

November 2015



Euzkaldunak

FROM THE KITCHEN

The Mortzilla Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, November 7. This dinner is open to the public. No reservations are required. It will be a "first come, first served" meal. The menu will include:

Mortzillak
Roasted Chicken with Onions and Wine
Alaskan Cod Romana with Lemon Butter Sauce
Tossed Salad Oñati
Garbanzos and Chorizos
Bread and Butter
Pumpkin Pie with Cream
Wine and Coffee

The first seating will begin at 5:15 PM, and the second seating will begin at 6:30 PM. The price for the dinner is \$15.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 10 and under. Wine and other beverages can be purchased in the dining room.

The Mortzilla Dinner is part of the Annual Bazaar/Bingo Night. The November dinner will be hosted by the families and friends of Boiseko Gazteak and Txantxangorriak. **Please note: There is no babysitting at the Basque Center during the Mortzilla dinner.**

BASQUE FOUNDATION – BASQUE CHARITIES

Donations to deserving people are made throughout the year, but as December approaches, the Basque Foundation (formerly Basque Charities) selects a person of family to receive a sizeable contribution from the charities account. Typically, the recipient is someone (Basque or non-Basque) who has fallen ill and needs help financially.

The annual Shepherders Ball & Lamb Auction is where much of the money is raised to bolster the charities account. If you know of someone who should be considered as the primary recipient of funds raised at the 2015 Shepherders Ball, please contact Martin Bilbao at president@basquecenter.com.

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 (5) 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!

Steve Achabal, who has been a wonderful advocate and NABO representative for Euzkaldunak will end his tenure in January. He is not seeking re-election. If you are interested in running for NABO representative or for the Board of Directors, please contact Martin Bilbao at president@basquecenter.com.



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OCTOBER DINNER – THANK YOU

The October Dinner was hosted by Boise State Basque Studies. Many thanks to Chef Jesus Alcelay who prepared a wonderful dinner, and to Jamie O'Mahony who headed up the babysitting crew. We appreciate Jesus and his kitchen crew, Juli Lete and the bar staff, and Jamie and the babysitters—all of whom make the monthly dinners such a success. Thanks to the following for hosting the October Dinner:

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The winner of November's free dinner was Teresa Aramburu! Zorionak!



Boiseko Gazteak practice is underway! All the latest information can be found at our page on the Basque Center website:

<http://www.basquecenter.com/content.asp?id=5>

Boiseko Parents: If you are not receiving periodic emails with information about Boiseko, please email boiseko@basquecenter.com with your email address and child's name.

December 6 is the Boiseko Winter Show at Borah High School. Dancers & Musicians should arrive at 12:15 PM. Txantxangorriak will start the party off at 12:30 PM, with the dancers following at 1:00 PM. Mark your calendars and tell your family and friends! Please bring a can of food for our seasonal contribution to a local food bank.

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CALL FOR DONATIONS: MORTZILLA BINGO

The famous Mortzilla dinner's Bingo night is upon us again! It is a tradition in Boise's Basque Community since 1957!

To help make it another successful evening, we are looking for prizes as well as your attendance (sorte on - good luck). As a member, please consider a donation to Euzkaldunak of a bingo prize, and a variety of fun gifts makes for a great night. Gift certificates, gift baskets, bottles of wine, gourmet food items, home goods, tools, children's toys - you name it! All these make great prizes and are greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in donating a prize or being a part of the volunteer crew, please contact Annie Gavica at 208.830.9284 or Dan Aizpitarte at 208.412.1545.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The Red Cross Blood Drive final date has been set for the calendar year 2015. It will be held at the Basque Center on **Thursday December 3 from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM**. We are currently signing up donors for the **December 3** drive. If you have never donated blood or are interested in donating again, you can schedule your appointment by calling Anita at 375-9655 or schedule online at www.redcrossblood.org.

The sponsor code is: basque

MONTHLY DINNER HOST FAMILIES

The Basque Foundation, Inc. would like to thank those families and organizations who have acted as a host group for a monthly dinner. Due to busy schedules and timing we are always in need of additional assistance. If your family or organization would like to get involved, please email president@basquecenter.com.



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MORTZILLA DINNER/BAZAAR – NOVEMBER 7

Volunteers:

Can you help? Volunteers are needed to help with bingo, mortzillas, chorizo & pop sales, etc. To volunteer, please call Michael Guerricabeitia at 860-9754 or mjg713@gmail.com.

Chorizos & Pop:

For those of you who are still hungry after the mortzilla dinner, chorizos and pop will be for sale during the Bazaar.

Food Booth:

There is no better time to purchase specialty food items prepared by the many excellent Basque cooks than at the Euzkaldunak Bazaar. Each member is asked to donate one item of food. Any item you bring will be welcome! Please bring your items to the Food Booth table (upstairs) by 5:30 PM.

Money Tree Raffle:

In this month's newsletter, you will find your tickets for the \$100 Money Tree Raffle. The cost is \$1 per ticket, or \$5 for six tickets. Make sure your purchased tickets, money, and unsold tickets are turned into the Money Tree table by 8:30 PM. You do not need to be present to win, so feel free to mail in your purchased tickets or drop them off in the bar ahead of time.

Cake Wheel:

It is easy to win a great cake at the Oinkari Cake Wheel! Please consider donating a cake to the Cake Wheel table. We need many cakes to satisfy all the players.

MORTZILLA MAKERS NEEDED!

We need your help to make the 3000+ mortzillas for the annual Mortzilla Dinner on Saturday, November 7.

Efforts begin Tuesday, November 3, at Ben & Tomasa Goitiandia's house (see directions below). Drop in anytime between 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM to help prepare the onions and leeks. Wednesday, November 4, we will be cooking the onions and leeks from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM. On Thursday, November 5, at the Basque Center, we will make the mortzillas in two shifts: 7:00 AM to 12:30 PM, and 1:00 PM until 5:00 PM. A lunch for both shifts will be served at the break.

If you can't help out on either of those days, consider Friday, November 6, from 9:30 AM until 3:00 PM, when we will be packaging the mortzillas. Making mortzillas is probably the most unique of our volunteer efforts, and it's also a lot of fun. If you would like to help out or have any additional questions, please contact Sean Aucutt at 371-3090.

Directions to Goitiandias': Cloverdale route: Go south on Cloverdale past Kuna Road. Turn right on the next road (King Road). Their house is the third house on the right (5150 E King Road). Eagle route: Go south on Eagle Road past Kuna Road. Turn left on King Road. Their house is the first house on the left (5150 E King Road).



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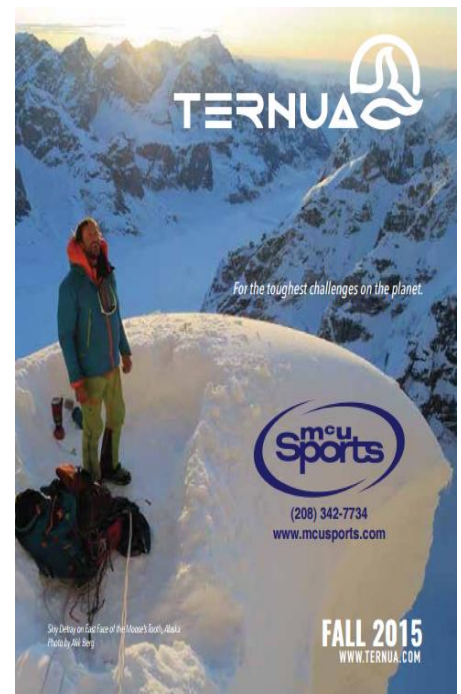
All Basque Center memberships expire on December 31, 2015. Renewals of \$50 per adult will be accepted beginning November 15, 2015. Watch for your reminder in the mail! Remember that memberships make great Christmas gifts.

2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mortzillak Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo	November 7
Shepherders Ball	December 19

2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

General Membership Dinner	January 30
Valentine's/Bingo Dinner	February 20
Mus Dinner	March 19
Anniversary Dinner	April 16
Mother's Day Dinner	May 14
San Inazio	July 29 to July 31
September Dinner	September 17
October Dinner	October 15
Mortzillak Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo	November 5
Shepherders Ball	December 17



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EUZKALDUNAK CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Christmas party will be held at the Basque Center on Sunday, December 6, at 2:15 PM, following the Boiseko Gazteak Winter Show. Come sing Christmas carols, have goodies, and see Olentzero! Parents please bring a new, wrapped gift for your child with his/her name and age clearly marked on the package (i.e.; Jon Doe, age 10). Gifts can be dropped off in the card room of the Basque Center during Boiseko practice on Tuesday, December 1, or in the dance hall at the beginning of the party on Sunday, December 6. To volunteer for this event, contact Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.

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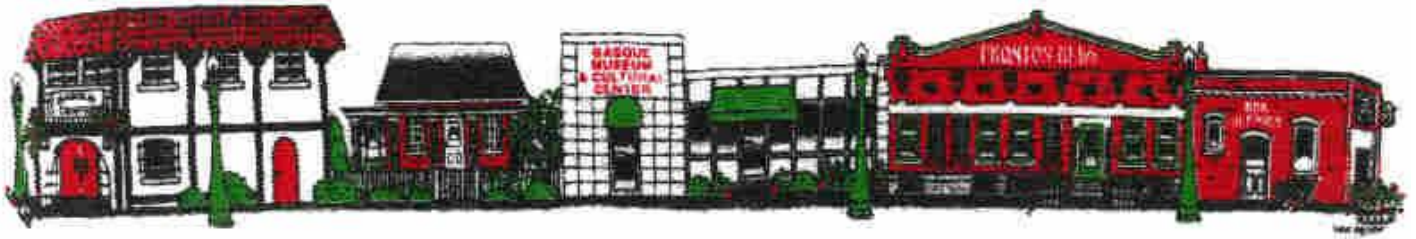
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If you have information that you would like to have submitted into the Euzkaldunak Newsletter, please submit your written information by **November 16** to: Euzkaldunak Newsletter, 601 Grove St, Boise, ID 83702, or e-mail it to newsletter@basquecenter.com. 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.



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