INL Chapters & Member Clubs are:

Arborg, MB – Esjan Chapter Blaine, WA. - Blaine Icelandic Heritage Soc. Brandon, MB - Icelandic Canadian Club of Western Canada - Fálkinn Calgary, AB - Leif Eiriksson Chicago, ILL - Icelandic Assoc. of Chicago Edmonton, AB - Icelandic Canadian Club of Edmonton - Norðurljós Gimli, MB - Gimli Icelandic Canadian Society Gimli, MB. - New Iceland Heritage Museum Lundar, MB - Lundar Chapter Markerville, AB - S.G. Stephanson Ice. Soc. Minnesota – Icelandic Hekla Club Minnesota – Icelandic American Assoc. Mountain, ND – Icelandic Communities Assoc. North Dakota – Fargo-Moorhead Ice. Klub Ottawa, ON - Friends of Iceland Riverton, MB – Icelandic River Heritage Sites Saskatchewan – Vatnabyggð Chapter Seattle, WA. - Ice. Club of Greater Seattle Selkirk, MB - Bruin Chapter Toronto, ON - Icelandic Can. Club of Toronto Vancouver, BC - Icelandic Can, Club of BC Vancouver, BC - Ice. Care Home Höfn Society Victoria, BC - Icelanders of Victoria Washington, DC - Ice. Assoc. of Wash., DC Winnipeg, MB - Icelandic Canadian Frón Winnipeg, MB – Lestrarfélag Gleym-mér-ei Iceland - Þjóðræknisfélag Íslendinga

For those who do not have a chapter or club near them, check the INL Website for contact information for any of the member organizations, or to join On-line.



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The Icelandic National League of North America (Þjóðræknisfélag Íslendinga í Vesturheimi) is a non-political cultural organization which strives to contribute to North American culture through the preservation and promotion of Icelandic heritage.

The objectives are: to promote the strengthening of cultural bonds and kinship ties with the people of Iceland and to work with local clubs for the purpose of encouraging the advancement of Icelandic culture and language in North America. These bonds and ties also help us to learn about modern Icelandic society.

Help preserve and enjoy your culture and heritage by joining the Iceland National League or a local chapter in your area. The Icelandic National League and member clubs or chapters are open to anyone with interest in Iceland or the Icelandic settlements in North America, whether of Icelandic ethnicity or not.

Our Member organizations are located across Canada, the United States and Iceland. Local activities include: professional concerts, lectures, discussions, travel presentations, family picnics, children's parties, and participation in multicultural events. We work closely with our Icelandic partner, Pjóðræknisfélag Íslendinga. <u>Heritage</u>- The major emigration from Iceland took place more than 100 years ago yet the ties remain strong. "Icelandic" presence is still evident in many of the communities in which Icelanders first settled. Most of the large urban centres in Canada and several in the U.S. have active Icelandic clubs. With the help of the Government of Iceland and the Icelandic National League of Iceland, we share our common heritage and learn more about each other's countries of today. Through the INL we can link you to experts on genealogy to learn more about your family tree.

<u>Culture</u>- Whether celebrating local authors, artists or musicians or those visiting from Iceland, the INL supports the sharing of cultural activities. Through the International Visits Program there has been an exchange of talent between North America and Iceland.

Language Classes- Many of the member clubs or chapters hold regular language classes. Learn a few key phrases for your next trip to Iceland, brush up on your language skills that you learned from your grandparents or just for fun; what better way to gain the basics of an old language yet spoken by so few. <u>**Travel & Tourism Tips</u>**- Information and advice from those who have travelled to Iceland. Enjoy trip reports in newsletters or at events. Travel evenings and slide shows are always popular events to learn about travel to Iceland and sharing experiences.</u>

<u>Scholarships</u>- Scholarships to study in the "Icelandic for Foreign Students" program at the University of Iceland are made available courtesy of the Ministry of Education, Science & Culture, Government of Iceland, who consider the recommendations of the INL. Most member clubs and chapters offer their own scholarships for post secondary study.

Community- The INL ties together various organizations within the "Icelandic" community in North America. Promotion of Icelandic heritage contributes in the participation of the North American community as a whole. We help promote projects within the community such as the Heritage Sign project, historic journeys, creation of landmarks, cairns and statues to recognize efforts of the past, present and future. The INL participates in community events and parades to strengthen our greater community.