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SEPTEMBER

Monthly Member Newsletter

FROM THE KITCHEN

The Basque Center will hold a Curbside Pickup “monthly dinner” on **Sunday, September 19, 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.

September 2021 Curbside Dinner Menu

Tossed Green Salad with Oñati dressing
Saint Louis Style Baked Pork Ribs
Alaska Cod with Lemon Butter Sauce
Basque Style Paella
Basque Rice Pudding
Bread & Butter, Coffee & Wine

Curbside Pickup Dinner Price

\$15.00 per meal (all member types)

Online Reservations

Please make your curbside pickup dinner reservations using the reservation link on the Basque Center website at [basquecenter.com](https://www.basquecenter.com). If you are unable to make your reservation online, please call in your reservation to 208-572-0604 or email dinner@basquecenter.com and include name, phone, and number in your party.

The deadline for dinner reservations is **8:00 PM on Wednesday, September 15**, but we invite you to make your reservation as soon as possible to help with logistics.

SAN INAZIO PICNIC 2021 RECAP

Euzkaldunak’s 2021 picnic was held at Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park on Sunday, August 1.



The picnic was kicked off by a performance by the Oinkari Basque Dancers.



The afternoon was filled with activities for friends and family. As in years’ past, we gathered at the east end of the park for games for the children and adults of all ages.



This year, we were able to end the picnic (just before the wind arrived) with a performance by Amuma Says No.

A sincere Eskerrik Askto to everybody who participated in our smaller but still memorable San Inazio this year!

BOISEKO GAZTEAK 2021-2022

REGISTRATION

It's now time to get ready for the 2021-2022 season! Once again we are in an uncertain situation going into the fall because of COVID, but the board feels like it is best to plan as if we are going to have a (somewhat) regular season. We will follow the guidance of the Boise School District and require the wearing of masks for all Boiseko members, including dancers, musicians, teachers, and volunteers during practice. As local COVID levels change, and if the BSD makes changes to their policy, we can reconsider our own policy.

Registration:

Online registration for Boiseko Gazteak will begin on Tuesday, September 7. It will be accessible until Tuesday, September 21. In order to access the online registration forms, please use the following link:

basquecenter.com/community/boiseko-gazteak

In order to dance with Boiseko Gazteak, Parents/Guardians (NOT Grandparents) must be members of Euzkaldunak. If you are not currently a member of Euzkaldunak, you may become a member by contacting Patty Gabica (secretary@basquecenter.com) or by registering for Euzkaldunak membership during the Boiseko registration on the evening of September 21.

Costume Information:

Because of the pandemic, we are going through a fabric shortage right now, and we are concerned about providing enough costumes for all of our dancers. During registration, we will also be asking for information about your costume needs. If you or someone you know has costumes to sell, please feel free to contact Heather Totoricaguena (208-860-9392 or htotoricaguena@gmail.com).

Group Organization:

- Txikitxuak (txiki) – 4*-5 year olds (must be at least 4 by Oct. 1, 2021)
- Azkarrak – 6-7 years old
- Txulitoak – 8-10 years old
- Nagusiak – 11-14 years old

*On occasion, we have allowed children who have not yet turned 4 to practice and perform with the Txikis. This is done on a case-by-case basis. A couple of things to keep in mind: one parent must be present and help teach/corral the kids at each Txiki practice throughout the season. This volunteer assignment does not count towards the two volunteer shifts per family you must complete during the season.

Teachers & Musicians Wanted:

The board is looking for teaching volunteers to assist the directors for each age group. This program cannot continue without the people who are committed to teaching every Tuesday night for nine weeks before Christmas and nine weeks after Christmas. Teaching is also a great opportunity for current high school kids to earn volunteer hours. Please think about joining the crew that continues to pass on our culture to these wonderful kids year after year. If you are interested, please contact Johnny Aldape (208.761.2121 or johnaldape@gmail.com).

Similarly, we are also looking for musicians (txistu, accordion, & tambourine) to provide live music during practices and performances. If you are interested, please contact Nikki Totorica (208.867.2175 or [nikkitotorica@gmail.com](mailto:nikkitorica@gmail.com)).

2021-2022 Boiseko Calendar:

- 9/07 - Online registration begins
- 9/21 - Onsite registration at 7PM at the Basque Center (including used costume buying/selling, new costume measuring, and volunteer sign-up)
- 9/28 - First practice at 7PM (practice each Tuesday until November 30, no practice on November 23 due to Thanksgiving break)
- 12/05 - Winter Show (Borah High) & Euzkaldunak Children's Christmas Party (Basque Center)
- 1/11 - Practice resumes at 7PM (practice each Tuesday until March 8)
- 3/13 - Spring Show (Borah High School)
- 7/25 & 26 - Jaialdi practice at 7PM
- 7/30 - Jaialdi 2022 performance (Expo Idaho)

DINNER HOSTS NEEDED

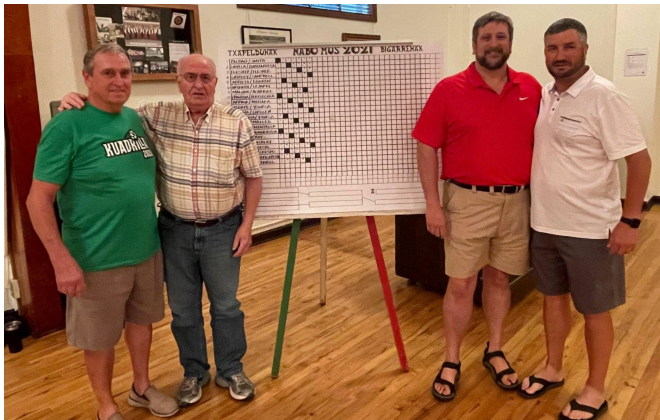
Basque Foundation, Inc., thanks the many families and organizations who have acted as a host group for a monthly dinner. Due to busy schedules and timing, we are always in need of additional assistance. If your family or organization would like to get involved, please email president@basquecenter.com.

2021 NABO 4-KING MUS TOURNAMENT

This year's tournament was held Saturday, July 31, 2021. Registration was at 8:00 AM with 21 teams signing up to play. It was a hard-fought tournament, but the players had an opportunity to break for a fantastic lunch from Jesus Acelay, which allowed the participants to recharge and swap stories.

- 3rd place: Sergio Gabicagogeascoa and Rusty Bengoa
- 2nd place: Lino Zabala and Jose Mari Guerricabeitia
- Txapeldunak: Steve Achabal and Jeremy Malone

As the winning team, Steve and Jeremy will represent Euzkaldunak in the upcoming regional tournament for all Idaho clubs.



Zabala/Guerricabeitia and Achabal/Malone prepare to play the Mus final

2022 INTERNATIONAL MUS

Euzkaldunak has been asked to host the 2022 International Mus tournament. The Board is excited to take on hosting responsibilities but will need help from members to plan excursions, hotel rooms, and meals. If you are interested in helping with this event, please email Tyler Smith, tylerjsmith@gmail.com.

NEW OINKARI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Congrats to the new Oinkari Basque Dancers Board! For the 2021-22 year, the officers are:

President: Alex Wray
Vice President: Isana Urquidi
Men's Dance Director: Michael Lejardi
Women's Dance Director: Jaclyn Lasuen
Secretary: Ruth Manthey-Wray
Public Relations: Jill Kaltenecker
Fundraising Chair: Ben Bengoetxea
Social Liaison: Molly Mai
Sergeant at Arms: Mikel Sangroniz

A promotional graphic for Riverbend Preschool. The top part features the logo "Riverbend Preschool" with a hand icon and the tagline "A Multilingual Nature-Based Preschool". Below this, it lists the Director, Geneva Ayarra, with her contact information: (208) 407-5959, riverbendpreschool@gmail.com, and www.riverbendpreschool.com. To the right, there are accreditation logos: "NAFCC Nationally Accredited Preschool", "NAFCC National Association of Family Child Care", "Steps to Quality IDAHO STARS Quality Child Care Matters", and "IdahoSTARS QRIS Step 6 Rated".

A logo for Boise State University Basque Studies. It features a large blue letter "B" with a white outline. Below the "B" is the text "BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY" in blue, followed by "BASQUE STUDIES" in a smaller blue font. At the bottom, the website "BasqueStudies.BoiseState.edu" is listed.

A logo for Epi's Basque Restaurant. The logo features the name "Epi's" in a green, stylized font inside a green oval. Below it is a red banner with the text "A Basque Restaurant" and a small illustration of a person. Below the logo, the contact information "Erik McFarland 208-884-0142" is displayed in red text.

BASQUE DIASPORA DAY 2021

September 8 of this year marks the 4th Annual Day of the Basque Diaspora! The Basque Museum and Cultural Center is hosting an online interactive map where you can share your (general) location and a little bit about your Basque story. Using the map, we hope to showcase the diverse backgrounds of the Basque Diaspora in America, as well as visualize how widespread we really are. By creating these points of connection, we will realize the impacts we have on our communities. Add your location to the map here:

basquemuseum.eus/event/basque-diaspora-day-2021



EITB AT THE BASQUE CENTER

The Basque Center is pleased to announce that in partnership with Evoca TV we now have EITB available on the TVs in the Basque Center Bar. Euskal Irrati Telebista (EITB, Basque Radio-television) is the Basque Autonomous Community's public broadcast service. Running since 1982, EITB has four domestic television channels and five radio stations that are broadcast throughout the Basque Country and nearby regions. The majority of EITB's broadcasts deal with local news and entertainment.



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RENOVATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

The pandemic has brought many challenges to all of us. Our Basque Center events have been halted or interrupted, and we have missed our “home.” Despite all that has happened throughout these last months, the members of the Renovation Committee have continued to meet.

As we have discussed in members’ meetings prior to the pandemic and in our newsletters, an improved facility is vital to our community. We need to ensure that our home on the Basque Block has a safe and special place to gather, socialize, celebrate, remember loved ones, learn, and make new memories for generations to come.

Various creative ideas have been considered, and plans now have a measure of focus: we intend to stay downtown in our current location (vs. moving to a different place); we intend to make optimum use of the space we have available. The Renovation Committee has been hard at work to address these issues. It continues to form plans to upgrade our kitchen, bar, bathrooms, dance hall—and to make sure that all improvements meet or exceed code requirements for safety and accessibility.

The Renovation Committee is focusing on:
1) History & Communications; 2) Renovation building plans, design & drawings; 3) Fundraising & financing options. The Committee will continue to communicate with our Euzkaldunak membership via the newsletter and will continue surfacing historical topics related to our 601 Grove Street home via History Corner submissions.

We look forward to refurbishing our home! Our Basque Center has been the special place for our community to gather and enjoy traditions for over 70 years. We want to continue our legacies and to stay relevant in our home for another 70+ years. Please stay tuned!

It’s our time ... again – for a renovated Basque Center.

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History Corner: Early Basque Picnics

Not long after Basques were settling in Idaho and in all areas of the West, they had picnics. Most often, they were potluck affairs. Many families, as well as single shepherders, met at parks or farm/ranch pastures or orchards—areas large enough to hold that particular community. Picnics were multi-generational, just as they are today. Communities in Emmett, Nampa, Boise, Mountain Home, and many other towns—had picnics.

According to Euzkaldunak secretarial records, on June 22, 1949, a special meeting was held by the Board of Directors at the home of Tom Bicandi. The agenda item was to make plans to sponsor a summer picnic.



President Luis Madarieta announced those who would be in charge of various committees: Phil Uberuaga, Sports Committee—in charge of the softball game, tug-of-war, nail hammering, races, etc. (*Our readers will note that Phil Uberuaga was the chairman of the games for many years to come.*); Jay Aldrich—in charge of games for children; Petra Urresti—in charge of the card games; Julian Lachiondo—in charge of pop and other beverages; John Perry—in charge of the ice cream; Domingo Ansotegui—in charge of the music.

It was agreed that Euzkaldunak would pay for the building of a dance platform to be used at various picnics. The picnic would be held at Municipal Park in Boise. The date of

Sunday, July 24, had previously been suggested but there was a conflict. A meeting would be held the next day to resolve the issue.

Several members of the Basque Center Board of Directors and representatives of the Basque Ladies Society met on June 23 to discuss the picnic date. The Ladies had planned a picnic on July 24. The date for the Euzkaldunak's first sponsored picnic was changed to August 14, 1949.

The Board met at Luis Madarieta's house on August 3 to make final plans for the picnic. The Board members were joined by Mrs. Julie Garmendia, who was the current president of La Organizacion Independiente Social (Basque Ladies Society). She said that the ladies from her club were glad to donate their help to make the picnic a success. (*An article about La Organizacion Independiente Social will be featured in an upcoming History Corner.*)



Picnic agenda followed...ice cream and soda were to be given free from 12:00-5:00 p.m. Prizes would be awarded to winners in all events: card games, sporting events and jota dancing contests. A poster notice of the affair would be sent to every Basque family whose name is available.


Picnics (pt. 2)

SECRETARY'S REPORT
ANNUAL PICNIC
August 14, 1949

Juanita Aldrich - for prizes	25.00
Joe P. Uberuaga - for stamps	12.46
Bohemian Breweries	93.00 ✓
Nagel Beverage Co.	106.50
Remo Wholesale Candy Co.	94.50 ✓
Tip Top Market	5.70
Boulevard Market	39.07
Boulevard Market	31.45
Paul Acordagoitia	6.00
Nehi Beverage Co.	39.28
Coca-Cola Bottling Co.	43.18
Challenger	55.00
Idaho Creameries	87.00 ✓
B & B Electric	12.06
Teles Hormachea - clean up	8.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	658.20
Proceeds of picnic - deposited 8/15/49	662.80
Less Expenses	658.20
	4.60
Refund from Challenger (beer, coke, pop) 10-1-49	88.80
NET PROFIT	\$ 93.40

The September 23, 1949, meeting of the Board of Directors was held at Luis Madarieta's home. The first item of business was to announce that Julie Uberuaga would take over the duties of the office of Secretary-Treasurer, previously held by Julie's brother Joe. The next item was the discussion of the picnic. It was agreed by all that "the affair had been a huge success!" And so it was ... they laid the blueprint in the summer of 1949 for our annual Basque Picnic, which would be enjoyed for many years to come!





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The Pantailak Euskaraz movement is made up of a series of initiatives concerned with the lack of presence of Basque-language media in the increasingly diverse world of audiovisuals: Disney + Euskaraz (created to request content in Basque on this streaming platform), Netflix euskaraz (created to claim content in Basque on this streaming platform), Tinko Euskara Elkarte (association to promote cinema in Basque), and Basque Dubbers Association.


The team is collaborating with a series of associations in the audiovisual sector and the "pro-Euskara movement" to face the emergency situation that our language suffers on screens, since we believe that if firm steps are not taken to consolidate Euskara in today's multiscreen world (mobile phones, computers, tablets, TV, internet, streaming, etc.) the future of our language is at stake. You can find information and news about our initiative on the website pantailakeuskaraz.eus

Pantailak Euskaraz believes that it is also the role of the Basque community in the Diaspora to claim the presence of Basque on platforms, on the Internet and on television. For this, we want to ask you to share our initiative with the members of your community, so that Basques in the Diaspora can support the different signature campaigns on our website and become collaborators of Pantailak Euskaraz via this interest form.

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AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER ZORIONAK

Happy birthday to the many members born in August and September!

Euzkaldunak member birthdays:

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If you don't see your birthday during your birthday month and would like it to show up on this list, please email secretary@basquecenter.com so it can be added to the member database.

NEW EUZKALDUNAK MEMBERS

Jean Flesher
Monique Flesher

BOISEKO AZOKA / FERIA de BOISE

The tradition of the *azoka* (Spanish: *feria*) is a common part of Basque Country culture and a great way to continue traditions and culture through future generations. There is a small planning team looking to create an *azoka* in Boise on the Basque block this fall/winter. Our *azoka* could include local vendors, artists, demonstrations, churros and hot chocolate, roasted chestnuts, and other cultural customs of the season. If you are interested in joining the planning team, please fill out this form: forms.gle/Rx6XkZuQLgJKson66



Boiseko Pilota Eskola – Youth Pilota School

Handball (esku pilota) classes will start on September 13th aimed at 10-14 year old kids.

Classes are free of charge: only motivation, a desire to learn and an ability to attend on a weekly basis are needed from participants.

- Day: Mondays
- Time: 4:25-5:25pm
- Where: Anduiza fronton
- 2021 Fall session: September 13th – November 15th
- Coach: Todor Azurtza

If interested please contact: pilota.eskola.boise@gmail.com or (208) 600 3780

In order to safely resume this activity, we will follow up to date government guidance and CDC recommendations.

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GOIAN BEGO ~ REST IN PEACE

Each month, we list the names of recently passed members. If you know of an Euzkaldunak member who has passed, please send us their name so we can honor them in print.

Goian Bego:

Dave Terrell (son of Lenore Bideganeta)
Larry Arguinchona
Dolores Barroetabena Holbrook

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 Artean, or Oinkari. 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.



An advertisement for Cloverdale Funeral Home. At the top left, the slogan "Our Family Serving Your Family" is written in a cursive font. In the center, the "CLOVERDALE" logo is displayed, with "Funeral Home | Crematory | Cremation" underneath. Below the logo, the text reads "Gibson Chapel & Cloverdale Event Center" and "Serving Generations of Treasure Valley Catholics". On the right side, there are social media icons for Google+, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and LinkedIn. Below the main text, there are two photographs of the funeral home building. To the left of the photos is the name "Dave Salove" and "Managing Partner". To the right is the name "Tim T. Gibson" and "Consultant". At the bottom center, the phone number "(208)375-2212" is displayed. Below the phone number are two website URLs: "www.cloverdalefuneralhome.com" and "wecare@cloverdalefuneralhome.com".



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2021 EUZKALDUNAK EVENTS

(all events pending COVID-19 and national and local health regulations)

9/19/21 - September Dinner *(curbside pickup)*
10/16/21 - October Dinner
10/24/21 - Children's Halloween Party

11/06/21 - November Morzilla Dinner, Bazaar & Bingo
12/05/21 - Children's Christmas Party
12/18/21 - December Dinner & Shepherders Ball
1/29/22 - Annual Membership Meeting