

ZAZPIAK BAT NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND UPDATES FROM THE BOARD

by Dominica Zubillaga
edited by Miren Zubillaga

A terrific time was had by all at the 50th Annual Basque Festival! First, we enjoyed a delicious dinner at the Santa Fe Basque Hotel to honor our past presidents. We cannot thank them enough for all the work they did during their time as presidents as well as the work and time they continue to contribute to the club. After dinner, we enjoyed music provided by Errebal and Mercedes Mendive. The next day we celebrated mass with Aita Antton Egiguren, enjoyed dance performances by the Reno Zazpiak Bat Dancers and the Winnemucca Irrintzi Dancers, and cheered on the harrijasotzaileak (weghtlifters) and aizkolariak (woodchoppers). We also enjoyed Errebal's music all weekend long which allowed both novice and skilled dancers an opportunity to jump on the dance floor. A huge thank you to Kate Camino for being the travel coordinator and grant writer so they could join us at our festival. Thank you to those who volunteered in the kitchen cooking delicious food all day! Thank you to Brian Elcano and his crew for manning the bar all day! Thank you to all the volunteers who donated their time in one of the booths or in the kitchen. This event is not possible nor successful without club members' participation.

Congratulations to Erinn Zubillaga, the 2017-2018 ZBBC Scholarship winner! Erinn will be attending San Diego State University where she plans on majoring in athletic training. Good luck to Erinn in her future endeavors!

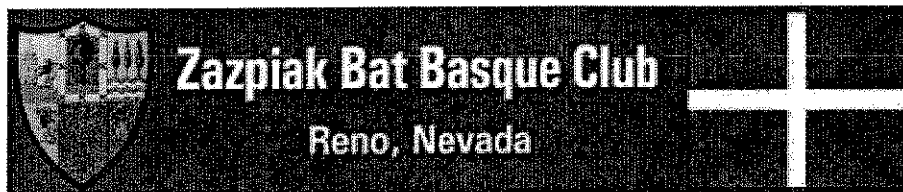
The Reno Zazpiak Bat Basque club will be the host of Udaleku 2018! Udaleku is a two-week Basque culture summer camp for 10-15 year olds. As the hosting club, we are responsible for finding host families for approximately 80-100 campers. If you have had children participate in camp you know it is a wonderful experience and children make lifelong friends from all over the North American Basque community. If your children are planning on attending Udaleku in the future this is your opportunity to pay it forward. If you are interested in hosting campers, please contact Miren Zubillaga or Dominica Zubillaga at renobasqueclub@gmail.com or (775) 762-3577. In addition, the Udaleku organizers are asking for meal donations for camp. If you are interested in donating a meal or have questions about how you can help, please contact Kate Camino at info@nabasque.org.



Errebal with members of the Reno ZBBC at the 50th Annual Festival

Our next event will be Fall Picnic on September 17, 2017 at the Peavine Pavillion at Rancho San Rafael. Please see attached flyer for additional information.

Have you heard what has been happening in the North American Basque Organization? If you are interested in learning Euskara, AISA (an online program to learn the Basque language) is now available in English. Follow this link to see it: www.ikasten.ikasbil.eus. NABO Pilota Finals will be held in Chino, CA on September 2. In February 2018, the Cowboy Poetry Festival held in Elko will be Basque themed. They will have bertsolaris, will be teaching mus, and will be hosting other Basque events. Finally, on October 30, 2017, the Basque documentary, *Elkarrekin*, will be shown in the Reno-Sparks area. Stay tuned for additional details!



Reno Basque Club Member/Guest Fall Picnic
Sunday, September 17, 2017 11:30am-4pm
Rancho San Rafael, Peavine Picnic Pavilion
RSVP deadline is September 13th

WHAT: Join the Basque club for a relaxing afternoon enjoying good food, drink and friends. There are horseshoe pits, a volleyball court, and large grass area next to the pavilion, and a playground in the park for children to play at. While there are picnic tables under the pavilion for seating, please bring your own lawn chairs or blanket if you would prefer to sit in the grass area. Club will provide kids games, horseshoes, volleyballs and Mus cards.

WHERE: Rancho San Rafael, Peavine Picnic Pavilion
1595 N. Sierra, Reno, NV 89503
(Second Picnic Pavilion west of Wilbur D. May Museum, look for Basque picnic signs)

WHEN: Sunday, September 17, 2017
11:30am-4pm with lunch being served around 12:30pm.

MENU: BBQ lamb lunch including Basque Beans, Vegetables, Salad, Bread, Cheese and Wine.

COST: \$10 adult, \$5 Children (12 and under) if RSVP received by September 13th.
\$15 adult, \$7 Children (12 and under) with no RSVP
There will be a Bar with Cocktails, Picons, and Premium Beer/Wine for 4 tickets, Coors/Coors Light and Boxed Wine for 3 tickets, and Soda and Water for 1 ticket. Tickets will be \$1 each.

NOTE: RSVP's due September 13th.
To RSVP please call (775) 762-3577, or email: renobasqueclub@gmail.com

Please provide the following with your RSVP:
Name, number of adults, and number of children (12 and under)

RSVP's will be given special tickets upon payment and will be served first. We will cook extra food in anticipation of non RSVP arrivals but we cannot guarantee there will be enough food so please RSVP!

HISTORICAL FACTS OF THE ZBBC

In the Spring 2017 Newsletter, the Mus Tournament winners from the years 2007-2011 were unavailable. Thanks to additional information from Pierrette Calleja, we found 2007 and 2009-2011. The winners were as follows

2007- Manny Villanueva & Juan Brana

2008- Information Unavailable

2009- Jean Pierre Izoco & Tiburcio Sarratea

2010- Guillermo Blanco & Anastasio Sarratea

2011- Severiano Lazcano & JB Jauregui

During festival we had a dinner to recognize and honor the past presidents of the Reno Zazpiak Bat Basque Club. Thank you to the following presidents for the hard work, dedication, and leadership!

1966-Leroy Arrascada	1984-Jim Dufurrena	2002-Lorenzo Trimble
1967- Arnold Etcheberry	1985-Jim Dufurrena	2003-Javier Narvarte
1968- Paul Etcheberry	1986-Jim Dufurrena	2004-Javier Narvarte
1969- Joe Anxo	1987-Mike Herrera	2005-Javier Narvarte
1970- Joe Goicoechea	1988-Tony Laca	2006-Javier Narvarte
1971-Leon Etchemendy	1989-Tony Laca	2007-Javier Narvarte
1972- Jess Etcheita	1990-Tony Laca	2008-Javier Narvarte
1973- John Madariaga	1991-Tony Laca	2009-Kate Camino
1974- Gene Gastanaga	1992-Andy Etcheita	2010-Kate Camino
1975- Don Mendiola	1993-Robert Yturbide	2011-Kate Camino
1976- John Jauregito	1994-Robert Yturbide	2012-Joe Rosevear
1977- Tony Laca	1995-Mary Lou Urrutia	2013-Joe Rosevear
1978- Louis Esenarro	1996-Mary Lou Urrutia	2014-Paul Woodin
1979- Maurice Ansolobehere	1997-Mary Lou Urrutia	2015-Paul Woodin
1980- Jim Dufurrena	1998-Robert Yturbide	2016- Vacant
1981- Alex Arrascada	1999-Kate Camino	2017-Joe Leonis
1982-Fausto Mentaberry	2000- Kate Camino	
1983-Linda Gastanaga Van Lydegraf	2001-Lorenzo Trimble	

(List compiled with the help of Pierrette Calleja, Kate Camino, and Janet Inda)

TREASURER'S REPORT

	ACCOUNT			
	Club	Dance	Cookbook	Savings
Beginning Balance	\$ 2, 287.35	\$ 10, 103.33	\$ 9,957.70	\$ 72,075.37
Credits/Deposits	\$18, 543.42	\$201.50	\$-	\$ 4.78
Debits/Withdrawals	\$ 12, 962.01	\$652.10	\$-	\$3,000.00
Ending Balance	\$ 7, 868.76	\$ 9, 652.73	\$ 9,957.70	\$ 69, 080.15

Eugenio Sarratea



Eugenio Sarratea, 83, passed away peacefully in his sleep on Sunday, June 25, 2017.

Originally from Almandoz, Spain, Eugenio is the oldest of ten children and is predeceased by his parents, Nicolasa Oyeregui and Juan Cruz Sarratea, and his brother, Francisco.

Eugenio is survived by his loving wife Cathleen of 43 years; two sons, Mikel E. and John C. (Heather); grandson, Noah; brothers, Tiburcio (Jeanette), Anastacio, Ignacio (Gayle), Pedro (Katie), Fulgencio and Esteban; sisters, Maria Rosa and Martina; numerous nieces and nephews and his beloved dog, Julie.

In 1959, Eugenio traveled from Spain to the United States on a three year contract to herd sheep in the Reno Tahoe area. Eugenio eventually obtained his Naturalized American Citizenship and worked for various local construction companies, including Byars, Helms, and eventually retiring from Q & D in 1996.

Eugenio enjoyed fishing and hunting with his German Shorthaired Pointers and playing Mus, a Basque card game, with his brothers and friends throughout the years.

Eugenio was an amazing man and will be greatly missed.

The memorial service will be held at Walton's Funeral Home, 875 W. 2nd Street, Reno, NV, on Friday, June 30, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the

Nevada Humane Society, 2825 Longley Lane, Suite B, Reno, NV 89502.

Published in Reno Gazette-Journal on June 29, 2017

Christine Marie (Guecamburu) VanHoose



September 8, 1973 - May 26, 2017

After an extended battle with brain cancer, Christine Marie VanHoose, left this earth on May 26, 2017 with the same determination, passion and zest that characterized each of her forty-three years.

Born on September 8, 1973 to Annie and Jean Pierre Guecamburu, she spent her early childhood in the San Francisco Bay area before moving to Nevada with her parents. After Attending Douglas High School, Christine graduated from Carson High in 1991. She married her husband, Dan, in 1998 and settled in their home in Sparks, NV. A few years later their beloved son, Benat, was born.

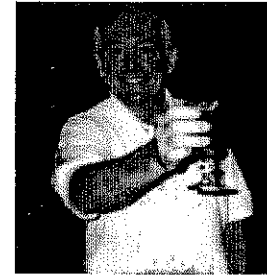
Her warm heart and free-spiritedness earned her many friends. Deeply proud of her Basque heritage, Christine loved a good game of mus, a well stirred cocktail and a perfectly fried mountain trout straight off the fishing pole. She was also a fan of big sloppy kisses, large clumsy dogs and hugs that went on just a little too long.

She was a devoted mother, wife, daughter and friend. She is survived by her son, Benat VanHoose; husband, Dan VanHoose; parents, Jean-Pierre and Annie Guecamburu of Carson City; numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. She was preceded in death by her

grandparents, Pierre & Marie Dunat of Turlock, CA and Martin & Marie Guecamburu of Esterencubu, France. Her family wisher to extend their heartfelt thanks to all that supported Christine during her illness. The love and kindness will not be forgotten. Final arrangements will be held in private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to: National Brain Tumor Society - www.braintumor.org or the Nevada Humane Society, 2825-B Longley Lane, Reno, NV 89502, www.nevadahumanesociety.org
Published in Reno Gazette-Journal on June 4, 2017

Carlos Iribarren



May	5,	1946
May	15,	2017

Carlos Iribarren passed away surrounded by the love and warmth of his family and closest friends, Carlos passed away in his home on May 15, 2017.

Carlos was born in beautiful Santesteban, Navarra, in Spain on May 5, 1946. Carlos was the oldest of three Iribarren brothers to proud parents, Carmen and Manuel. Through vacations and Skype, he remained close with all his family despite time and distance.

During his childhood, Carlos's family opened a bar on the ground floor of their home, Casa Ameztia. The lifestyle of bartending, good food and joyful gatherings seemed to be his destiny from the beginning. At the age of 18, Carlos set off to California with a shepherding contract provided by his uncle Ramon. He herded for 3.5 years, where he would entertain himself by dancing by the fireside and singing

to his sheepdog under the stars. However, the quiet hills of Fresno were not enough for this adventurous man.

Next, Carlos went to Chino, CA, where he met Jesus Rey. Going to Basque picnics and dances along with working side-by-side set the foundation for this lifelong friendship. They were two young boys from the Basque Country who would grow up together like brothers, and they moved to Gardnerville, NV. They, along with their families, shared a 30 year partnership in the Carson Valley Country Club; raised strong, loving children and had countless memories together.

Carlos was the proud father of two daughters, Maite and Izar. They grew to challenge the world, just as he approached life. They emulate their Aita in their passion, love of family, food, wine, culture and treasured, simple moments. The apples didn't fall far from the tree.

Twenty-eight years ago, Carlos married Isabel (his Loli), the love of his life. To see the two together was to witness a pairing of the finest nature. Their special blend of travel, family, friends, laughter, spicy personalities, mutual support, topped with good food and wine was something to admire. Carlos and Isabel made one another's lives complete and whole, the perfect fit one for the other.

Without a doubt, you could find Carlos sharing and living his love of the Basque culture. He wouldn't miss a Basque picnic, mus tournament or a pelota match; and the reunion of family and friends at each gathering was priceless.

Carlos is survived by his wife Isabel; daughter Maite and son-in-law Mark; daughter Izar and son-in-law Nick; brothers Alberto (M. Josefa) and Jose Miguel (M. Carmen) - as well as many much-loved nephews, nieces and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents Manuel and Carmen, and son Carlitos.

We would like to extend our

heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped us at the Infusion Center, and in particular, Lori Salvador.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017 at 11a.m., at St. Gall Catholic Church, in Gardnerville.

Memorial donations may be made to:
Infusion Center at the Carson Valley Medical Center (1107 Hwy. 395, Gardnerville, NV 89410)
Published in Reno Gazette-Journal on May 18, 2017

Jesus E. "Jess" Arriaga



January 10, 1944-July 4, 2017

Jesus 'Jess' Arriaga, 73 passed away from metastatic mesothelioma of the lungs on the 4th of July 2017.

Originally from Iruzubieta, Spain. Jesus was second oldest of 6 children. Predeceased by his parents Maria Ignacia Etxebarria and Luis Arriaga and his two brothers, Javier and Luis Mari. He is survived by his loving wife Kathy of 42 years but together 47 years. His daughter Tawnie Cunningham (Larry), sons, Tommy Lockett and Jesse Arriaga Jr. (Rob). Granddaughter Rylan Grace.

Sister-in-laws Sharon Oxborrow of Reno, Loretta McAfee (Bob) of Idaho, Brother-in-law Neil Murphy (Reno).

Family in Spain, brother Sabino (Amaya), sister Mariangeles (Javier), brother Roberto (Kurutze)

San Francisco family, adopted sisters, Natalie, Helen and family.

Numerous wonderful nieces and

nephews, Spain and stateside, too many to mention!!

Many life long friends, again too many to mention!

In 1964 Jess traveled from Spain to the United States on a 3 year contract to herd sheep in California and Nevada. While herding sheep in Thomas Creek area Jess met his future boss. After getting his American Citizenship he worked many years for A&A Plumbing under local #350. Jess and Kathy were successful motel owners for 23 years.

Jess was known as 'pinche' in Spain (Jack of all trades). He loved cars, flea markets, Louie's Basque Corner, and helping all of his friends, family and loved the Basque community.

Jess was an outstanding husband, father and friend. He will be greatly missed!

A 'Celebration of Life' will be held at "The Grove" on August 6, 2017 from 1-4:00 pm at 95 Foothill Road, Reno, Nevada.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to cancer research of your choice.

Louis Erreguible



August 25, 1926-July 23, 2017

It's the end of an era in Reno, one which will not be seen again soon. A legend of our time has passed. Louis Erreguible, chef and former owner of Louis' Basque Corner, died Sunday, July 23, 2017 at St. Mary's hospital. Born August 25, 1926 in Mauleon, Basses Pyrenees, France, he was named Louis after King Louis the 18th. He excelled at an early age, completing his school

examinations at age 12. He moved to Bayonne and became a plumbers apprentice, finishing that training at age 14. His love of Basque cooking began in his mother's kitchen. Several of his aunts and uncles were also fine chefs. At 14 he apprenticed in Bordeaux on the Quai de Bacalan. At 18 he served 2+ years in World War II. Returning home at 21, he went to Paris with "2 suitcases full of French money". He lived in the bistro and cafe neighborhoods where he sang with Edith Piaf and Tino Rossi after hours when they appeared in Paris nightclubs. Louis emigrated to Reno under the sponsorship of his uncle on a three year shepherders contract October 28, 1948. Working in Dayton docking lambs 14 hours a day for 5 days, he decided this line of work was not for him. His uncle gave him two weeks to find a job or be sent back to France. He walked the streets of Reno, looking for anyone who spoke French. He happened by Eugene's French restaurant

speaking to a Basque gardener who told him the restaurant owner was Austrian and spoke the language. He went in, told him about his cooking experience and was hired on the spot. He also worked at the Riverside and Mapes Hotels, Andre's Big Hat, the Bonanza and Santa Fe Hotel under Martin Esain. After a 17 year hiatus working with his cousin at A&F Millwork, Louis returned to the restaurant business opening Louis' Basque Corner on December 23, 1967. Despite naysayers, he served 300 meals that first night. The rest is history. He ran the restaurant 24/7 for 43 years, retiring in 2010. Whether it was the home made soup, the fresh ingredients for the daily specials, the loaves of fresh bread or the wheels of cheese, only the very best was selected by Louis for his customers. "This isn't just a business of feeding people," he would say. "It's a romance. Many people come in here as customers and leave as friends." Agur! Pop. Rest in peace.

Louis was preceded in death by his wife, Lorraine, son, Dr. Fred Moberly, granddaughter, Layla Elder, sisters, Marguerite and Angele, brothers, Henri and Michel. He is survived by his daughters, Therese Elder, Margi Silonis and Marybeth Quintana, 10 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren, and sisters, Rita and Amalie in Mauleon. A special thanks to Michelle Brasshier, Kurt Franke and his grandchildren, Angel and Desyre Mendoza, Natalie Lara for their special care and concern in his last years.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 26, 2017 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Reno at 10 A.M. Reception will follow at Louis' Basque Corner. Published in Reno Gazette-Journal from July 26 to Aug. 24, 2017

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM at Louis Basque Corner. All members are welcome to attend meetings.

PRESIDENT: Joe Leonis (2017-2018)
VICE PRESIDENT: Javier Narvarte (2016-2017)
SECRETARY: Mary Elliot (2016-2017)
TREASURER: Jennifer Etcheberry (2016-2017)
NABO Representative: Enrike Corcostegui (2017-2018)
NABO Representative: Dominica Zubillaga (2016-2017)

BOARD MEMBERS:

Paul Inaki Etxeberri (2016-2017)
Alison Hull (2016-2017)
TJ Valencia (2016-2017)
Miren Zubillaga (2016-2017)
Felicia Aguirre DeWald (2017-2018)
Marylou Etcheberry (2017-2018)
Mateo Franzoia (2017-2018)
Dustin Marvel (2017-2018)

COMMITTEES:

DANCE: Jennifer Etcheberry, Angie Reeder
MEMBERSHIP: Dominica Zubillaga
EUSKARA: Christine Aramburu Alegria
NABO Calendar/Cookbook Sales: Mary Lou Urrutia
NEWSLETTER/SOCIAL MEDIA: Miren Zubillaga, Mariluz Garcia
SUNSHINE COMMITTEE: Janet Inda
WEBSITE: Lisa Corcostegui

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

Memberships are \$20/individual; \$30/family and are due in January. For the 2017 calendar year, we will continue to implement a "free drink" incentive for club members. Individual members will receive one free drink ticket and family memberships will receive two free drink tickets. These tickets will be given to you at the ticket table when you check-in at any club-run event. **Installation Dinner and Festival are excluded.** You must be a current member to play in the NABO Mus Tournament, practice and perform in the dance group, run and vote for office positions, receive the club's newsletter, attend Euskara lessons, and attend member meetings.

EUSKARA LESSONS

Euskara classes will continue to be held at St. John's Presbyterian Church located at 1070 W. Plumb Lane. The current class is for those who have been attending over the last year. However, if you are still interested in learning Euskara, Christine will be starting another class in the fall. If you have further questions/concerns, please contact Christine Aramburu Alegria at christinemaramburu@gmail.com

WEBSITE: www.renobasqueclub.com
FACEBOOK: "LIKE" ZAZPIAK BAT BASQUE RENO
TELEPHONE: (775) 762-3577
EMAIL: RENOBASQUECLUB@GMAIL.COM

Reno Zazpiak Bat Basque Club
PO Box 7771
Reno, NV 89510

[Type the recipient name]