



The Archangel Committee

The Russian Sister City Committee of Greater Portland

P.O. Box 105, Portland, Maine 04112

2006 - Year in Review

- January - We receive New Year Greetings from Archangel Mayor Alexander Donskoy with hope to "continue our successful cooperation in solving problems and tasks for the sake of people of our cities".
- February - At our Annual Social Gathering, we heard from Sally Regan about her Peace Corps duty in Ukraine and from Archangel's Tatiana Vorobieva.
- March - Ten Committee members and guests attend a "Citizen Diplomacy Summit" in Portland. The event is sponsored by Sister Cities International and by the City of Portland.
- April - We participate in the first Internet Video Bridge with our friends in Archangel; Portland radio station WLOB interviews Archangel Assistant Mayor Sergey Namoylik on the air. Both events are part of "America Week in Archangel".
- May - U.S. Magistrate Judge Margaret Kravchuk of Bangor leads a four-member legal delegation to Archangel to focus on judicial conduct and professional responsibility.
- June - Committee members attend local fundraiser for the Portland Chamber Music Festival. The theme was on Portland's Four Sister Cities. Maine Secretary of State Matt Dunlap leads a four person legal delegation to Archangel to focus on local self-governance.
- July - A combined Rule of Law and Sister City delegation travels to the Solovetsky Islands in the White Sea to see old friends Dima, Svetlana, Anna and Olga.
- August - Our Committee website hosts its 16,000th visitor (www.arkhangelsk.org)
- September - Committee member Matt Dunlap speaks at Adult Russian Day at Colby College. We help the Maine Department of Transportation host three Archangel AVTODOR transportation engineers. Committee members participate in a Waterville forum hosting medical professionals from Kotlas.
- October - Committee members give a PowerPoint presentation on Solovki to the Portland chapter of the AARP.
- November - Our Committee helps host a six person delegation of Archangel Arbitrage and District Court Judges.
- December - We participate in the second Internet Video Bridge themed a "Christmas Meeting of Friends". Plans for the third Bridge are made!