



# Polish American Society of St. Petersburg, Inc.

1343 Beach Drive SE  
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

## News & Events

April 24, 2024

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### Highlights of Upcoming Events:

- Thursday 4/25: Art Night & Thirsty Thursday
- Sunday 4/28: Potluck & Dancing to Northern Sounds

### POTLUCK & NORTHERN SOUNDS FOR OUR LAST SUNDAY OF THE SEASON!



We had a very good turnout at last Sunday's dinner and dance. The weather was beautiful, the Polish dinner was delicious and Jasiu's Polka All Stars entertained us once more!

**This Sunday, April 28 will be our LAST Sunday of the Spring 2024 season.** Our Fall 2024-Spring 2025 Sunday Dinner Dance season will kickoff on November 3, 2024. Stay tuned for updates and the band schedule.

In the meantime, please join us this Sunday for a delicious potluck dinner and dancing to Northern Sounds!

**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.**

#### Potluck Dinner - Sunday, April 28

Bring your favorite dish (enough to serve 8 people) by 1:00 p.m. Everyone loves to sample all the amazing food! If there is food left over and you did not bring a dish, you can buy a dinner for \$12.00. Our last potluck dinner was a big success!

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 ART NIGHT THIS THIRSTY THURSDAY!

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 April 25. For more info email [Events@PolishSociety.org](mailto: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!**

### We Need Volunteers!

We REALLY need volunteers to help with the kitchen and general cleaning on Thursday nights and Sunday afternoons 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](mailto:Events@PolishSociety.org) to sign up.

### Our Next Club Meeting is Wednesday, April 24 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.

### Celebrate Polish Constitution Day Saturday, May 4!

May 3 is Polish Constitution Day, commemorating the Declaration of the Constitution of May 3, 1791--the FIRST modern constitution in Europe and the second-oldest constitution behind the United States.

Every year, local Polish organizations organize a gathering to celebrate this important event at the statue of Polish General Tadeusz Kosciuszko in Williams Park. General Kosciuszko fought in the American Revolutionary War.

This year's celebration will be held on **Saturday, May 4 at 10:00 a.m. at the corner of 1st Ave N and 3rd St N in St. Petersburg.** Our club will be represented at the event by President Jim Grinaker and Vice President Jovita Wysocka Ahava.

The event is FREE and open to all!

### 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:

**[\$UD:MEMBER\_PAID\_DATE]]\$**

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:

**Renew**  
**\$25 pp**

**New member**  
**\$25 pp**

**Be a Booster!**  
**\$ 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](mailto: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!



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### Day Memberships

For those who are not current annual members, a day membership fee of \$2 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 \$2 at the bar for a day membership.

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### 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](mailto: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.

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### 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.

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### 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](mailto:events@polishsociety.org) for more information.

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### 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](https://tampabaycontra.com)



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### 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.



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### Remaining Spring 2024 Band Schedule

Apr 28 - Northern Sounds

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### We appreciate our cash and in-kind sponsors!

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### Our Website

Please visit [www.polishsociety.org](http://www.polishsociety.org) to get up to date Club information.

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### General Questions

Please contact Don Kohler with any questions or concerns related to the club at: [donekohler@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:polka@polishsociety.org).



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