



**The Archangel Committee**  
**The Russian Sister City Committee of Greater Portland**  
P.O. Box 105, Portland, Maine 04112

1997 - Year in Review

- January - Student Teachers Olga Popova and Natasha Vishnakova arrive for 6 months of teaching and work in local schools.
- February - Committee members help in welcoming and hosting Project Harmony delegation from Ukraine. Committee send official congratulations to newly elected Mayor of Archangel, Pavel Balackshin.
- March - The final USIA funded high school exchange starts with the arrival on 3/20 of 12 students from Archangel and the departure of 11 American students on the same day. Also arriving from Archangel is Nastasha Pimonova who will work on the E-mail/student newspaper project. Host school is CEHS. Russian students bring 500 dough dolls for sale here at Christmas.
- April - High School exchange concludes. Exhibit of Dmitry Trubin & Yevgeny Novasalov artwork opens at Davidson Gallery in Portland. Committee members welcome and host 2nd Project Harmony delegation from Ukraine.
- May - USAID 3-member legal delegation to Archangel.
- June - 15 Americans travel to Archangel on People-to-People Delegation.
- July - Pomor Vice-Rector Goldin arrives for 8 weeks of teaching at USM.  
Intern Vita Rudenko arrives for 8 weeks of instruction at Kersteen accounting firm.  
UMaine Law School Professor Cluchey visits Archangel.  
Archangel Duma Official Yevgeny Uhin study law-drafting at USAID Washington.  
Intern Slava Issaev arrives for 6 weeks of instruction at Imageset Printing.
- August - Committee members staff "Bridging the World" booth at Portland festival.  
Pomor Law School Dean Tatyana Zykina studies for 2 weeks at USAID Washington/NYC.
- September - Pomor Law School Dean Tatyana Zykina visits U. Maine Law School for week.  
USAID 4-member legal delegation to Archangel.
- October - 8 Russians travel to Maine on People-to-People delgation.  
Intern dentist Irina Varakina arrives for 4 weeks of learning in Maine/Tufts.
- November - Committee members take part in public form at Bangor Russian Weekend.
- December - Christmas craft and dough doll sales are excellent.