

FALL NEWSLETTER 2026

Icelandicassociationvirginia@cox.net Membership year 2026-2027



SAVE THE DATE: *Leif Ericsson day. October 9th*, we will meet at the Mariner's Museum, 100 Museum Drive, Newport News, at the statue which is in the front of the museum entrance. We will have a brief ceremony at noon and lay a wreath at the foot of the statue. Following this ceremony, we will have lunch at Smoke BBQ, 10900 Warwick Blvd (Warwick Shopping Center) which is a short distance from the museum. The private room we frequently get will be occupied so we will be seated as a group in a designated area in the dining room. Note this a buy your own lunch.

SAVE THE DATE: *January 30th, 2027, our 42nd annual Thorrablot. Location is at Philippine Cultural Center. We will be negotiating with the Hyatt Hotel, which is a 6-minute drive from the venue in town center. Get your membership form on time.*

ÞORRABLÓT 2026.

The thorrablot proceeded despite the approaching winter storm, with over 150 guests in attendance. In our 41-year history, snow has only coincided with Thorrablot 2-3 times. Thank you to everyone who joined us for Icelandic entertainment and a great buffet. We surely did miss everyone who planned on coming to event. We look forward to seeing you next year—planning is underway.

NATO Festival

We had one of our best turnouts that came to the Nato Festival and parade on April 18th. It was so good to see that many volunteers walked and or stayed on the float. We also had help at our booth for giveaways, thank you to all and hope to see you April 24th, 2027. Volunteers are needed for float riding or walking as Vikings and helping with tent setup and item distribution. If you have not attended before, it's an enjoyable event.

June 20th, 2026 – Icelandic Independence Day, Ocean View

850 W Ocean View Ave, Norfolk, VA 23503 (American Legion)

We had a good turnout for the annual Icelandic Independence day celebration, over 100 in attendance.

This event is complimentary for paid members for the 2027–2028 period. We do accept memberships at the event; however it is nice to get memberships ahead of the event. Guests are invited for a fee of \$20 per person. Complimentary beer, water, soda, Icelandic pylsur, and fries will be available, along with Icelandic delicacies for purchase. Beer will be generously provided by “Big Ugly Brewing.”

Thank you.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

1. Please complete and submit the attached Membership Application/Renewal Form with your dues. All membership dues are to be paid before the annual picnic each year. Please remember the cornerstone of our Association’s success is the timely payment of your membership dues. No one likes it but the Association’s operating expenses are increasing, and we are trying to stay ahead of membership dues increase.
2. At the beginning of each year this association sends out a newsletter of upcoming events for the year, along with a membership/renewal application. It is essential that this form be filled out each time you receive it. If we do not get the required information the association will have incomplete information on its membership and to not be able to notify you of upcoming events. Legible email addresses are essential to getting posts out to members.

Like us on Facebook “Icelandic association Virginia”

The Association has Icelandic candy, Hard fish and Brown bread for sale, we can also ship these items. For local, we have candy, Hard fish, brown bread and frozen 5LB haddock fish. Get these before they are gone. PM us or email with prices and availability. The cost and variety were posted on our facebook page.

A big Thank you to our sponsors for contributing to our two annual events. Without your support, these events may not of went on and allows us to contribute to the community.

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Big Ugly Brewing

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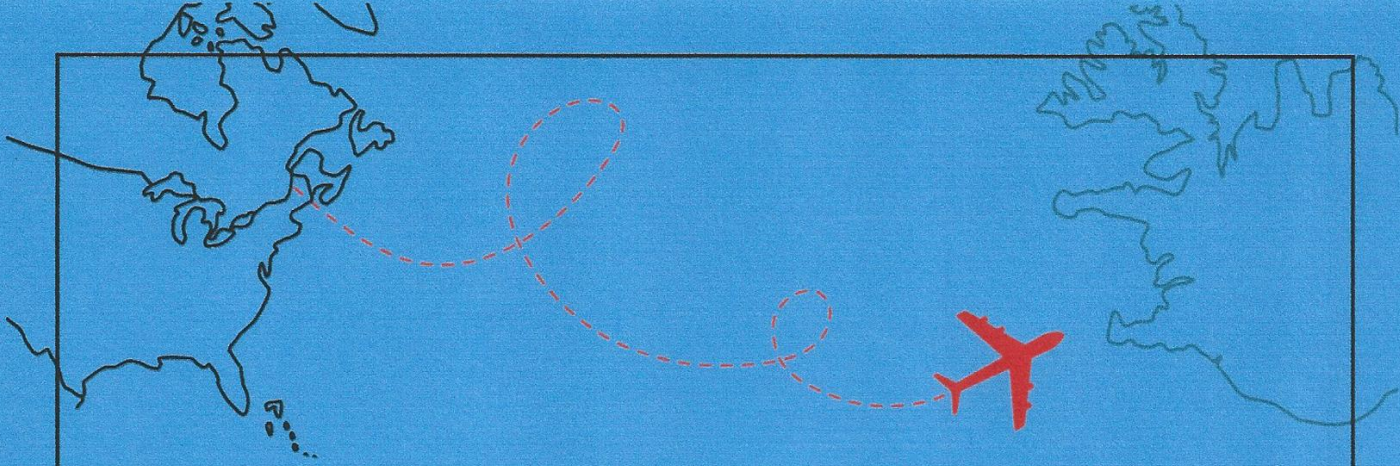
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Any questions about either of the following programs you can email Diann at diannbarbacci2735@gmail.com.



Join us in Iceland for the 2027 Snorri Plus Program!

August 2027 (Exact Dates TBD)



- Delve into the language and culture of Iceland
- Meet Icelandic relatives
- Discover the charm of Reykjavík
- Explore the best of West Iceland, including the stunning Snæfellsnes Peninsula
- Visit the Emigration Center in Hofsós
- Connect to your roots

Open to

- Americans and Canadians ages 30+
- Individuals, couples, siblings
- Of Icelandic descent or just crazy about Iceland!

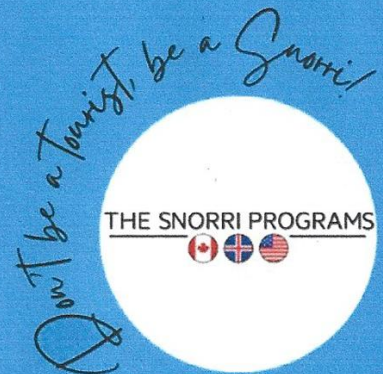
**Pricing +
registration
details at**



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"Our tour was incredible. We were treated to wonderful lectures on topics most interesting, and every outing - to see the President and the Parliament Building, to the waterfalls and craters - was what we wanted to experience. I have many stories to tell."

-Eric Oddleifson, Snorri Plus 2024





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The Icelandic Emigration Center

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ICELANDIC-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA

MEMBERSHIP for YEAR **2026-2027** (ending on June 19th 2027)

MEMBERSHIP: ☐ Application ☐ Renewal - **ANNUAL DUES: \$15.** ☐ Family \$10. ☐ Individual

***** If paying on or after June 21st, 2026 cost is \$20 ☐ Family \$15 ☐ Individual*****

Payment method: ☐ Check # _____ Date: _____ \$ _____

Please remit to the Association Secretary at 937 Hodges pl, VA beach, 23464. Attn: Icelandic Association

Make check/money order payable: ICELANDIC-AMERICAN ASS'N . Do not mail cash! Pay pal is available, Pay at icelandicassociationvirginia@cox.net. NOTE: If paying by PAYPAL, add \$3.00 for administrative costs. Credit cards are also available for payment. New: If paying by credit card or Paypal, message us or email us for upcoming events and we can send you invoice for credit card or PayPal.

*Family name

*Man's first name

Woman's First name

Children under 23 years old: name(s), DOB (mm/dd/yy), & student status:

*Street address

*City

State*

*Zip

*Cell #

*E-mail:

Please ensure Email is legible. Thank you.

I/We subscribe to the Association's by laws : (initials) _____ Date (MM/DD/YY): _____

Will you attend the Association's '17TH of June' Picnic on Saturday June 19th ☐ YES How Many? ____ ☐ NO

Guest are welcomed to come to June 17th picnic, add \$20 for each.

42nd Annual ÞORRABLÓT 2027 (January, 30th, 2027)

(FULL NAME(S) REQUIRED - PAYMENT IN FULL DUE UPON RESERVATION)

MEMBER NAMES:

☐ (\$25.00 each)

GUEST NAMES:

☐ (\$45.00 each)

How many for food? ÞORRAMATUR _____ American food _____ Both _____

Seating with? _____ Total remitted: Check# _____ Paypal _____

Note: Venue for the annual ÞORRABLÓT, the event will be held at the Philippine cultural center located in Virginia Beach, 4857 Baxter Road, 23462. Website Philippineculturalcenter.org, we will again negotiate with the hotel to get group rate.