



# EUZKALDUNAK

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## ABENDUA

### DECEMBER

Monthly Member Newsletter

#### **FROM THE KITCHEN**

The December dinner is scheduled for Saturday, [December 21, 2019](#). The dinner will be hosted by Nemesis Rugby Team.

We will begin seating everyone downstairs at 6:30 PM. **The cost of the meal is \$20, which includes admission to the Oinkari performance and the Shepherders Ball.** The dinner price for children 10 years and younger is \$10.

#### **December 2019 dinner menu:**

Tossed Salad with Onati Dressing  
Baked Lamb Txillindron  
Alaskan Cod with Lemon & Butter Sauce  
Clams with Rice  
Seasonal Vegetables  
Cream Puffs with Chocolate Sauce  
Bread and Butter  
Wine and Coffee

To make your reservation, call the reservation number (208) 572-0604 or email your reservation to [dinner@basquecenter.com](mailto:dinner@basquecenter.com).

As seating is limited, it is important to get your reservation in early. Seats will be provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

There will be NO babysitting for this dinner due to the fact that the dinner will be in the basement. The basement dining area limits the number of guests for the dinner to 200 people.

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



#### **SHEEPHERDERS BALL DECEMBER 21**

The 2019 Shepherders Ball celebration and fundraiser for the charities account of the Basque Foundation, Inc., will take place on [Saturday, December 21](#). We will have our December Holiday Dinner prior to the dance, and your admission to the dinner will allow you to stay for the dance.

We hope everyone stays to enjoy the music, do a little dancing, and watch the Oinkari Basque Dancers, as this is the debut for their new dancers. Oinkari will perform at 8:00 PM, followed by the lamb auction which raises funds for the Basque charities account.

The dance, featuring Amuma Says No, will begin after the lamb auction. The cost for the dance is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children age 6 to 12. Children under 6 are free. Chorizos and pop will be sold if you are still hungry after dinner.

## MONTHLY DINNER PRE-PURCHASE MEAL PLAN (MEAL CARD)

Once again we are offering members the opportunity to pre-purchase of meal cards for 2020. This allows you to pre-pay and automatically make your reservations for the six (6) standard monthly dinners (listed below) we have in 2020:

1. Saturday, February 22, 2020
2. Saturday, March 14, 2020
3. Saturday, April 18, 2020
4. Saturday, May 09, 2020
5. Saturday, September 12, 2020
6. Saturday, October 10, 2020

The meal card will be **\$90 for members and \$84 for Seniors**, and are non-refundable and non-transferable. They will be available to purchase when you renew your membership or at the January monthly dinner.

## BOISEKO GAZTEAK


**Sunday, December 8** 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.

### **2019-2020 Calendar:**

- 12/08 - Winter Show (Borah High) & Euzkaldunak Children's Christmas Party (Basque Center)
- 01/07 - Practice resumes at 7:00 PM (practice each Tuesday until March 3)
- 03/08 - Spring Show (Borah High)
- 07/27 - Jaialdi practice at 7:00 PM
- 07/28 - Jaialdi practice at 7:00 PM
- 08/01 - Jaialdi performance (Idaho Expo)

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Euzkaldunak Children's Christmas party will be held at the Basque Center on **Sunday, December 8, 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 3, or in the dance hall at the beginning of the party on Sunday, December 8. To volunteer for this event, contact Sarah Urizar-Smith at [ssurizar@gmail.com](mailto:ssurizar@gmail.com).

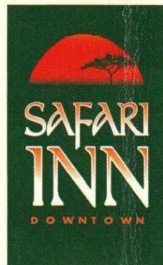


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## MORZILLA DINNER & BAZAAR THANK YOU'S

The Basque Center would like to extend a sincere Eskerrik Askto (Thank You) to all the individuals and organizations that made donations to our 2019 Bingo & Bazaar event. We had a very successful turnout with all tables filled. All attendees had a great time with friends, family and new acquaintances. A special Eskerrik Askto to Greg Hahn and Martin Sarasqueta for the bingo calling. They really entertained that crowd (people were doing beats on the table in accompaniment to their announcing) which made for a very fun bingo event.

### **Setup Crew**

Alaina Gavica  
Alenna Knox  
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Dan Totorica  
Ed DeCouto  
Ed Orbea  
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Ian Knox  
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Joey Haas Gabica  
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Nikki Totorica  
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Patrick Bidegaray  
Ricardo Yanci  
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Ysabel Bilbao

### **Dinner Volunteers:**

Alex Homaechearria  
Alyssa Sherwood  
Amaya Eiguren

### **Dinner Volunteers (cont'd):**

Ander Achabal  
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Ginger Bidegaray  
Heath Gamboa  
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### **Cake Wheel & Baked Goods**

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Ian Knox  
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Kelsey Sarasqueta-Allen  
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RECIPIENT: THOMAS  
FOSTER**



The holiday season is here and we are quickly approaching the 2019 Shepherders Ball. This year's event will be held on Saturday, December 21. The Shepherders Ball & Lamb Auction is the primary source of funding for the Basque charities account. This annual event is a great opportunity to help the Basque community support families in need. The majority of funds raised from the Shepherders Ball is reserved for a primary beneficiary each year, while the remainder is shared amongst others in need.

This year's primary recipient is Thomas Foster. In 2016, first-time parents Matt and Carlie Foster learned that their child had a congenital heart defect at the 20-week ultrasound. At 26 weeks the pediatric cardiologist confirmed their son had a defect known as double inlet left ventricle. They quickly learned all the medical terminology, that the heart has a left and right ventricle, and in their son's case his right ventricle did not fully develop. This meant that his body was pumping too much oxygenated blood into his body.

Thomas Paul Foster was born on December 3, 2016, at St. Alphonsus in Boise where he stayed in the NICU for four days. He underwent his first open-heart surgery, a pulmonary artery banding, at just two weeks old, down at Lucille Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford in Palo Alto, California. Three days later, on Christmas Day, his colon started to die, and he was rushed into emergency surgery to remove it. The family was in the hospital for another six weeks, and left with some awesome scars, an ileostomy bag, and his second open-heart surgery already scheduled. On April 13, 2016, Thomas had his Glenn procedure, again in California, where they stayed for another two weeks. Then, before he turned six months old, on June 2, 2016, he had his fourth surgery at St. Luke's in Boise, this time to reconnect his ileostomy.

Last month Thomas had his third open-heart surgery, and fifth overall, back at Stanford. This surgery, the Fontan, involved redirecting blood flow from the lower body to the lungs. Although the Fontan procedure does not result in normal blood circulation in the body, it does improve the circulation and allows the child to grow. Once again, Matt and Carlie's days and nights were filled with the sounds of monitors, pumps, medicine, IVs, horrible hospital foods and the smell of antiseptic. The family once again was in Palo Alto for two weeks before being sent home for recovery. In addition to having to take off the two weeks to be at the hospital, Matt and Carlie had to take time off work to get Thomas through the important recovery period. All these procedures have been emotionally, physically and financially difficult on the Foster family. While the planned surgeries are now over, doctors do know that Thomas will require additional cardiac catheter procedures and a lifetime of medications and doctor visits, and that he is at a higher risk of heart-related complications and diseases as he ages.

With your help and support, we can make this year's auction one of the best to help the Foster family through this difficult year. Please mark your calendar for December 21. Dinner will be at 6:30 PM, Oinkaris will perform at 8:00 PM and the Lamb Auction will immediately follow, around 9:00 PM. (Donations are greatly appreciated should you not be able to join us for the live auction.) The night will conclude with Amuma Says No performing from 10:00 PM until 1:00 AM. If you have any questions about the lamb auction fundraiser, please contact Martin Bilbao at (208) 989-6417 or by email at martin@bilbaoco.com.

## **OINKARI ALUMNI DAY JANUARY 5**

Calling ALL dantzariak! It's time to get into shape for Jaialdi, and what better way than spending a Sunday at the Basque Center, just like old times? Meet the Oinkaris in the hall at **2:00 PM on Sunday, January 5** for some dancing and a lot of fun! Call your old Elko hotel roommates, your cousins, and your New Kid class, and come show us what you've got!

**OINKARI ALUMNI DAY - JANUARY 5, 2020  
2PM - BASQUE CENTER HALL**

## **OINKARI SAGARDETEGI THANK YOU**

Oinkaris would like to thank everyone involved in helping make our Sagardotegi Dinner fundraiser a success! Especially Jesus Alcelay, the ladies of Aiztan Artean, Julian Lete, Euzkaldunak, and all of our parents for putting up with us putting off getting our donations until the last minute and/or spending all of Saturday working at the Center. We couldn't do what we do without the help of our community. Eskerrik asko!

## **MORZILLA PACKAGES FOR SALE**

We have 4-packs of Mozillas for sale at the Basque Center Bar. The price is \$8.00 for 1 pack, or \$15.00 for two packs. They come frozen and vacuum packed, so come-n-get them before they are gone.

## **2020 MUS TOURNAMENTS**

### ***2020 8-King Euzkaldunak Tournament***

1/12/20 5:00 PM  
1/19/20 5:00 PM  
1/26/20 5:00 PM  
2/9/20 5:00 PM  
2/23/20 5:00 PM

### ***2020 NABO Qualifier Tournaments***

2/1/20 Boise  
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3/8/20 Mountain Home  
3/28/20 Gooding  
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## **EUZKALDUNAK MEMBERSHIPS**

It's almost time to renew your Euzkaldunak membership! All memberships expire on [December 31, 2019](#), including all memberships new this fall for parents of children joining Boiseko Gazteak. To renew your dues, please remit \$50 per adult member no later than January 18, 2020. If you'd like to pay someone's membership as a gift, please contact the secretary for details. New memberships are \$60 per person. Those 18 and over need their own memberships. Children under 18 are under the membership of their parent(s). Dues should be mailed to or dropped off at the Basque Center at 601 Grove St. Boise, ID 83702. Contact Patty Gabica, Secretary at [secretary@basquecenter.com](mailto:secretary@basquecenter.com) with any questions.

## **MAILBOX REMINDER**

Please remember as you get ready to pay your 2020 dues, the Euzkaldunak P.O. Box was closed earlier in the year and postal mail is no longer being accepted at the P.O. Box. We receive mail in our secure receptacle at: **Basque Center , 601 W Grove St , Boise, ID 83702**

## **EUZKALDUNAK WANTS YOU!**

Every year during our General Meeting in January, the Euzkaldunak membership elects half of its 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! If you are interested in running for the Board of Directors, please contact Ed Orbea at [president@basquecenter.com](mailto:president@basquecenter.com).



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December 25: Closed

January 1: Closed

Jan 2 through Jan 10: Closed for maintenance

## **THANK YOU ADVERTISERS!**

We want to thank all of our 2019 advertisers for their ongoing support. We ask Euzkaldunak members to show their patronage to these supportive businesses. Ads for 2020 may now be renewed and purchased for new advertisers. For information about advertising in the newsletter, please contact Patty Gabica at [secretary@basquecenter.com](mailto:secretary@basquecenter.com).

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Once again, we'll be offering memorials and business ads in the Jaialdi program book!

These advertisements are a great way to commemorate a special person in your family or promote your support for Basque culture.

Ad rates have not changed since 2015, so this is an affordable way to support Jaialdi. Prices range from \$50 for a mini (or memorial) ad to \$1,500 for the back cover.

We're also making it easier than ever to submit your ad! Just visit [jaialdi.com](http://jaialdi.com) to upload your ad information, artwork, and submit your payment. We will accept ads until February 15, 2020. For more information, including a complete list of ad sizes and prices, visit [jaialdi.com](http://jaialdi.com).

We also still have sponsorship opportunities available. If your business is interested in sponsoring Jaialdi, please feel free to contact us at [jaialdi2020@gmail.com](mailto:jaialdi2020@gmail.com). A member of our sponsorship committee will be happy to discuss options with you!

## **RECAP OF DATES & DEADLINES FROM NEWSLETTER**

12/08: Boiseko Gazteak Winter Show  
12/08: Euzkaldunak Children's Christmas Party  
12/21: December Dinner & Shepherders Ball  
12/23: January Newsletter Submission Deadline  
12/31: Euzkaldunak Memberships Expire  
1/5/20: Oinkari Alumni Day  
1/7/20: Boiseko Practice resumes  
1/18/20: Membership Renewal Deadline  
1/25/20: January Membership Dinner & Elections  
2/15/20: Deadline for submitting Jaialdi ad  
2/22/20: February Monthly Dinner & Oinkari Bingo

To view all Basque Center events in calendar format, please visit

<https://www.basquecenter.com/events>.

## **ZORIONAK**

Happy birthday to Dan Andrews!  
Happy birthday to Fermin Bilbao!  
Happy birthday to Ilan Shank!  
Happy birthday to Toni Achabal!  
Happy birthday to Jesus Alcelay!  
Happy birthday to Richard Gavica!  
Happy birthday to Anderson Hill!  
Happy birthday to Pat Landa!  
Happy birthday to Juliana Lostra!

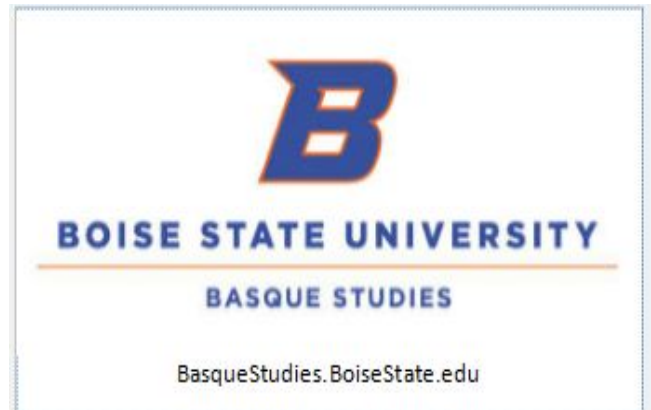
Happy anniversary to Johnny and Jenny Aldape!  
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01/25/20 - Member Dinner & Elections	07/28-08/02 - Jaialdi 2020
02/22/20 - February Dinner & Oinkari Bingo	09/12/20 - September Dinner
03/14/20 - March Mus Dinner	10/10/20 - October Dinner
04/18/20 - April Anniversary Dinner	11/07/20 - November Morzilla Dinner, Bazaar & Bingo
05/09/20 - May Mother's Day Dinner	12/19/20 - December Dinner & Shepherders Ball