THE ICELANDIC ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON D.C., INC

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NEWSLETTER

Icelandic Independence Day Celebration Saturday June15th, from 3 to 5pm 2443 Kalorama Rd., NW, Washington D.C. 20008

Come celebrate with us and enjoy our Icelandic delicacies, consisting of snittur, brauðtertur, crepes, cookies and cakes. Singing with Friðrik Jónson on guitar. Face painting, games and crafts for the kids!

Note from the President

Komið þið sæl og blessuð,

It has been a great year for our association and we are looking forward to another exiting year ahead. Welcome to our new board members; Ella Porbergsdóttir, Gunnar Birgisson and Fridrik Jónsson. A big thank you to Veronika and Gary Kolomichuk for their hard work and dedication over the past six years. Our annual general meeting was held on April 28th and the following issues were approved:

- New vice president, treasurer and public relations officer
- Becoming full members of the Icelandic National League of North America from July 2013.
- Participating in the Snorri West program in the summer of 2014 (a cultural exchange program for Icelandic youth ages 18 28). We will need volunteer host families for 4 young adults.

Upcoming event: We are very excited about our fall picnic this year! It will be at Rich and Pam Moore's farm in Catharpin, VA, on Saturday, September 15th, from 1PM to 4PM. They have 4 Icelandic horses and there will be a drill show at 1:30PM after which the kids/adults can ride the horses. Our very own Friðrik Jónsson will BBQ Icelandic leg's of lamb and hot dog's. There will be activities for the kids and plenty of space to play soccer. A reminder postcard will be sent to members in August with full detail. We do require an RSVP by September 1st. A fee of \$10.00 per adult, towards the cost of food, will be collected at picnic.

We will be sending out a quarterly newsletter via email, however the fall newsletter will be sent via regular mail as well.

New links on our website icelanddc.com include *ĺbúðaskipti* (apartment exchanges), for those heading to Iceland who would like to stay in the comfort of an apartment, and *The Washington Language Center*, that occasionally will advertise for instructors to teach Icelandic. Make sure to check our website regularly for ads and our newsletter as well.

Membership dues are used to subsidize the cost of the Thorrablot and events such as the June 17th Celebration and the Fall Picnic. Therefore it is very important that you renew your membership in a timely manner, in December each year. If you have not paid your 2013 dues please do so as soon as possible. If you are not sure whether you already renewed your membership or not, please contact our treasurer, Gunnar Birgisson, at gunnarb987@gmail.com.

More information on the Snorri West program will be forthcoming.

Until next time... Stöndum saman!

Board members:

President Anna Bjarnadóttir- Wahoske

Vice President Elínborg (Ella) Þóra Þorbergsdóttir

Treasurer Gunnar Birgisson

Corresponding Officer Erna Hákonard. Pomrenke

Public Relations Officer Friðrik Jónsson **Upcoming Events:**

Our Independence Day Celebration June 15th from 3pm to 5pm

Fall Picnic September 15th

Christmas Bazaar November 16th

Family Christmas Ball December 9th

Thorrablot February 22nd, 2014 (tentative)

Recording Officer Jessica Lilja Geiger

And our special advisor and photographer Kolbrún (Kolla) Kristjánsdóttir

Advertisement

Góð 4 herbergja íbúð í 107 til leigu frá 10. des. til 4. jan. ef einhver hyggur á að eyða jólunum á Íslandi. Íbúðin leigist á góðu verði gegn því að hugsað sé um tvo ketti á meðan dvalið er í henni. Áhugasamir hafi sambandi við Margréti Pétursdóttur, sími +354-825-2515 (margretp@mi.is)

A 4 room (3 bedroom) apartment in postal code 107 in Reykjavik available for rent from December 10^{th} 2013 until January 4^{th} , 2014. Ideal for someone planning to spend the holidays in Iceland. The apartment is available at a reasonable rent provided the renters take care of two cats during their stay. Interested parties should contact Margret Petursdottir, tel: +354-825-2515 (margretp@mi.is)