

## ZAZPIAK

## BAT

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND UPDATES FROM THE BOARD

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**GENERAL CLUB UPDATES: Installation Dinner** will be held on January 12, 2019 at Louis's Basque Corner to welcome new officers/board members and give a proper farewell to those who served over the last 2 years. Cocktails at 5:30 PM, dinner will be served at 6:30 PM. Please see attached flyer for additional information. You can RSVP using this link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/fNogJIDRh8TbZe5n1>

Check out our **new website design** updated by Lisa & Enrike Corcostegui at

<http://renobasqueclub.org/home/> Check out pictures from San Martin 2018 taken by the club's unofficial photographer, Lisa Corcostegui, at <http://renobasqueclub.org/home/events/>

It is also time to renew your annual membership. Membership forms are included in this newsletter. It is \$20/single, \$30/family. See **Membership Notice** at the end of the newsletter for additional information or follow this link to pay online: <http://renobasqueclub.org/home/membership/>

**Elections for Officers and Board Members** is happening right now! Please see the attached ballot. You may return it via mail or complete the online form at this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/2IBFNLNBuayp84Bv1>

**All ballots must be submitted by January 4, 2019.**

### MUS TOURNAMENT/MEMBER POTLUCK:

Please save the date for the annual mus tournament and member potluck, which will be held on March 2, 2019.

**DANCER UPDATE:** Dancing season is coming up! There will be a MANDATORY Parent/Dancer information meeting and the dancers' first practice in January. Events will most likely be held at Jesse Beck Elementary School. Exact dates are not yet determined,

but be on the lookout for more information from the Dance Committee. If you have further questions/concerns, please contact Angie Reeder at [zazpiakbasquedancers@yahoo.com](mailto:zazpiakbasquedancers@yahoo.com)

**NABO UPDATES:** NABO 2019 Calendars are still available from **and can be purchased through our club for \$7.00 per calendar.** These make excellent holiday gifts! If you are shopping on Amazon this holiday season, please consider supporting the NABO Educational Fund by shopping through Amazon Smile. NABO will receive 1% of the price of your eligible purchases. Simply go to <https://smile.amazon.com>, log in with your Amazon ID, and select **Educational Fund of North American Basque Organizations, Inc.** as your organization.

**Tiburcio Sarratea** and **Frank Vargas**, the US representatives to the 2018 International Mus Finals, came in 5<sup>th</sup> place overall. Navarre representatives, **Jaione Otxandorena & Timoteo Echeverria** came in first place at the international tournament. This was the first time a woman has won in the international tournament. The second place team, **Isidro Larrañaga** and **Andres Fernandez** represented Spain.

Inner Strength: Portraits of Basque Immigrant Women Exhibit will be installed at Basque Museum in Boise, ID in April 2019. 2019 NABO Pilota Finals will be held in Bakersfield, CA during their annual festival held from May 25-May 27, 2019. Memorial Day Weekend in Bakersfield will also be NABO Convention and the annual Txerriki contest. Udaleku 2019 will be held in San Francisco, CA from June 16-June 28. The theme for camp will be Iparralde.

### ZAZPIAK BAT BASQUE CLUB 2018-2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 12, 2019- INSTALLATION DINNER

March 2, 2019- MUS TOURNAMENT/MEMBERS' POTLUCK

July 20, 2019- 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Festival

September 15, 2019-Fall Picnic

November 16, 2019-San Martin Dinner Dance

**ZBBC 2019 MEMBERSHIP DUES**  
(Please include all information for all past and new members)  
**SINGLE MEMBERSHIP: \$20/year**  
**FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: \$30/year**

Member Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Electronic (via email) \_\_\_\_\_

Regular Mail \_\_\_\_\_

*MEMBERSHIP CARD ISSUED UPON RECEIPT OF DUES*

**DUES PAYABLE: JANUARY**

Make checks payable to Zazpiak Bat Basque Club  
You may mail check and this completed form to:  
Zazpiak Bat Basque Club  
PO Box 7771  
Reno, NV 89510

OR

You may pay online via a PayPal option. Please note that a \$1 fee has been added to cover the PayPal charges.  
<http://renobasqueclub.org/home/membership/>

**\*\*Please remember you must be a current member to play in the NABO Mus Tournament, practice and perform with the dance group, run and vote for office positions, and receive the club newsletters.**

## **2019 ZAZPIAK BAT BASQUE CLUB OFFICERS/BOARD BALLOT**

Please submit your votes (circle your choices) for the 2019 Offices and Board of Directors. See Board of Directors Bios below. All those elected will serve a term of two years (2019-2020) until their next election cycle. Thank you!

### **PRESIDENT:**

Mateo Franzoia

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### **NABO DELEGATE:**

Enrike Corcostegui

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS (you may vote for up to 4):**

Dustin Marvel

Felicia DeWald

Alishia Zabalegui Teepe

Brandon Friedmann

Mike Aguerre

Gotzon Mujika

Bobby Elcano

### **COMMENTS/CONCERNS for 2018:**

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## **SUGGESTIONS for 2019:**

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### **BOARD OF DIRECTOR NOMINEE BIOS**

#### **GOTZON MUJICA**

Kaixo!

My name is Gotzon Mujika, I am 31 years old and I was born in Beasain, Gipuzkoa. My first language is euskera but I can also speak spanish and english. I studied Electronics Engineering and Industrial Organization Engineering at EHU-UPV in San Sebastian. During that time I shared my apartment with USAC students and therefore I met a lot of Americans. My wife Kim is from Reno and we met while she was studying with USAC. We got married in 2016 in Reno and we also decided to move here. I arrived to Reno last March so I am still adapting to my new life. Mateo Franzoia was my roommate in 2009 and we are really good friends.

I like to play the guitar, mus and esku pilota. I don't dance any Basque dances but I really like to cook Basque food.

I have volunteered many times for KTMB (Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful); I participated as Project Leader in their last cleanup.

I also participated in the last Basque Statue cleanup in Rancho San Rafael park.

Eskerrik asko aukera hau emateagatik!

#### **MIKE AGUERRE**

I have been involved with the Southern California Basque Club most of my adult life. I have served as a delegate to NABO for the last 10 years. I was president of the club for seven years. I resigned when Gina and I moved to Reno.

During this time I helped plan and coordinate our annual picnic and two yearly mus tournaments. During this time our club took on the cooking duties for the Chino Fair demolition derby. It has been a great fundraiser for the club.

In 2016, we hosted the NABO convention in coordination with our 70th anniversary.

The Southern California Basque club will always be an important part of my life; however, I have given up most of my duties there. I will still participate in our annual picnic.

During my time as president, I was also the treasurer of the Anaitasuna Basque club in San Francisco. We hosted an annual NABO mus tournament every year, and helped with the international mus when it was in San Francisco.

Now that I am in Reno, we fill it is time to get involved with our local club.

#### **ALISHIA ZABALEGUI TEEPE**

Kaixo!!!

My name is Alishia Zabalegui Teepe. I was born and raised in Reno and grew up as a member of ZBBC. I graduated from Gonzaga University with a degree in international relations and music performance. I currently work as a Mortgage Loan Processor for PrimeLending. I also play the violin for the Reno Pops Orchestra, the Toccata Tahoe Symphony, and The Ruby Mountain Symphony in Elko. My husband Micah and I were married in 2012 and we have two boys, Landon (4) and Donovan Luis (1).

I have always had such great pride in being Basque! Growing up, taking beef tongue for lunch in grade school, birthday dinners with all the Basquos, and drinking Kalimoxos was anything but unusual. I always loved attending all of the Basque picnics and dancing with the group. I am so thankful to be able to pass on my childhood traditions to my two boys. My husband, sons and I love attending all of the Basque festivals and Landon especially, has a blast dancing with the ZBBC Basque Dancers!

I look forward to being a board member of ZBBC to continue preserving and growing our Basque culture.

Eskerrik asko!

### **FELICIA AGUIRRE DEWALD**

I am from Elko and grew up Basque dancing and eating at The Star and Biltoki! My husband and I moved to Reno recently after grad school and the Basque Board and club have been a second family for us. I have enjoyed being a representative on the board the last 2 years. In particular, I helped with fundraising for the club by organizing the wine thermoses for festival. I teach at UNR and direct a program called NevadaFIT. I love spreading our Basque culture with the community, and hope to continue to help plan our great events!

### **BRANDON FRIEDMANN**

I feel I would be a good candidate for this position on the board because I have been around the Basque Club and both dance groups my whole life. I have had some small hand in the events usually by volunteering my time with booth work or set up/tear down of the events. I think I would be helpful in trying to appeal to the younger group by being able to give a point of view that others on the board may not have the ability to do.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

### **DUSTIN MARVEL**

I am of the Urriola Basque family located in Elko, Nevada. I am a current member of the Zazpiak Bat Basque board, and have been involved in every club event held for the past two years. I am also an attorney and have provided the club with legal advice and services during my tenure on the board. I am an advocate of Basque heritage and desire to continue representing the club to the best of my ability if re-elected.

### **BOBBY ELCANO**

No submission.

Memberships are \$20/individual, \$30/family and are due in January. For the 2019 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.

### BOARD OF DIRECTIONS

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 (2018-2019)  
**SECRETARY:** Mary Elliot (2018-2019)  
**TREASURER:** Jennifer Etcheberry (2018-2019)  
**NABO Representative:** Enrike Corcostegui (2017-2018)

**NABO Representative:** Dominica Zubillaga (2018-2019)

### BOARD MEMBERS:

Felicia Aguirre DeWald (2017-2018)  
 Marylou Etcheberry (2017-2018)  
 Mateo Franzoia (2017-2018)  
 Dustin Marvel (2017-2018)  
 Jon DeWald (2018-2019)  
 Alison Hull (2018-2019)  
 TJ Valencia (2018-2019)  
 Jean Zubillaga (2018-2019)

### COMMITTEES:

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

### EUSKARA LESSONS

Euskara classes continue to be held via Zoom. The current class is for those who have been attending over the last couple of years. If you have further questions/concerns, please contact Christine Aramburu Alegria at [christinemaramburu@gmail.com](mailto:christinemaramburu@gmail.com)  
 AISA (online Euskara lessons):  
[www.ikasten.ikasbil.eus](http://www.ikasten.ikasbil.eus)

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### MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

**WEBSITE:** [WWW.RENOBASQUECLUB.ORG](http://WWW.RENOBASQUECLUB.ORG)  
**FACEBOOK:** “LIKE” ZAZPIAK BAT BASQUE RENO  
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