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SAN INAZIO FESTIVAL SCHEDULE 5 JULY 26-JULY 28, 2024

FRIDAY, JULY 26

5 PM: Children's Carnival (ages 10 and under) in the Basque Center Hall

5 PM: Men's B League Pala in the Fronton

5:45 PM: Friends and Family Night at the Center

Please bring a pintxo to share!

6 PM: Men's A League Pala in the Fronton

7 PM: Women's Handball Semi Final Game 1

7:30 PM: Women's Handball Semi Final Game 2

Professional athletes are traveling from the Basque Country to play handball for us. Please come to the Fronton to support them!

SATURDAY, JULY 27

7 AM: Basque Open at Warm Springs Golf Course contact Nic Asla (<u>nicolasasla92@gmail.com</u>) with questions

10 AM: Men's A League Pala Game

11 AM: Boiseko Gazteak Performance

12 PM: Txan Txan Gorriak Performance

12:30 PM: Bertsolaritza

1 PM: Oinkari Basque Dancers Performance

2 PM: Boise v. San Francisco Mixed Pala

3 PM: Women's Pala

4 PM: Women's Handball Final

7 PM: Mass with the Boise Oñati Dancers and Biotzetik Basque Choir at St. Mark's Catholic Church

9 PM: Street Dance on the Basque Block

SUNDAY, JULY 28

11 AM: Picnic at Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park

1:30 PM: Picnic games at Kristin Armstrong Municipal Park

Park Policy:

Glass beverage containers are not allowed in Municipal park during the picnic. This includes bottled beer, wine, and liquor. It does NOT include cooking items such as serving dishes.

Please adhere to this policy so that we can continue to use Municipal Park for years to come.

7 PM: Women's Doubles Handball Exhibition

7 PM: Txan Txan Gorriak Performance

7:30 PM: Bertsolaritza

8 PM: Street Dance on the Basque Block

BAR HOURS OF OPERATION

Friday: 1 PM to 1 AM Saturday: 10 AM to 1 AM Sunday: 5 PM to 11:30 PM

SAN INAZIO VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED

San Inazio is fast approaching and we are looking for volunteers for shifts in the food and beer booths. This year we are having individuals sign up on the website. Please visit basquecenter.com/volunteer and click on the

<u>basquecenter.com/volunteer</u> and click on the Signup Genius link you wish to volunteer for. If you are unable to access, please contact Bernice Madariaga at <u>volunteer@basquecenter.com</u>.

SAN INAZIO CARNIVAL

Do you remember the children's carnival from years ago? We're bringing it back for our 75th Anniversary at San Inazio! Bring your little kids on Friday, July 26, from 5-7 PM in the dance hall of the Basque Center (Friends and Family Night pintxos will be in the basement). Games are graciously hosted by the ladies of Aiztan Artean, and tickets are 50¢. These games are geared for children 10 and under, and there will be no babysitting on site—we want you to enjoy the fun right along with us! Help your children get to know this tradition as we bring it back to life!



BOISEKO GAZTEAK

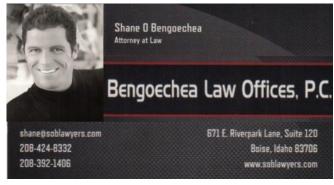
Boiseko Gazteak is on a break until San Inazio. Our next practice will be at 7 PM on Tuesday, July 23 in the usual locations. Our San Inazio performance will take place on Saturday, July 27, at 11 AM on the Basque Block. Please have your children arrive by 10:15 AM that Saturday in costume.





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SAN INAZIO WOMEN'S HANDBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Four of the best female handball players in the world will come to the USA to play in the Euskal Herria 4 ½ Championship that will be held in Boise during the San Inazio festival. The tournament is an individual, one-on-one, competition. The ball cannot cross the 4 ½ line, which is why this modality is also known as "the cage." The game is quick and the points are spectacular. The players in the championship on July 26 & 27 are Olatz Arrizabalaga, Maddalen Etxegarai, Leire Garai, and Enara Gaminde. On July 28 the four will play a doubles exhibition game. This tournament will count for the Women's Master Cup circuit played in the Basque Country by the elite female handball players. In addition to these handball games, the Boise Fronton Association has organized four pala exhibition games that will be played by some of the best local players. All games are open to the public and free of charge. Come watch and enjoy! Our own Boise fall pala leagues start in September 2024. Contact

boisefronton@gmail.com by July 31 if you would like to play.

BASQUE OPEN SAN INAZIO GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Basque Open Golf Committee and the Basque Foundation cordially invite you to the 2024 Basque Open Golf Tournament on Saturday, July 27, at Warm Springs Golf Course. For more information, visit basqueopen.com.



BERTSOLARITZA

Bertsolaritza is an extraordinary celebration of the Basque language and, by extension, Basque culture and identity. The objective of the San Inazio bertso event is to introduce our community to bertsolaritza, aiming to inspire a new generation of enthusiasts—both listeners and singers—to sustain this tradition. To foster a new generation of US-based bertsolaris, a bertso school was launched in Boise in November 2022 and has already shown promising results. Two participants from the school, Nerea Ezeiza (New York) and Oier Pastor (San Francisco), along with Martin Goikoetxea (Rock Springs, Wyoming) and our local bertsolari, Todor Azurtza, will perform at San Inazio. Presentations and translations will be provided by John Ysursa. Please join us in cheering on these bertsolaris during their performances at the San Inazio festival. Anyone who is interested in attending the school can send an email to: arnasberri@gmail.com. The only requirement to attend the school is to have a good knowledge of Euskara in order to be able to play with the language.

CHARTER MEMBER--GOIAN BEGO

We are sad to say goodbye to another of our Euzkaldunak Charter Members, particularly as we celebrate 75 years. John Lasuen, age 96, died June 12, 2024. John came to Idaho in his early 20's just at the time the Basque organization was being established, and he became a charter member of Euzkaldunak. John returned to the Basque Country and married his childhood girlfriend and neighbor, Matilde, and they came to Idaho in 1956. John and Matilde worked very hard for many years in Bruneau until their retirement in Mountain Home and were long-time friends with the Boise Euzkaldunak.

BLOOD DRIVES AT THE BASQUE CENTER

The American Red Cross will hold blood drives at the Basque Center on August 5, October 7, and December 9. If you're interested, use our sponsor code, BASQUE to sign up to donate at redcrossblood.org









MAY DINNER THANK YOU

Eskerrik Asko to Jesus Alcelay, Miren Urresti Laughrin, Timoteo Santiago, and crew preparing and serving a delicious meal!

Eskerrik Asko to the Ansotegui family for hosting the May dinner.

A special thanks to:

Chris Ansotequi Jake Jaureguy Dan Ansotegui **Bonnie Kerns** Dave Kerns Nick Ansotequi Tamara Ansotegui Lucas Kerns Toni Ansotegui Kian Kerns Ben Bengoetxea Molly Kerns Isana Bengoetxea Naomi Kerns Ixone Bengoetxea Nikki Kerns Kepa Bentz Patxi Kerns Maialen Bentz Jaclyn Lasuen Patxi Bentz Frank Muguira Angela Calovich Mary Muguira Chris Hill Gav Shapiro Deb Hill Naomi Shapiro Gerry Hill Gina Urquidi

RUNNING OF THE BARS-JULY 13

Get out those white pants and shirts, grab your red gerriko and scarf (or purchase them at the event), and join us for a pub crawl, Basque style! Check in on the Basque Block where you will get your instructions, ROTB reusable cup, and tickets for a drink and/or food. Then head out to the participating bars, enjoy a drink, play a designated ROTB game including "shearing sheep" and then head back to the Basque Block for dancing, raffles, and more games! Sign up at basquemuseum.eus/rotb or by calling the Basque Museum at 208-343-2671. You must be at least 21 to participate.

NABO MUS FINALS

On June 15, 2024, all winners of NABO club mus tournaments gathered in Gardnerville, Nevada, for the NABO Mus Finals. Nick Vizcay and Tony Espinal, representing the Los Banos Basque Club, took first place and second place went to Michael and Eric Lahargou, representing the Fresno Basque Club. Idaho was well represented by teams from Euzkaldunak, the Basque Museum, Oinkari Basque Dancers, Txoko Ona, Euskal Lagunak, and Gooding Basque Association.







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2024 EUZKALDUNAK LEGACY AWARD WINNERS

The Euzkaldunak Board introduced the Legacy Award in 2001. Individuals who have exhibited a long-term commitment to the goals of Euzkaldunak may be nominated by members. Our two 2024 recipients were announced at the May Dinner.

Anita Jausoro

nominated by Marie Jausoro Day and Bryan Day, presented by Marie Jausoro Day

"Anita has been an active member of Euzkaldunak all her life. She participated in Boiseko Gazteak before it was named such and later danced with the Oinkaris. She was always there to help dad with his accordion. Those Boise-Winnemucca years of long hours and many miles by bus were character builders to be sure. She and the dancers helped to expose unknown numbers of people to the costumes and culture that Euzkaldunak came to be known for. During that same period, Anita worked for a few years on Sabina Oleaga and Flora Aldazabal's kitchen crews with other Oinkari girls, helping serve for the membership dinners. Following her time in the group, she still made two trips to Euzkadi and one to Argentina, as dad's traveling companion, keeping him and the accordion on schedule with the dancers; making sure they both got to where they needed to be. In 1987, at the request of Euzkaldunak and Jaialdi board members, Anita became the Co-Chairman of the Decorating Committee for the first Jaialdi. She was responsible for bringing together a small army of women worker bees who turned this dance hall into a frenzy of creativity; cutting, sewing, painting and putting together the many flags and banners that were put on display that year and greeted the multitudes at every Jaialdi thereafter through 2015. Many hours went into this Jaialdi preparation project. In 1996, Anita served on the Euzkaldunak Board of Directors. Two of the duties she took on at that time she is still involved with to this day. For many years, our mom, Isabel Jausoro, kept the contact list of the volunteers who helped make mortzillas at the Basque Center the week before the November Mortzilla Dinner and Bazaar. Anita picked up right where she left

off with her list of worker names, calling and confirming their participation; whether it was cutting and grinding the leeks and onions on Tuesday, cooking the rice, leek and onion mixture on Wednesday, or working with the morning and afternoon kitchen crews on Thursday - who filled and tied the casings, and cooked the txortak until they were hung out to dry. Over the years, she has taken part in every aspect of mortzilla making - from working with the casings, to cooking, to hanging them up to dry. These days Anita helps package the mortzillas on Friday. Around the year 2000, Anita helped to coordinate the sidewalk brick project for a time. Using the forms filled out by our members, she input and coordinated the member names and locations of the bricks on the computer and was there to assist in their placement once they were delivered. And finally, the second of the duties she took on while on the Board of Directors, was Coordinator of the Red Cross blood drive that takes place at the Basque Center every 3 months. For many years, her quiet dedication has allowed the Basque Center to become known as the "go to place" within the Treasure Valley for members and non-members alike who choose to support the growing, ongoing need to give blood and save lives locally and nationwide. Her efforts have increasingly led to some of the best donor numbers for the Boise Red Cross. Despite the shadow of Covid affecting everything, she was able to fill the list with 37 donors agreeing to come down to the Basque Center and donate. In the 29 years Anita has worked with the Red Cross, she has established solid relationships with our membership who have taken part and now with new donors who see and understand the importance of their gift of giving. Her people skills and ability to work with the Red Cross staff and all of the donors who walk in our door have raised awareness of the good that we do here that she has been a part of. Most often, Anita is quiet and works behind the scenes, keeping to herself whenever possible. I am very proud of her and want her to be recognized for her active support of Euzkaldunak over the years and the many good things she has done in her own quiet way."

Zorionak, Anita!

Jerry Aldape

nominated by Gloria Totoricagüena, presented by Juliana Aldape, 2023 Legacy Award Winner

"The person we will honor tonight as a legacy award winner has volunteered as a team member and to leadership positions for our Basque Center for 6 decades. He has been both a dreamer and a doer—a guy who volunteers behind the scenes with no fanfare. Likely, you will guess who this is before we get very far, but we will go through the attributes that make him an inspirational member. As a 15-year old, he made the historic trip to the New York World's Fair as a first-year Oinkari. He was a long-time dancer who also served as Oinkari President. He was a member of the Euzkaldunak Board of Directors and volunteered as a bartender for the monthly dinners for over 20 years. He was a founder and co-chair for the original Euzkaldunak Golf Tournament with Rich Urresti—subsequently joined by Dave Yraguen. The tournament was a major fundraiser for the Basque Charities Association. He has been part of the mortzilla-making teams for 30 years. He also assisted in the production of the script/film, "Making Mortzilla." In the early days of our use of the fronton, he acted as a founder and organizer with several other volunteers and donors. He was able to find a charity that funded the initial development and the use of the fronton—resulting in the Pala, Paddleball, & Pelota Association. He helped organize Pala League tournaments—on local, NABO, and international levels. He has been a player himself and a coach to new players. He was a founder of the Boise Fronton Association, serving on various committees for more than 20 years. To this day, he is the treasurer. He has been on the Jaialdi International Festival Directors Committee in the years 1987 through 2015—and had the huge responsibility of serving as Jaialdi Treasurer for each of those 7 Festivals. He serves the Basque Community in many ways. As a member of the Board of Directors for the Basque Museum & Cultural Center, he has served as the Treasurer and volunteers at the many Museum events. In 2016, for the Smithsonian Folklife Festival which had many Basque performances and concerts, he prepared and managed an important project- the moving and replanting of a

Gernikako Arbola sapling that had been raised in Boise. It was transported to Washington DC to be planted in the US Capitol Peace Garden—a 2-year endeavor facing hurdles and red tape! Currently, he is an active member of the Basque Center Building Renovation Committee; he is dedicated to the mission of updating our building which is approaching 75 years of age—while remaining in our present 6th & Grove location. Lastly, he is a mus player. Mus probably tops his other favorite activities of playing handball and growing peppers. He plays most of the area's NABO 4-King tournaments each year—having various partners along the way. For the Euzkaldunak's 8-King tournament, his long-time partner is Izar—who says that Mus with her partner is an adventure! Zorionak, Jerry!



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Raquel Marino Surine Odiaga-Gremling

DONATIONS

Herb & Joni Krakau Denny Beroiz

2024 BMCC Pilota Camp

The Basque Museum, with help from a generous donation from the John Kirtland Foundation, will be again hosting kid's pilota camp July 16-19 and July 22-25. There are two, two-hour sessions each week, separated by age groups. We will once again have Lur & Naroa from the World Pilota Council as our instructors, who assisted with pilota camp and Udaleku last year. Cost is only \$80 and includes a camp shirt, bag and some other goodies, including snacks and drinks. Learn more and sign up at

https://basquemuseum.eus/learn/pilota or by calling Annie at the Basque Museum (208-577-2250).

INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Basque Center will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

MOUNTAIN HOME BASQUE PICNIC

Join Euskal Lagunak Basque Association for their annual picnic on August 3! Food and drinks get going at 4 PM with a handball exhibition, games, Oinkari Dancers, lamb auction, and street dance to follow. Check out our Facebook page or email jaclvn.lasuen@gmail.com with questions!

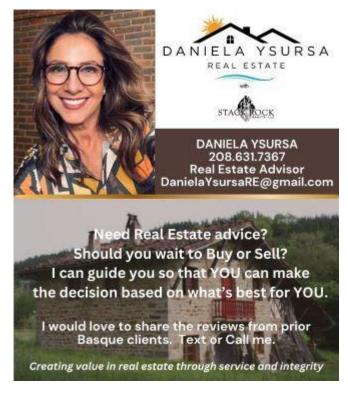
SPECIAL THANKS TO CURT WARD AND WARD PAINTING CREW

The Basque Foundation recently received a generous donation toward repairing cracks and painting the west wall and emergency stairs of the Basque Center. The Ward Painting Company was responsive, timely, and professional in the work they performed for us. Stop by to see their work and enjoy the view!









MEMORIALS

Rich Urresti

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Ron Enright

Julian Lete

OINKARI MEMORIALS

Oinkaris appreciate these gifts as they help fund our costumes, equipment and travel. Donations, including for memorials, are graciously accepted online at oinkari.org/donationsgrants, or via mail at:

Oinkari Basque Dancers
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In memory of Rich Urresti:

Diana Sabala Luise "Lu" Echevarria Julie & Mark Lliteras

In memory of Ronald Enright:

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GOIAN BEGO ~ REST IN PEACE

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.

Laure Jausoro, 67, Seattle (daughter of Tony Jausoro, Nampa)

John Lasuen, 96, Aulesti, Bruneau, Mountain Home Ronald Rhoades, 79, Nampa (Christina Eiguren Rhoades' husband)

Croy, 91, Nampa Estefania Larrinaga Yanci, 88, Mundaka, Elko, Boise

JUNE AND JULY ZORIONAK

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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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Jaclyn Lasuen, Newsletter Editor

9/14: September Dinner

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, August 19, to appear in the next newsletter. For mailing address changes, contact Patty Gabica at secretary@basquecenter.com.

2024 EUZKALDUNAK EVENTS

7/13: Basque Museum Running of the Bars 10/19: October Dinner

7/26-7/28: San Inazio Festival 11/2: Morzilla Dinner/Bazaar/Bingo

8/24: Basque Museum Winefest 12/21: Sheepherders Ball