



Euzkaldunak

FROM THE KITCHEN

The February Dinner is scheduled for [Saturday, February 18](#). 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.

Monthly dinner prices:

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

February dinner menu:

Onati Salad
Cod Romana
Pork Chops with Pimentos
Paella
Mixed Vegetables
Bread
Wine and Coffee

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 a delicious meal!

The deadline for dinner reservations is 8:00 PM on [Wednesday, February 15](#).

PLEASE NOTE: Reservations called into the bar will not be accepted, and reservations left after February 15 will not be accepted.

Thank you to the parents and staff at **Boiseko Ikastola** for hosting the January dinner:

Thomas & Jennifer Bailey
Jody Baranco
Mike Basabe
Amaya Basta
Argia Beristain & Keegan Dougherty
Maureen & Ryan Brewer
Amaya Eiguren
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Sarah & Nick Smith
Gillian & Matt Wigglesworth
Olatz Zubia

GENERAL MEETING & ELECTION RECAP

Thank you to all the members who attended the 2017 Member's Dinner and Annual Meeting on January 28. The meeting began with our president, Tyler Smith, welcoming those in attendance and commencing the meeting. Tyler outlined the upcoming events for this winter and spring then thanked the outgoing board members (Dan Aizpitarte, Johnny Boyd, Ryan Boyd, Annie Gavica, and Ricardo Yanci) for all their hard work in 2016.

Nominations were held for the five open positions on the board. Those elected were Johnny Boyd, Ryan Boyd, Alicia Knox, Alicia Lachiondo and Ricardo Yanci. They will join Martin Bilbao, Bryan Day, Joe Lasuen, Tyler Smith, and Sarah Urizar-Smith. Congratulations to everyone! Tyler gave the Basque Foundation financial report, which includes all 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 Haas at secretary@basquecenter.com. Tyler Smith and Joe Lasuen 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. They also elected Ricardo Yanci as the Basque Foundation, Inc. NABO representative.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to thank the membership of Euzkaldunak, staff, and board of directors for a successful 2016. A special thanks to Annie Gavica and Dan Aizpitarte for the time and commitment to the board over their past terms. I appreciate the opportunity to lead this organization and the confidence in our abilities as a board to retain and grow such a unique culture. I look forward to 2017 and the great board I will be working next to so we can keep the traditions of Euzkaldunak moving forward for many more generations.

Congratulations to Johnny Boyd, Ryan Boyd, Alicia Knox, Alicia Lachiondo, and Ricardo Yanci for their election to the board, joining Martin Bilbao, Bryan Day, Joe Lasuen, Sarah Urizar-Smith, and me.

Tyler Smith

OINKARI ALUMNI NEEDED FOR FEBRUARY DINNER

The Basque Center February Dinner & Bingo Night on **February 18** 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 80's were the VOH (volunteers-of-honor) for the 2016 dinner last year, so for 2017, we are calling on alumni from 1990's, although everyone is welcome to help, regardless of decade. We need help with the usual monthly dinner things - place settings, pouring coffee, usher, emcee, etc.

If you are able to help us out, please email Johnny Aldape at johnaldape@gmail.com or call 208-761-2121 to sign up. See you there!

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UPCOMING MUZ TOURNAMENTS

Gooding	02/18
Homedale	02/19
Mountain Home	03/12
Paradise Valley, NV	04/01
Basque Museum	04/29
Fresno, CA - (NABO National Tournament)	06/10

2017 BRISKA

The 2017 Briska Tournament will be held April 2 and April 9. Play will begin at 5:00 PM each Sunday. You can sign up in the bar or by emailing Tyler Smith at president@basquecenter.com.

80th ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOMBING OF GERNIKA

[April 26](#) marks the 80th anniversary of the tragic bombing of Gernika, and the Basque Museum will be commemorating the infamous event in various ways. It will include presentations, a panel of survivors and historians, and well as a new exhibit opening at 6:00 PM. There will be many times and ways to partake in the days' activities. For more information, visit (www.basquemuseum.com).

EDUCATION PROGRAMS SPECIALIST NEEDED

The Basque Museum is hiring for the position of Education Programs Specialist. This position is primarily in charge of educational events, programs and tours at the Basque Museum. They are also tasked with connecting generations and communities through Basque history and culture. If you or someone you know may be interested, contact the Basque Museum at 208.343.2671. The job posting will close [February 15](#).

NEW EXHIBITS AT THE BASQUE MUSEUM

Mark your calendar for February 23 when we open a new addition to the exhibits at the Basque Museum: "Artzainak - The Time of the Lambing and Shearing." Jan Boles, photographer and historian, was assigned in 1976 to write a feature article about the sheep industry in Idaho for the Idaho Free Press. "Artzainak - The Time of the Lambing and Shearing" will showcase his article, photographs and equipment. We have also received some great artifacts from the Aldecoa Sheep Company as part of this great exhibit expansion. Join us at [6:00 PM February 23](#) for the grand opening celebration.

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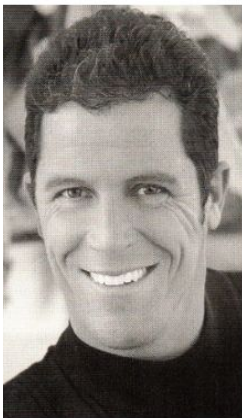
CALL TO ARTISTS: Flag & Pañuelo for San Inazio

Celebrating San Inazio is something Boise does very well, and we thank all of our members and those that attend for making it so successful. This coming San Inazio, we would like to add some things in the hopes that traditions will start for many more years to come.

We are looking for artists, designers, all around creative people to design a flag that would represent the Basque culture, but also the American-Basque culture, specifically in Idaho. This flag will be created to be given as gifts when the need arises. This by no means needs to follow any traditional rule, but these photos are simply a more visual history of the town flags in the Basque Country.

With the flag, we would also like to be able to pull a part of the flag, or have a version of the flag to be used for a neck scarf during San Inazio weekend. This neck scarf would follow the traditions similar to the red neck scarves that are famously worn at San Fermin in Pamplona each year.

If you are interested in participating and creating something for the Basque Community that could potentially be a great new tradition, please contact Tyler Smith (president@basquecenter.com), with any questions, and to submit a proposal. **The deadline is March 31.**



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**TOUR OF CALIFORNIA MISSIONS WITH
AITA ANTON & HISTORIAN JOHN
O'HAGAN**

250 years ago, the Spanish government, as part of its settlement of Alta California, began the establishment of a chain of 21 Catholic missions along California's coast and coastal valleys. All 21 of these missions are existent today and they represent a unique catalogue of a little known part of American history, art and architecture.

A tour of these missions is being planned for **September 2017**, led by both Aita Anton Egiguren and John O'Hagan, author of *Lands Never Trodden: The Franciscans and the California Missions* and *When Basques Ruled California*. Included in the cost will be the coach, lodging, admissions to each mission and two state parks, breakfast and dinner for 10 days, and a signed copy of *Lands Never Trodden*. For more details, call the St. John's parish office at 208-342-3511 or email John at jo83764@gmail.com by **February 28**.

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 2017, 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, or email to 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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Happy anniversary to JP and Leandra Lete!

Happy anniversary to Xanti Alcelay and Jill Aldape!

Happy anniversary to Jeff and Katie Lliteras!

2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event
2/18	February Dinner
3/18	Muz Dinner
4/22	Anniversary Dinner
5/13	Mother's Day Dinner
7/28-7/30	San Inazio Festival
9/16	September Dinner
10/14	October Dinner
11/04	Mortzilla Dinner
12/16	Sheepherders Dinner and Dance

**RECAP OF DATES & DEADLINES
MENTIONED IN THIS NEWSLETTER**

- 2/15: February dinner reservation deadline
- 2/15: Application deadline for Basque Museum Ed. Specialist job opening
- 2/18: February Dinner
- 2/18: Gooding Muz Tournament
- 2/19: Homedale Muz Tournament
- 2/19: March newsletter submission deadline
- 2/23: Artzainak exhibit opening at Museum
- 2/28: Inquiry deadline for interest in September California Mission tour
- 3/12: Mountain Home Muz Tournament
- 3/31: Artwork deadline for Basque flag
- 4/1: Paradise Valley Muz Tournament
- 4/2 and 4/9: Boise Briska Tournament
- 4/26: Gernika 80th Anniversary Museum event & exhibit
- 4/29 Basque Museum Muz Tournament
- 6/10: Fresno (NABO) Muz Tournament



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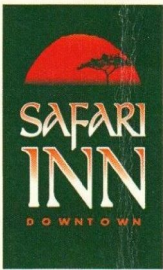
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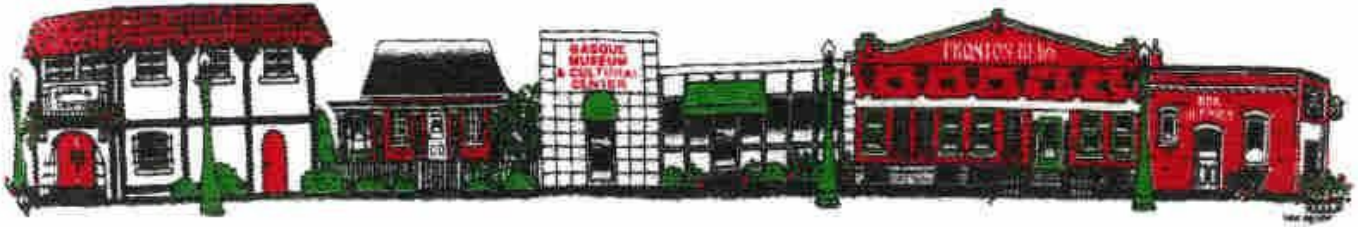


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BASQUE CENTER RENTAL

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

If you have information that you would like to include in next month's Euzkaldunak Newsletter, please submit your written information by **February 19** to: Euzkaldunak Newsletter, 601 Grove St, Boise, ID 83702, or e-mail it to newsletter@basquecenter.com. If you email it, the chance of a typographical error is less. For name and address changes, e-mail Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.

Editor's note: If there are certain things you'd like to see in the Euzkaldunak newsletter, let us know! This newsletter is here to serve our members, so we want it to be as informative and helpful as possible. - *Lael Uberuaga, incoming newsletter editor as of Feb. 2017*



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