

October 2016



Euzkaldunak

FROM THE KITCHEN

The October Dinner is scheduled for **Saturday, October 15**. This dinner will be hosted by Aiztan Artean.

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 October dinner menu:

Oñati tossed Salad
Alaskan Cod Oriotarra
Baked Chicken with onion and wine
Rice and clams
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. 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 September's delicious dinner.

The deadline for dinner reservations is 8:00 PM on **Wednesday, October 12**. ***PLEASE NOTE: RESERVATIONS CALLED INTO THE BAR WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.***

RESERVATIONS LEFT AFTER OCTOBER 12 WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

THANK YOU TO BASQUE STUDIES AT BOISE STATE FOR HOSTING:

Iñaki Sagarna
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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 or 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 2016 Shepherders Ball, please contact Tyler Smith at president@basquecenter.com.

“OMENALDIA” MEMORIAL MASS

Omenaldia Memorial Mass, October 30, 2:30 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church – Since 1996, Basques in the area have been gathering together to celebrate the lives of those that have passed away. We will continue this beautiful tradition October 30 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church at 2:30 PM. If you have anyone that you would like to add to the list of memorials, please contact Annie at the Basque Museum 343-2671.

MORTZILLA DINNER/BINGO – NOVEMBER 5

Volunteers: Can you help? Volunteers are needed to help with bingo, mortzillas, chorizo & pop sales, etc. To volunteer, please contact a board member.

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. Your donations make this a popular feature! 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.

50/50 Raffle: This year we will be holding a 50/50 raffle. Tickets can be purchased for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We will close the raffle at 8:45 and at 9:00 PM will announce the winner. You will need to be present to win half of the pot. The more tickets sold, the larger the pot to win, so be sure to purchase your tickets upstairs during the evening!

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.

To help with this event go to this link: <http://signup.com/go/AKjVVU> or contact a board member.



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MORTZILLA MAKERS NEEDED!

We need your help to make the 3000+ mortzillas for the annual Mortzilla Dinner on Saturday, November 5.

Efforts begin Tuesday, November 1, 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 2, we will be cooking the onions and leeks from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM. On Thursday, November 3, 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 4, 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).



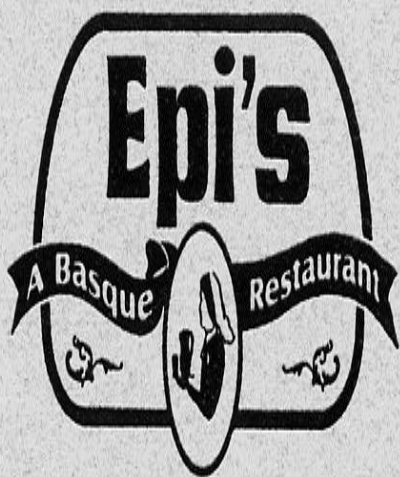
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If you are interested in booking the Oinkaris for a performance or special event, you can submit an online performance request or give us a call. Go to www.oinkari.org and click on the "Performance Request" tab to fill out a request form, or call 208-557-1960 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.



Chris Ansotegui **Gina Urquidi**

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NEW BOISE BASQUE FLAG

The current initiative is to explore the viability of creating a new Boise Basque flag that would 1) serve as a unifying symbol for Boise-area Basques, 2) connect us to the region of Bizkaia from where many of our Basque dances originated, 3) relate to the long history of the Basque Country and 4) also serve as a banner that our non-Basque family and friends can also rally around.

A common ritual in some Basque Country towns during festival time is to bring out the town's flag for a procession and presentation. Most of these flags date back to medieval times. In particular, a half-dozen towns around Durango in Bizkaia annually perform the Dantzari Dantza with their flags, and these are the dances that were transplanted here that include the Zortziko (kicking dance with eight guys), Txankarrekua (where the solo dancer is lifted up by two other dancers), etc. The idea is to potentially design our own distinctive Boise flag that would serve to connect us with this dance tradition, and the centuries of history behind them in the Basque Country.

An initial idea was to see about potentially incorporating blue and/or green since these are the colors of the Idaho flag and Boise as the City of Trees. This would of course not replace the Ikurrina or Basque flag, but only supplement it. We believe we have some very creative people in our club and beyond, and we were hoping to get some good ideas to develop some proposals. If you have an idea for a design--or know someone who might--please send that to president@basquecenter.com
Eskerrik asko--thanks!

BOISEKO GAZTEAK

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.

Eskerrik Asko Lisa Norton! After 30 years of teaching, Lisa Norton is retiring from Boiseko Gazteak. We cannot thank her enough for those many years of keeping our culture thriving through dance. All of Boiseko, and especially the 6-7 year-olds in the Azkarrak group, will miss her greatly!

2016-2017 Calendar:

09/27 - First practice at 7PM (practice each Tuesday until November 29, no practice on November 22)

12/04 - Winter Show/Christmas Party

01/10 - Practice resumes at 7PM (practice each Tuesday until March 7)

03/12 - Spring Show

07/25 - San Inazio practice at 7PM

07/29 - San Inazio performance (Basque Block)



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TRAILING OF THE SHEEP FESTIVAL OCT. 5 THRU 9 IN HAILEY/KETCHUM

Every October, the Oinkaris travel to Idaho's Wood River Valley to participate in the Trailing of the Sheep Festival. This year, they will be joined by Txantxangorriak! The festival features a Folklife Fair with dance groups representing shepherding cultures (Basque, Polish, Peruvian and Scottish dancers), a Fiber Fest, Shepherders' storytelling, dog agility trials, and a parade down Ketchum's Main Street (complete with an actual trailing of hundreds of sheep). Oinkaris and Txantxan will perform on Saturday, October 8. For times, check www.trailingofthesheep.org.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The final date for the Red Cross blood drives for 2016 is now available. The drive will be held at the Basque Center from 2 to 6 pm on **Thursday, December 1**. We are currently signing up donors for this drive. If you are interested in donating, you can sign up by calling Anita at 375-9655 or sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org. The sponsor code is: basque.



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2016 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October Dinner	October 15
Mortzillak Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo	November 5
Shepherders Ball	December 17

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BASQUE MUSEUM COMMUNITY HISTORY PROJECT TO HOLD FIRST GATHERING

The Basque Museum & Cultural Center has been working on the Basque Community History Project since late 2015, and we are happy to say that there will be a presentation made to the community of Jordan Valley on Saturday, October 8.

We will start the day with a Catholic Mass Service at the Jordan Valley Cemetery followed by pilota exhibition games at 11:00 AM. The ION Museum will also be open during this time for people to tour and learn about Jordan Valley history. There will be a light lunch in the St. Bernard's Catholic Church Hall at noon for \$10 per person. At 1:00 PM, Patty Miller will lead the presentation entitled "History of the Basques of Jordan Valley".

If you are interested in catching a ride from Boise or the surrounding areas, contact the Basque Museum. We have chartered a bus for \$20 per person, and will make stops in Nampa and at the Marsing turn-off if needed. Please call the Basque Museum at 343.2671 if you are interested in riding the bus and/or lunch in Jordan Valley or if you have any questions. See you in Jordan Valley!

COME ONE, COME ALL TO EUZKALDUNAK'S HALLOWEEN "TRUNK OR TREAT"!!

All members and their children are invited to come and celebrate Halloween at the Basque Center on Sunday, October 30th from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

"Cost of admission" will be candy or a homemade treat of your choice to share. There will be a costume contest for the kids (and maybe even the adults). The contest will range in ages from infants - 3yrs., 4-7yrs., 8-12yrs.

The idea would be for the kids to "trick or treat" at tables set up around the room. You can RSVP a table for your family or koadrilla. Please email Joe Lasuen at joe.lasuen@gmail.com or Sarah Urizar at ssurizar@gmail.com to do so. Amuma, Aitxitxe, and Tios are welcome too!! We hope to see you there!!

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Happy belated birthday to Abigail Norton!

Happy birthday to Markel Grodi!

Happy birthday to Damiana Shank!

Happy birthday to Jer O'Mahony!

Happy birthday to Alaina Gavica!

Happy birthday to Kristina Franzoia!

Happy belated birthday to Teresa Franzoia!

Happy belated birthday to Nekane Powell!

Happy anniversary to Ben and Amaya Monasterio!

Congratulations to Casey and Erica Bermensolo on the birth of their baby boy, Bennit Michael Bermensolo on Sept. 13, 2016, in Boise.

Zorionak to Lael Uberuaga-Rodgers and Josh Williams on their recent nuptials!

Zorionak to Marie Monasterio and Cody Luper on their recent nuptials!



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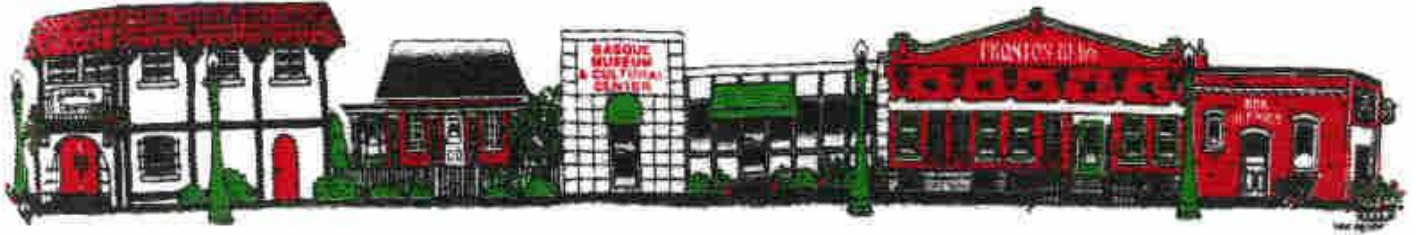


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If you have information that you would like to have submitted into the Euzkaldunak Newsletter, please submit your written information by **October 17** to: Euzkaldunak Newsletter, 601 Grove St, Boise, ID 83702, or e-mail it to newsletter@basquecenter.com. If you e-mail it, the chance of a typographical error is less. For name and address changes, e-mail Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.



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