

*Vote for Top Klobasa at the
Polka Hall of Fame Slovenian Sausage Festival
Wednesday, September 12*

Who serves up the tastiest Slovenian sausages? You be the judge. Cast your vote for top klobasa at the 9th annual Slovenian Sausage Festival, hosted by the National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame and Museum, Wednesday, September 12, at SNPJ Farm in Kirtland, Ohio. Your favorite polka bands and sausage-makers offer you seven hours of non-stop music and munching, from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Dance off those excess calories with the finest Cleveland-Style orchestras, including those of Canada's Polka King Walter Ostanek, Bob Kravos, Wayne Tomsic, the Polka Pirates, the Fairport Jammers and the Summit Button Boxers. Sixty accordionists, musicians and bandleaders are on schedule to perform. Sample sausages from several makers and then select your winner. Prizes are awarded in the People's Choice and the juried Best of Fest categories. An assortment of sweet and savory treats and refreshments awaits you between musical numbers. The 2012 Top Klobasa is crowned at 6:00 p.m.

This year, the Polka Hall of Fame offers a special incentive – the winning sausage-maker becomes the official sausage supplier to the three-day Thanksgiving Polka Weekend at the Cleveland Downtown Marriott Hotel, now hosted by the Polka Hall of Fame.

New! Get your copy of the "Slovenian-American Polka Cookbook," arriving hot off the presses at the Sausage Fest. The National Cleveland-Style Polka Hall of Fame and Museum worked with polka radio personality Alice Kuhar to gather nearly 300 of her favorite Slovenian and nationality recipes. You'll find authentic Slovenian dishes and pastries, such as potica nut roll and strudel. Get \$2.00 off the cover price at the Sausage Fest book launch.

SNPJ Farm is at 10946 Heath Road in Kirtland, Ohio, off Chardon Road (Route 6), three miles east of Route 306 and six miles west of Ohio Route 44. Sausage Fest

advance tickets are \$7.00 each, available at the Polka Hall of Fame, 605 East 222nd Street, in Euclid, Ohio. Same-day admission is \$8.00. Call the Polka Hall of Fame for tickets and details, (216) 261-FAME, toll-free (866) 66-POLKA, or on-line at www.polkafame.com. ###