

SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP  
BETWEEN  
SITKA AND NEMURO

- 1970 JUL: Mr. Masao Matsuzawa, the Board of Director of Nemuro Fishermen's Association, visited Sitka, and he sounded to engage the Sister City Relationship between Sitka and Nemuro, Hokkaido, Japan.
- 1975 AUG: Mr. Masao Matsuzawa visited Sitka again, and he asked officially to engage the Sister City Relationship between Sitka and Nemuro.
- 1975 NOV: The Sitka Assembly adopted the Sister City Relationship with Nemuro.
- 1975 DEC: The Nemuro Assembly adopted the Sister City Relationship with Sitka.
- 1976 MAR: Mr. Masao Matsuzawa visited Sitka.
- 1976 JUL: Messrs. Sadao Takaoka and Mitsuru Hamaya, Nemuro, visited Sitka.
- 1978 SEP: Mr. Masao Matsuzawa visited Sitka.
- 1979 JUL: The Nemuro Mission (Leading by Mayor Isao Terashima and 8 members) visited Sitka.
- 1979 NOV: The photos of Sitka displayed at the Nemuro Culture Festival.
- 1980 MAR: The Baranof Bluegrass Band of Sitka visited Nemuro, and they played at the Nemuro City Hall. Members were Jim Davis, Dan Keck, Wanda McLaung, Alan Davis, Gary Gouker and Atsuo Tsunoda.
- 1987 APR: Mrs. Donna Thornton of Sitka gifted her Quilt-Work to Nemuro.
- 1987 JUN: Mr. Kazuta Sugana of Nemuro visited Sitka.
- 1988 JUL: Four students and one teacher of Nemuro visited Sitka.
- 1989 JUL: Student's Art-Works of Vestovia School of Sitka displayed at Hanasaki Elementary School at Nemuro.
- 1990 OCT: The Sitka Mission (Leading by Mayor Dan Keck) visited Nemuro. Members were Dan Keck, Betty Keck, Dick Griffin, Ernestine Griffin, Marilyn Knap, Atsuo Tsunoda and Kyoko Tsunoda.
- 1991 JUL: Students's Art-Works of Nemuro Elementary Schools displayed at the Centennial Building at Sitka.
- 1991 JUL: Four students and one teacher of Nemuro visited Sitka. Members were Kazumi Abe, Naoto Ueno, Satoko Deie, Yoshiko Yamazaki, and teacher Eiji Ishikawa.

1993 JUL: Five students and one teacher of Nemuro visited Sitka. Members were Chiemi Asano, Shinichiro Sada, Akane Usami, Hiroko Takayashiki, Jouki Watanabe, and teacher Mutsumi Fuwa.

1993 SEP: Sitka High School contacted Nemuro High School to engage the Sister School Relationship. Both students started exchange letters.

1994 JAN: The City of Nemuro, Hokkaido, Japan, engaged the Sister City Relationship with the City of Severo Kurilsk, the State of Sakhalin, Russia, which is located on the Island of Paramushir, South of Kamchatka Peninsula, on January 22, 1994.

1994 JUL: Two students (Toula Lagos and Mia Matteson) of Sitka High School and one teacher (Atsuo Tsunoda) visited Nemuro, and two students attended at the classes of Nemuro High School for three days during their staying from July 4 through July 10, 1994.

1995 JUL: Five Students (Mika Yoshida, Miri Sasaki, Ayui Kanbe, Nobuyuki Endo and Kiyomi Okeya) and one teacher (Yoko Sato) from Nemuro visited Sitka.

1995 AUG: The City of Nemuro sent the invitation to New Archangel Dancers and to Sitka High School to invite to Nemuro for the 20th anniversary celebration of the Sister City Relationship.

1995 OCT: Three students (Margaux Kennedy, Daniel Poulson and Keenan McGrew) and one teacher (Calvin Hayashi) of Sitka Blatchley Middle School visited Nemuro, and they attended at the classes of Nemuro High School during their staying in Nemuro from September 30 through October 3, 1995.

Also, seven dancers of the Sitka Russian dancers "New Archangel Dancers" (Mary Gouker, Karla Hubbell, Debi Lahmeyer, Klaudia Leccese, Pattie Skannes, Jean Stolberg and Jan Turner) visited Nemuro with Atsuo Tsunoda during the same time of visiting Blatchley students, and they performed 5 shows including show at the Nemuro Harvest Festival on October 1, 1995.

1996 OCT: The Nemuro High School Mission including Ryoichi Miyachi, Principal, two students (Shiho Yoshizawa and Atsushi Takemoto), and Hitomi Kato, International Relation of City of Nemuro, visited Sitka from October 16 through October 19, 1996 for engage the Sister School Relationship between Sitka High School and Nemuro High School, which was engaged on Alaska Day, October 18, 1996.

1997 JUL: Three students (Shiori Shimizu, Kouki Ishiguro and Takuya Mizuno) and one teacher (Naomi Wakamatsu) from Nemuro visited Sitka.

1997 SEP: Three students of Nemuro High School (Kayo Tanaka, Naomi Takadera and Ai Usami) visited Sitka from September 17 through October 27, 1997, and they attended the classes at Sitka High School as the first exchange students from Nemuro after the Sister School Relationship between both schools was engaged.

1998 JUN: Two students (Alexis Candelaria and Lucas Knowles) and one teacher (Charlotte Candelaria) of Sitka High School visited Nemuro from June 11 through July 6, 1996. They attended the classes at Nemuro High School as the first exchange students from Sitka.

1999 OCT: The East Point Jazz Orchestra, an amateur jazz band formed entirely of jazz lovers and citizens of Nemuro, visited Sitka during 1999 Alaska Day Festival from October 16 to October 19.

21 members leading by Mr. Satoshi Wakamatsu, Mission Leader and Mr. Kazuyuki Maruyama, Band Leader, performed three concerts including the joint concert with U. S. Army Band and marched on Alaska Day Parade on October 18.