January 2015



Euzkaldunak

FROM THE KITCHEN

On Saturday, January 31, Euzkaldunak will hold the General Membership Dinner and Board Elections. Cocktails begin at 6:00 PM with dinner being served at 6:30 PM. This is a FREE dinner to all those members who have paid their 2015 dues and will be hosted by Boiseko Ikastola. THIS DINNER IS FOR MEMBERS ONLY. NO GUESTS WILL BE ADMITTED! Membership cards are required for easy admittance, so be sure to bring yours!

Here is the January dinner menu:
Tossed Salad
Basque meatballs
Orange roughy Oriotarra
Potatoes ala riojana
Vegetable of the season
Dessert
Bread and butter
Coffee
Wine

The general meeting begins at 7:30 PM. The agenda will include the financial report for 2014, the Euzkaldunak activities report, the 2014 NABO report, and the election of five Euzkaldunak Board Directors. The five Directors completing their term are Ricardo Yanci, Ryan Boyd, Johnny Boyd, Annie Gavica, and Maite Iribarren-Gorrindo. We appreciate their commitment and hard work that contributed to the betterment of the Basque Center and the Boise Basque Community.

Reservations are not required for the dinner. However, in the interest of approximating the correct quantities of food, we are asking members to call into the reservation line for this dinner. Please call **208 572-0604** or email (dinner@basquecenter.com) with your name and the number in your party. You will not be turned away that night as long as your 2015 membership

is paid in full, but it will help the cooking staff to prepare if you call in ahead of time.

To take advantage of our free babysitting service, please call in your children's names and ages to the reservation line **208-572-0604** no later than January 28. If you are planning to attend the January members' dinner and meeting, your dues must be paid by January 15. No membership renewals will be taken at the January dinner.

A special thanks to Jesus Alcelay, Miren Urresti Laughrin and the fantastic crew for preparing a delicious meal!





The Friends of Jaialdi would like to thank the following people for making the December Sheepherders Ball dinner a great success:

Amy and Rod Wray

Josie Wray

Alex Wray

Johnny Boyd

Elise Overgaard

Ryan Boyd

Martin Bilbao

Tyler Smith

Andy Wood

Teresa Arana Wood

Logan Hasting

Miren Lete Odencrantz

Andoni Odencrantz

Ricardo Yanci

Joe Lasuen

Mary Ann Lasuen

Linda Barinaga

Dick Williams

Jerry Aldape

Louie Uranga

Jean Uranga

Alison Berriochoa

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Vic deBoer

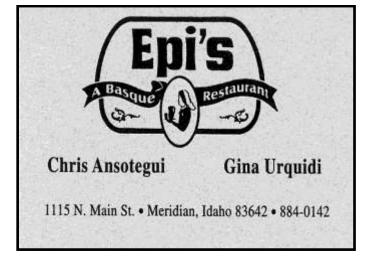
Ruby deBoer

Ana Mendiola

Gaizka Malone

Jeremy Malone

Josh Uriarte



BOISEKO GAZTEAK NEWS

Thanks to all of you that attended the Boiseko Gazteak Winter Show performance on Sunday, December 7! What a great performance by all the dancers. Thanks to all the musicians and teachers for working with the kids at practice and during the performance. Thanks also to Txantxangorriak for their music, Chris Bieter for emceeing, and Rod Wray for providing the sound equipment. Because of your generosity at the Winter Show, Boiseko Gazteak collected 325 pounds of food and delivered it to the Boise Rescue Mission. Many thanks go to those who collected and delivered the goods: Vince & Tammy Vergara, Maria Arrieta, and Henry Vergara.

Boiseko Gazteak will resume practice on Tuesday, January 13 at 7:00PM.

Boiseko Gazteak Musicians & Teachers - 2014

Txikituak

Dave Lachiondo
Morrie Berriochoa
Chris Bieter
Rosa Arrubarrena
Deitra Haylett-Batt
Ryan Schaffner
Diana Lachiondo
Leandra Aburusa-Lete
Alicia Dennis
Camille Durham
Argia Dougherty
Sarah Smith
Claire Boyd

Azkarrak

Nikki Totorica Johnny Boyd Lisa Norton Edu Sarria Carmen Achabal Brenna Garro Gunnar Kuehl Emily Pape Carmen Spencer

Txulitoak

Miren Lete-Odencrantz James Sangroniz Johnny Aldape Alicia Lachiondo Michele Lauer Aisea Odencrantz Amaia Sangroniz

Nagusiak

Teresa Franzoia Alaina Gavica Annie Gavica Jaclyn Lasuen Tyler Smith



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CHILDREN'S PARTY VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to the great volunteers who helped with the Children's Christmas Party!

Katelin Ahrens

Miren Laughrin

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Andrea Corn

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Tracy Anchustegui

Joe Clayton

Vince Vergara

Tammy Vergara

Jennifer Weske

Gabe Weske

Geneva Ayarra

Ricardo Yanci

Martin Bilbao

Michael Guerricabeitia

Patxi Lostra

Julian Lete

Patty Gabica

Chris Bieter

Nere Lete

Gina Landa

Shane Dennis

Heath Gamboa

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If you volunteered and your name is not on the list, please let the secretary know by emailing secretary@basquecenter.com. You'll be included in the next newsletter!

EUZKALDUNAK WANTS YOU!

Every year during our General Meeting in January, the general membership elects half of Euzkaldunak's Board of Directors. This year, there will be five vacant positions. If you would like to serve our Basque community, work with a great bunch of people, and have a lot of fun, please think about running!

If you are interested, or have any questions, please contact Martin Bilbao at president@basquecenter.com.

BOISE FRONTON ASSOCIATION

The Boise Fronton Association would like to congratulate all the teams that participated in the 2014 Fall League. Baleen and the Goma Leagues are as competitive as ever. We would like to congratulate the winners of each of the 4 leagues as well as the second place teams.

Each league will be starting again in February. 2015 dues will be due by your first game - \$100 per person. Email bfa.boise@gmail.com or contact your pala commissioner for more information.

Baleen B League Champions:

Alicia Wenigmann and Vanessa Wenigmann Baleen B League Second Place:

Stephanie Astorquia and Jennifer Astorquia

Goma B League Champions:

Pedro Cortabitarte and Rich Nicolona

Goma B League Second Place:

John Cortabitarte and Jerry Aldape

Baleen A League Champions:

Geneva Ayarra and Annie Gavica

Baleen A League Second Place:

Lael Uberuaga and Camille Durham

Goma A League Champions:

Johnny Boyd and Ben Monasterio

Goma A League Second Place:

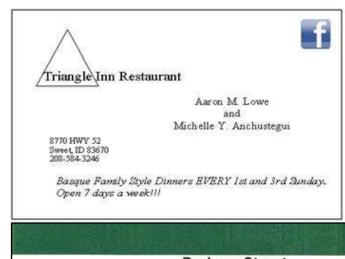
Edu Sarria and Caleb Snodgrass

BASQUE CENTER BRICKS AVAILABLE!

If you would like to purchase a brick for you or a loved one, please fill out the attached form and send it to:

Basque Center Brick Project 601 Grove Street Boise, Idaho 83702

Bricks can hold 3 lines of text and a maximum of 15 characters per line. The cost is \$50 per brick. If you have any questions, contact the Basque Center.







Basque Foundation, Inc.

dba: Euzkaldunak 601 Grove Street * PO Box 2613 Boise, ID 83702 * Boise, ID 83701 (208) 342-9983

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ALL ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 1, 2015

SHEEPHERDERS BALL 2014

What a wonderful evening! Thanks to all Euzkaldunak members, families and friends for making the whole event such a big success. We started with a holiday dinner from Jesus Alcelay and his team, hosted by the Jaialdi Family and Friends. Thanks also go out to the Oinkari Basque Dancers (nice job, new kids!) and Amuma Says No for providing the lively entertainment.

We truly appreciate all the volunteers who helped make the evening possible. Special thanks to those who stayed late into the evening and helped with clean up. We realize we may have missed a few names. If you are not on the list, please accept our apologies and thanks for your help!

Lamb Bidders

Thanks to all for your generous donations to this year's Sheepherders Ball!

Aldape's Market Place DL Evans Bank Aramburu Family Frank Arana Family Barinaga Ranches Linda Barinaga John & Sharon Boyd Itxaso Eiguren Concrete Connection

Dave Garro

Alicia Lachiondo

Joe & Mary Lasuen

Txoko Ona

JP Lete

Bill & Judy Murray

Chris Bieter & Nere Lete

Aisea & Andoni Odencrantz

Manu & Belen Lete

Bill Snyder

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Martin Bilbao

Ryan Boyd

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Hank & Gerri Achurra

Jeremy Malone & Ana Mendiola

Randy & Teresa Warfel

Curtis Eck & Toni Lawson

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Tony Arrubarrena

Delphina Arnold

Jan Gaythwaite

Mateo Franzoia

Luisa Bilbao

Carmen Lete & family

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RENEW YOUR EUZKALDUNAK MEMBERSHIP

All Euzkaldunak memberships expired on December 31, 2014. If you have not yet renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible. Renewals are \$50 per adult membership. New adult memberships are \$60. You can imagine it takes some time to process our 1000+ memberships. If you plan to attend the members' only dinner on January 31, 2015, your dues should be postmarked or left at the Basque Center Bar no later than January 15, 2015. NO MEMBERSHIP DUES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE **MEMBERS' ONLY DINNER!** Dues paid after January 31, 2015 are subject to a \$10 new member fee. For questions about memberships, please contact the secretary, Patty Gabica, at secretary@basquecenter.com.

*Note from the secretary: Due to my father's passing at the end of November and my duties for the installation of the new Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Boise, I am currently about 3 weeks behind my usual process time for membership renewals. Please bear with me as work to catch up and get everyone's membership processed. Thank you for your patience! Patty Gabica, Secretary

<u>UDALEKU 2015</u>

Udaleku 2015 will be in San Francisco. Euzkaldunak will provide up to four scholarships for Euzkaldunak kids to attend Udaleku in San Francisco. Each scholarship is in the amount of \$250.00. To apply for the scholarship, submit a short letter to the Euzkaldunak Board of Directors detailing why you would like to attend Udaleku. You can mail/drop off application letters to the Basque Center or e-mail them to secretary@basquecenter.com. The deadline is February 1, 2015.

THANK YOU ADVERTISERS!

We want to thank all of our 2014 advertisers for their ongoing support. We ask Euzkaldunak members to show their patronage to these supportive businesses.

Ads for 2015 may now be renewed and purchased for new advertisers. For information about advertising in the newsletter, please contact Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.





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Jaialdi wear including t-shirts, sweatshirts and beanies are available at the Basque Museum and also on the website.

Tickets for all events are now available for sale and the links to purchase tickets are on the website.

Finally – the vendor application is also on the website and the deadline is approaching so remember to turn in your application to sell your wares at Jaialdi.

www.jaialdi.com

JAIALDI 2015

Jaialdi will once again have a souvenir book full of information about the festival, participants and fun information about Basque culture as well as advertising, memorials and announcements. Please check the website for more information and the form to be completed to be included in the book.

Jaialdi is also looking for more sponsors to help support this festival and have added a "Friends of Jaialdi" sponsor level.

With your sponsorship of \$500 at the "FRIENDS OF JAIALDI" level, you'll receive the following:

- 1/8 page ad in the Souvenir book
- 2 tickets to Basque-ing at Expo Idaho for both Saturday and Sunday
- 2 tickets to the Basque Dance at Expo Idaho
- Commemorative thank you poster

Other levels of sponsorship are also available. Please email <u>jaialdi2015@gmail.com</u> if you would like more information about sponsorships or would like to become a sponsor. The sponsorship form is also on the Jaialdi website.





ONGI ETORRI AITA ANTTON EGIGUREN

Thanks to the generosity of so many supporters, we once again have a Basque priest among us. Aita Antton Egiguren arrived on November 28 to begin his ministry to the Basque people of Idaho and surrounding Basque communities. Aita Antton is a priest of the Franciscan order who speaks fluent Euzkara along with 10 other languages. He has been appointed Parochial Vicar of St. John's Cathedral and will make his residence there at the rectory. He has been asked to provide pastoral and sacramental attention to the Basque community in our area and this will be his primary focus. Aita Antton hopes to interact with as many Basques as possible through liturgies (weddings, funerals, Masses in many parishes), Christian formation and spirituality, and outreach to the elderly, those in long-term care, those who are alone, or families in need.

Initial contributions have paid for Aita's immigration expenses, the cost of shipping his personal effects and his airline ticket. Any future contributions will support his ongoing ministry and may be made through Euzkaldunak's Basque Foundation: Attention Aita Egiguren Support Fund. Aita is looking forward to meeting as many fellow Euzkaldunak as possible so that he can plan how best to serve our Basque community.

COLLECTING PHOTOS FOR CHORIZO BOOTH SCRAPBOOK

In honor of the 50th Anniversary of the Oinkari Chorizo Booth at the Western Idaho Fair, and in honor of the retirement of long-time booth managers Hank & Gerri Achurra, the Oinkari Basque Dancers are putting together a chorizo booth scrapbook to showcase all the hard work and fun times from the booth. If you have any pictures at all of the booth from any year during the last 50 years, we'd really love to include them! Please send pictures to elise@oinkari.org.

2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

General Membership Dinner	January 31
Valentine's/Bingo Dinner	February 21
Mus Dinner	March 21
Anniversary Dinner	April 18
Mother's Day Dinner	May 16
Jaialdi	July 28 to
	August 2
September Dinner	September 19
October Dinner	October 17
Mortzillak Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo	November 7
Sheepherders Ball	December 19





OINKARI PERFORMANCE INQUIRIES

If you are interested in booking the Oinkaris for a performance or special event, you can submit an online performance request or give us a call. Go to www.oinkari.org and click on the "Performance Request" tab to fill out a request form, or call 208-557-1960 to leave a voicemail on the performance request line. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit, fees from Oinkari performances go to directly to operating costs, education, and repertoire development of the group.

CALLING ALL DISCO OINKARIS!!!

Oinkaris of the 70's, UNITE! The torch has been passed to you. You will be co-hosting the February 21, 2015, Dinner and Bingo with the current Oinkaris. Contact *Cindy Schaffeld* (208-283-6824 or cindy.schaffeld@boiseschools.org) to volunteer.

MEMORIALS

Rose Dick

Al Erquiaga Larry & Cheryl Asin Phil & Anita Murelaga

Dolores Bianchini

Al Erquiaga
Denise Olechea
Juanita Olechea
Jeannette Sanguinetti & family
Toni Bicandi
Tim Mitchell & Christy Echevarria
Ray & Edith Aspiri

Hank Gabica

Tom & Christine Aipperspach
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MEMORIALS CONTINUED

Gloria Gamboa

Phil & Margaret Legarreta Luise "Lu" Echevarria Anita Dick Dick & Helen Solosabal Olson Jack Olson Robert Crisp Ron & Diana Sabala Helen Berria Douglas Baalson

ZORIONAK

Happy belated birthday to Richard Gavica!

Happy belated birthday to Juliana Lostra!

Zorionak to Chris Hill and Kate Powell on the birth of their son, Anderson. He was born December 8 and weighed 8 lbs., 10 ounces. Proud Amuma is Eileen Dick Hill, and Anderson is the 15th great grandchild of Rose Arregui Dick.

Congratulations to the Boise High 7th grade Varsity basketball team for winning the AAU championship. Team members include Lucas Fritz (son of John Fritz and Mary Bieter) and Joe Fitzgerald (son of Brenden and Victoria Urresti Fitzgerald).

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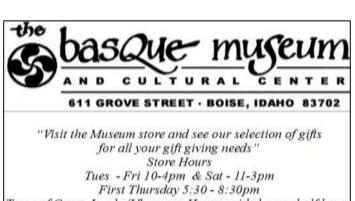
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DECEMBER 16: HANK & GERRI ACHURRA APPRECIATION DAY

Back in December, to celebrate Hank & Gerri's official retirement from 50 years of managing the Oinkari Chorizo Booth, Oinkari threw a chorizo booth retirement party and Mayor Bieter proclaimed December 16, 2014 to officially be "Hank and Gerri Achurra Appreciation Day". If you missed the party but would still like to contribute to Hank & Gerri's "chorizo booth retirement" gift, email elise@oinkari.org.



First Thursday 5:30 - 8:30pm
Tours of Cyrus Jacobs/Uberuaga House guided every half hour
From 6:30pm - 8:30pm
Ph:208-343-2671 www.basquemuseum.com



THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF BOISE, STATE OF IDAHO

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,

 Hank and Gerri Achurra have supervised and perfected the construction, maintenance, and running of the Oinkari chorizo booth at the Western Idaho Fair since its opening more than 50 years ago; and
- WHEREAS, Hank and Gerri dedicate their hard earned vacation time to spend long, scorching days slaving over hot grills with sweaty teenagers serving thousands of croquetas and hundreds of pounds of chorizo, solomo, and lamb to delighted fairgoers each summer; and
- WHEREAS, the playhouse of the Achurra children fully constructed in their backyard serves as the chorizo booth that is towed to the fair in the truck Hank bought specifically for this purpose, where Hank patiently explains the booths setup to fourteen year olds multiple times a year without ever rolling his eyes; and
- WHEREAS, Hank is the fry master of the world; and
- WHEREAS, Gerri's kindness is well known to the employees and vendors of the Western Idaho Fair and she has the ability to make every Oinkari boy feel like he is the best grill cleaner in the history of the booth and universe whether he is or not; and
- WHEREAS, Gerri always insists on cleaning the floors of the booth on her hands and knees, leaves the fair every night after midnight and is back the next morning at 6:00 a.m. with freshly cleaned aprons; and
- WHEREAS, the contributions of Hank and Gerri have reached far beyond the Western Idaho Fair and Oinkari dancers, extending to the entire Basque community through their work on the Euzkaldunak board as well as multiple Jaialdi boards, including the original one; and
- WHEREAS, Boise is richer because of the Achurra's presence and dedication to their community and chorizos.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DAVID H. BIETER, Mayor of the City of Boise, Idaho do hereby proclaim December 16, 2014 to be

Hank and Gerri Achurra Appreciation Day

in Boise, Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this the 16th day of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand and fourteen.

MAYOR OF BOISE, IDAHO





YOUR CURRENT EUZKALDUNAK BOARD

Martin Bilbao, President Tyler Smith, Vice President Geneva Ayarra, Director Johnny Boyd, Director Ryan Boyd, Director Annie Gavica, Director Michael Guerricabeitia, Director Maite Iribarren-Gorrindo, Director Joe Lasuen, Director Ricardo Yanci, Director

BASQUE CENTER STAFF

Patty Gabica Haas, Secretary and Treasurer Albert Totorica, Rental Manager Jesus Alcelay, Chef Julian Lete, Operations Manager Flora Aldazabal, Bartender

BASQUE CENTER RENTAL

To inquire about renting the Basque Center for a function or meeting, please call Albert Totorica, Basque Center Rental Manager, at 331-5097, or e-mail to rentals@basquecenter.com.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

If you have information that you would like to have submitted into the Euzkaldunak Newsletter, please submit your written information by **February 2** to: Euzkaldunak Newsletter, 601 Grove St, Boise, ID 83702, or e-mail it to newsletter@basquecenter.com. If you e-mail it, the chance of a typographical error is less. For name and address changes, e-mail Patty Gabica Haas at secretary@basquecenter.com.



