



The Archangel Committee

The Russian Sister City Committee of Greater Portland

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1996 - Year in Review

- January - Bates College Professor James Richter speaks at our Annual Meeting about the upcoming Russian presidential elections.
- February - Maine teacher Jean Souliere goes to teach at Archangel School Number 21 for three months while Archangel teacher Nina Fedoseeva comes to Gray-New Gloucester High School for the same period. The recent photographic exhibition "Pearls of the Russian North" is featured on MPBN's television show "True North".
- March - Archangel students and teachers arrive on the second year of the federally funded high school exchange.
- April - A similar group of Maine students and chaperones arrive in Archangel.
- May - Our Committee has a table at the Maine International Trade Center's "World Trade Day" in Portland.
- June - Committee member Ann Munch leads a delegation of twelve people to Archangel, with an itinerary similar to last year's. Maine artists Abby Huntoon and Elizabeth Margolis-Pineo are on the trip and interact with their Archangel artistic counterparts.
- July - Our corporation changes official name to "The Greater Portland-Russian Sister City Project". Several photographs taken by Committee member Mason Smith go on display at Archangel's Mansion House.
- August - We sell a significant amount of crafts at a craft sale in Lewiston.
- September - Archangel student Katya Kuznetsova starts a full year of studies at the University of Southern Maine. Our Committee meets with several members of the Portsmouth/Severodvinsk Connection, a new sister city group in Portsmouth NH.
- October - Alexander Pashovkin leads a 15 member delegation from Archangel to Greater Portland; the delegation features artists Dmitri Trubin and Evgeni Novoselov. Books donated by Deering High School, USM, Annies' Book Store, and Cleaves County Law Library are shipped to Pomor's English and Law Departments and to Archangel School Number 6.
- November - Three Committee members go to Archangel to specifically plan for future youth initiatives.
- December - We participate in a fundraiser at the USM Music Department entitled "Winter's Eve in Saint Petersburg".