

February 2016



# Euzkaldunak

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## FROM THE KITCHEN

The February Dinner is scheduled for **Saturday, February 20**. This dinner will be hosted by the Oinkari Alumni.

The doors will open to the Dining Room at 6:00 PM with dinner being served buffet-style at 6:30 PM. Prior to entering the Dining Room, please pick up your reservation ticket in the Bar. You will need it to pay for dinner.

The price for the monthly dinner is:

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Senior Members (65 and older) | \$14.00 |
| Members                       | \$15.00 |
| Guests                        | \$18.00 |
| Children (10 and under)       | \$ 5.00 |

Here is the February dinner menu:

Tossed Salad – Onati Dressing  
Beef Stew  
Baked Atlantic Salmon  
Garlic Mashed Potatoes  
Mixed Vegetables  
Dessert  
Wine and Coffee  
Bread and Butter

There will be free babysitting service during the dinner. Please call in your reservation to 1-208-572-0604 or email your reservation to [dinner@basquecenter.com](mailto:dinner@basquecenter.com). Please leave the name the reservation is to be held under, the number of people in the party, the age designation (Adult, Child, Senior or Guest) and your contact info. Please indicate if you will need babysitting, along with the names and ages of the children.

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

The deadline for dinner reservations is 8:00 PM on **Wednesday, February 17**. ***PLEASE NOTE: RESERVATIONS CALLED INTO THE BAR WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.***

**RESERVATIONS LEFT AFTER FEBRUARY 18 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

We would like to thank the Ikastola and the following people for their help during the Membership Dinner:

Nick & Sarah (Urizar) Smith  
Dave and Patti Lachiondo  
Jessica Petty  
Matt, Gillian, Talus & Juliet Wigglesworth  
Kyle, Shana, Bryce & Kade Gandiaga  
Eric, Jennifer, Deacon & Graham Everson  
Mark, Becky & Nora Uranga  
Kristin Sword  
Lena Gandiaga  
Julia Radandt  
Amaia Lojo  
Oihana Andion  
Eneko Tuduri  
Mara Davis

## GENERAL MEETING & ELECTION RECAP

Thank you to all the members who attended the 2016 Member's Dinner and Annual Meeting on January 30. The meeting began with our president, Martin Bilbao, welcoming those in attendance and commencing the meeting. Martin outlined the upcoming events for this winter and spring then thanked the outgoing board members; Geneva Ayarra, Michael Guerricabeitia, Joe Lasuen and Tyler Smith for all their hard work in 2015.

Nominations were held for the five open positions on the board. Those elected were Martin Bilbao, Bryan Day, Joe Lasuen, Tyler Smith and Sarah Urizar-Smith. They will join Dan Aizpitarte, Johnny Boyd, Ryan Boyd, Annie Gavica and Ricardo Yanci. Congratulations to everyone!

Nominations were also held for the Euzkaldunak NABO delegate position. The membership voted Geneva Ayarra as delegate for 2016 and 2017. Congratulations to Geneva. We would like to say thank you to Steve Achabal, who decided not to run this year, for his service to Euzkaldunak as NABO delegate for the past six years.

Two other general membership votes were discussed. The first was for spending authority not to exceed \$140,000 for a replacement of the Basque Center roof. The membership approved funding of the roof. The second vote was for a \$10 senior citizen discount per a motion on the floor during the 2015 general membership meeting. The membership disapproved the senior citizen vote.

Jaialdi Co-Chairs, Amy Wray, Rod Wray, Jeremy Malone and Ana Mendiola provided a Jaialdi recap including a financial report. Jaialdi 2015 was a huge success both culturally and financially for the Basque Center. A huge thank you to the four co-chairs for all of their hard work over the past couple of years.


Martin gave the Basque Foundation financial report, which includes the business of the Basque Center including charities. If you would like a copy of this report or a copy of the meeting minutes, please email Patty Gabica at [secretary@basquecenter.com](mailto:secretary@basquecenter.com).

## GENERAL MEETING CONTINUED

Martin Bilbao and Tyler Smith concluded the meeting with closing remarks and showed appreciation for everyone who contributed to Euzkaldunak's success during the past year. The board then met upstairs and elected Tyler Smith president and Joe Lasuen vice president. Dan Aizpitarte was selected to serve as the NABO representative from the Board of Directors.

## 2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

|                                       |                           |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Valentine's/Bingo Dinner</b>       | <b>February 20</b>        |
| <b>Mus Dinner</b>                     | <b>March 19</b>           |
| <b>Anniversary Dinner</b>             | <b>April 16</b>           |
| <b>Mother's Day Dinner</b>            | <b>May 14</b>             |
| <b>San Inazio</b>                     | <b>July 29 to July 31</b> |
| <b>September Dinner</b>               | <b>September 17</b>       |
| <b>October Dinner</b>                 | <b>October 15</b>         |
| <b>Mortzillak Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo</b> | <b>November 5</b>         |
| <b>Shepherders Ball</b>               | <b>December 17</b>        |



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### **REMINDER: 2016 MEMBERSHIP DUES**

A reminder that all 2015 memberships expired on December 31, 2015. If you have not paid your dues for 2016, this will be your last newsletter. The January 31, 2016, deadline for renewals has past. Memberships are now considered lapsed. To reinstate your membership, please remit your dues of \$60 per adult to: Euzkaldunak Membership, 601 Grove Street, Boise, ID 83702. Checks can be made payable to Basque Foundation, Inc. If you have questions about membership, please contact the secretary at [secretary@basquecenter.com](mailto:secretary@basquecenter.com).

### **THANK YOU SHEEPHERDERS DINNER VOLUNTEERS!**

Thanks to the Friends of Jaialdi for hosting Shepherders Dinner. The Friends of Jaialdi would like to thank the following people for making the December Shepherders 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  
 Ryan Boyd  
 Martin Bilbao  
 Tyler Smith  
 Ricardo Yanci  
 Geneva Ayarra  
 Michael Guerricabeitia  
 Annie Gavica  
 Kristen Guerricabeitia  
 Miste Bernasconi  
 Patty Gabica  
 Jeremy Malone and Ana Mendiola

### **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](mailto:president@basquecenter.com).

### **LEGACY AWARD**

In 2001, the Euzkaldunak Board introduced the Legacy Award. This award is given to individuals who have exhibited a long-term commitment to the goals of Euzkaldunak.

For 2016, the Board is requesting your input for Legacy Award nominees. If you would like to nominate someone, please write a short letter including the name of the nominee and a description of their accomplishments. Give this letter to any current board member by March 31 or email to [president@basquecenter.com](mailto:president@basquecenter.com).

The board will review the nominations and the recipients will be announced at the April or May Dinner.



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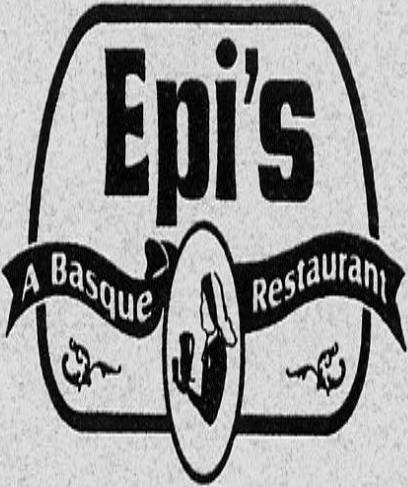
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## EUZKALDUNAK BRISKA TOURNAMENT

The Euzkaldunak Briska Tournament will be played on **Sunday, April 3, 2016** and **Sunday, April 10, 2016**. We will start at 5:00 PM. Sign up at the Basque Center Bar before April 3.

## KANTARI AFARIA 2016!

Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, March 5**, for the annual ***Kantari Afaría!*** This is the annual fund-raiser for the Biotzetik Basque Choir, which will include an outstanding dinner by Chef Jesus Alcelay and a special performance by the choir. We'll also have silent and live auctions featuring Basque art, unique meals, and fun adventures. Tickets are \$40 each and can be purchased from any choir member, or call Janice Mainvil at 861-7734.



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### 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](mailto:elise@oinkari.org) or call [208-550-2914](tel:208-550-2914) to sign up. See you there!

### OINKARI NURSING HOME TOUR 2016 REQUESTS

This spring (usually late April) marks the annual Oinkari Nursing Home tour, an event we look forward to every year. If you have any specific nursing homes with Basque family members that would appreciate a visit, send an email to [info@oinkari.org](mailto:info@oinkari.org). We will accommodate as many homes as logistically possible during the day.

### BOISEKO GAZTEAK NEWS

The Spring Show will be Sunday, [March 13](#).



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### SRBC NABO MUS TOURNAMENT & DINNER

Get ready for the Santa Rosa Basque Club Mus tournament! [Saturday, April 30](#) at the Paradise Valley Community Hall, 9:00 AM registration, with a 10:00 AM start time. Cost for members to play is \$25 (non-members are \$45) and will include a light breakfast and lunch. The winning team will represent the SRBC at the National NABO tournament. If you would like to stay for the Mus Dinner (\$30 per person), please contact Richard or Susan Gavica at [775-578-3533](tel:775-578-3533) for more information and to RSVP for dinner. See you in Paradise!

### BASQUE MUSEUM MUS TOURNAMENT

The Basque Museum & Cultural Center will be holding its NABO Mus Tournament on [Saturday, April 23](#) at the Basque Center. Registration will begin at 9:00 AM. Cost to play is \$50 per person and includes your membership, NABO Mus dues, a light breakfast and lunch. If you are already a member of the Basque Museum, cost to play is \$20. For more information, contact Annie at the Basque Museum – [577-2250](tel:577-2250).

### BASQUE MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER & AUCTION

Mark your calendars for [Saturday, April 9](#) for the Basque Museum's Annual Benefit Dinner and Auction, benefitting the Basque Museum and Boiseko Ikastola. Dinner will be prepared by Chef Jesus Alcelay. For more information or to reserve your seats, please contact the Basque Museum at [343-2671](tel:343-2671).

**NEW MEMBERS**

Kristopher Gandiaga  
 Alison Wolfe  
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 Mary Jo Asumendi Larzelier  
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**MEMORIALS CONTINUED****Joe Aldape**

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 David & Diana Aldape-Berggren  
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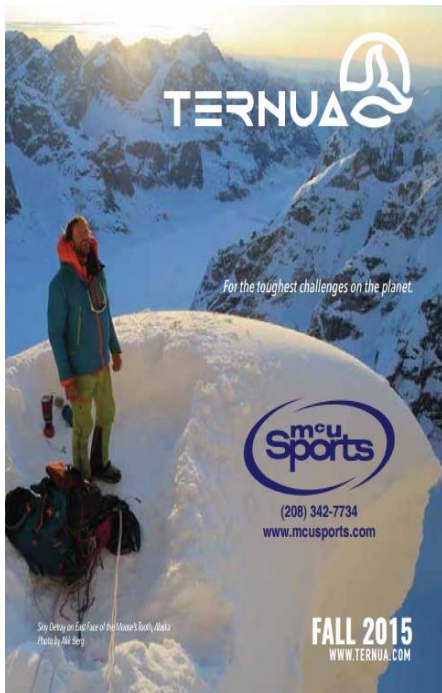
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## SHEEPHERDERS BALL 2015

Thanks to all who volunteered and to those who donated to this year's Shepherders Ball! We apologize for not including the following individuals in last month's newsletter.

### ***Dinner Volunteers***

Henar Chico

### ***Lamb Bidders***

Barry and Anita Bumgarner

Ryan Boyd

Delphina Arnold

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Tony Totorica

Patxi and Julianne Lostra

Elias and Rose Lete

Chris Bieter and Nere Lete

## 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:

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

## 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](http://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.

## RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The dates for the Red Cross blood drives for 2016 are now available. The drives will be held at the Basque Center from 2 to 6 pm on **Monday, March 7, Monday, June 13, Monday, August 15, and Thursday, December 1**. We are currently signing up donors for the drive on **March 7**. If you are interested in donating, you can sign up by calling Anita at 375-9655 or sign up online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). The sponsor code is: basque.



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Happy birthday to Amaia Aguirre!

Happy birthday to Louise Solosabal House! She will be 87 years young on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>!

Happy anniversary to Jon and Gloria (Uscola) Schodde!

Happy anniversary to Jeff and Katie Lliteras!

Happy anniversary to Xanti Alcelay and Jill Aldape!

Happy birthday to Ryan Boyd!

Happy birthday to Sofi Sarria!

Happy belated birthday to Amuma Says No!

**Oinkari Basque Dancers Memorials**

We appreciate the memorial donations made by the following people:

*In memory of Joe P Aldape*  
*Juliana & John R Aldape*

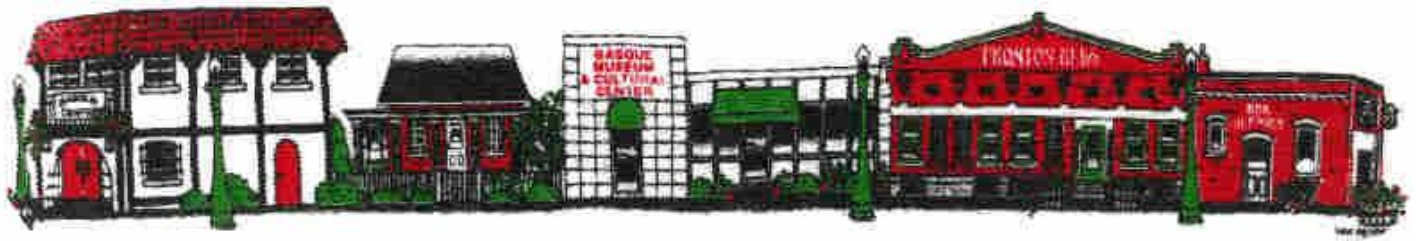
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If you have information that you would like to have submitted into the Euzkaldunak Newsletter, please submit your written information by **February 21** to: Euzkaldunak Newsletter, 601 Grove St, Boise, ID 83702, or e-mail it to [newsletter@basquecenter.com](mailto:newsletter@basquecenter.com). If you e-mail it, the chance of a typographical error is less. For name and address changes, e-mail Patty Gabica at [secretary@basquecenter.com](mailto:secretary@basquecenter.com).



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