



# Russian Heritage

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## ***Shashlik/Picnic and Annual Meeting: April 29, 2018***

Where: War Veterans Memorial Park. 9600 Bay Pines Boulevard, St. Petersburg, FL 33708.

When: Noon to 6:00 pm.

Food: Shashlik +. Suggested donation: Adults \$10; Children and Students \$5.

Activities for adults and children.

Musical program.

Short business meeting with election of new members of the Board of Directors.

*This will be a great opportunity to get together, have fun, good food, and make plans for the future! If you are planning to attend, please go to RH facebook to indicate you are coming. You can pay in advance at the RH website, or at the RH PO Box, or at the door (but please let us know you are coming on line).*

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## **Officers and Board Members for Russian Heritage**

**Current Officers:** Bill Parsons, President; Mary Stenov, Vice President; Zhenya Davenport, Secretary; Anastasiya Dycus, Treasurer.

**Current Board Members:** Zina Downen, Kato Hetschinof, Victoria Peppard, Elly Roche, Natalia Scarberry, Zhanna Thomas.

The current officers have one year remaining of their 2-year terms. There are several positions that will be elected at the business meeting on April 29. *If you are interested in running for a position on the board, or if you want to nominate someone for board membership, please respond by email to this newsletter, or in the contact section of the RH website ([www.russianheritage.org](http://www.russianheritage.org)).*

## ***РУССКИЙ ВЕЧЕР. МУЗЕЙ ДАЛИ. Russian Night at the Dali.***

Record numbers of Russian-speaking art lovers visit the Dali Museum each year. There has been a printed brochure in Russian for several years. Now there is an audio-guide as well as several docents. **On Thursday, April 12** there will be a special "Russian Night" at the Dali, hosted by four current and former RH members (Tamara Burns, Natalia Scarberry, Helena Kakazova, and Elona Krasavtseva) who will be explaining in Russian some of the Dali masterworks. Special admission price is \$10.00 at 5:00 pm. Come early for free parking. Meeting in galleries at 5:45 pm and in the garden with all hosts at 7:00 pm.

## **SPIFFS International Ball: April 14, 2018**

*It is not too late to sign up for the SPIFFS International Ball.* This Ball is always a special event. Many groups come in their exotic ethnic dress and the dinner and dancing is always a treat. Each group presents its “Person of the Year.” Russian Heritage honors **Natalia Scarberry** as its person of the year for 2018. Natalia works as an advertising designer. She is from St. Petersburg, Russia and has been actively promoting two St. Petersburgs programs. She is a leader in the arts community and is a Russian-speaking docent at the Dali Museum. She has served on the RH Board and has helped plan the Russian Winter Balls and has participated in SPIFFS Folk Fairs. For tickets, call (727-867-6013) or (727-552-1896). See page 3 for details.

## **Upcoming Events and Plans for the Future**

Traditionally Russian Heritage does not plan many activities in the summer months. There are plans to schedule an event in May that will focus on **modern Russian art beginning with Kandinsky**. Look for further information to come on this program.

In the fall we will be planning some annual events such as participation in the SPIFFS Folk Fair (SPIFFS 44th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FOLK FAIR **October 25-28, 2018**). We are also thinking about some programming on themes we have visited in the past. One topic the two St. Petersburgs and our sister-city relationship with St. Petersburg, Russia. Another focus will be our student scholarship program and the possibilities of cultural exchange and dialog. Finally, we have discussed the possibility of literary discussions (see below) and/or musical events. If you have suggestions for the new board, please bring them to the annual meeting on April 29 (see page 1), or send your suggestions to the contact section of the RH website.

## **Two Russian Literary Giants to be Celebrated Next Year**



Ivan Krylov (1769-1844)



Ivan Turgenev (1818-1883)

*In September 2018 the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Turgenev will be noted. And in February 2019 Russians will celebrate the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Krylov. How do you think Russian Heritage should commemorate these two giants of Russian Literature?*



## **2018 INTERNATIONAL BALL**



**Saturday, April 14, 2018**

**Banquet Masters, 13355 49th Street North, Clearwater, FL 33762**

**7:00 pm - Cocktail Hour**

**7:45 pm - Performance**

**8:00 pm - Dinner**

### **Menu**

**Steamship Round of Roast Beef**

**Crab Stuffed Filet of Sole**

**Eggplant Parmesan**

**Oven Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes**

**Vegetable du Jour**

**14-item Salad Bar**

**Dinner Rolls, Coffee & Iced Tea**

**Chef's Selected Desserts**

### **Cash Bar**

**Dancing to Urban Gypsies**

**Tickets: General: \$40.00 \* Youth (12 to 21): \$25**

**Under 12: \$20**

**Dress: Ethnic or Semi Formal**

**For tickets, call SPIFFS - (727) 552-1896**

## ***Membership Dues for 2018***

*It is time to pay your dues for 2018. You can send in the form on the following page with your check by regular mail, or pay at our website, [www.russianheritage.org](http://www.russianheritage.org) by PayPal or credit card. We look forward to seeing you at our events in 2018, beginning with the events listed in this newsletter.*

### Membership Dues 2018

All who are interested in Russian culture are welcome to join Russian Heritage by simply paying the yearly dues. Members receive the Russian Heritage Newsletter and discounts on certain events.

Please fill in the following form and send it with your check payable to Russian Heritage, or pay via PayPal at [www.russianheritage.org](http://www.russianheritage.org):



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Please check one:

Student \$0     Individual \$15     Family \$25     Sponsor \$100 or more.

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City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (best to reach) \_\_\_\_\_

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## ***Winter Ball 2019 at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club!***

**Mark your calendars now for one of our featured events of the year! The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Russian Winter Ball will be held on January 19, 2019 at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club!**