



EUZKALDUNAK

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Monthly Member Newsletter

FROM THE KITCHEN

The Mother's Day/Legacy Award Dinner is scheduled for **Saturday, May 20**. The dinner will be prepared by Chef Jesus Alcelay and hosted by Sorginak.

The doors will open to the dining room at 6:00 PM with dinner being served buffet-style at 6:30 PM. Please pick up your reservation card at the table in the dining room near the payment table. You will need it to pay for dinner. You will be able to pay in cash, check, or credit card at the door.

May 2023 dinner menu:

Tossed Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette
New York Strip Loin with Chimichurri
Salmon with Beurre Blanc Sauce
Vegetables
Homemade Bread and Butter
Dessert
Wine and Coffee

Monthly Dinner Prices

Guests (non-members, any age over 10): \$25.00
All Members (11 and older): \$20.00
Children (10 and under): \$10.00

Please make your dinner reservations using the reservation link on the Basque Center website at www.basquecenter.com/monthly-dinner/. If you are unable to make your reservation online, please call or text your reservation to 208-572-0604. There is no longer an email option for making reservations. There will be free babysitting service during the dinner; so with your dinner reservation, please indicate if you will need babysitting, along with the names and ages of the

children. Children will not be allowed to move between the hall and the basement. If they are signed up for babysitting, they need to stay in the basement once they've been checked in. If they are not signed up for babysitting, they need to remain with you in the hall.

The deadline for dinner reservations is 8:00 PM on Tuesday, May 16. Please note that reservations called into the bar will not be accepted, reservations emailed in will not be accepted, and reservations left after 8 PM on May 16 will not be accepted. If you need to cancel all or part of your reservation that deadline is also Tuesday, May 16 at 8:00 PM. Cancellations should be called or texted to 208-572-0604.

APRIL DINNER THANK-YOUS

Eskerrik asko to Jesus Alcelay, Miren Urresti, Timoteo Santiago and the Cottonwood Grille team who prepared and served a delicious meal!

Our Anniversary Dinner provides an opportunity to celebrate Euzkaldunak's Charter Members. Among those on the original list of 516 people, five charter members remain. We were glad to have Rosita Alegria Artis as our guest at the April dinner. We owe our profound thanks to those who started our Club all those years ago so that we may continue to celebrate our culture together.

Eskerrik Asko to Ziortza Gandarias Beldarrain and the Boise State Center for Basque Studies for hosting the April dinner and to the crew who assisted with the Anniversary Dinner preparations. A special thanks to:

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Finally, Mill esker to Alenna Knox for babysitting the children.



Basque Studies Students with Ziortza at dinner

TXANTXAN ROCKS THE HOUSE

At the end of the April Anniversary Dinner, we were all treated to music performed by Txantxangorriak under the direction of Olaia Urquidi-Beals, Dan Ansotegui and Alaina Gavica. They began on April 2, 2001, with their first performance at San Inazio festival in July of that same year. Besides playing Fandangos and Arin-Arins they also performed Boise Basque traditional tunes like "Aeroplano Bi Pasata" and "Beti Eskamak Kentzen" for which they received very warm applause. Today their repertoire includes many traditional & modern songs, and we were excited to have them perform after the dinner.



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BRISKA TOURNAMENT

After several Sundays of all-in card playing, the Euzkaldunak Briska tournament was completed on Saturday, April 15, at the Basque Center. Fourteen teams participated and over the course of the tournament they were narrowed down to five teams:

Alicia Knox / Jeremy Knox
Christina Rhoades / Teresa Rhoades-Willerup
Bernice Madriaga / Robert Dennis
Sergio Gabicagogeascoa / Teresa Gabicagogeascoa
Fermin Bilbao / Patty Asumendi Dennis

At the end of the tournament, Sergio and Teresa were Bigarrentak, with Fermin Bilbao and Patty Dennis crowned Txapeldunak.



Fermin Bilbao and Patty Dennis

OINKARI v. ALUMNI SOFTBALL GAME

Join us for an Oinkari v. Alumni friendly on June 17 at 11:00 AM in Ann Morrison Park. Keep an ear to the ground via the Alumni Facebook group for the continuing conversation, or send any questions to Michael (michael@oinkari.org) or Jaclyn (jaclyn@oinkari.org). Can't wait to see you there!



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FAVORITE RECIPES

As we grow older, many of us realize how important it is to preserve family traditions and memories. One way to do this is through the sharing and collecting of your favorite recipes. Not only do recipes hold the secrets to our favorite dishes, but they also connect us to our heritage and the people who came before us. With this in mind, we would like to invite you to participate in Euzkaldunak's recipe collection project. We are hoping to feature favorite recipes in future newsletters, and we are asking for your help to make it happen. Whether it's a recipe for your grandmother's famous garlic soup, your aunt's scrumptious Gateau Basque, or even a recipe that you've created yourself, we would love to include it in our cookbook. We're looking for a wide variety of dishes, from savory to sweet, and everything in between. To participate, simply send us (president@basquecenter.com) your recipe along with a brief description of its history and significance to you or your family. If you have any photos or stories to accompany your recipe, we'd love to include those as well. Collecting family recipes is not only a great way to honor our ancestors, but it's also a way to create new memories with the people we love. So, let's come together as a family and share our culinary traditions with each other.



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MEMBERSHIP DINNER PRICES

As the cost of living continues to rise, the Euzkaldunak Board of Directors is considering increasing the monthly dinner prices. While this decision can be difficult, it is important to understand the reasons behind it and the potential impact on members. One of the main reasons for a possible increase in dinner prices is the financial impact of rising costs of food and beverages. Making a profit from the monthly dinners has never been a goal. However, we would like to break even while providing a great atmosphere for people to meet/greet/dine: "Jateko eta edateko jakitea nahikoa da jakitea."

The Board will be sending out an email survey looking for feedback on possible options and soliciting your thoughts on options the Board might not have considered. These options are:

- Increase per-dinner prices
- Charge a dinner flat-rate regardless of membership status
- Wine for purchase (per glass or bottle)
- Utilize an on-line prepay process and not issue a refund to no-shows
- Decrease the frequency of dinners
- Implement limits on number of diners
- Minimize or otherwise control the number of gratis dinners provide to host families

If changes are indeed made, we will communicate that information to the membership, well before the September "Welcome Back" Dinner on Saturday, September 16, 2023.

2023 SUMMER PILOTA CAMP PRE-REGISTRATION

The Basque Museum & Cultural Center is excited to offer two Pilota Camp sessions this summer at the Anduiza Fronton. The first camp, held July 10-14, will have a morning session for kids ages 8-11 from 9:00–11:00 AM, and another for kids ages 12-16 from 11:30–1:30 PM. The second camp will lead up to Udaleku, held July 17-19. Once again, kids ages 8-11 from 9:00–11:00 AM, kids ages 12-16 from 11:30–1:30 PM. Children will learn to play handball through different activities with instructors from the Basque Country. Pre-registration is open, just fill out the



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form available at basquemuseum.eus/learn/pilota-camp/. Please submit a separate response for each of the students interested. Please contact Edurne Arostegui (edurnea@basquemuseum.eus) with any of your questions.



IKASTOLA 25th ANNIVERSARY



August 14, 2023 will be Boiseko Ikastola's 25th anniversary! We are looking for any students from the last 25 years of the Ikastola. Did you have a child that attended Boiseko Ikastola at Saint

Paul's on the BSU campus? Do you have any photos or a success story of your child's education? Does your child still speak Basque? We are eager to hear from you!! Please send your contact information and story to: Sarah Artis, 1955 Broadway Ave, Boise, Idaho, or email ikastola@basquemuseum.eus. Join us for the 25th anniversary celebration on August 14th at Payette Brewery. Family and friends are invited. More information to follow.

BASQUE CENTER 75TH ANNIVERSARY: LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

In 2024, Euzkaldunak, Inc, celebrates its 75th year in our community. If you are interested in



helping sculpt how we commemorate this special event, please contact Bernice Madariaga or Isana Bengoetxea via email at

75th@BasqueCenter.com

BLOOD DRIVES AT THE BASQUE CENTER

The American Red Cross will be holding blood donation drives at the Basque Center on June 12 and August 7, 2023, from 1:00–6:00 PM. If you're interested, you can sign up to donate at redcrossblood.org using sponsor code BASQUE.

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THE BASQUE OPEN

The Basque Open Golf Committee and the Basque Foundation cordially invite you to the 2023 Basque Open Golf Tournament on Saturday, July 29 at Warm Springs Golf Course. Check-in is at 7:00 AM with an 8:00 AM shotgun start. This is a 4-person scramble, and at least one person per team must be Basque or married to a Basque. The deadline to register is July 8, 2023. For more information, visit basqueopen.com.



OINKARI LAMPAGE FUN RUN IS MAY 6

Lampage is back! Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 6, and join us for our fun-run 5K followed by food, games, and more. Registration is \$30 for adults and \$20 for kids (10 and under), and includes a t-shirt, race bib, and an after-race chorizo. Visit oinkari.org/lampage to reserve your spot in the race. We can't wait to see you there!

OINKARI MUS TOURNAMENT DATE CHANGE-MAY 27!

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Oinkari Basque Dancers will now be hosting their annual mus tournament on Saturday, May 27, at the Basque Center. The tournament is open to current Oinkari members and all Oinkari alumni. The fee is \$25 per person and includes lunch. Registration begins at 7:30 AM with games starting at 8:00. Remember, this is a N.A.B.O. qualifying tournament! For more information, email alex@oinkari.org. See you there!

SAVE THE DATE - SAN INAZIO 2023

The Euzkaldunak San Inazio Festival this year will be held from Friday July 28 – Sunday July 30. Come join the festivities! We will have live entertainment with Amerikanuak, Txantxangorriak, Boiseko Gazteak, and Oinkari Dantza Taldea. Get ready to Dance, Sing, Eat, Drink and show off skills at sokatira, txinga eramatea, irrintzi, zaku lasterketa and arrautza botatzea. We are looking for volunteers to make our event successful. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at <https://www.basquecenter.com/volunteer/>.

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Jaclyn Lasuen,
 Newsletter Editor

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

Our newsletter is composed of submissions from our Basque Center membership, and we want to hear from you! Send your news to newsletter@basquecenter.com by **Monday, June 19**, to appear in the next newsletter. For mailing address changes, contact Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.

2023 EUZKALDUNAK EVENTS

5/20: May Mother's Day Dinner
7/20–7/28 Udaleku
7/28–7/30 San Inazio Festival
9/16: September Dinner
10/14: October Dinner

10/29: Children's Halloween Party
10/31–11/3: Morzilla Prep & Cooking
11/4: Morzilla Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo
12/3: Children's Christmas Party
12/16: Sheepherder's Ball