



Polish American Society of St. Petersburg, Inc.

1343 Beach Drive SE
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

News & Events

March 18, 2024

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Highlights of Upcoming Events:

- Thursday 3/21: Thirsty Thursday
- Sunday 3/24: Roast Pork Dinner & Dancing to Northern Sounds
- Monday 4/1: Dyngus Day

DINNER AND DANCING TO NORTHERN SOUNDS THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 24!



Doors open at 12:30 pm. Dinner will be served from 1:15 to 2:30 pm.

The band will play from 2:00 to 5:00 pm.

Non-members are always welcome! Please plan to attend and join us.

Admission for members is \$6 and for non-members is \$8.

Dinner this Sunday will consist of Roasted Pork Loin, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit Cup, Dessert and Coffee.

Dinner is \$12 for members and \$14 for non-members.

Call Wilma Walsek at 727-360-0584 for dinner reservations.

The only way you can be sure there will be a dinner for you is to make reservations.

We also have a full bar with a variety of Polish beer (Zywiec, Okocim, Warka), locally distilled Polish vodka from [Kozuba & Sons](#), and a variety of non-alcoholic beverages including [Mother Kombucha](#).

JOIN US FOR THIRSTY THURSDAYS

Neighbors from Old Southeast, club members, and guests enjoy Thursday nights at the club! Kim is behind the bar & Steve is in the kitchen. Doors open at 5:30. A variety of Polish food is available to order from 6-8 pm.

Game Night is every 2nd Thursday of the month, and Art-Making Night is on the last Thursday of each month. This month's art night is February 29. For more info email Events@PolishSociety.org.



THIRSTY THURSDAYS

5:30 - 9 pm

(Polish dinner served 6-8 pm)

**JOIN US EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT
FOR POLISH FOOD/VODKA/BEER & FUN!**

Free admission | All are welcome!

DYNGUS DAY IS MONDAY, APRIL 1

It's no joke; this year's Dyngus Day celebration at the Polish Club will be Monday, April 1 from 3:30 - 8:00 p.m. See details below.

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7th Annual Florida Dyngus Day

**Everyone
is Welcome!**

Special Prizes!

Monday April 1st 2024

**Doors & Cash Bar Open 3:30 PM • Polka Dance Lesson 6 PM
Dancing to Generations Band 5-8 PM**

Cash Bar · Polish Dyngus Day Platter: kielbasa (sausage), sauerkraut, pierogi (dumplings), gołąbki (stuffed cabbage), dessert, and coffee. Served 4-6 PM • \$14

EVERYBODY'S POLISH ON DYNGUS DAY! Wear White and Red

This day of celebrating end of lent and beginning of spring will feature a traditional, fun, **Buffalo-style Dyngus Day** with pussy willows, Polish food, great Polka music, Polka dance lesson, and dancing on our large, beautiful, wooden dance floor. The Club will be beautifully decorated, and we are inviting everyone to **wear white and red**. Everyone will receive white and red Dyngus beads.

Join in celebrating this great tradition!

\$12 at the door · \$10 presale tickets can be purchased at the Club, or by sending a check to the Club and held at the door.

For tickets and information, call Ken Jakubowski at (727) 666-5357 or email kmjak@verizon.net.

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We Need Volunteers!

We REALLY need volunteers to help with the kitchen and general cleaning on Thursday nights and Sunday afternoons (especially Dyngus Day!) to: set up & serve, wipe down tables, take out trash bags & clean coffee pots. With enough volunteers, we'll only need about an hour of your time before or after dinner.

Please call Alice Kohler at (301) 639-8553 or email Kim Fin at Events@PolishSociety.org to sign up.

Our Next Club Meeting is Wednesday, March 27 at 3:00 p.m.

All club members are welcome. We will continue to make plans for our Club's activities. Please join us if you are able. We continue to need volunteers to help with the many functions necessary to plan and support our events.

Join PAS or Renew Your Membership!

Now it's easier than ever to keep your membership current and make a booster donation online!

Non-members are always welcome, but membership has its privileges! Enjoy discounts on dinner dances, drinks and other events.

Annual memberships are just \$25. Your last membership payment was made on:

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If the date is before July 1, 2023, please RENEW NOW below for 2024!



If no date appears above, our records show you're not a member, so please consider joining now! To join, renew and/or donate online using your credit card, please click on one the following links:

<u>Renew</u>	<u>New member</u>	<u>Be a Booster!</u>
\$25 pp	\$25 pp	\$ Your choice \$

A printable payment receipt will appear once you complete your payment. If you prefer to pay your membership dues or booster donation by check, please make it out to "Polish American Society" and send it to our Membership Chair Tom Rokosz at 7131 Whittlebury Trail, Bradenton, FL 34202. Tom will send you a membership card if you are unable to pick it up at the club.

Please contact Tom at 912-401-5758 or email ter2815@aol.com with any questions or concerns. Pat Caldwell, our Booster Club Chairperson, will be notified of all donations that are sent in. THANK YOU!

Day Memberships

For those who are not current annual members, a day membership fee of \$1 is included in the price of admission for our Sunday dinner dances. On Thirsty Thursdays and other events, those who are not current annual members are charged an additional \$1 at the bar for a day membership.

PAS Scholarships

Contact Ken Jakubowski to get an application for the 2024 award. Applications for the 2024 award must be submitted by April 30, 2024. You can contact Ken at 727-666-5357 or kmjak@verizon.net. He can email you an application if you would like one. Any Board member can give you a copy of the application also at the club. The sponsoring member must have been an active member the previous year.

Ukrainian Refugee Relief

Under the leadership of Roger Telschow, we are handling our donations through [GlobalGiving.org](https://www.globalgiving.org) as they are highly rated and vetted by the State Department. When donating online, you can click on "Donate in honor" and put in the name of the "Polish American Society of St. Petersburg" if you'd like.

To date, our members and guests have donated **\$12,798** to the Ukrainian Refugee Relief Fund toward our goal of **\$15,000!** Thank you all!
We want to continue to stand with our Ukrainian friends at this desperate time.
Please contact Roger at (301) 509-9371 with any questions.

Please Keep the Following Club Member in Your Thoughts

Ken Machelski, Band leader of The Buffalo Touch, passed away on Mar 4 after suffering a heart attack on Mar 1. Ken was a great musician and Band Leader and was highly respected by his fellow Band leaders and musicians. We, at the Polish Club, will miss Ken and his music greatly. Please keep his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

Linda Ruginski Crevier is recovering nicely from a fall she had from her bicycle. We hope to see her at the club before she returns up north for the summer. Please keep Linda in your thoughts and prayers.

PAS Hall Rental

Our Beautiful Hall is available to rent and use for Personal, Family, Group, Business, and other events and functions.

Please contact Kim Fin at events@polishsociety.org for more information.

Contra Dances

Contra Dances are scheduled for the second Saturday of the month from 7 to 10:30 PM with a free dance lesson at 7 PM. The cost is \$10 and there is a live band. Contra dance is an American folk dance very similar to square dancing, with its origins in England and France. There is no need to bring a partner or have prior experience to participate. For more information go to:

tampabaycontra.com



Show Your Polish Spirit!

We think you will be surprised with the selection of Polish memorabilia that we have for sale including Polish Dolls, Polish T-Shirts, Polish Caps, Polish Aprons, Polish Paintings, Polish Ladies' Blouses, Polish Auto License Plate Holders, Crystal, Polish Vests, Polish Dishes, Polish Men's Shirts, Polish Paintings, plus other arts and crafts. We have a fresh supply of Polish Placemats with your favorite Polish American Society's Wall Paintings on them.

See Bernie Yencha to purchase any of these items.

Hedy Krall, long time member of the club, just donated Polish items that she had held for many years. Thank you so much, Hedy!



Winter & Spring 2024 Band Schedule (revised)

Mar 24 - Northern Sounds
Mar 31 - EASTER - CLOSED
Apr 1 - DYNGUS DAY - Florida Generations - 5 - 8 p.m.
Apr 7 - HAWAIIAN LUAU DAY - Northern Sounds
Apr 14 - Jasiu's Polka All Stars
Apr 21 - Jasiu's Polka All Stars
Apr 28 - Northern Sounds

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Our Website

Please visit www.polishsociety.org to get up to date Club information.

General Questions

Please contact Don Kohler with any questions or concerns related to the club at: donekohler@aol.com or on his cell phone, 301-639-9045. For any questions or issues related to this newsletter, please contact Jovita Wysocka Ahava at polka@polishsociety.org.



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