January 2016



# Euzkaldunak

#### FROM THE KITCHEN

On Saturday, January 30, 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 2016 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:
Onati Salad
Pork Chops with Pimientos
Shrimp Pil Pil
Mixed Vegetables
Potatoes Au gratin
Dessert
Bread and Butter
Coffee and Wine

The general meeting begins at 7:30 PM. The agenda will include the financial report for 2015, the Euzkaldunak activities report, the 2015 NABO report, and the election of five Euzkaldunak Board Directors. The five Directors completing their term are Martin Bilbao, Tyler Smith, Geneva Ayarra, Michael Guerricabeitia, and Joe Lasuen. We appreciate their contributions for the betterment of the Basque Center and the 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 2016 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 27. 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 their dedication to keep our monthly dinners ongoing!

## **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 and work with a great bunch of people, 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 <a href="mailto:president@basquecenter.com">president@basquecenter.com</a>.



# THANK YOU SHEEPHERDERS DINNER VOLUNTEERS!

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

Rod and Amy Wray Josie Wray Andy Wood and Teresa Arana Wood Tim Mitchell and Christy Echevarria KC Odencrantz and Miren Lete Odencrantz Genie and Henry Brollier Alison Berriochoa Adrianna Berriochoa Jerry Aldape Johnny Boyd Rvan Boyd Martin Bilbao **Tyler Smith** Ricardo Yanci Geneva Ayarra Michael Guerricabeitia Annie Gavica Kristen Guerricabeitia Miste Bernasconi Patty Gabica Haas

Jeremy Malone and Ana Mendiola

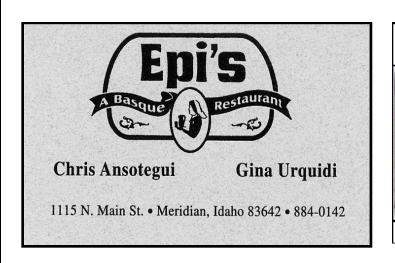
#### <u>UPCOMING ISSUES TO VOTE ON</u>

During the annual members' meeting on Saturday, January 30, 2016, you will be asked to vote on replacing the roof at the Basque Center. At its November meeting, the Euzkaldunak Board of Directors voted unanimously to add the roof replacement cost approval to the annual meeting agenda. The Board discussed an aging roof that is beginning to leak and needs to be replaced sooner than later. If you have any questions, please feel free to email: <a href="mailto:president@basquecenter.com">president@basquecenter.com</a>.

At the 2015 annual meeting, a motion was made on the floor to offer a senior citizen discount of \$10 on membership dues. The motion was tabled pending a review of the bylaws. At the 2016 meeting you will be asked to vote on this motion.

## **UDALEKU 2016 SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Basque Foundation is offering scholarships to Udaleku 2016. The maximum scholarship amount is \$250. Interested parties need to submit a letter to the Basque Center Board of Directors explaining why the individual wants to participate and attend Udaleku 2016. Letters must be submitted by February 1, 2016. They can be dropped off or mailed to the Basque Center at 601 Grove, Boise, ID 83702. They may also be submitted electronically to info@basquecenter.com.





#### **BOISEKO GAZTEAK NEWS**

Thanks to all of you that attended the Boiseko Gazteak Winter Show on Sunday, December 6! What a great performance by all the dancers! I hope you are as proud of our group as we are. 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, Rod Wray for providing the sound equipment, and Vince Vergara and Maria Arrieta for handling the canned food donations for the Boise Rescue Mission.

Our next practice will be on Tuesday, January 12, at 7:00PM. We'll have practice each Tuesday leading up to our Spring Show on Sunday, March 13.

# OINKARI ALUMNI NEEDED FOR FEBRUARY 2016 DINNER

The Basque Center February Dinner & Bingo night on February 20 will be hosted by current Oinkari dancers and Oinkari Alumni together. The kids will do the heavy lifting, but there is also a need for alumni volunteers. Plus, we want to hang out with you! Oinkari alumni from the 70's were the VOH (volunteers-of-honor) for the 2015 dinner last year, so for 2016, we are calling on alumni from 1980's, although everyone is welcome to help, regardless of decade. We need help with the usual monthly dinner things - place settings, pouring coffee, usher, MC, etc. If you are able to help us out, please email Elise Overgaard at elise@oinkari.org or call 208-550-2914 to sign up. See you there!



#### CHILDREN'S PARTY VOLUNTEERS

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

Thank you to Brandy Bengoechea and Dave Breashears from Meadow Gold Dairies for donating milk for the Children's Christmas party. Thanks to the following volunteers who helped to make the Children's Christmas party a great event.

Sean Aucutt Chris Bieter Nere Lete Martin Bilbao Ricardo Yanci Michael Guerricabeitia Sheri Cook Gina Landa Kirsten Teegarden Jeremy Boyd Josh Boyd Josu Amuchastegui Johnny Aldape Shanna Gandiaga Marie Park Cece Uranga Ana Mendiola Sarah Clayton Melissa Wolfe Tere Achabal Jesus Alcelay Tony Eiguren Tara Eiguren Jeannie Eiguren Dave Eiguren Levi Walker Julian Lete Patty Gabica Tracy Anchustegui Jennifer Combs Staci Welsh

If you volunteered and your name is not on the list, please let the secretary know by emailing <a href="mailto:secretary@basquecenter.com">secretary@basquecenter.com</a>. You'll be included in the next newsletter!

#### 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.

#### CHILDREN'S EUSKARA CLASSES

Children's Euskara Classes will begin January 12 at 6:00 PM at the Basque Museum & Cultural Center. Parents are asked to sign up children by phone (343.1848) or email (darrylj@basquemuseum.com) prior to January 12. At least 5 students are needed to continue Euskara classes this semester. Cost for the 8 weeks of class is \$30 per child. If you have any questions, please contact the Basque Museum at 343.2671 or 343.1848.

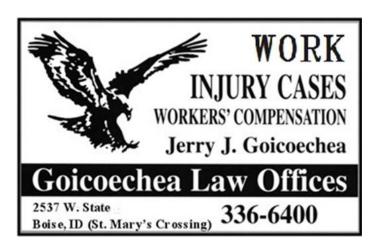
#### **BASQUE MUSEUM GIFT SHOP DATES**

The Museum Store will be open the following dates from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM for Boiseko family and dancers' convenience:

January 12 and 26 February 9 and 23 March 8

Regular Store Hours are:

Tuesday thru Friday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Saturday from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM



#### 2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>General Membership Dinner</b>	January 30
Valentine's/Bingo Dinner	February 20
Mus Dinner	March 19
<b>Anniversary Dinner</b>	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
Sheepherders Ball	December 17

## THANK YOU ADVERTISERS!

We want to thank all of our 2015 advertisers for their ongoing support. We ask Euzkaldunak members to show their patronage to these supportive businesses.

Ads for 2016 may now be renewed and purchased for new advertisers. For information about advertising in the newsletter, please contact Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.



## **SHEEPHERDERS BALL 2015**

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

Ava & Ander Achabal

Pablo & Teresa Aramburu family

Javier & Anjie Arrieta

Jose Mari & Miren Artiach

Toni Bicandi

Alberto & Juanita Bilbao

Fermin and Liz Bilbao

John Bilbao

Luisa Bilbao

Martin Bilbao

Ryan Boyd

Sharon Boyd

Bryan & Marie Day

Tim Mitchell & Christy Echevarria

Juan Egana

Richard & Susan Gavica

Joe & Mary Lou Guerricabeitia

Dave & Liz Hardesty

Herb & Joni Krakau

Rachel Wolfe & Nick Lambert

Scott & Stephanie Larrondo

John & Matilde Lasuen

Carmen Lete

JP Lete

Julian Lete

Manu & Belen Lete

Janice Mainvil

Jeremy & Gaizka Malone & Ana Mendiola

Jose & Josefina Mendiola

Aisea & Andoni Odencrantz

#### Lamb Bidders Continued

Phyllis Royston

Rolland & Dolores Saylor

Tyler Smith

Totorica Wilson family

Fred Uranga

Glenda Uranga

Andy Wood

Joe & Rita Zabala

Omar Zuloeta

Aldape's Marketplace

Juliana & John Aldape

**DL** Evans Bank

Don Evans

Epi's – A Basque Restaurant

Gina Urquidi & Chris Ansotegui

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#### **BOISE FRONTON ASSOCIATION**

The Boise Fronton Association would like to congratulate all the teams that participated in the 2015 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.

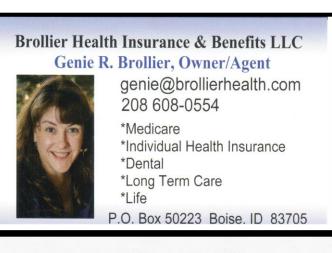
Each league will be starting again in February. 2016 dues will be due by your first game - \$100 per person. Email <a href="mailto:bfa.boise@gmail.com">bfa.boise@gmail.com</a> or contact your pala commissioner for more information.

Goma A League Champions:
Johnny Boyd and Caleb Snodgrass
Goma B League Champions:
John Cortabitarte and Pedro Cortabitarte
Baleen A League Champions:
Sarah Ober and Geneva Ayarra

# RENEW YOUR EUZKALDUNAK MEMBERSHIP

All Euzkaldunak memberships expired on December 31, 2015. 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 30, 2016, your dues should be postmarked or left at the Basque Center Bar no later than January 15, 2016. NO MEMBERSHIP DUES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE **MEMBERS' ONLY DINNER!** Dues paid after January 31, 2016 are subject to a \$10 new member fee. For questions about memberships, please contact the secretary, Patty Gabica, at secretary@basquecenter.com.





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# HOST FAMILY NEEDED FOR STUDENT FROM THE BASQUE COUNTRY

A young lady from the Basque Country is in need of a host family. Her name is Irune de Mendizabal. She is 22 years of age and currently lives in Vitoria-Gasteiz. She studied at the Olabide Ikastola and last summer finished her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration at Mondragon Unibertsitatea in Onati. She is fluent in English and would like to continue improving her fluency as well as gaining the experience of living abroad.

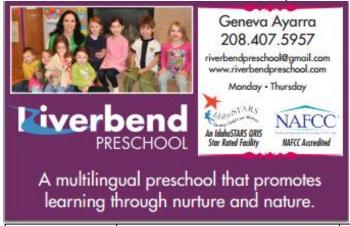
Ideally, this young lady would like to arrive in February and stay possibly through May or June. Preferably, it would be great to have a host family that has children her age to help in her fluency as well as being acclimated to our culture here in the Idaho.

If you are willing to host or need to contact Irune, please email her at: <a href="mailto:irunevelez@gmail.com">irunevelez@gmail.com</a>. You may also contact Benan Oregi (email: <a href="mailto:benanoregi@gmail.com">benanoregi@gmail.com</a>) for additional information.





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### **BASQUE CENTER STAFF**

Patty Gabica Haas, Secretary and Treasurer Albert Totorica, Rental Manager Jesus Alcelay, Chef Julian Lete, Operations Manager Levi Walker, Bartender Elise Overgaard, 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 <a href="mailto:newsletter@basquecenter.com">newsletter@basquecenter.com</a>. If you e-mail it, the chance of a typographical error is less. For name and address changes, e-mail Patty Gabica Haas at <a href="mailto:secretary@basquecenter.com">secretary@basquecenter.com</a>.



