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President Kathryn Muirhead received an honorary gavel from Past President Jack Resch inscribed with the years of her service (2009-2015) at the June 2015 annual meeting. Steve Solomon (below) was elected President for the 2015-2017 term.

Dear friend,

Together, we made huge strides in expanding our mission throughout 2015. We started the state's first Academic World-Quest competition for high school students and sent the winning team from Souhegan to compete in Washington, D.C.

We also kicked off a new speaker series in partnership with the Portsmouth Public Library and received a grant from the U.S. State Department to hold a regional Diplomacy Summit, engaging hundreds of people in discussion and learning about expanding our state's global ties. We hope you enjoy reading more about our 2015 accomplishments inside this report.

**Thank you for your
continued support!
Steve Solomon,
President, 2015-2017
& Anna Berry,
Executive Director**

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Highlights

- **371 international visitors** were selected as emerging leaders by the U.S. State Department and hosted in New Hampshire by the Council for professional development;
- **259** individuals, businesses and non-profits donated time to exchange ideas with their international counterparts on topics ranging from good governance to freedom of the press;
- **20 families** opened their homes to a visitor to share a meal.
- **8 high school teams** competed in the first annual Academic WorldQuest competition, testing their knowledge of international issues, and **100 students** took part in the Plymouth Model UN Conference.
- **Thousands of people** around the state deepened their understanding of world affairs and discussed pressing global issues at more than **30** (mostly free) events in 2015, including lectures and films.



An international delegation visited Peterborough to learn about climate change and renewable energy and see the town's large solar system.

Events

DIPLOMACY BEGINS HERE SUMMIT
Mission in a Bottle: Doing Business Differently & Changing the World
Seth Goldman, Honest Tea CEO

GLOBAL TIPPING POINTS, UNHM
Haroon Ullah, U.S. State Department
Karima Bennoune, U.C. Davis
Hamish Macdonald, Weatherhead Fellow
Daniel Byman, Georgetown University

WORLD AFFAIRS AT THE LIBRARY, PORTSMOUTH
Massood Samii, *The Iran Deal*
Victoria Budson, *Women in Public Policy*
Joe Keefe, *Investing in the Future*
Ritu Sharma, *Teach a Woman to Fish*
Stephen Bosworth, *North Korea & Nuclear Diplomacy*
Lawrence Wilkerson, *National Security*

SPECIAL EVENTS
Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, *European Migration & Security Challenges*
Timothy Webster, *China Town Hall (UNH)*
Peter Schmidt, *Teaching Global Competency Workshop for Educators*
Charlie Bickford, *Facing Change: Modern Myanmar*
SNHU International Week
Global Networking- Russia, Europe

PLYMOUTH MODEL UN CONFERENCE
Oliver Owczar, Weatherhead Fellow, Harvard

CROSSROADS FILMS & DISCUSSIONS, RED RIVER THEATRES, CONCORD
Sepideh- **Jeanne Berulskis**
Scheherazade's Diary- **Michelle Goings & Joanne Fortier**
Big Men- **Charlotte Broaden**

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National Insecurity
David Rothkopf, *Foreign Policy Magazine*

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Students from Oyster River High School compete in the 1st annual Academic WorldQuest competition.

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371 emerging leaders from around the world visited NH in 2015 for professional development programs run by the Council in partnership with the U.S. State Department.



New connections were made at the Diplomacy Begins Here Summit in August.



A panel speaks about international careers at the Think Global Conference for students in March.

David Rothkopf, Editor of Foreign Policy magazine, spoke about his new book, "National Insecurity," in June at our annual Global Forum. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (far right) addressed European migration and security in November at the SNHU School of Business.



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<i>International Visitors Program</i>	\$108,179
<i>Fundraisers</i>	\$11,153
<i>Education/Event Programs</i>	\$46,348
<i>Trust/Endowment Distribution</i>	\$9,034
<i>Other</i>	\$25,581
<i>Administration</i>	\$0
<i>Payroll Taxes</i>	\$0
<i>Professional Services</i>	\$0
<i>General Operating</i>	\$0
INCOME TOTAL	\$234,686
	EXPENSE
<i>Annual Fund & Membership</i>	\$1,352
<i>International Visitors Program</i>	\$70,989
<i>Fundraisers</i>	\$2,916
<i>Education/Event Programs</i>	\$37,547
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<i>Other</i>	\$4,625
<i>Administration</i>	\$81,407
<i>Payroll Taxes</i>	\$11,270
<i>Professional Services</i>	\$10,231
<i>General Operating</i>	\$14,154
EXPENSE TOTAL	\$234,491
NET	\$195

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