



The Archangel Committee

The Russian Sister City Committee of Greater Portland

P.O. Box 105, Portland, Maine 04112

2007 - Year in Review

- January - We receive New Years Greetings from the Mayor of Archangel, the Mayor of the Solovetsky Islands and from the Open World Leadership Center in Washington DC.
- February - We participate in the third Internet Video Bridge with students at the Archangel State Technical University to celebrate Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's 200th birthday.
- March - ~~Committee members join representatives from nine other U.S. states at the Annual Rule of Law Winter Conference in Hartford CT.~~
- April - Portland Mayor Ed Suslovic leads a combined sister city/rule of law delegation to Archangel to help celebrate the second annual "America Week" there. Our delegation carries 83 beautiful photographs and paintings for display in a popular show called "A View Across the Ocean: Presenting America and American Life".
- May - Maine District Court Judge David Kennedy leads a four person legal delegation to Archangel to focus on such topics as juvenile justice, domestic violence and high-conflict divorce.
- June - Committee Vice Co-Chair Dennis Marrotte travels to Archangel for "City Day" festivities and to the Solovetsky Islands to plan a future Open World delegation to Maine. Dennis also carries "A View Across the Ocean" exhibition to Solovki.
- July - Our Committee hosts two teachers from the Archangel region here in Maine: Nina Fedoseeva from School N21 and Nikolay Abramov from the Kenozero Secondary School; while in Maine, they participate in the week-long "Lake Science Academy" sponsored by the Maine Lakes Conservancy Institute. Also, committee members help the Federal Court in Portland host several official court administrators from Moscow, Saint Petersburg, Astrakhan and Krasnodar.
- August - Committee members join representatives from nine other U.S. states at the Annual Rule of Law Summer Conference in Manchester NH.
- September - Committee members meet with two visiting engineers from the Archangel Department of Transportation during their visit to the Maine DOT.
- October - Our Committee helps host a ten person rule of law and sister city delegation from Archangel; Archangel's Director of Foreign Relations, Sergey Namoylik, is in the delegation.
- November - Our Committee website hosts its 19,000th visitor at www.arkhangelsk.org
- December - Our Committee hosts a five person Open World delegation from the Solovetsky Islands and from the City of Archangel; the visit focuses on island communities and on museum operations.