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Monthly Member Newsletter

JUNE 13 CURBSIDE PICKUP DINNER

The Basque Center will hold a Curbside Pickup “monthly dinner” on **Sunday, June 13, from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM**. This dinner will be hosted by the Euzkaldunak Board of Directors and friends.

Cars will drive through Grove Street, stop in front of the Basque Center, and meals will be taken directly to the cars. Alternatively, it will also be possible to walk in to pick up the meals; a line will be organized in front of the Basque Center where masks and social distancing will be requested.

Curbside Pickup June Dinner Menu:

Tossed Salad with Onati Dressing
Basque Meatballs in Tomato Sauce
Alaska Cod Romana with Lemon and Butter Sauce
Clams and Rice Lekeittiarra
Homemade Bread & Butter
Caramel Flan

Curbside Pickup Dinner Price

\$15.00 per meal

Online Reservations:

Please make your curbside pickup dinner reservations using the reservation link on the Basque Center website at www.basquecenter.com. If you are unable to make your reservation online, please call in your reservation to 208-572-0604.

The deadline for dinner reservations is **June 9 at 8:00 PM**, but we invite you to make your reservation as soon as possible to help with logistics.

2021 SAN INAZIO FESTIVAL

With the recent public health recommendations issued on May 13, 2021, the Board of Directors is pleased to announce a **modified** celebration of our 2021 San Inazio Festival with the Euzkaldunak Picnic at Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park on **Sunday, August 1 from 11:00AM – 4:00PM**.

The afternoon will be filled with activities for friends and family. As in years' past, we will gather at the east end of the park. There will be games for the children and adults of all ages. The games will begin at 2:00 PM.

Please review the important picnic guidelines below:

1. *Please adhere to the current COVID-19 City Health Order protocols*
2. *Glass beverage containers are not allowed in Municipal Park during the Basque Picnic on Sunday, August 1. This includes bottled beer, wine, and liquor. It does NOT include cooking items, such as serving dishes, which are acceptable.*
3. *No dogs allowed in Municipal Park*
4. *We respectfully ask members to adhere to these guidelines so we can continue to use Municipal Park for years to come!*

As always, the board will continue to monitor local, state, and national health guidelines and regulations regarding COVID-19. We are acting with our members' and the larger community's safety in mind, and scheduled events or plans may be adjusted or changed.

History Corner: Ladies' Organizations



The History Corner of the Euzkaldunak newsletter has been educational and interesting as we have read about the great steps that our parents and grandparents took to build and organize the Basque Center. So many families participated and donated their time and energy to make Euzkaldunak the huge success that we have enjoyed for all of these years. Our recent newsletters have explained the activities that began—mostly by the men—with ideas and assistance from the women.



In 1936, several Basque women organized a social group called the Knitting Club—also called The Basque Girls' Club. At the time, knitting was very popular; and the ladies decided that they could enjoy visiting, along with knitting or sewing, one afternoon a week. It wasn't long before the knitting fell by the wayside, and the social aspects of gathering became much more important. The ladies met at different homes each week and always had a fantastic time.

One of their best events was the annual Halloween party. Each member came in a great costume; they played crazy games, drank a few cocktails, and enjoyed hours of fun.



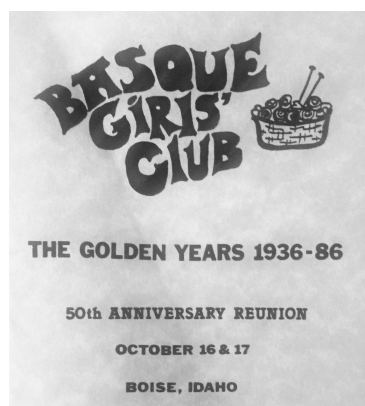
Throughout the Club's history, the ladies participated in various activities and charitable events. In early years, they helped out at the Nampa State School, made bandages for the Red Cross, and stuffed envelopes for charities. They organized and worked at the Basque Center Bazaar each November, sponsoring games for children such as the Fish Pond, selling homemade toys and Christmas stockings, and offering home-prepared foods and baked goods. In the early days of the

growth of Euzkaldunak, they organized dances or headed committees. They also helped with the many dinners sponsored by Euzkaldunak fundraisers by preparing and serving food and cleaning before and after events. They took on projects including making curtains, sponsoring contests at Basque Picnics or joining in morzilla or chorizo making. The families of the Knitting Club members can testify how important "Club" was to their amas, amumas and tias. And the Knitting Club was important to the development and activities in our Basque community.

Ladies' Organizations (pt 2/3)



At some point in the 1980s, the Knitting Club closed the membership to new members. They didn't want the group to become so large that the members could not fit in their living rooms. Throughout its history, the Knitting Club had a total of 86 members, some for just a short time in the early years.



In October of 1986, the Basque Girls' Club celebrated "The Golden Years," the 50th anniversary and reunion of the group. A big party was held at the Basque Center, hosted by

Euzkaldunak, Aiztan Artean, and families of the Club members. A small brochure provided some information about the women who were or who had been members.

Charter members (and current members in 1986) were: Espe Alegria, Marie Arregui, Petra Cengotita, Tomasa Erquiaga, Jay Hormaechea, Rose Murelaga, Marie Uberuaga, Vic Urresti and Jay Yribar.

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Ladies' Organizations (pt 3/3)

Other members who were active in the Club at that 50th anniversary were:

Julie Ansotegui Abraham, Aurora Aburrusa, Connie Aldape, Vic Alonso, Celes Arana, Polly Bilbao, Marie Landeen, Mary Larrondo, Louisa Lenon, Anes Mendiola, Frankie Ansotegui Perry and Rose Totoricaguena.

Listed as former Basque Girls' Club members were:

Marie Abersturi, Ramona Aberasturi, Delores Aguirre, Bernie Aldape, Miren Aldape, Flora Allington, Dorothy Ansotegui, Mary Aquiso, Nieves Arnold, Margarita Asla, Flora Aspiasu, Petra Asumendi, Ruby Basabe, Betty Bastida, Florine Boumann, Santa Bideganeta, Rosalie Brown, Lola Byrd, Fotula Chacartegui, Aurora Chacartegui, Rose Dick, Faustine Dickey, Thelma Donofrio, Millie Duncan, Evelyn Eiguren, Dora Fischer, Gloria Gamboa, Sally George, Bene Haddock, Isabel Jausoro, Lydia Lachiondo, Marie Lejardi, Sue Letemendi, Irene Mendiola, Serafina Mendiguren, Marie Mutch, Anna Nachiondo, Marie Newton, Gloria Ocamica, Rita Ondarza, Concha Orraj, Mary St. John, Bene Schaffner, Angela Simpson, Carmen Subisarreta, Olivia Troutner, Marie Uriarte, Helen Urizar, Regina Yzaguirre and Phyllis Zubizarreta. Fifteen members had passed away prior to the October 1986 anniversary: Bonnie Aguirre, Marie Alegria, Sara Ascuena, Rose Arriandiaga, Martina Bicandi, Mary Diers, Antonia Echevarria, Joan Echevarria, Georgia Echieta, Florence Gilbert, Ruth Peterson, Libe Salutregui, Virginia Shelley, Marie Sorich and Lola Jausoro Wickham.

The ladies of the Knitting Club stayed busy with meetings and parties while there were still members. The last active Club member died in 2015.



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Eskerrik Askto to the Euzkaldunak Board, Friends of the Board and Aitzan Artean for making the May Curbside Pickup Dinner a great success by providing a great dinner cooked by Jesus Alcelay to over 220 diners.

Many thanks to: Todor Azurta, Geneva Ayarra, Aitor Azpeitia, Alicia Knox, Ricardo Yanci, Cindy Schaffeld, Martin Bilbao, Johnny Boyd, Elise Overgaard, Tyler Smith, Isana Urquidi, Jill Kaltenecker, Jaclyn Lasuen, Ben Whitehead, Ed Orbea, Linda Achurra, Gerri Achurra, Juliana Aldape, Iciar Aldazabal, Toni Bicandi, Ruby deBoer, Vic deBoer, Robbie Lou Gary, Celeste Landa and Vicki Laidlaw

EUZKALDUNAK 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. Nominations for the 2021 Legacy Award are now open. If you would like to nominate someone, please write a short letter with the nominee's name and a description of their accomplishments, and either email it to president@basquecenter.com or give it to any current board member. The board will review the nominations and the recipients will be announced later in the year.

PILOTA FALL LEAGUES RESUME

Unless new directives are given by the CDC or state/city authorities, Boise Fronton Association pilota leagues will resume in September on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Anduiza Fronton. Youth Esku Pilota (handball) will also be held on Mondays. Stay tuned!

2021 NABO 4 KING TOURNAMENT

This year's tournament will be held **Saturday, July 31, 2021**. Registration is at 8:00 AM with play to begin at 9:00 AM. All players must be current members of Euzkaldunak to participate (you can sign up for your membership at the tournament if needed). The winners of this tournament will represent Euzkaldunak in the regional tournament for all Idaho clubs, which will be announced at a future date.





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Professors Nere Lete (nlete@boisestate.edu) and Ziortza Gandarias (ziortzagandarias@boisestate.edu).

EUZKALDUNAK PHOTOS WANTED

Do you have photos from past Euzkaldunak events? We are interested in any pictures that capture our rich history. They can include photos from local events like Jaialdi, San Inazio, Shepherders Ball, monthly dinners, etc., or anything that involves our member activities like Boiseko Gazteak, Txantxangorriak, Aiztan Artea, or Oinkari Dancers. Historical photos of the Basque Center facility are always appreciated as well. Your submissions will be digitally scanned and placed on the website. If you have photos to share, please contact Ed Orbea at photos@basquecenter.com.

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The Euzkaldunak board would like to add a list to our newsletter whereby we print the names of our members and charter members who have recently passed. If you know of Euzkaldunak members who have recently passed, please send us their names so we can honor them in print.

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2021 EUZKALDUNAK EVENTS

(all dates below are pending city, county, and state COVID-19 restrictions)

06/13/21 - June Curbside Pickup Dinner	11/06/21 - November Morzilla Dinner, Bazaar & Bingo
08/01/21 - San Inazio (modified)	12/05/21 - Children's Christmas Party
09/18/21 - September Dinner	12/18/21 - December Dinner & Shepherders Ball
10/16/21 - October Dinner	01/29/22 - Annual Membership Meeting
10/24/21 - Children's Halloween Party	