



The Archangel Committee
The Russian Sister City Committee of Greater Portland

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2002 - Year in Review

- January - Committee members participate in the Annual Rule of Law Conference in Boston; delegations from seven U.S. states attended.
- February - At our Annual Social Gathering, Dennis Marrotte and Jean Souliere show slides of the November 2001 visit of convoy veteran Boris Korotyaev to Maine, and help present an award to a former shipyard worker: 86 year old Shirley Wilder.
- March - Archangel Duma Members Stanislov Vtori and Yuri Spiridonov return to Russia after a week of intense work with the Maine House of Representatives.
- April - Several judges and prosecutors from the Archangel Region attend a special Rule of Law Conference in Vologda, Russia focusing on the investigation and prosecution of complex economic crimes.
- May - Our Committee Website records its 3000th visitor.
- June - Committee member Steve Cowperthwaite delivers informational materials to the Director of the Kenozero National Park in Archangel; he also delivers assistance to Dr. Pavlov at the Archangel City Orphanage.
- July - Committee member Ray Pelletier attends a Russian Business Roundtable in Portland sponsored by the U.S. State Department. Committee member and Federal Magistrate Judge Margaret Kravchuk helped host a delegation of Archangel legal leaders in Washington DC.
- August - Three Archangel judges, three prosecutors and three defense lawyers from the Archangel Region visit Maine as part of the Library of Congress "Open World" program. Their visit focuses on jury trials and oral advocacy skills.
- September - Committee members travel to Portsmouth NH to help greet visiting Severodvinsk Mayor Alexander Beliaev.
- October - Seven members of Maine's legal community visit Archangel as part of the Rule of Law Program, focusing on jury trials, legal clinic development, the establishment of a district court system there, and on familiarization with the corrections system there. The delegation also delivered humanitarian supplies to the Northern Clinical Hospital and delivered money to the City and Regional Orphanages.
- November - The University of Maine School of Law hosts four Russian law professors; they participate in election night activities and meet Congressman Tom Allen and Governor-Elect John Baldacci.
- December - Committee members Ray Pelletier and Dennis Marrotte are guests on a Saturday morning talk show on radio station WLOB.