Street, Rye
Oct 16, *Portsmouth Men's Chorus/Portsmouth Women's Chorus*, South Church, 292 State Street, Portsmouth
Contact: Terrie Harman, 603-431-0666

July 20 - Sep 5

New Hampshire Art Association, "The Art of Peace" Juried art competition and exhibit, co-chaired by NH First Lady Susan Lynch and Yoko Ono.
Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 136 State St., Portsmouth
Contact: 603-431-4230

July 22

Sarah Farmer: "Champion of Peace" Birthday Celebration
Dedication of the Sarah Farmer Room at the Eliot Public Library, lecture and birthday party at Green Acre Baha'i School, Eliot.
Contact: 207-439-7200, www.greenacre.org

July 25 - July 28

New Hampshire Humanities Council, Peace Chautauqua at Strawberry Banke
Marcy Street, Portsmouth
Contact: 603-433-1100, www.strawberrybanke.org

Opening July 31, 6 pm

"Symbols of Peace" Exhibit
Seacoast African American Cultural Center, Connie Bean Center, 2nd Floor, Daniel Street, Portsmouth
Contact: 603-431-2768

August 6, 11:30 am - 4 pm

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Gun Salute, Bell Ringing, Governor's Welcoming Parade, Strawberry Banke Military Appreciation Day
Recreation of Admiral Mead's welcome and luncheon for delegates. . . Following lunch, the dignitaries will go by carriage, as in 1905 to the start of the Parade route at the Isles of Shoals Steamship Company yard. At 2 pm, the NH National Guard "Portsmouth Welcoming Parade" through Downtown Portsmouth, ending at Strawberry Banke which will host an Appreciation Day for military participants and their families. Sponsored by BAE Systems and Credit Service Union.

August 7, 8, 9, 7:30 pm

"Battleship Potemkin" Russian Film with film discussion on Aug 7th. The Music Hall, 28 Chestnut Street, Portsmouth
Contact: 603-436-2400, www.themusicHall.org

August 8, 7 pm

"A White Night Evening with Visitors from Severodvinsk Russia"
Portsmouth Severodvinsk Connection welcomes 37 Russian visitors who will present Russian songs, film and discussion on peace. St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Chapel Road, Portsmouth
Contact: 603-964-9079

Thursdays, Aug 11, Sep 1 at 8 pm; Sundays Aug 14, 28 4 pm
Pontine Theatre, "The Peace of Portsmouth"
West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington Street, Portsmouth
Tickets: \$19 (Students, seniors, starving artists, \$16)
Contact: 603-436-6660, www.pontine.org

August 11, 3 pm

Seacoast African American Cultural Center Children's Story Hour, "Stories of Peace & Reconciliation"

Ellen McAllister-Flack, 4th grade teacher at Portsmouth's Little Harbour School will read aloud. Seacoast African American Cultural Center, Connie Bean Center, 2nd Floor, Daniel Street, Portsmouth
Contact: 603-431-2768

Friday August 12, 6 pm

"The Art of Peace" Award Reception, New Hampshire Art Association, juried art competition and exhibit, co-chaired by NH First Lady Susan Lynch and Yoko Ono
Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 136 State St., Portsmouth
Contact: 603-431-4230

August 19-21, "Sarah Farmer"

Seminar presented by her biographer Douglas Martin Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center, Eliot, Maine
Contact: 207-439-7200, www.greenacre.org

Aug 20, Benefit Reception 6 pm, Free lecture 7:30 pm
"Portsmouth Explodes in 1905"

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty and related local events, Ronald Bourgeault and the Staff of Northeast Auctions host an Auction Preview and Reception to benefit the Portsmouth Historical Society at 93 Pleasant Street. Lecture by local historian J. Dennis Robinson follows at Temple Israel (est. 1905). Reception benefit tickets, \$15. Lecture is free and open to the public.
Contact: Northeast Auctions, 603-433-8400.

August 22, 6 pm

Seacoast African-American Cultural Center "African Symbols of Peace" Quilting Bee and Storytelling Hour
Seacoast African American Cultural Center, Connie Bean Center, 2nd Floor, Daniel Street, Portsmouth
Contact: 603-431-2768

Opening August 21, through Sep 25

"Peace and the Pursuit of Pleasure" Exhibit
Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion, 375 Little Harbor Road, Portsmouth,
Wed-Sat, 10 am-3pm, Sun, noon-4 pm
Contact: 603-436-6607

August 27, 3-6:30 pm

Carey Creek Farm Garden Party Re-enactment

Little Harbor Road, Portsmouth. Performance by Pontine Theatre plus music of the era presented by Richard Spicer.

Contact: 603-436-8420, www.portsmouthhistory.org

August 28

"Toast to the Past" Governor & Mrs. Lynch and the Coolidge family host a lawn party to commemorate the 1905 NH Governor's visit to the mansion. Advance reservations required, Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion, 375 Little Harbor Road, Portsmouth
Contact: 603-436-6607

August 26-31

Baha'i Symposium, "Toward a Culture of Peace" Programs ** in bold are open to the public and free.

Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center, Eliot, Maine
Contact: 207-439-7200, www.greenacre.org

Friday, August 26

****7:30 p.m. Keynote address by Dr. Suheil Bushrui, "Toward a Culture of Peace."**

Saturday, August 27

9:30 am to 12:15 pm "Toward a Culture of Peace" - Dr.Suheil Bushrui and Dr. Edward Kaufman, course meets for five mornings, through Aug.31 (Tuition fees, meals fees and/or accommodation fees charged as applicable.) Visit www.greenacre.org for information.

2:30 - 5:15 pm Lectures and Panel Discussions: The Peace Treaty Curriculum - Presentation by Blanche Milligan with contributions by Dr.Anne Gordon Perry, University of Texas, Russian and Japanese subject matter and curriculum specialists. Visit to the Paper Crane project in Green Acre auditorium and classrooms. ****7:30 pm The Arts and a Culture of Peace - Russian Contributions.**

Sunday, August 28 **2:30 - 5:15 pm "Sarah Farmer, Champion of Peace"

Dramatic Re-enactment of Green Acre Activities related to the Peace Treaty process in 1904 and 1905, created by Dr. Anne Gordon Perry. After the play, walking tours of the Ole Bull Cottage

****7:30 pm The Arts and a Culture of Peace - Japanese Contributions.** Concert by Melody Tachibana King; Performance by Nava, Anisa, and Samin Fox

Monday, August 29 2:30-5:15 pm "Islam and a Culture of Peace" by Mrs. Afaf Stevens, an Iraqi peace educator and Islamic Studies specialist. ****7:30 pm The Arts and the Culture of Peace - African and African American Contributions.** Ellen McAllister-Flack and the Seacoast African American Cultural Center.

Tuesday, August 30 2:30 to 5:15 pm Panel Discussion "Multi-Track Diplomacy and the Dayton Accords" with Mr. Robert Ciandella, Esq. ****7:30 pm The Arts and the Culture of Peace - Native American Contributions.** Tom Garland-Standing and others.

Wednesday, August 31 100th Anniversary of the Visit of the Japanese Delegation to Green Acre. **10:30 am to 12:15 pm Speeches on Subject of Peace. Short Dramatic Presentation on 1905 Visit at Ole Bull Cottage. Singing of Japanese National Anthem by Melody Tachibana King. Singing of Russian National Anthem. Raising of the Peace Flag. Reception.

September 4 Visit by the Japanese Ambassador (invited) and "Peace Flag-raising" 2 pm. This special ceremony will be a tribute not only to the Russian, the Japanese, and the American people, but also to the peoples of the world. Mr. Charles Doleac, Co-chair of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee, "The Significance of the Russo-Japanese Peace Treaty.

September 4, Christ Church Thanksgiving Service Re-enactment, 5pm Christ Episcopal Church, 1035 Lafayette Road, Portsmouth

September 5
"Count Witte, the Portsmouth Peace Treaty and the 'Russian Atlantis' in China" 10:45 am. Lecture by Steve Upton, President of the Russia Society of New Hampshire. Portsmouth Athenaeum.
Contact: 603-226-2312 for reservations and information.

September 5
Treaty Signing Commemoration, Planting of Peace Tree, and Bell Ringing Ceremony, 3:47 pm

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and city-wide, Portsmouth NH
Contact: www.portsmouthpeacetreaty.com

September 5
Mayor's Centennial Tea, 3 pm
Wentworth By the Sea Hotel (by invitation)
State Dinner, 7 pm, Wentworth By the Sea Hotel (by invitation)

September 8-10
Dartmouth International Conference "Portsmouth and Its Legacies" Dartmouth College, Hanover
Contact: 603-646-3429

September 19, 7 pm Lecture; 7:30 pm Performance
Japanese NOH Theater Performance, "Moon of the Scarlet Plums"
Lawn of Green Acre School, Eliot, Maine. Tickets: \$20. \$15 for students
Contact: 603-464-0271 or www.northeastculturalcoop.org

**Portsmouth Historical Society
"An Uncommon Commitment to Peace:
The Portsmouth Peace Treaty of 1905"**

"An Uncommon Commitment to Peace," is a cooperative project between the Portsmouth Historical Society and the Japan America Society of New Hampshire and features rare images of the war, key participants in the negotiations, the role of New Hampshire and local events that led to the Treaty signing on September 5, 1905. Focusing on the 30 days of negotiations in Portsmouth and the naval protocol for the formal peace negotiations and the unique informal peace negotiation process hosted by the Governor of NH and the Mayor of Portsmouth, the exhibit explores the uncommon commitment to peace by the Navy, the State and the Portsmouth community as a model for other localities to become involved in the resolution of international disputes.

The guest curator for this Exhibit is Hayato Sakurai, who recently designed a notable exhibit for the New Bedford Whaling Museum about John Manjiro, the first Japanese brought to America on a whaling ship.

Exhibited Treaty artifacts include one of the pens used to sign the Treaty, the chair in which the Japanese diplomat Baron Komura sat, and other objects memorializing the Treaty or associated with its participants in 1905, loaned from public and private collections, including the Portsmouth Historical Society's.

Hosted by the Portsmouth Historical Society at its John Paul Jones House Museum on the corner of Middle and State Streets.

Portsmouth Athenaeum Exhibit: "War and Peace: Images from the Russo-Japanese War 1904-1905," runs through November 5, 2005 in the Randall Gallery. This exhibit is made possible by Frederic A. Sharf, a collector and art scholar from Chestnut Hill MA, who has loaned the Athenaeum 32 Japanese and 3 Russian lithographs depicting the war and the peace.

During the exhibit, the CBD Collection of primary source materials and artifacts relating to the Russo-Japanese War will be available to students and scholars in the Joseph P. Copley Research Library. The Athenaeum is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1-4 p.m; and on Saturdays, 10am - 4 pm. 6-8 Market Square. Contact: 603-431-2538.

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail

The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail links many of the important sites of August-September 1905, when Russian emissary Sergei Witte and Japanese Minister Jutaro Komura negotiated the Portsmouth Peace Treaty that ended the bloody Russo-Japanese War. Follow in the footsteps of Witte, Komura, their attaches and hosts and learn how the US Navy, the State Department, President Roosevelt and ordinary American citizens -- especially the people of the Seacoast -- exercised what today is called multi-track diplomacy to help create the atmosphere for peace and reconciliation.

The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail map, available at the John Paul Jones House Museum and at Chamber of Commerce Information kiosks, details all of the sites connected to the events of the summer of 1905 and provides a self-guided tour for visitors to follow.

Jun 30 - Oct

**Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail Guided Walking & Trolley Tours
Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce**

Thurs & Sat at 10:30 am, Fri & Mon at 5:30 pm, Sun at 1:30 pm. Tours start at the Freedom Flag Pole in Prescott Park, Marcy St. (opposite Strawberry Banke) and at the John Paul Jones House (location of the main Treaty exhibit.) During August and on Labor Day weekend, trolley tours will cover downtown and outlying Treaty sites. Trolley tours must be reserved 3 days in advance by calling 603-436-3988 ext. 10 or go to: www.portsmouthchamber.org/treatytrolleytours.cfm
Tickets: Walking tour only: Adults \$8, Seniors, \$7, children 8-14 yrs. \$5, under-8, free. Walking tour & exhibit: Adults \$15, Seniors \$12, Children 8-14 \$10. Under 8, free. Trolley Tour: Adults, \$15; Seniors \$12; Children 8-14 yrs., \$10; Under-8, free. Combination Trolley tour & exhibit: Adults \$20, Seniors \$18, Children 8-14 \$15, Under 8, free.
Contact: 603-436-3988 or visit www.portsmouthchamber.org

Jun 25 - Sep 30, daily at 9:55-12:45, 1:55-4:45

**Peace Treaty Cruise: Historic Isles of Shoals, Lighthouses, and
Portsmouth Harbor Tour**

Isles of Shoals Steamship Co.'s M/V Thomas Lighton, 315 Market Street, Portsmouth **Contact: 800-441-4620, www.islesofshoals.com**

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial Lecture Series

The Portsmouth Athenaeum is presenting a series of scholarly lectures on topics related to the Treaty and its context. These lectures will be held in North Church, Market Square, Portsmouth at 5:30 pm, except for **, which is at Wentworth By the Sea Hotel at 7 pm. The lectures are free and open to the public:

- **Jul 16, Constantine Pleshakov, The Russian Role in the Russo-Japanese War.** Pleshakov is a historian, Professor of International Relations at Mount Holyoke College, Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, former director of the Geopolitics Center at the Soviet Academy of Sciences and author of *The Tsar's Last Armada: The Epic Voyage to the Battle of Tsushima*. He will speak on the Russian role in the war, culminating in the defeat at Tsushima, which is considered one of the great naval battles, comparable to the Battle of Trafalgar.
- **Aug 4, Peter Randall, author of *There Are No Victors Here*.** Author, publisher, photographer and 12th generation New Hampshire native, Randall will discuss his book, the only volume on the Russo-Japanese War to describe local events. Illustrated with many photographs from the Portsmouth Athenaeum collection, the book was recently made available in Japanese.
- ****Aug 16, Cmdr. Jerry Hendrix, USN, "An Unlikely Location."** Naval aviator Hendrix was assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN-71) in the Mediterranean and in Operation Desert Storm. Selected in 2003 as the Navy Fellow to the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University, he focused his research on the use, by Theodore Roosevelt and others, of naval power as an instrument of coercive diplomacy. He holds Masters degrees from the Naval Postgraduate School (National Security Affairs) and Harvard University (History) and is currently a doctoral candidate at King's College, London (War Studies). Samuel Eliot Morison Scholar and John D. Hays Fellow for the Navy Historical Center in Washington, DC, he is the author of articles in the United States Naval Institute's *Proceedings* and *Naval History Magazine*.
- **Aug 25, Christopher Benfey, "Gilded Age New England Intellectuals Visit Japan."** Benfey is a cultural historian, professor of literature at Mount Holyoke College, co-director of the Weissman Center for Leadership and author of *The Great Wave: Gilded Age Misfits, Japanese Eccentrics and the Opening of Japan*. He will discuss the New England intellectuals who journeyed to Japan at the time of its opening to the West, and describe what they found and brought back to the States.
- **Sep 6, Edgar Pope, Japanese music from the Meiji Period.** Pope is a musicologist and professor at Hokusei Gakuen University Junior College in Sapporo, Japan. He is creating a special CD for the Portsmouth Athenaeum to include war-time ballads the geishas sang as they played the samisen (the traditional three-stringed Japanese instrument). He will also discuss Japanese music from the Meiji Period.
- **Sep 20, Charles Doleac, "The Treaty of Portsmouth and Multi-track Diplomacy."** Founder and co-chairman of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee, Doleac will discuss the historical importance of the Treaty and of multi-track diplomacy in which negotiators and local social, political, intellectual, religious and business communities interact to promote a successful outcome. He will also discuss the Treaty summer as evidence of the New Hampshire character and the special nature of 'who we are.'
- **Sep 27, Anna Nishimura Morse, "Russo-Japanese War: A War of Images."** Morse is curator of Japanese Art at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. Her themes are Japan's presentation of the War as revealed in lithographs, woodblock prints, posters and postcards, and Western attitudes towards the emerging Asian power.
- **Oct 1, Kathleen Dalton, "Theodore Roosevelt's Respect for Japan, and the Landmark Peace Settlement of the Portsmouth Treaty"** Dalton is the Cecil F. P. Bancroft Instructor of History and Social Science at Phillips Exeter Academy in Andover, a Fellow at the Charles Warren Center for Studies in American History at Harvard University and the author of *Theodore Roosevelt: A Strenuous Life*.

The Children's Museum of Portsmouth/Gallery 280
"PEACE! A Pictorial History of The Treaty of Portsmouth"
July 1 - September 5

Through reproductions of fascinating period photographs, political cartoons, and newspaper headlines and clippings, presented picture-book style with brief annotations, visitors of all ages will become acquainted with the little-known story of this ground-breaking international and local event.

Punctuating this informal retelling are colorful strings of origami cranes, international symbols of peace based on an old Japanese legend. The cranes were folded by students in classrooms throughout New Hampshire.

The Children's Museum of Portsmouth, 280 Marcy Street, is an interactive arts and sciences museum with 9 hands-on exhibits. Summer hours are Monday- Saturday from 10 AM to 5 PM and Sundays from 1-5 PM. Admission is \$6 for children and adults, \$5 for seniors, and free for members and children under 1. For more information, call the museum at (603) 436-3853 or visit www.childrens-museum.org.

The "Thousand Cranes" Project

In Japan, cranes symbolize luck. Creating peace cranes, made from folded paper in the Japanese tradition of origami, stems from "Sadako's Paper Cranes," the story of a little girl in Hiroshima, and has now grown to an international initiative. Teachers around the state helped their students make strings of paper cranes, and individual children and children's teams, clubs and scout troops contributed their cranes, as well. The cranes are displayed in the Children's Museum through September 5th, after which they will be sent on to the International Peace Park in Hiroshima, Japan.

The idea was an outgrowth of Northeast Cultural Coop's creation of a school curriculum that helps teachers present the history of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty to New Hampshire schoolchildren.

Northeast Cultural Coop
New Hampshire Public School Curriculum

Northeast Cultural Coop has written a comprehensive school curriculum that helps teachers present the history of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty to New Hampshire schoolchildren.

Aided by Dr. Robert J. Lister, Superintendent and the Portsmouth School Department, the comprehensive curriculum is intended to allow New Hampshire public school teachers at the high school and middle school levels to put the Portsmouth Peace Treaty in context with developments in United States and World History. Teaching units also make the information accessible to 4th graders -- the traditional entry point in the state for public school students to learn New Hampshire history. The curriculum itself is an intensively researched 200+ page, illustrated binder with accompanying CD of images and map of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail.

According to the conditions of the grant, one copy of the curriculum is being provided to each school district in the state. Additional copies are available to interested teachers. Curriculum workshops are being presented through the fall and winter at five Regional Education Centers across the state and at a Summer Institute in July at the Green Acre Baha'i School.

For more information about the Curriculum, visit the Northeast Cultural Coop website: www.NortheastCulturalCoop.org.

The "Art of Peace" Exhibition and Juried Arts Competition
Yoko Ono and Dr. Susan Lynch, First Lady of New Hampshire,
Honorary Co-Chairs
Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 136 State St., Portsmouth
July 20 - September 5

The New Hampshire Art Association (NHAA) is hosting an art competition and exhibition entitled "The Art of Peace" with renowned artist and peace activist Yoko Ono, and Dr. Susan Lynch, First Lady of New Hampshire, as honorary co-chairs of the event. The exhibition is open to the public from July 20th through September 5th at the NH Art Association, in the Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 136 State Street, Portsmouth.

"Visual artists played an important part in documenting the visual history of this historic peace event," commented Robert Thoresen, Chairman of The Art of Peace program committee. "It is only fitting that a special art competition and exhibition be held as part of the treaty anniversary, celebrating one of the world's most celebrated peace events. We are delighted, and honored that Yoko Ono, one of the world's most renowned peace advocates and an acclaimed artist herself, as well as an individual with Japanese ancestry, has agreed to serve as a honorary co-chair of this event. We also greatly appreciate Dr. Lynch's participation and leadership in this event. She is committed to supporting the cultural arts in our state and we are delighted to have her involvement and support."

Commenting on The Art of Peace exhibition and competition, Yoko Ono stated, "It is my pleasure to serve with Susan Lynch as honorary co-chairs of The Art of Peace competition and exhibition. The Portsmouth Peace Treaty is a very important and enduring symbol of peace that is worthy of honoring and celebrating with this visual arts competition and exhibition."

Dr. Susan Lynch stated, "New Hampshire was proud to be host to one of the most important peace treaty negotiations and signing in world history. I am honored to be part of this celebration with the New Hampshire Art Association, and we thank the visual artists throughout the state who are presenting their work in this celebration of peace through art."

The exhibition's Call for Artists encouraged artists to submit original works, prepared specifically for this show, that reflect visions of peace and harmony, cessation of hostility, and negotiation vs. confrontation. Works of art specifically depicting scenes related to the Peace Treaty process were also encouraged. The show will award a total of \$4,000 in prize money.

Robert Thoresen of Portsmouth was the inspiration for a similar art show marking the 90th anniversary of the treaty held ten years ago in 1995. Joining Robert Thoresen on the Art of Peace Program Committee are; Mark M. Bodi, Griffin Bodi & Krause, NHAA member Jane Fithian, and Van McLeod, New Hampshire Commissioner of Cultural Resources.

The Art of Peace exhibition and competition is made possible, in part, through the generosity of the following sponsors: *Byrne & Carlson Chocolates, Coventry Assets, Ltd., D.D. Cook Builders, Greater Piscataqua Community Foundation, Griffin Bodi & Krause, Grubb & Ellis/Coldstream Real Estate Advisors, Keystone Press, Marriott Residence Inn Merrimack, Morgan Stanley, Ocean National Bank, 100 Club, Piscataqua Savings Bank, Maguire Group, and United Beverages.*

Location & Hours:

Wed-Sat 10 am - 5pm; Sun Noon- 4pm.

Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 136 State St., Portsmouth

For more information, **Contact: 603-431-4230**

Friday August 12, 6pm

"The Art of Peace" Award Reception, New Hampshire Art Association, juried art competition and exhibit, co-chaired by NH First Lady Susan Lynch and Yoko Ono

Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 136 State St., Portsmouth,

Contact: 603-431-4230

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial Celebrates with Powerful Graphic Symbol Created by Richard Haynes, Jr.

The Peace Treaty Centennial is being identified with a powerful and inspiring symbol of the 1905 conference. Richard Haynes, Jr., the Seacoast visual storyteller who was named the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts Artist Fellow in 2003, among many other honors, has created a colorful image that is both a logo and a symbol for the Centennial. In Haynes' design, a large dove bearing an olive branch is superimposed on the North Church bell tower and on the Russian and Japanese flags. It is an immediate and evocative symbol of the peace that was produced. But there are many subtleties incorporated in the image as well:

- The flags are of equal size and rendered in their modern designs to suggest the enduring peace that last from the Treaty signing in 1905 through most of World War II.
- The church tower contains the bell that everyone in Portsmouth heard ringing on August 29th, 1905 when the news that peace had been achieved was announced. That bell rang again on September 5th at 3:47 pm and has rung in commemoration each year since then.
- The bell and the dove are gray -- US Navy battleship gray, specifically -- the bell, because the news of Peace and the Treaty signing was conveyed from the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard (where the Conference was formally conducted) to the churches; the dove, because President Theodore Roosevelt entrusted the security and protocol of the Peace conference to the Navy and the Shipyard.
- The dove carries an olive branch instead of the "Big Stick" to represent President Teddy Roosevelt.

Richard Haynes commented that he deliberately made the dove 'touch' every element of the design because he believes a spiritual element touched each participant in the peace conference -- the Russians, the Japanese and the Navy. "I don't know if they understood what was happening but if they had not had a spirit in their hearts, it would have taken another 100 years to accomplish their work," he said. "I have approached every piece of art I have done for that past 16 years since I came to Portsmouth with a spiritual sense. The Zen Masters honor the 'I, who is awake' and that is what the true artist is, someone who is awake and observes when no one else is watching."

Assisting with poster designs were: Heidrun Lemieux, Carrie Mayo, John Boys and Corey Burns. High quality, artist's proof prints of the design -- in three sizes -- are being sold to help defray the costs of the Centennial celebrations. For details: portsmouthpeacetreaty.com

**Seacoast African-American Cultural Center Presents
"Symbols of Peace"**

**Exhibit: July 31 - September, Opening Reception, July 31, 6 pm
Children's Story Hour with Ellen McAllister-Flack, Aug 11, 3 pm
Quilting Bee with Cheryle Lawrence, August 22, 6 pm**

The Seacoast African American Cultural Center (SAACC), under the direction of President Vernis Jackson, arranged for artist Richard Haynes, Jr., and his "Fundamentals of Design" graphic arts class at McIntosh College to adapt traditional Ghanian symbols of peace and harmony to create a Treaty Centennial exhibit, "Symbols of Peace." The exhibit opens July 31.

McIntosh College students creating the art for the exhibit included: Tracey Farley, Christina Kennedy, Dawn Gilbert, Kristy Ford, Bryan Oliver, Audrey Kerovac, Sara Standen, Naomi Johndron, Susan Lyndes, Eliot Weaver, Lisa Kearney, Amy-Lynn Michaud, Michelle Church, Heidrun Lemieux, Nicole Weymouth, Lisa Beauregard.

"The Seacoast African American Cultural Center asked us to create from African Symbols a depiction of what peace is as their contribution to the celebration of the Peace Treaty Centennial," said Haynes. "The students have come up with some amazing, extraordinary interpretations Celebrating with art is powerful if the message hanging on the wall makes us think."

The Seacoast African American Cultural Center hosts an opening reception for the exhibit on July 31 at 6 pm. On August 27, SAACC will host a Symbols of Peace and Reconciliation Quilting Bee with quilt expert Cheryle Lawrence. In addition, a story hour for children of all ages will be held on August 11, at 3 pm. Stories with peace themes will be read by Ellen McAllister-Flack, an elementary school teacher at Little Harbour School. All events are held at SAACC's location on the second floor of the Connie Bean Center, 135 Daniel Street and are free, and open to the public.

The Seacoast African American Cultural Center was founded in August 2000 to celebrate the lives and achievements of black people, with emphasis on the unique story of African Americans in the Seacoast, and to infuse young people with an appreciation of their history and culture. SAACC's programs are designed to educate and enrich the lives of citizens of the seacoast community. SAACC Portsmouth Peace Treaty Committee: Vernis Miller Jackson, President; Kelvin Edwards, Vice President; Mary J. Bailey, Program Committee; Cheryle Lawrence, Secretary; William Thorpe.

**The New Hampshire Humanities Council Presents:
Chautauqua: "1905, America Reinvents Itself"
Strawbery Banke Museum, Portsmouth
July 25-28**

What is Chautauqua? There was a time, between 1904 and the 1920's when communities across America -- including Portsmouth -- would put time aside for three to seven days each summer, for Chautauqua. Beneath the traveling Chautauqua Circuit tents they found programs fostering intellectual stimulation and enlightened discussion on the important political, social and cultural issues of the day. At its height, Circuit Chautauqua reached 10,000 communities in 45 states and audiences totaling 45 million. Lecturers, like the 1905 notables appearing in this program, were the core of Chautauqua. But, thanks to the traveling Chautauqua performers, audiences also got the opportunity to see classic plays and Broadway hits, and hear a variety of music from Metropolitan Opera stars to glee clubs to bellringers. Many people saw their first movies in Chautauqua tents.

This is the 10th year the New Hampshire Humanities Council has presented Chautauqua at Strawbery Banke. This year the focus is on 1905 and the issues of the day that still resonate 100 years later. In 1905, America exploded onto the world stage. A progressive spirit was sweeping the land. The nation wrestled with such internal challenges as racism, women's suffrage, workers rights, immigration, new technology and religious liberty while we carved out a new role as a world power. Chautauqua 2005 is a gathering of some of the great minds of that day:

- Theodore Roosevelt, the force behind the Portsmouth Peace Treaty negotiations, who called Chautauqua "the most American thing in America"
- Thomas Edison, credited with 1,093 inventions including the incandescent lightbulb, and leader in technological innovation
- Sarah Farmer, the Seacoast's own founder of Green Acre and its annual peace conferences; the only woman present at the signing of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty
- Ida Wells-Barrett, a committed suffragette, founding member of the NAACP and advocate of political empowerment
- William Jennings Bryan, newspaper editor, political advocate and renowned orator, especially for his "Cross of Gold" speech and the 1925 Scopes trial
- Fred Harvey, entrepreneur whose "Harvey Girls" greeted travelers in virtually every dusty train station in the West, offering home cooked meals and hometown hospitality

All programs are free and open to the public. Families are invited to picnic on the grass or buy refreshments at the tent.

Monday July 25

12 noon Young Chautauqua

Students aged 12-18 from the Seacoast, Monadnock Region and Nashua portray historical figures just like their adult counterparts. The students spend weeks in advance researching their characters, preparing scripts and creating costumes in order to present a living history performance followed by a question and answer session in, and out of character.

6pm Preshow Musical performance, Charlie Jennison Jazz Trio

7pm Thomas Edison & Fred Harvey

Tuesday, July 26

8am Breakfast at the Friendly Toast (Congress Street, Portsmouth) with Thomas Edison & Fred Harvey

12 pm Young Chautauqua

6pm Preshow Musical performance by Salt River Trio

7pm William Jennings Bryan & Ida Wells-Barrett

Wednesday, July 27

8am Breakfast with William Jennings Bryan & Ida Wells-Barrett at Me & Ollie's (Market Square,

Portsmouth)

12pm Young Chautauqua

6pm Preshow Musical performance by Two Old Friends

7pm Theodore Roosevelt & Sarah Farmer

Thursday, July 28

8am Breakfast with Theodore Roosevelt & Sarah Farmer at Starbucks (Congress Street, Portsmouth)

Chautauqua 1905 America Reinvents Itself is also being presented in Keene at Keene State College, July 21-23, and in Nashua at Greeley Park on July 24th.

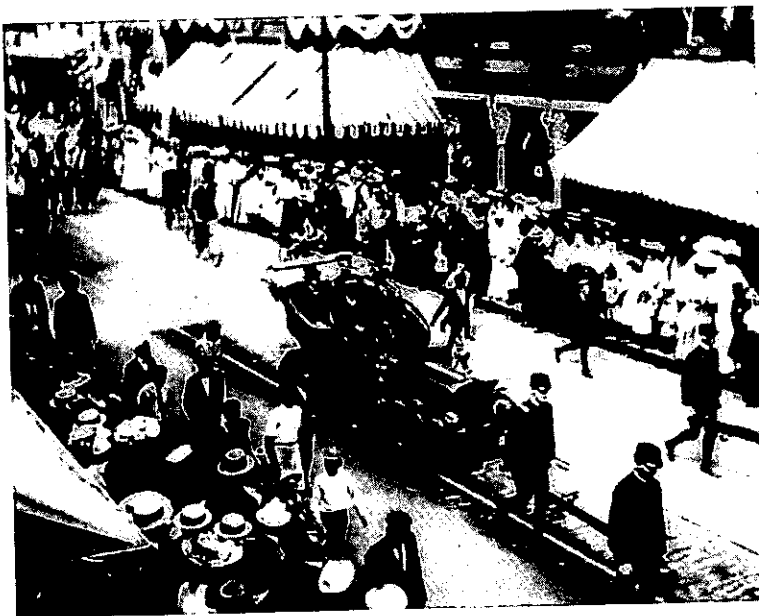
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**Gun Salute, Bell Ringing, Governor's Welcoming Parade,
Strawbery Banke Military Appreciation Day
August 6, 11:30 am - 4 pm**

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and city-wide, Portsmouth

Recreation of 1905 Shipyard Commandant Admiral Mead's welcome and luncheon for delegates, with present/past NH & ME Governors, Japanese and Russian dignitaries. The PNSY Treaty Rooms will open at 10:30, followed by lunch for the dignitaries hosted -- as in 1905 -- by the Shipyard Commander, Captain John Iverson. After the lunch (11:30-1:30), the dignitaries will travel to the start of the Parade route at the Isles of Shoals Steamship Company yard. At 2 pm, the NH National Guard steps off with the Portsmouth Welcoming Parade through Downtown Portsmouth, ending at Strawberry Banke which will host an Appreciation Day (refreshments thanks to Outback Steakhouse) for participating military and their families. Sponsoring the events at Strawberry Banke are BAE Systems and Service Credit Union.

Portsmouth Welcoming Parade 1905 (courtesy Portsmouth Athenaeum)



**"Portsmouth Welcoming Parade"
Organized by the New Hampshire National Guard
Downtown Portsmouth
Saturday, August 6, 2005, starting at 2 pm**

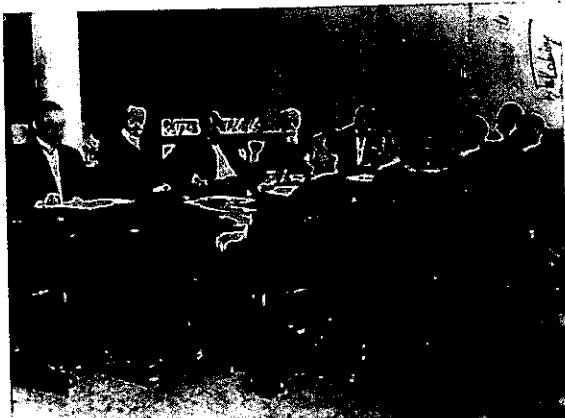
The name of this event recognizes the nature of the New Hampshire National Guard's participation in international affairs, both past and present. Marchers, vehicles, and floats will re-enact the military welcome and parade that greeted Russian and Japanese diplomats on August 8, 1905 as they came into New Hampshire, having first arrived at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

The parade will also provide an opportunity for the New Hampshire National Guard to celebrate its long history - noting, of course, the vital role of the National Guard plays in current international affairs.

New Hampshire National Guard soldiers and airmen who have deployed overseas in past or current conflicts are particularly encouraged to participate. New Hampshire National Guard members who have not deployed, as well as servicemembers from other branches, re-enactment groups, and others will find that this is an opportunity to honor the occasion and the National Guard's heritage by joining in the parade as well. The Governor's Horse Guard and a contingent from the visiting US Navy destroyer "USS Ross" will participate, as well. New Hampshire Governor John Lynch is the Honorary Chairman, just as in 1905 New Hampshire Governor John McLane presided over welcoming festivities.

The Portsmouth Welcoming Parade will follow much of the original path taken by the NH National Guard's escort of Peace Treaty delegates and dignitaries: from the Isles of Shoals Steamship dock area, up Market Street to Congress Street, along Congress Street to Fleet Street, left on State Street to the end, right on Marcy Street, and concluding in the vicinity of Strawberry Banke. Strawberry Banke will then host a Military Appreciation event, including refreshments provided by Outback Steakhouse, and entertainment for parade participants and their families. Military Appreciation event sponsored by BAE Systems and Service Credit Union.

Thanks to the Downtown Business Association, buildings throughout the downtown area are decorated with red, white and blue bunting, as they were in 1905. The Decorations Committee includes Paul Sorli, DBA President, Patrick Burns and Diane Kelly Tefft. Made possible by the City of Portsmouth, Citizens Bank, Ocean National Bank and the Richards Avenue Residents Association.



Delegates at Building 86 conference table (Courtesy: Portsmouth Athenaeum)

Treaty Signing Commemoration and Bell Ringing Ceremony
September 5, 3:47 pm
Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and city-wide, Portsmouth

At 3:47 pm, the Treaty was signed at Building 86 in the Shipyard. As related by Peter Randall in his book, *There Are No Victors Here*:

“One of the secretaries of the Russian mission, by a prearranged signal, gave the information to a corporal of Marines, who was standing just outside the door of the conference room. On the dead run across the hall and down the stairway he rushed to the big doorway of the stores building and thus called to Captain Jefferson Rowe, a one-armed officer who had been anxiously waiting, “All right, Cap!”

With his one arm, Cap waved a red signal flag and boom, boom, boom went the guns, the first notice to thousands in the immediate vicinity that the treaty had been signed. Church bells rang in Kittery Point, Portsmouth and New Castle.”

(Source: *Portsmouth Herald*, September 6, 1905)

A re-enactment of the bell-ringing will take place precisely at 3:47 pm, relayed first with a salute from the main battery at the Portsmouth Naval Ship Yard and answered by church bells for 30 minutes, throughout Portsmouth.

“Battleship Potemkin” Classic Russian Film
August 7, 8, 9, 7:30 pm

with film discussion at 7 pm on Aug 7th

The Music Hall, 28 Chestnut Street, Portsmouth

Screening of the 1925 classic silent film:

“Returning in 1905 from the war with Japan, the abused crew of a Russian battleship stages a protest that tragically escalates into a bloody mutiny and public massacre.”

Contact: 603-436-2400 www.themusichall.org

“A White Night Evening with Visitors from Severodvinsk Russia”
August 8, 7 pm

Portsmouth Severodvinsk Connection welcomes 37 Russian visitors who will present Russian songs, film and discussion on peace.

St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Chapel Road., Portsmouth

Contact: 603-964-9079

“The Peace of Portsmouth” with Russian translation
August 11, 8 pm

Pontine Theatre's original play will be performed, with special Russian guests of the Severodvinsk Connection in attendance. A Russian translation of the play is being provided.

“Count Witte, the Portsmouth Peace Treaty and the Russian ‘Atlantis’ in China”

September 5, 10:45 am

Lecture by Steve Upton, President of the Russia Society of New Hampshire. Portsmouth Athenaeum, Market Square, Portsmouth

Contact: 603-226-2312 for reservations and information.

**"The Peace of Portsmouth"
An Original Play by Pontine Theatre
August 11, 14, 28; September 1**

Pontine Theatre premiered its original play, "The Peace of Portsmouth" to rave reviews on April 22nd and reprises performances for the Centennial celebration. Using period newspaper articles, historical photographs, and turn of the century music and staging techniques, Co-Artistic Directors, Greg Gathers and Marguerite Mathews (NH Artist Laureate 02-06), explore this international diplomatic event from the viewpoint of the local citizens. "The Peace of Portsmouth" provides a glimpse of Portsmouth as it was in the summer of 1905.

The entire text of Pontine's new play is drawn from historical sources, particularly research in local newspapers of the day which detailed a chronicle of intimate encounters between local townspeople and the foreign celebrities, including:

- A tea hosted by Mrs. Helen C. Knight, Portsmouth's oldest resident, which featured the use of genuine Japanese tea which the hostess had received as a gift over 30 years previously.
- Baron Rosen's embarrassed reaction to the "crowd of camerists," who pursue him day and night to "catch him dishabile."
- The Japanese Fete held in York Harbor featuring a jiu jitsu demonstration by Professor Yamashita and a host of local girls, "dressed in Russian peasant garb and dispensing lemonade and other cooling drinks."

The creation and development of this piece was funded by grants from the Greater Piscataqua Community Foundation and The NH State Council on the Arts. The premiere run was underwritten by Jefferson-Pilot Financial.

Thursday Aug 11, Sep 1 at 8 pm; Sunday Aug 14 & 28 at 4 pm
Performances are held at Pontine's West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington Street, Portsmouth. (Tickets are \$19; \$16 for seniors, students and starving artists). Reservations are recommended. Contact Pontine at 603-436-6660 or info@pontine.org

Old York Historical Society Hosts Special Exhibits and Kids' "Peace Day!" Programs at the Perkins House

The Old York Historical Society presents special exhibits, June 4 - August 27th at the Elizabeth Perkins House on the York River, in commemoration of the Centennial. Site of a much-noted 1905 garden party and reception for the Russian and Japanese delegations to the Peace Treaty negotiations at the nearby Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, the Perkins House retains in its collections notable objects and memorabilia associated with the event.

The house contains an exhibit on the garden party, showing a number of period photographs, the guest book for the event, and letters to Mrs. Newton Perkins, Elizabeth's mother, from the Russian and Japanese delegations. The August 1905 garden party was a fund-raiser for the establishment of the York Hospital, and each delegation sent a donation, thus ensuring the stability of that institution at the time of its founding. The Dining Room table is set with Russian and Japanese porcelains brought to the house after trips to those countries by the Perkins in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Starting August 1, the Visitors Center hosts a small exhibit centering on the treaty itself and featuring one of the original chairs used by delegates during negotiations at the Shipyard. Later presented to Miss Elizabeth Perkins, the chair has recently been cleaned and conserved to preserve its original finish and upholstery. The original garden and grounds where the fete was held were the subject of an exhaustive restoration in 2000, and after August 1, will be decorated with "peace gates" and planters as they were for the lawn party in 1905.

Guided tours are offered Monday through Saturday, at 3 pm and 4 pm. Tours also available by special appointment by calling 207-363-4974

On August 16th, OYHS hosts Peace Day! for kids aged 8-12) and on August 18th, a Peace Day! for kids aged 5-7. to celebrate the Russo-Japanese Treaty at the Perkins House. Kids will enjoy a tea party, learn about Asian and Russian cultures and make a craft to take home. Perkins House Visitors Center, 1-2:30 p.m, \$10 members/\$12 non-members (includes all materials). Reservations and pre-payment required, 207-363-4974. Program presented in collaboration with the York Public Library.

**"Portsmouth Explodes in 1905"
Portsmouth Historical Society Benefit and Lecture
August 20, Reception 6 pm; Free lecture 7:30 pm**

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty and related local events, Ronald Bourgeault and the Staff of Northeast Auctions host a Maritime Art Auction Preview and Reception to benefit the Portsmouth Historical Society at 93 Pleasant Street. A lecture by local historian J.Dennis Robinson on the events that shook Portsmouth (once, quite literally) in 1905 follows next door at Temple Israel (est. 1905). Reception benefit suggested donation: \$15. Lecture is free and open to the public. **Contact: Northeast Auctions, 603-433-8400.**

**Creek Farm Garden Party
Portsmouth Historical Society
August 27, 3-6:30 pm**

In 1905, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Astor Carey entertained the Russian and Japanese delegations several times at their summer home on Sagamore Creek. Many years later, Alida Carey, then a young girl, recalled the events -- confirmed in the diary of one of the Japanese diplomats -- that included dinner and a informal recital in the Creek Farm music room on Aug.27.

The Portsmouth Historical Society is recreating those festivities with a Garden Party at Creek Farm including an original Pontine Theatre performance recreating Alida Carey's memoir, authentic 1905 music researched and performed by Richard Spicer and recollections by members of the Carey Family. Tickets are \$35 per person/\$50 per couple, with proceeds to benefit "Synergy," the joint management initiative for several historical houses in Portsmouth: the PHS John Paul Jones House, The Warner House, and Wentworth-Gardner & Tobias Lear House Museums. **Contact: 603-436-8420.**

**Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion
"Peace and the Pursuit of Pleasure" Exhibit
August 21 - September 5
"A Toast to the Past" Re-creation Lawn Party
with New Hampshire Governor John Lynch
August 28, 4-6 pm**

"Peace - and the Pursuit of Pleasure" is an exhibition of antique Japanese woodblock prints from the 18th and 19th centuries, centuries of general peace and prosperity in Japan. Through the woodblock prints the exhibit will address the beneficial impact on domestic life of national and international peace. The exhibit is presented at the handicapped-accessible Coolidge Center for the Arts at the Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion and is funded by a grant from the Greater Piscataqua Community Foundation. The Center is open from 10 am to 4 pm, daily; and 1-5 pm on Sundays.

Related tours in the mansion will examine New Hampshire Royal Governor Benning Wentworth's prosecution of war and peace during the 18th century, in terms of the inhibiting effect of the almost perpetual warfare that prevailed in New Hampshire and New England during his administration on domestic tranquility and prosperity. 375 Little Harbor Road, Portsmouth.

Contact: 603-436-6607, www.WentworthCoolidge.org

On Sunday, August 28th the Coolidge Family with Governor and Mrs. John Lynch will host "A Toast to the Past," an afternoon lawn-party in observance of the centennial anniversary of New Hampshire Governor John McLane's 1905 visit to the mansion when he was serving as official host for the Treaty of Portsmouth negotiations. From 4-6 pm at the Wentworth-Coolidge Mansion, 375 Little Harbor Road, Portsmouth. For details on advance reservations (required) call, 603-436-6607, www.WentworthCoolidge.org

Sarah Farmer, Green Acre and the Portsmouth Peace Treaty

Sarah Farmer, founder of the Green Acre Conferences (now Green Acre Baha'i School) was a woman with vision and a remarkable, life-long commitment to international peace and interfaith dialogue. In 1894, Sarah dedicated Green Acre to the ideals of peace and religious unity. Then she raised the first known peace flag in the world. In the years leading up to the 1905 Portsmouth Peace Treaty, Green Acre became known for its animated and sometimes controversial summer conferences that offered a forum for dialogue with the theme of peace. The conference of 1904 closed with a program dedicated to the resolution of the Russo-Japanese War. Operatic singer Emma Thursby, in Japanese costume, sang the national anthem of Japan, followed by the assembled crowd singing the national anthem of Russia. On August 29, 1905, hearing that negotiations had succeeded, Sarah Farmer invited President Roosevelt and the Japanese and Russian delegates to Green Acre. The Japanese, including Minister Takahira, accepted and spent the day at Green Acre on August 31st. On September 5, 1905, she was the only woman present at the signing of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty. Obtaining a pass to the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, on the day of the signing, she observed a dramatic moment in the history of negotiations for peace.



Sarah Farmer (center) holding Peace Flag, with Japanese and other guests from August 31, 1905 reception. (Courtesy: Portsmouth Athenaeum)

**** Sunday, July 17 & August 21, 10:30 am**

Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center

"Prayers for Peace - Let All Religions Agree" Fellowship House, Route 103, Eliot, ME. Sponsored by the Spiritual Assembly of Bahai of Eliot

**Sarah Farmer, Champion of Peace, Birthday Celebration
Saturday, July 22, 6-8 pm**

Contact: 207-439-7200, www.greenacre.org

The Eliot Public Library dedicates a room to Sarah Farmer, who founded it at the turn of the century. Following the dedication, Green Acre Baha'i School will host a lecture on the influence of Sarah Farmer as founder and organizer of annual Peace Conferences. Open to the public and free.

**Baha'i Symposium
"Toward a Culture of Peace"**

**Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center, Eliot, Maine
August 26-31**

Programs ** in bold are open to the public and free.

Contact: 207-439-7200, www.greenacre.org

Friday, August 26

****7:30 p.m. Keynote address by Dr. Suheil Bushrui, "Toward a Culture of Peace."** Professor, Center for International Development and Conflict Management and Holder of Baha'i Chair for Peace at the University of Maryland, former advisor to President Gemayel of Lebanon, recently addressed the European Parliament on the Ethics of Globalization, winner of Juliet Hollister Award for "exceptional service to interfaith understanding," leading international authority on the works of Khalil Gibran, creative member of the Club of Budapest, contributing member of Prince Phillip's World Wide Network on Conservation and Religion,

Saturday, August 27

9:30 am to 12:15 pm "Toward a Culture of Peace" - Dr. Suheil Bushrui and Dr. Edward Kaufman, University of Maryland Center for International Development and Conflict Management. Course meets for five mornings, Aug 27 through Aug.31 (Tuition fees, meals fees and/or accommodation fees charged as applicable.) **Visit www.greenacre.org for information.**

2:30 - 5:15 pm Lectures and Panel Discussions: The Peace Treaty Curriculum - Presentation by Blanche Milligan with contributions by

Dr. Anne Gordon Perry, University of Texas, Russian and Japanese subject matter and curriculum specialists. Visit to the Paper Crane project in Green Acre auditorium and classrooms. ****7:30 pm The Arts and a Culture of Peace - Russian Contributions.**

Sunday, August 28

9:30 am to 12:15 pm "Toward a Culture of Peace" course continues, Drs. Bushrui and Kaufman

****2:30 - 5:15 pm "Sarah Farmer, Champion of Peace" Dramatic** Re-enactment of Green Acre Activities related to the Peace Treaty process in 1904 and 1905, created by Dr. Anne Gordon Perry. After the play, walking tours of the Ole Bull Cottage (where the Japanese diplomats were photographed) and of the campus.

****7:30 pm The Arts and a Culture of Peace - Japanese Contributions. Concert by Melody Tachibana King; Performance by Nava, Anisa, and Samin Fox**

Monday, August 29

9:30 am to 12:15 pm "Toward a Culture of Peace" course continues, Drs. Bushrui and Kaufman

2:30-5:15 "Islam and a Culture of Peace" by Mrs. Afaf Stevens, an Iraqi peace educator and Islamic Studies specialist. She holds a BS in Economics from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst and a BS in World Religions from Harvard Divinity School. Promotes the "Bridging East and West Peace Initiative" in New England and in the United States. Born and raised in Baghdad, she now lives in Massachusetts and is an American citizen.

****7:30 pm The Arts and the Culture of Peace - African and African American Contributions. Ellen McAllister-Flack and the Seacoast African American Cultural Center**

Tuesday, August 30

9:30 am to 12:15 pm "Culture of Peace" course continues, Drs. Bushrui and Kaufman

2:30 to 5:15 pm Panel Discussion "Multi-Track Diplomacy and the Dayton Accords" with Mr. Robert Ciandella, Esq.

****7:30 pm The Arts and the Culture of Peace - Native American Contributions. Tom Garland-Standing and others.**

Wednesday, August 31 100th Anniversary of the Visit of the Japanese Delegation to Green Acre

9:30 to 10:30 am "Culture of Peace" course concludes, Drs. Bushrui and Kaufman

****10:30 am to 12:15 pm Speeches on Subject of Peace. Short Dramatic Presentation on 1905 Visit at Ole Bull Cottage. Singing of Japanese National Anthem by Melody Tachibana King. Singing of Russian National Anthem. Raising of the Peace Flag. Reception.**

September 4 Visit by the Japanese Ambassador (invited) and "Peace Flag-raising" 2pm. A Green Acre tradition dating to July 1894 when Green Acre's visionary founder, Sarah Farmer, raised a large white flag with the word "Peace" written on it. This special ceremony will be a tribute not only to the Russian, the Japanese, and the American people, but also to the peoples of the world. Mr. Charles Doleac, Co-chair of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee, will speak on "The Significance of the Russo-Japanese Peace Treaty."

September 19, 7 pm Lecture; 7:30 pm Performance Japanese NOH Theater Performance, "Moon of the Scarlet Plums" Lawn of Green Acre School, Eliot, Maine. Tickets: \$20. \$15 for students
Contact: 603-464-0271 or www.northeastculturalcoop.org



*Wentworth By the Sea, "Ambassador's Parlor" 1905
(Courtesy: Portsmouth Athenaeum).*

Wentworth By the Sea Hotel

Governor's Reception & Dinner, August 6 (by invitation)

Nevers' Band Centennial Brunch, September 4 (open to the public)

Portsmouth Mayor's Centennial Tea, September 5 (by invitation)

Centennial Diplomatic Dinner, September 5 (by invitation)

"The Wentworth Hotel" in 1905

On July 3, 1905, New Hampshire Governor McLane and Executive Councillor Towle visited Judge Calvin Page, executor of the Frank Jones Estate, to inquire on the availability of the estate's Wentworth by the Sea Hotel and if financial support could be secured as well. Page agreed to host the full Japanese and Russian delegations, at no charge, for the duration of their negotiations and Wentworth Hotel Manager Fraser "demonstrated that best accommodations of the hotel will be afforded." So it was that Wentworth By the Sea Hotel became the delegates' headquarters, for 30 long hot days from August 8th through September 5th, attracting "such a convention of the Lost Legion, the Wanderers of the World ... There's hardly a region on the face of the earth, except interior Tibet, where someone now quartered at the Hotel Wentworth has not been. East and West meet there. Nearly every language on earth is spoken in the hotel's big dining room."

Recent research has uncovered new evidence from official diaries of the proceedings, that the plenipotentiaries worked out the actual details of the Treaty at the hotel. After agreeing to settlement in the formal session at the Shipyard on August 29th, these records show that the delegates met a number of times, September 1st and 2nd, in both the Russian and the Japanese delegates' suites of rooms at Wentworth. Their work at the hotel included the armistice that silenced the guns.

Wentworth By the Sea Hotel will again be host to the Governor's Dinner, a Mayor's Centennial Tea and State Dinner for invited guests.

The hotel's Treaty memorabilia, a booklet describing the role the hotel played during the Treaty summer, and a special Russo-Japanese inspired menu will be available to the public.

A Centennial Brunch featuring a performance by Nevers' 2nd Regiment Band is offered on Sunday, September 4th, 10 am - 2 pm.

Contact: 603-422-7322, www.wentworth.com

"Portsmouth and Its Legacies Conference"
Dartmouth College, Hanover
September 8-10

Dartmouth College, in collaboration with the International House of Japan, the Kennan Institute of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee, hosts an international conference commemorating the centennial of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty. The "Portsmouth and Its Legacies" conference brings together scholars, diplomats, and other practitioners from Japan, Russia, the United States, and other countries affected by the Russo-Japanese War and the ensuing peace settlement, to discuss the background and making of the Portsmouth Treaty and its long-term implications for international relations. The opening keynote address and concluding diplomatic panel are open to the public.

September 8 Keynote address by renowned historian, John Dower
Location: Filene Auditorium, Moore Hall

September 9-10 Four round-table sessions for the presentation and discussion of eight papers commissioned for the conference. (Location: Class of 1902 Room, Baker Library. Seating is limited; an overflow room with video feed will be available.) An edited volume of the papers will be created following the conference.

September 10 Panel of distinguished diplomats addressing the significance of the Portsmouth Treaty for stability and cooperation in Northeast Asia and the Pacific today. Location: Filene Auditorium, Moore Hall.

School and community outreach is an important part of the conference preparations. Dartmouth is collaborating with the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee and the Northeast Cultural Cooperative (creator of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Curriculum for New Hampshire public schools) to create displays of photographs, documents, and other materials pertaining to the Portsmouth Treaty to be shown in Portsmouth, in New Hampshire schools, and at Dartmouth College beginning in the summer of 2005.

This conference is organized by Dartmouth Professors Steven Ericson and Allen Hockley, and Dickey Center Director Kenneth Yalowitz, with support from Provost Barry Scherr. The conference sponsors include the Japan-United States Friendship Commission and, at Dartmouth College, the John Sloan Dickey Center of International Understanding, the Office of the Provost, and the Office of the Dean of *the Faculty*. **Contact: 603-646-3429**
www.dartmouth.edu/~portsmouth

**Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial Concert Series
July 10 -October 16**

The Portsmouth Men's Chorus, celebrating its 5th anniversary this year, has assembled an impressive and diverse series of concert programs to allow Seacoast area singers and instrumentalists to celebrate the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial in their own, distinctive way. The 15-week Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial Concert Series, organized by Portsmouth Men's Chorus founder Terrie Harman, allows a diverse assembly of Seacoast and regional musicians to highlight some of the churches and performance venues that played a role in the 1905 Peace Conference. Each Sunday afternoon at 3 pm, a different performer or choral group will present a free concert in a different Seacoast location. The concert series is made possible thanks to The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, Portsmouth Ministerium, The Women's City Club and:

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Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial Concert Series

Admission: Free. Donations at the door welcomed. All concerts 3 pm.
Jul 10, *Seacoast Community Chorus*, First Congregational Church, 149 State Road, Eliot ME

Jul 17, *Kelly Hathorne, flute/Angel Band*, First Congregational Church, 23 Pepperrell Road, Kittery Point, ME

Jul 24, *Chorus Boston* (Japanese language), North Church of Portsmouth, Market Square, Portsmouth

Jul 31, *Portsmouth Symphony Orchestra*, The Music Hall, Portsmouth

Aug 7, *Japanese Musical Artists*, South Church (Unitarian Universalist), 292 State Street, Portsmouth

Aug 14, *Catherine York Knowlton, piano*; St. John's Episcopal, 101 Chapel Street, Portsmouth

Aug 21, *Larry Simon and Jazz Friends*, United Methodist Church, 129 Miller Avenue, Portsmouth

Aug 28, *New Hope Baptist Church Gospel Choir*, New Castle Congregational Church, Main Street, New Castle

Sep 4, *Nevers' 2nd Regiment Band, Service of Peace re-enactment*, Christ Episcopal Church, 1035 Lafayette Road, Portsmouth

Sep 11, *Massed Choirs, "Ode to Joy" from Beethoven's 9th, and World Premiere of Portsmouth Peace Hymn*, Portsmouth High School Auditorium, Alumni Circle, Portsmouth.

Sep 18, *York First Parish Congregational Church Men's Choir*, Women's City Club, 375 Middle Street, Portsmouth

Sep 25, *John Perrault & Friends*

United Methodist Church, 60 Dow Highway, Eliot ME

Oct 2 *Amare Cantare/ Opus 39*

Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center, Eliot ME

Oct 9, *ARC Trio*, Congregational Church, 580 Washington Street, Rye

Oct 16, *Portsmouth Men's Chorus/Portsmouth Women's Chorus*, South Church, 292 State Street, Portsmouth

Contact: Terrie Harman, 603-431-0666

July 10th, Seacoast Community Chorus

Location: First Congregational Church, 149 State Road, Eliot ME

The Seacoast Community Chorus was founded in 1971 to give members of the community an opportunity to sing Handel's Messiah. Since 1986, the Chorus has branched out into singing winter and spring concerts, as well as presenting an annual "Community Messiah Sing" in early December. In June 2005, fifty members of the Chorus

participated in a long-anticipated tour of Italy, highlighted by singing a Palestrina "Missa Brevis" in the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi. A non-auditioned chorus the Seacoast Community Chorus welcomes new members. Rehearsals for the 2005-2006 season will begin Thursday September 15th at 7pm in the First Parish Church Hall. **For information contact Barbara Kautz at 207-363-5833.**

Chorus Officers: Wendell S. Purrington, Conductor; Kimberly M. Karchenes, Accompanist; Martha Thyng, Assistant Conductor/Past President; Barbara Kautz, President; Susan Lippoth, Vice President; Kathy Mason, Secretary; Bill Purinton, Treasurer; Dorothy Hansen, Member at Large; David Snow, Member at Large; Dana Williams, Vice President-Elect.

July 17, Kelly Hathorne, flute/Angel Band

Location: First Congregational Church, 23 Pepperrell Road, Kittery Point, ME

Kelly Hathorne began studying the flute at the age of ten. She currently studies with Peggy Vagts, Professor of Flute at the University of New Hampshire, and has also studied with Aubrie Dionne Gantner and Trisha Craig. For the past two years, Kelly has been a member of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras, conducted by Federico Cortese. Last summer, she attended the Boston University Tanglewood Institute as a member of the Young Artists' Orchestra, conducted by David Hoose, and studied with Doriot Anthony Dwyer, former principal flute of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. She was also a member of the 2004 National Flute Association High School Flute Choir. A member of New Hampshire All-State for four years, Kelly also enjoys playing in Portsmouth High School's concert and marching band, and singing in the concert choir. She will be a freshman at Boston Conservatory in the Fall

The Angel Band grew out of a larger session of traditional Irish and British Isles music that was started over 20 years ago in a Portsmouth pub. A few from that session decided in 1993 to learn more about, and play, the music of Ireland's National Composer, Turlough O'Carolan (1670-1738). By early 1994, they realized they had the components, talent, expertise and instrumentation of a viable musical entity and so the Angel Band was born. Their name was provided by Janna Barbour, the daughter of Band guitarist, who believed that whenever the Band came to her house to practice, "angels would come in and fly around them." Members of the Angel Band include: Mary Paul, Celtic Harp; Bob Paul, Hammer Dulcimer/Irish banjo; Cathryn Norris Hamilton,

Violin; Mark "Rocky" Rockwood, Mandolin; Bob "Frosty" Frost, Banjo; Emery T. Hutchins, Concertina/Bodhran; David Behm, Guitar. The Angel Band is a juried member of the New Hampshire Artist Touring Roster of the New Hampshire Council on the Arts, and is also a member of the New England States Artist Touring Roster of the New England Foundation for the Arts, Boston MA.

The First Congregational Church of Kittery Point was founded in 1714, though its first minister the Reverend John Newmarch arrived in Kittery in 1694, just graduated from Harvard and employed by the town as minister and school teacher. By 1751 the Rev. Newmarch had baptized 1796 people, including William Whipple who later signed the Declaration of Independence. The current church building dates to 1730 and includes a bell cast in the foundry owned by Paul Revere's family.

July 24, Chorus Boston (Japanese language)

Location: North Church of Portsmouth, Market Square, Portsmouth

Chorus Boston is a mixed-voice international chorus specializing in traditional and modern Japanese choral music. The repertoire includes classical, traditional and modern Western choral works. Founded in 1997 by Noriko Sakamaki, the Chorus performs two annual concerts in the Boston area and has performed with visiting Japanese artists, most recently at Carnegie Hall with Kyoichi Kitamura and the University Glee Club of Tokyo. The chorus regularly performs at events sponsored by the Japanese Association of Greater Boston as well as other public and private events and is a member of the greater Boston Choral consortium, a cooperative association of diverse choral groups in Boston and surrounding areas. Chorus Boston welcomes new members throughout its season. The membership consists of people of all ages, occupations and backgrounds who share a common interest in Japan and the Japanese language. Its goals are to enjoy singing and attain a high level of musicianship. For more information, visit <http://members.aol.com/chorusboston>
Yohei Sato, Music Director and Conductor
Deborah Krause, Lyric Soprano

North Church

The steeple of North Church is the city's icon and on August 5, 1905, the church held an "International Peace Service" in anticipation of the

delegates' arrival on August 8th.

July 31, Portsmouth Symphony Orchestra

Location: The Music Hall, 28 Chestnut Street, Portsmouth

The Portsmouth Symphony Orchestra follows in the best rich traditions of community music. Founded in 1997 as the Seacoast Community Chamber Orchestra, the Portsmouth Symphony is a "classical era"-sized orchestra of about forty-five members consisting of strings, winds, horns and trumpets in pairs, and tympani -- typical of orchestras of Mozart and Haydn's day. The PSO also calls on a talented array of auxiliary members when performing works requiring extra winds and brass, as well as for Pops-type concerts. In the Fall of 2004, the Portsmouth Symphony was thrilled to sign Philip Lauriat, the founding Artistic Director of Granite State Opera as its new conductor. Mr. Lauriat studied Conducting at Tanglewood and was the first student ever to win both the singing and conducting competitions at The Eastman School of Music and Westminster Choir College. His reputation for delivering both singing and orchestra of stunning quality are well-known throughout the state.

The Music Hall, a non-profit performing arts center, entertains more than 70,000 patrons annually with film, music, theater, and dance performances. The historic 900-seat theater, built in 1878, is the oldest in New Hampshire, the second oldest in New England, and the fourteenth oldest operating in the United States. In the fall of 2003 the U.S. Senate voted The Music Hall onto the list of "America's Treasures," including it in a program sponsored by the National Park Service and The National Trust for Historic Preservation. In addition to its own programming, The Music Hall has hosted hundreds of benefits and celebrations for community organizations. On August 8, 1905, the international press corps covering the treaty dined on the stage of The Music Hall, as guests of Manager F.W.Hartford. After the dinner they enjoyed a vaudeville show. On August 28th members of the diplomatic delegation attended a minstrel show at The Music Hall. And in September 1906, on the First Anniversary of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty signing, The Music Hall hosted the first public showing of the newsreel films from the Treaty summer of 1905.

Aug 7 Japanese Musical Artists

Location: South Church (Unitarian Universalist), 292 State Street, Portsmouth

"Japanese Young Performers from Boston"

Sponsored by the Consulate General of Japan in Boston. The featured performers include:

Yuji Kano, flute

Melody Tachibana King, soprano

Ryuko Mizutani, koto (Japanese zither)

Tomoye Otsubo, clarinet

Erika Minami, piano

Ayako Yoda, piano

Consul-General Nishibayashi, violin (tentative)

Aug 14, Catherine York Knowlton, piano

Location: St. John's Episcopal, 101 Chapel Street, Portsmouth

Pianist Catherine Knowlton is a graduate of New England Conservatory of Music where she studied piano with Stephen Drury and composition with Joe Maneri. A three-time winner of the Granite State Piano competition in New Hampshire, she also won the New England Conservatory honors piano competition in 1988, was a semi-finalist in the Stravinsky Awards International Piano Competition in 1989, and won the Commonwealth Competition for Young pianists in 1991. Catherine has performed extensively throughout New England, with other appearances in New York, the Midwest, and Western Europe. Ms. Knowlton's program focuses on composers Franz Liszt and Mussorgsky.

St. John's Church

E. Warren Clark, former teacher to the Russian diplomats Komura and Takahira, preached to both delegations about Japan in 1905.

Aug 21, Larry Simon and Jazz Friends

Location: United Methodist Church, 129 Miller Ave., Portsmouth

Guitarist/Composer Larry Simon, from Brooklyn NY, has worked with many of today's leading jazz, blues and experimental artists. Simon has recorded and toured, both nationally and internationally, with John Zorn, LaMonte Young, David Sanborn, Big Jay McNeely, Lester Bowie, Rosco Gordon, George Coleman, Julius Hemphill, The

Skatellites and many others. In New York, Simon also composed for a variety of dance and theatre companies and was active in the downtown experimental music community as Director of the Collective for New Music, a composer-and-performer collaboration group. Simon moved to Portsmouth six years ago and formed his group Larry Simon and Groove Bacteria, which has been performing regularly around New England and won the 2003 Spotlight Award for "Best Jazz Act." He also created, organizes and performs with the popular "Beat Night" series every 3rd Thursday of the month at The Press Room in Portsmouth. A music teacher at Newmarket High School, Simon is also the founder and director of Collective Consciousness, a group of prominent New England musicians committed to developing and performing a repertoire of original compositions and arrangements with a world beat slant on jazz, rock and experimental musical forms. Contact groovebacteria@comcast.net

Aug 28, New Hope Baptist Church Gospel Choir

Location: New Castle Congregational Church, Main Street, New Castle

Sep 4, Nevers' 2nd Regiment Band, followed by Service of Peace Re-enactment Location: Christ Episcopal Church, 1035 Lafayette Road, Portsmouth

Nevers' Second Regiment Band, which played at the Portsmouth Peace Treaty signing celebrations in 1905, is Concord, New Hampshire's community band, dedicated to bringing an annual series of summer concerts to the greater Concord area and throughout the state. Its compound name derives from its military affiliation with the Second Regiment of the NH National Guard and its direction for more than half a century by Claremont cornetist, Arthur Nevers. Throughout its years of service, Nevers' Band has remained a professional civilian community band, but its military origins have always flavored its history and traditions. Nevers' Band always will be an important part of New Hampshire's heritage.

Christ Church

In 1905 both delegations attended services at the original Christ Church which was later destroyed by fire; and on September 5th, it was the site of a special Russian Orthodox peace service attended by Ambassador Witte and the Russian delegation, following the Treaty signing. The 1905 bell tower from the original Christ Church survives at this new location.

Sep 11, Massed Choirs perform "Ode to Joy" from *Beethoven's Ninth Symphony* and the *World Premiere of the Portsmouth Peace Hymn*.

Location: Portsmouth High School Auditorium, 50 Alumni Circle, Portsmouth

Sep 18, York First Parish Congregational Church Men's Choir

Location: Women's City Club, 375 Middle Street, Portsmouth

The Men's Choir, affectionately known as "The Bow Tie Guys," began life as a quartet. Gradually, more voices were added, bringing the total to nine talented singers. Each is a member of the First Parish Sanctuary Choir, and the group performs regularly during worship. The Bow Tie Guys have appeared at several events in the Maine/NH Seacoast area, including concerts at Dover First Parish Church and The Music Hall, the September 11th memorial service on York Beach and ARS Candlelight Services in Portsmouth. The Bow Tie Guys wish to thank the countless number of people who have supported the ensemble from its inception: the members, friends and pastors of First Parish Church, and the spouses of the gentlemen (who allow them to do what they love doing!). The Bow Tie Guys are: conductor/tenor /countertenor Wendell Purrington; tenors Larry Favinger, Bill Purinton and Jan Hansen; baritones Tim O'Connell and Todd Richard; basses John Shultis, Richard Leigh, and Sterling Brightman.

The Women's City Club

The Portsmouth Women's City Club, Inc. has served the Seacoast since 1920 and is proud to be associated with the rich legacy of women's volunteerism. PWCC owns its clubhouse in downtown Portsmouth -- a handsome Victorian, with well kept garden and grounds -- that is the center of all club activities including meetings, lectures, classes, plays, fairs, concerts, dances and parties. As part of its community service philosophy, PWCC intends that all members of the community can enjoy its beautiful atmosphere.

Sep 25, John Perrault & Friends

Location: United Methodist Church, 60 Dow Highway, Eliot ME

*Outgoing Portsmouth Poet Laureate, John Perrault, described as "New Hampshire's premier balladeer," performs several pieces from his critically acclaimed book, *The Ballad of Louis Wagner and Other New**

England Stories in Verse, poems from his just released collection *Here Comes the Old Man Now*, as well as selected songs from his various recordings. Special guest harmonica wizard, Mike Rogers, joins in on songs from John's award winning CD *Rough Cuts*. Rebecca Rule, reviewer for the *Concord Monitor* said about Perrault's work, "This is essential New Hampshire: our history, people, geography, and culture....A classic." Betsy Scholl's review of *Here Comes the Old Man Now* said, "John Perrault has an eye for the way daily life can become suddenly luminous, and an ear--an unerring ear--for vivid and precise language, for the nuances that shift such language into song. He is equally adept at free and formal verse, converting his rich insights into delicate lyrics of desire, regret and awe. Whether he's talking about family or his New England coastal landscape, matters of physical health or travels to distant lands, we can trust that this poet is willing to 'tread in the dark between waves, waiting for whatever it is' that will 'open to us underneath our lives and speak.'"

Oct 2, Amare Cantare/Opus 39

Location: Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center, Eliot ME

Amare Cantare takes its name for the Italian expression that means "to love to sing." Amare Cantare is a 25-voice auditioned chamber chorus based in Durham. Its purposes are to present concerts of choral music on a high artistic level in the Seacoast community and elsewhere, to provide members with the opportunity to enhance their musical skills and knowledge and to promote choral music through public performance. The ensemble's repertoire includes both sacred and secular literature and ranges from Renaissance madrigals, Bach motets, Romantic part songs to contemporary a capella literature, folk songs and popular favorites. The emphasis is on a high standard of performance with most works sung in their original languages. Amare Cantare's performs three major concerts series each year and additional paid engagements. The group draws its members from all over the Seacoast area and beyond, ranging from Exeter, to York ME, to Freedom, NH. Catherine Beller-McKenna, Music Director

Opus 39 is an ensemble comprised of New England musicians Margaret Herlehy, oboe; Stephanie Ratte, clarinet; Rodger Ellsworth, viola; Bozena O'Brien, violin and Jeremy Hill, double bass. This unique combination of instrumentation duplicates the ensemble that Serge Prokofiev chose for his magnificent quintet, Op. 39. In 2004, the ensemble performed a series of concerts featuring works inspired by

political events of the 20th century including the Prokofiev Quintet Op. 39, the Suite of Randall Thompson and the haunting Abyss of the Birds from the Quartet for the End of Time by Oliver Messiaen. The performances were received with such overwhelming response that the ensemble was selected to perform and discuss the Prokofiev Quintet as clinician for the 2005 NH All State Chamber Music Festival.

Green Acre Baha'i Conference Center was founded by Sarah Farmer, who dedicated it in 1894 to the ideals of peace and religious unity and then raised the first known peace flag in the world. In 1905, both Russian and Japanese members of the peace treaty delegations visited Green Acre. Sarah Farmer was the only woman to witness the signing of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty on September 5, 1905.

Oct 9, ARC Trio

Location: Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Street, Rye

The Arc Trio is comprised of 16 year old violinist Alexandria Harrod, 14 year old cellist Rylie Harrod, and their coach, pianist Catherine Knowlton. Earlier this summer the trio won a First Prize in the Chamber Music Foundation of New England (CMFoNE) First International Chamber Ensemble Competition and performed at Carnegie Hall. The Arc trio was founded as an educational project by coach and pianist Catherine Knowlton in order to introduce two talented teenaged sisters to trio repertoire. This past January, the trio received a scholarship to become an honors ensemble-in-residence at The Portsmouth Music and Arts Center in Portsmouth, NH. They have performed in Boston and throughout the Seacoast area.

Violinist Alexandria Harrod has played violin since the age of 3. She was a Suzuki student of Sue Ann Erb until she was 10. Her most recent teacher is Steve Kecskemethy of the Portland String Quartet. Alexandria has soloed twice with the Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Orchestra and was a finalist in the Bay Chamber solo competition in 2004. A member of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony's Senior Orchestra, she toured Russia with them last summer. *Cellist Rylie Harrod* is a sophomore at Marshwood High School in South Berwick, Maine. She studies with Paul Ross of the Portland String Quartet. Rylie has soloed with The Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Orchestra in Massachusetts as well as with The Augusta Symphony in Maine. She is also a member of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra, performing and touring with their Senior Orchestra. *Pianist Catherine*

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Oct 16, Portsmouth Men's Chorus/Portsmouth Women's Chorus Location: South Church, 292 State Street, Portsmouth

The Portsmouth Women's Chorus was founded in 1985 by Priscilla Stevens French as an auditioned ensemble of adult singers from Seacoast communities. PWC is dedicated to singing the highest quality choral literature available for upper-register voices. Selections span 16th to 20th century classical repertoire sung in Latin, German Italian and French, as well as English. The group is known for its innovative and adventurous programming. Past concerts have explored American music, the history of women in music, and offered world premieres of choral arrangements by contemporary New England composers. The gala 20th anniversary celebration performance held this spring to a full house at The Music Hall included a retrospective of chorus favorites, the world premiere of "Words of Strength," and collaborations with the *Voices of AIR* and *Ballet New England*

**The Legacies of the
Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary 2005**

Among the legacies of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Centennial celebration of 2005 are the following ongoing programs and permanent hallmarks:

The Portsmouth Peace Treaty Trail

“An Uncommon Peace: Portsmouth Peace Treaty 1905” traveling exhibit

www.portsmouthpeacetreaty.com website and its link to the United States Library of Congress

Portsmouth Public Library index to the archives of newspaper coverage from 1905, and the Portsmouth Peace Treaty bibliography

Portsmouth Peace Treaty Curriculum Guide

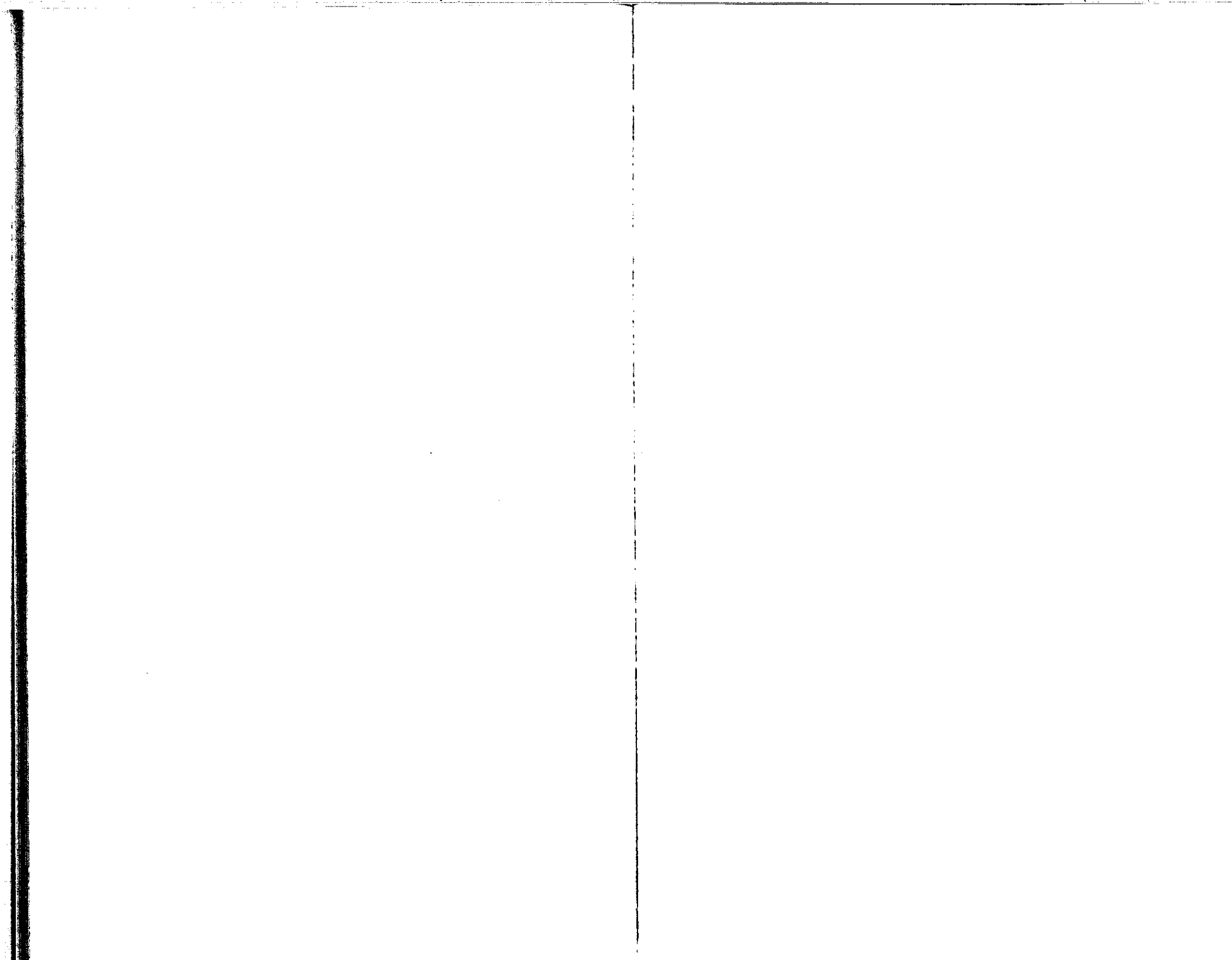
Children's Museum of Portsmouth/Northeast Cultural Coop cranes for peace forwarded to the International Peace Park in Hiroshima, Japan.

Proceedings from conferences “Toward a Culture of Peace” at the Green Acre Baha'i School and “Portsmouth and Its Legacies” at Dartmouth College.

Cooperative agreement among American, Japanese and Russian doctors to support ongoing medical care initiatives in the former Soviet Union.

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Portsmouth Peace Treaty Anniversary Committee



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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

EXECUTIVE SESSION on SB 379

BILL TITLE: proclaiming September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.

DATE: April 8, 2010

LOB ROOM: 203

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Twombly

Seconded by Rep. Cushing

Vote: 13-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

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Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: yes 13-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Sarah A. Hutz, Clerk

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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DATE: 4/8/10

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PH Date: 4 / 18 / 2010

Exec Session Date: 4 / 8 / 10

Motion: OTP

Amendment #: _____

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Garrity, Patrick F, Chairman	X	
Cushing, Robert R, V Chairman	X	
Domingo, Baldwin M —		absent
Roberts, Kris E	X	
Haley, Robert J	X	
Sweeney, Cynthia P	X	
Hutz, Sarah A, Clerk	X	
Katsiantonis, George —		absent
Chininis, Alexis C —		absent
Hardy, Valerie S	X	
Katsiantonis, Thomas	X	
Baldasaro, Alfred P	X	
Twombly, James E	X	
Priestley, Anne K —		absent
Christiansen, Lars T	X	
Emiro, Frank R	X	
Fields, Dennis H	X	
Pepino, Leo P —		absent
Smith, Todd P —		absent
TOTAL VOTE:	13	0

Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

April 13, 2010

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS to which was referred SB379,

AN ACT proclaiming September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day. Having considered the same, report the same with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. James E Twombly

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
Bill Number:	SB379
Title:	proclaiming September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.
Date:	April 13, 2010
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Vote 13-0.

Rep. James E Twombly

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Committee Report State & Federal

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OTP Consent Calendar 13-0

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For the Committee,

Rep. James E. Twombly

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COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: STATE & FEDERAL RELATIONS + VETERAN AFFAIRS

BILL NUMBER: SB 379

TITLE: proclaiming September 5 as Portsmouth Peace Treaty Day.

DATE: 4/8/10 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

- OUGHT TO PASS
- OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT
- INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE
- INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No. _____

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Twombly

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CHAIR *[Signature]* PFG

COMMITTEE VOTE: 13-0

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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- Use Another Report for Minority Report

Rep. Twombly
For the Committee