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Monthly Member Newsletter

FROM THE KITCHEN

The Anniversary Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, April 20. The dinner will be prepared by Chef Jesus Alcey and hosted by The Center for Basque Studies.

The doors will open to the dining room at 6 PM with dinner being served buffet-style at 6:30 PM. Please pick up your reservation ticket inside the Dance Hall—you will need it to pay for dinner. You will be able to pay in cash, check, or credit card at the door. No online prepay will be available for this dinner.

Menu:

Tossed ensalada mixta with Oñati dressing
Hand-carved flank steak with green peppercorn & chimichurri sauce
Alaskan cod with Oriotarra sauce
Patatas and chorizo a la Riojana
Homemade bread and butter
Anniversary cake
Wine and coffee

Monthly Dinner Prices:

Members & Guests: \$25
Children (10 and under): \$10

Reservations are required. Make your dinner reservations using the reservation link: basquecenter.com/monthly-dinner. If you are unable to make your reservation online, please call or text in your reservation to 208-572-0604.

There will be **no babysitting service** for this dinner.

The **deadline** for dinner reservations is **8 PM on April 16**. Please note that reservations called into the bar will not be accepted, and reservations left after 8 PM on April 16 will not be accepted.

DINNER HOSTS

The Basque Foundation Inc. would like to thank 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 vicepresident@basquecenter.com.

EUZKALDUNAK 75th ANNIVERSARY

Can you believe 2024 is Euzkaldunak's 75th Anniversary? To celebrate such a huge milestone we have planned a 2024 Nostalgia Tour. Each monthly dinner will be an opportunity to come together, honor those that came before us, enjoy the traditions they created, and look forward to another incredible 75 years. Stay tuned for more details about each dinner as they get closer, but for now, start planning your Nostalgia Tour outfits! Each monthly dinner will celebrate a different decade and we would love for everyone to celebrate with us by dressing according to that decade—there will be perks at each dinner if you do! Here is the schedule:

- April: 1970's
- May: 1980's
- September: 1990's
- October: 2000's
- November: 2010's
- December: Origins and into the Future

**EUZKALDUNAK 75th ANNIVERSARY -
CHARTER MEMBERS**

Since April is our club’s anniversary month, we would once again like to recognize our remaining Charter Members of the Boise Basque Center and invite them to the dinner as honored guests as we celebrate 75 years as an organization on Saturday, April 20, 2023.

MARCH DINNER THANK YOU

Eskerrik Asko to Jesus Alcelay, Miren Urresti Laughrin, and help from the Cottonwood Grille team preparing and serving a delicious meal! Eskerrik Asko to the Euzkaldunak Board of Directors, family, & friends for hosting the March Mus/Feast of St. Joseph dinner. Special thanks to:

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| Isana Bengoetxea | Ed Orbea |
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SHEEPHERDERS THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the individuals/businesses that made donations during the 2023 Shepherders Ball. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you again, Susan Mendiola Jaca & family

UDALEKU SCHOLARSHIPS

Euzkaldunak is again offering partial scholarships to local Basque children who are interested in attending Udaleku this summer in San Francisco. Details are still being worked out, so stay tuned for more information in a future newsletter. Thank you for your interest in the continued evolution of our Basque culture.

**2024 NABO MUS (4-KINGS) QUALIFIER
TOURNAMENTS**

- 4/27 Santa Rosa (Paradise Valley, NV)
- 5/4 Basque Museum
- 5/18 Oinkariak (must be/have been an Oinkari)
- 6/15 NABO Mus Finals (Gardnerville, NV)



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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. This year's recipients will be announced at the May Dinner.

Past Legacy Award recipients:

- 2001: John Bastida, Jay Hormaechea, Ramon Ysursa
- 2002: Dorothy Aldecoa, Domingo Ansotegui, Jimmy Jausoro
- 2003: Don Dick, Benito Goitiandia, Florencio "Pancho" Aldape
- 2004: Hank & Gerri Achurra, Albert Erquiaga, Inaki Eiguren
- 2005: Julian Lachiondo, Mari Carmen Totorica, Dave & Jeannie Eiguren
- 2006: Isabel Jausoro, Julian Achabal
- 2007: Louis Jausoro, Early Kitchen Crew (acknowledged)
- 2008: Linda Barinaga, Gina Ansotegui Urquidi, Fergie Larrondo
- 2009: Carmen Solosabal, Rose Arregui Dick, Juan Oleaga
- 2010: Flora Aldazabal, Bryan Day, Domingo Arrizabalaga
- 2011: Simon Achabal, Diana Sabala
- 2012: Rash Iglesias
- 2013: Ron Sabala
- 2014: Tony Arrubarrena
- 2015: Ray Mansisor
- 2016: Dan Ansotegui, Mary Lou Murelaga Guerricabeitia
- 2017: Julian Lete
- 2018: Miren Rementeria Artiach
- 2019: Cecil Jayo
- 2022: Regina Bastida Aldecoa, Julia Uberuaga Coleman
- 2023: Juliana Jausoro Aldape

2024 EUZKALDUNAK BRISKA TOURNAMENT

The 2024 Euzkaldunak Briska Tournament started on Sunday, March 10, at the Basque Center. The tournament will continue on April 7, culminating in the Briska Finals on Saturday, April 20.

**OINKARI LAMPAGE 5K FUN RUN -
KORRIKA!**

Are you ready to run, walk, or leisurely stroll? Don't count sheep, count miles! Please join the Oinkari Basque Dancers for our annual Lambpage 5K on April 13 at 11 AM on the Boise Greenbelt - and bring your friends; this is a Basque-themed 5K for everyone! Food and games will follow the race. Lambpage will serve as Boise's Korrika this year. Korrika, "running" in Euskara, is a race that takes place every two years in all seven provinces of the Basque Country and the diaspora to encourage, support, and spread the Basque language. Visit oinkari.org/lampage for more information.

**TXANTXANGORRIAK & BOISEKO GAZTEAK
SPRING SHOW**

Mil esker to all that braved the chilly air and watched our Spring Show performance on March 10! What a fantastic performance! Your support really makes a difference. We couldn't have done it without all the incredible help we receive during the spring season and on the day of the performance. Thanks to Rod Wray for supplying and setting up the sound equipment, to Chris Bieter for being emcee, and to Txantxangorriak for their opening set. Thanks to all the teachers and musicians that worked hard these past couple of months - it paid off at the end! We also appreciate the Oinkaris and the parent volunteers that helped to bring out chairs and collect the canned donations for the food bank. Lastly, we want to thank the Euzkaldunak board for helping us close the street! As a reminder, we are off until summer. We will plan to have one practice on July 23 leading up to San Inazio. Enjoy the spring!

BASQUE NANNY SEEKS FAMILY

Malen Etxanis Jauregui is seeking employment with a family in our area. Her mother and sister have both had the chance to come on exchange to Boise, and she wishes to have the same experience. She'd love to come between June and August to teach children Euskera. Please contact Juliana Aldape, a friend of the family, at (208) 850-8687 for more information.


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BRING TXARANGA TO BOISE!

Calling all high school band alumni: we are looking for anyone who has basic skills in any horn or percussion instrument to help create a new txaranga in Boise! If you have been to a town festival in Euskal Herria, you've no doubt seen the random horn and drum bands (txarangak) wandering the streets playing everything from traditional dances to goofy marching band versions of pop songs. If you've ever wished we had one in Boise, now is your chance to dust off the old trumpet, trombone, saxophone, or anything else in the back of your closet and join in the fun! Join us in the Basque Center Card Room on Thursday, 4/11 at 6:30 PM to learn more and to be part of bringing another tradition to life in the Boise Basque community!

What: New Txaranga in Boise Info Meeting

When: Thursday, 4/11, 6:30 PM

Where: Basque Center Card Room

More information: Email Alex Hormaechea Wray at alex.wray61@gmail.com or Rod Wray at basquebyproxy@gmail.com

BOYHOOD AMONG THE WOOLIES BOOK TOUR

Dr. Richard Etulain will be kicking off his book tour on Saturday, April 13, at 2 PM at the Basque Museum. He will be primarily discussing his book "Boyhood Among the Woolies: Growing up on a Basque Sheep Ranch." His stories will bring back to life the many memories so many had about growing up on a sheep ranch, so you will not want to miss it. You can purchase his book at the Basque Museum any time or at the event. If you are not able to make his Boise presentation, please check out basquemuseum.eus/etulaintour for additional information. His other tour stops include:

- Homedale Txoko Ona-4/14, 2 PM
- Ontario Basque Club-4/15, 7 PM
- Mountain Home Euskal Lagunak Etxea-4/16, 6:30 PM
- Idaho State University-4/17, 4PM

This program was made possible by the hosting organizations and a grant from the Idaho Humanities Council. This event is free and open to all.





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EUZKALDUNAK 8-KING MUS TOURNAMENT

The Euzkaldunak 8-King Mus tournament was completed on Saturday, 3/16, at the Basque Center. Twenty teams participated which were narrowed down to 5 teams over the weeks:

- Edu Sarria/Steve Achabal
- Tony Larrocea/Jose Manuel Arriaga
- Lino Zabala/Mike Franzoia
- Javier Arrieta/Jose Mari Eguren
- Sean Aucutt/John Krakau

At the end of the tournament, Edu Sarria & Steve Achabal were Bigarrenak, with Javier Arrieta & Jose Mari Eguren crowned Txapeldunak.



BMCC MUS TOURNAMENT

The Basque Museum will be holding their annual Mus Tournament on Saturday, May 4, at the Basque Center. Registration and a light breakfast will start at 8:30 AM, and mus play will begin about 9 AM. Cost to participate is \$40 and includes breakfast, lunch and NABO mus fees. All players must have current membership (expiring after June 30, 2024) to participate. Winning team will represent the Basque Museum at the NABO Tournament in Gardnerville, Nevada on June 15. For more information, please call the Basque Museum at 208-343-2671.

SANTA ROSA MUS

Santa Rosa Basque Club will be hosting their annual Mus Tournament on Saturday, April 27 in Paradise Valley, Nevada. Cost to play is \$40 for members and includes breakfast, lunch, and NABO mus fees. Registration will begin at 8:30 AM and play at 9AM. For more information, please contact Santa Rosa Club at 208-830-9284.

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SAN INAZIO GOLF TOURNAMENT

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BASQUE STUDENT SEEKS HOME

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Each month, we list the names of recently passed members of Euzkaldunak and the local Basque community. Please send us the names of the recently deceased so we can honor them in print.

Ted Arregui
Richard Urresti

APRIL ZORIONAK

Julia Achabal, Linda Achurra, Janice Aizpitarte, Mikel Aizpitarte, Miren Arozamena, Domingo Asumendi, Lori Barnowski, Mia Barrera, Matthew Baumann, Josh Bawden, Lita Bengoechea, Randy Berriochoa, Teula Biain, Alberto Bilbao, Sandra K Bishop, John Bishop, Josh Boyd, Jeremy Boyd, Catherine Brollier, Heather Campbell, John Cantrell, Antone Chacartegui, Belinda Cortabitarte, Jean Cottier, Dianne Davis, Phil Davis, Tom Dickey, Keegan Dougherty, Alicia Dredge, Luise Echevarria, Tony Eiguren, Tony Elordi, Amaya Fischer, Monique Flesher, Ziortza Gandarias Beldarrain, Margarita Garatea, Angela Echevarria Gray, Angie Gribble, Mara Gribble, Mark Guerry, Lisa Achurra Guerry, Patrick Harrington, Sara Harvey, Camille Henry, Richard Hormaechea, Michael Hormaechea, Chea Jenné, Jim Kauss, Leandra Kelleher, Alicia Lachiondo, Cecelia Larson, Michele Lauer, Miren Urresti Laughrin, Margaret Legarreta, Mary Louise Mansisor, Hans-Peter Marshall, Carlos Mendiola, Nerea Mendiola-Wilsey, Benita Miller, Andrew G T Miller, Diana Monasterio, Ben Monasterio, Megan Mooney, Jamie Soloaga O'Mahony, German Olabarria, Alli Olson, Laura Pape, Linda Payne, Flipp Phillips, Larry Rebich, John Ruprecht, Katherin Schaffeld, Genny Schaffner, Ryan Schaffner, Cristina Ascuena Serpa, Pamela Sprute, Samantha Swindell, Nikki Totorica, Mike Urquidi, Miren Vicandi, Marta Vazquez Watson, Alison Wolfe, Dan Yribar, Lino Zabala, John Zabala, Maite Zabala, Delores Zborowski, Luis Zubizarreta

Secretary's note: If you don't see your birthday during your birthday month and would like it to show up in the list above, please send an email to secretary@basquecenter.com so your birthday can be added to our list. As I have been processing memberships for 2024, I have added birthdays to the list. If your birthday doesn't show in your birthday month, I don't have it!

Apart from the member birthday list, we still gladly accept one-time announcements like births, anniversaries, graduation, or other special recognition of members in the Zorionak section. For these special announcements, email newsletter@basquecenter.com

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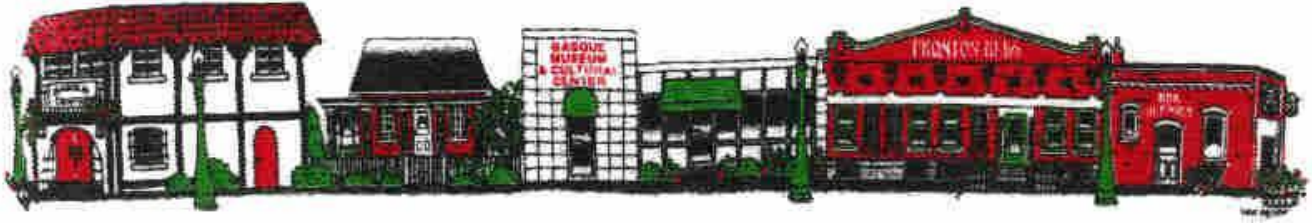


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Jaclyn Lasuen,
Newsletter Editor

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, April 22**, to appear in the next newsletter. For mailing address changes, contact Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.

2024 EUZKALDUNAK EVENTS

4/6: Basque Museum Benefit Dinner
4/7: Euzkaldunak Briska Tournament (continued)
4/20: Anniversary Dinner/Dance & Briska Finals
5/4: Basque Museum NABO Mus Tournament
5/18: Mother's Day/Legacy Award Dinner
6/15: NABO National Mus Tournament

7/26–7/28: San Inazio Festival
8/24: Basque Museum Winefest
9/14: September Dinner
10/19: October Dinner
11/2: Morzilla Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo
12/21: Shepherders Ball