

# 375<sup>th</sup> SC Meeting Agenda

- Chair/VC Reports
- Other Chair Reports
- Open Discussion
- Next meeting: 21  
February 5 PM



# Events Committee



We LOVE Portsmouth



I am Part  
of the Heart

We LOVE Portsmouth



Skating  
Pass

PORTSMOUTH ABBEY SCHOOL

WE LOVE PORTSMOUTH  
SOUP SUNDAY  
Celebrating Portsmouth RI's  
375<sup>th</sup> Birthday

February 17, 2013  
St. Barnabas Church  
1697 East Main Rd  
Portsmouth, RI

12 noon - 2 PM  
Form the "Heart" at 1:30 PM

Soup, Salad and Bread  
Donation \$6 Adults, \$4 Children  
under 2 - FREE

Good for Skating  
at  
Portsmouth Abbey  
Ice Rink

February 17, 2013  
or  
March 3, 2013

2 PM to 4 PM

Bring Your Own Skates

Sunday, February 17, 2013  
Be Part of Our Heart



Soup, Salad and Bread Lunch

12 Noon to 2 PM  
St Barnabas Church Hall  
1697 East Main Road, Portsmouth RI

At 1:30 PM, we plan to form a "human heart" of people  
in the parking lot and take a picture from above.

Donation \$6 Adults, \$4 Children, Under 2 - Free

Reserve by February 15 - No tickets will be sold at the door

Benefits the Portsmouth 375<sup>th</sup> Celebration

With each ticket supporters will receive a pass for FREE SKATING at the  
Portsmouth Abbey Ice Rink on Sunday, February 17th or March 3rd

For Tickets or information go to [www.PortsmouthRI375.com](http://www.PortsmouthRI375.com)

OR call 401 683-3553 or 401 842-8853 [ham.print@cox.net](mailto:ham.print@cox.net)

# Winter Trail Walk 2013 *Melville Park Winter Walk*



- *Saturday, February 23, 2013, 1 - 3 PM*  
*(a Portsmouth 375<sup>th</sup> anniversary event) Join us and get to know this beautiful preserve with its wooded paths, ponds, stone walls, waterfall & wildlife*  
- It's ALL FREE
- 3.75 km Walk The first 50 participants to register and successfully complete each stage of the 3.75 km walk will receive a **commemorative medallion with ribbon**
- Guided walk - Learn interesting history about the park. (The park has unimproved natural walking paths.)
- **Free Refreshments** -  
Hot Chocolate, Coffee and Desserts
- **Location** - Melville Park is just off of West Main Rd. (Rt 114). Take Bradford Ave (at Melville School) to Smith Road, turn right just beyond the Melville Campground
- Follow the signs to registration, guides and refreshments (same day registration only)
- See our website [www.melvilleponds.org](http://www.melvilleponds.org)

# Events with Firm Dates

- Jan to Dec            T            Portsmouth Arts Guild—Fri, Sat and Sunday, various art events
- Jan. 1                H            “Polar Dive for 375”
- Feb 17                H            “We Love Portsmouth” Soup and Salad Photo event
- Feb 23                T            3.75 K Winter Trail Walk at Melville Park ??
- March 7              H            Portsmouth Compact Ceremony at Town Hall/Lecture by Jim Garman in evening
- Mar to Nov          H            Historical Lectures by Jim Garman
- March 30            T            Easter Egg Hunt at the Brown House
- May 4                T            Tour of Fort Butts/RIMAP/Garden Club clean up with Girl scouts at Founders Brook
- [May 5](#)                T            [4<sup>th</sup> Annual Tea for Ladies Celebrating Portsmouth’s 375<sup>th</sup> GMH](#)
- May 18                T            Restoration Celebration/375 Label premier at Greenvale Vineyard
- May 24                H            Portsmouth Garden Club Memorial Day Wreath laying Legion Park
- May 26                T            Exhibit at Ports. Historical Society
- June 2                T            Prescott Farm tour/Portsmouth Abby & Newport Rest. Soc.
- [June 9](#)                T            [Oakland Forest and Meadow Trail Walk guided by naturalist Gary Plunkett 1:00](#)
- 15 June??            T            Portsmouth Night at Pawsox/Rotary Club

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T = Tag to event with appropriate signage i.e. “In Celebration of Portsmouth’s 375th Anniversary  
[New event](#)

# Events with Firm Dates II

- Jul 4 T Fireworks at Escobar Farm
- Jul 15 T Genealogy and Researching Portsmouth's Early Residents
- Jul 17 T Portsmouth Resources—What We Have and How to Find It
- Jul 18 T American band Concert, GMH
- Jul 20 T Portsmouth Family Reunion, Library
- 21 Jul T Friends of Anne Hutchinson Annual Meeting
- Aug 25 T RI 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Ceremony at West Main Rd. Monument
- Aug 29 H Glen Manor House 375<sup>th</sup> reception
- Aug 30 H Greenvale 375<sup>th</sup> Wine Tasting
- Aug 31 H 375<sup>th</sup> Parade Island Park/Common Cannon firing/Polo
- Sep 1 H Chicken Barbeque/Square Dance Glen Park
- Sep 28 T Portsmouth High School Homecoming and 50<sup>th</sup>
- Oct 20 T Harvest Social at Ports. Historical Society
- Nov 2 T ALT 3.75K "Race for Open Space" IHO 375<sup>th</sup>?
- Nov 11 T Veteran's Day Ceremony with American Legion and VFW Posts
- Nov 17 T Prescott Farm Tour/Portsmouth Abby Newport Rest. Society
- [Dec 1](#) T [Library Christmas Tree Lighting](#)
- Dec 7 T Holly Ball, GMH
- Dec 15 T Holiday Open House, GMH

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# Chair Report

- Newport Daily News 😊
  - Special Edition in August
  - Sponsor status (in kind)
  - Our “Official” Newspaper
- New “Portsmouth Times” 😊
  - Jim McGaw, editor
  - Free weekly: Portsmouth news
  - Wants to have a lot of 375th info in each edition
  - May become a sponsor
- Custom House Coffee 😊
  - New 375<sup>th</sup> Coffee
- The USCGC Eagle won’t be coming to Portsmouth 😞
  - Working on alternatives to showcase Melville
    - Other tall ships
    - Other marine activities



# Chair Report II

- Contacts:

- CHC Portsmouth – 375th Coffee to be sold at CCH and Clements
  - George Doumany – Co-owner of Portsmouth CHC
  - 375<sup>th</sup> Official Coffee House?
- Glen Manor House: Met on 30th: unable to help run our 375th reception; we need group to manage
  - Dennis and Jane are working on it
- Portsmouth PD liaison: William Burns
- Portsmouth FD liaison: Chief Mike Cranson
- Laser Performance/others re regatta
- Speaking at Rotary Dinner 19 Feb
- Marine Trades Meeting 21 Feb
- Will update Town Council on 25 Feb

- Initiatives:

- The Portsmouth History Project
- A way to capture old photos/documents/artifacts
- Library is focal point





# 375 Vice-Chair Activity

- F/U Portsmouth UK Lord Mayors visit
  - Portsmouth UK Council rep advised 90% that LM can attend in Aug more follow-up week of 2/11
  - UK Visit for 21 May LM Making ceremony by 6-8 Official 375th reps planned - details to follow nlt 21 Feb
- Will propose sister-city relations with Portsmouth UK
  - Potential economic benefits for local Maritime businesses
  - Tourist and vacation benefits
- Portsmouth NH and Portsmouth, VA Mayors to attend August 375th events
- GMH meeting Jan 30
  - FGMH unable to take on 29 Aug. reception
  - Need volunteers to assist in event planning

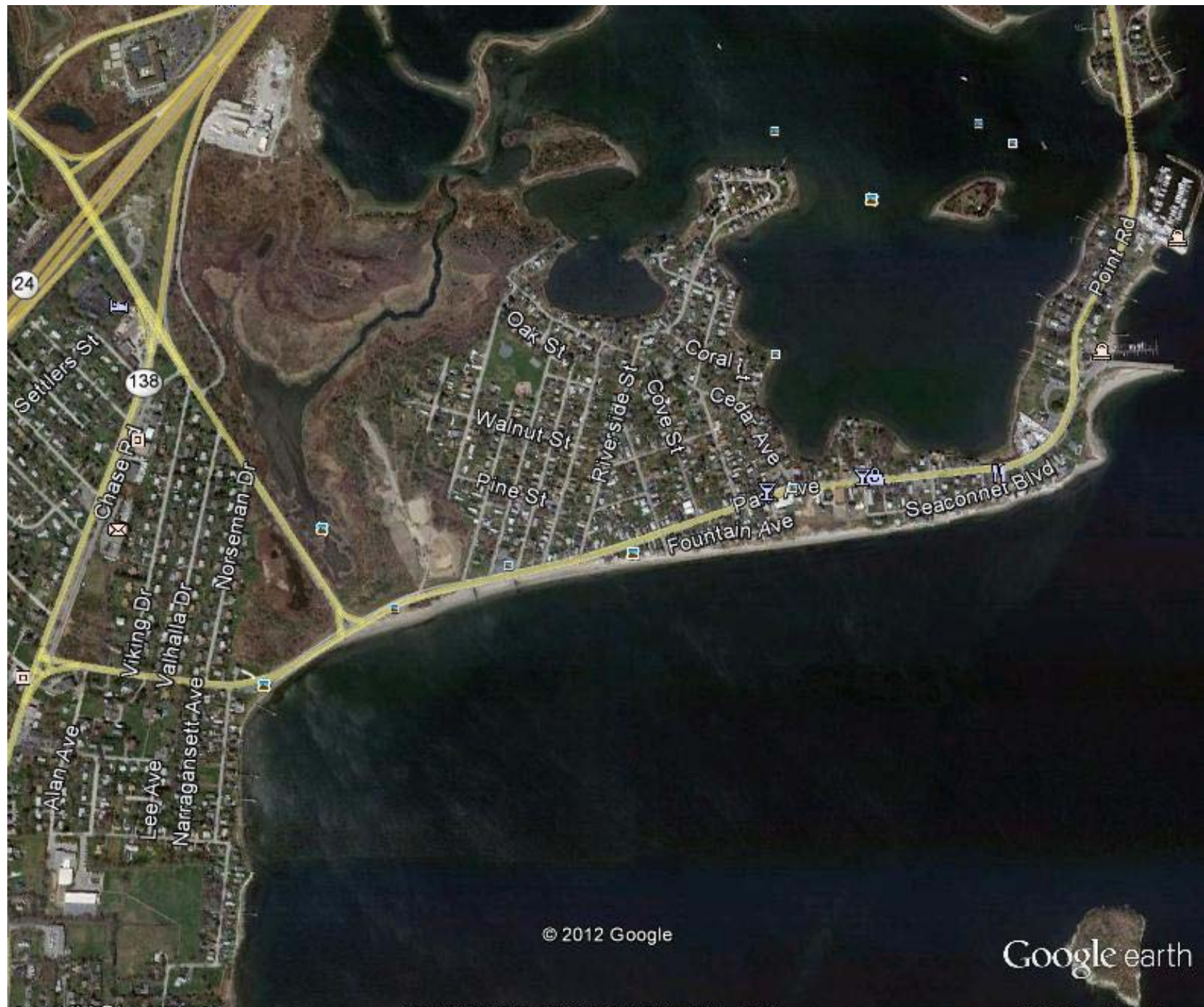
# 375<sup>th</sup> Labor Day Weekend Planning

- Labor Day weekend 2013
  - Thursday 29 Aug: GMH 375<sup>th</sup> Reception
    - GMH Authority received TC OK for 375<sup>th</sup> use on 29th
    - GMH Friends Meeting on 30 Jan
    - Will need event support – “Friends” unable to help
  - Friday 30 Aug: Greenvale 375<sup>th</sup> Wine Tasting event
    - Music/Other?
  - Saturday 31 Aug:
    - AM Parade down Park Ave. Island Park
    - PM BF Town Common Newport Arty Co. Cannon exchange, Polo match
  - Sunday 1 Sep:
    - AM Ecumenical Service at Founders Brook? (Rev Hanson)
    - PM Chicken Barbeque/Square Dance Glen Park? (What do we call this?)

# Parade Committee

- We have approximately 50 organizations considered to be potential participants compiled. Please provide those you think would like to participate to Lisa Lafluer or myself.
- Letter of invitation being constructed along with the form to participate.
- A walk the route will be made once weather warms a little. Everyone is invited to come along.
- Our next planning meeting is scheduled for Saturday, 9 February at the VFW Post 5390 in Common Fence Point at 1000. The meeting is open to the steering committee as well if you have the time.





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Imagery Date: 4/2/2012

41°37'22.74" N 71°13'54.02" W elev 10 ft

Eye alt 6820 ft

# Publicity and Advertising 1/17/2013



- **Web Help**
  - Looking for IT person fm RWU
- **E-mail Outreach**
  - Monthly e-mail - Katherine
- **Local Video Media**
  - **Historical Tour Video**
  - **375 with Band at Inaugural Parade (CH 18 Friday)**
- **“Tour” Brochures**
  - - on line version
- **Follow-up with Local Businesses**
- **Committee Exposure**
  - **Civic Groups (Rotary, Am Legion, Garden Club, etc.)**
  - **Town- Sanctioned Committees**
- **Publicize Next Major Events**
  - **We Love Portsmouth (Clement’s Ticket Table Friday )**
  - **Winter Walk at Melville**

# Portsmouth RI 375 Financial Statement

## 17 January 2013

- Two Founder Donations
  - \$375:
    - Robert and Corrine Edenbach
    - Carleton Johnson
- Merchandise Sales:
  - \$293 at PCU
  - Checking others
- Current Balance \$20,289.32

# Fundraising



# Other VC/Liaisons

- Technology: New tech person still needed
  - Salve will get the word out
- Town: Progress on 7 March ceremony?
- Schools:
  - Hathaway and Melville Schools planning citizenship day in June: looking for ways to tie in the 375th
- Business?
  - 375<sup>th</sup> logo bracelet from Alex and Ani ?
  - 375<sup>th</sup> Soda, other stuff?
  - Major Sponsor opportunities
    - 375<sup>th</sup> Reception at GMH 29 August – PCU Plus others?
    - 375<sup>th</sup> Parade 31 August
    - Escobar 375<sup>th</sup> Fireworks display 4 July
    - Glen Park Chicken Barbeque/Square dance – 1 Sep
    - Other events?



# Open Discussion

- Status:
  - Flag, Standing Signs, other?
- Town ceremony on 7 March IHO Compact
  - Governor and other RI VIPs/Pols invited
  - Artillery Company Honor Guard/Salute?
- Church/Religious liaison?
  - Suggestions?
  - Rev Paul Hanson: Lecture on John Clarke (date?) and service at Founders Brook (1 Sep?)
- Navy Band Event/Pianist Concert? – When and where?
- SC member business cards - \$20 for 100
  - Contact Bob Hamilton if you would like to order some