This document is presented in memory of Ivan ("Vanya") Dickason Perlis (1991-2016) who was born in Cheboksary, Russia, and was adopted along with his sister and brought to the United States in December 1999. [[We will be adding more material bit by bit; please check back from time to time, and pardon the initial rather clumsy formatting.]]

Vanya and his sister Katie (Katya) lived at the Cheboksary Orphanage ("Detsky Dom") in Russia for much of 1998-99, when he was 7 and 8. Below (probably at age 7) he is wearing some sort of ancient battle gear while taking part in an orphanage event. Also shown are Vanya and his sister (probably 8 and 9), and Vanya in a playful mood.
We also have photos of meeting Katie and Vanya in Cheboksary and bringing them back to Moscow and then to the US via Germany. We hope to post some of those soon. But the vast majority of our photos were taken while we lived in University Park. Here is an early one, with Vanya pretending to have an attitude.

4th grade photo at University Park Elementary School