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**TXOKO ONA PICNIC**

We regret to announce that the 2020 Txoko Ona Picnic has been **canceled**. The safety of our members and guests is our first priority.

Fr. Antton Egiguren is now a priest in Merced, Ca and has been live-streaming Masses, via Facebook, during this Covid-19 quarantine. For all the Basque Clubs that have had to cancel their picnics he has highlighted their community with a special Mass. Fr. Antton will celebrate Mass for Txoko Ona in memory of our members who have recently passed away.

**June 28th**

**Live-stream Mass**

**Celebrant:** Fr. Antton Egiguren

**Time:** 9:30AM

**Link:**
https://www.facebook.com/pg/StPatricksParishCommunity/posts/

Since our picnic is around the time of the summer solstice and the Feast of St. John the Baptist, we were planning to incorporate some of the Basque traditions of this feast day at this year’s picnic.

**SAN JUAN BESPERA:**

**ST. JOHN’S EVE**

When the sun goes down on June 23rd, many a bonfire is set ablaze to mark San Juan Eguna, the feast of St. John the Baptist. Basques became Christianized around the 8th century by most estimates. In an earlier time, the summer solstice, the longest day of the year, must have seemed magical and it spawned a wide assortment of rituals throughout Europe. In the case of the Basques, we are not certain what those pre-Christian rituals were, but what has survived is their rough form with a new Christian context. Thus, what we now know as San Juan Eguna, the day of St. John the Baptist, seems likely to have been adaptations of earlier rituals marking a day when it seemed as if the sun stood still in the sky.

The arrival of San Juan Eguna is marked by parties, festivals, neighborhood rituals and of course the omnipresent bonfires. There are many places in the Basque Country that celebrate this holiday in big ways or it can be as simple as a group of neighbors joining together to build a bonfire. In Tolosa, an ash tree is cut down and placed in the town square and each house is also decorated with branches. In addition, herbs are gathered on the morning of San Juan and kept throughout the year. Legend has it that the ashes cure skin diseases and that one should jump the fire a minimum of three times to have a good year.

There are many variations on the
theme of the summer solstice in the Basque Country, and throughout Europe for that matter, though now the meanings have been transformed. Not too many today make this a day to pick mid-summer plants for their perceived miraculous healing powers, nor lighting bonfires to fend off evil spirits. For some it still marks a special day on their religious calendar. For others, the rituals of San Juan Eguna still serve as a way of bringing the community together.

Online sources: www.hiru.com; wikipedia.org; diariovasco.com

NABO BERRIAK
NABO NEWS

MUS TOURNAMENT
The National NABO Mus Tournament originally planned for June in Los Banos, CA has been postponed until the fall. The date will be announced later.

UDALEKU
SUMMER CAMP
Cancelled due to Covid-19.

Please note that all applicants who were in their last year of eligibility will be welcome at Udaleku 2021.

OMENALDIASK
MEMORIALS
Thank you to the following for sending memorials in honor of their family and friends:

In memory of Manuel Madariaga
Ray & Mary Louise Mansisidor
Elias & Rose Lete
Rita Zabala

In memory of Don Mavey
John & Kathy Demshar

In memory of Sam Shields
Elias & Inez Jaca

In memory of Gloria Navarro
Inez & Christie Heldt

In memory of Ray Mansisidor
Ric & Terri Uria
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Dan & Vicky Landa
Helen Berria
Simon & Pat Landa
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John & Gloria Lejardi
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Reed & Marilinn Batt
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Louis & Jean Uranga
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Lloyd & Joan Noe
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Francisca Lejardi
Coro Goitiandia
Hank & Gerri Achurra Family
Carmen Lete & Family
Power Engineers
Teresa Mendazona
Tony & Teresa Larrocea
Loretta Faye Uriguen
Inez & Christie Heldt
Phil & Paune Uberuaga

In memory of Domingo Uriguen
Dan & LeAnda Uranga
Tony & Teresa Larrocea
Ricardo & Dolores Salutregui
Simon & Pat Landa
Carmen Demshar
Mary Louise Mansisidor
Rita Zabala
Rachell Sauvageau
Mirilyn Reich
Stan & Patti Zatica

In memory of Trini Moad Snow
Inez & Christie Heldt

In memory of John Navarro
Inez & Christie Heldt

In memory of Jeannie Percifield
Inez & Christie Heldt

In memory of Marilyn Lees
Simon & Pat Landa

GOIZIN BEGO REST IN PEACE

STAY HEALTHY ORDER
Following Governor Little’s guidelines, Txoko Ona will be open for use on a limited basis. Please contact the rental manager for information regarding the rental of the building.

HELP PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY BY FOLLOWING THESE GUIDELINES:

IF YOU ARE FEELING SICK, DO NOT ENTER THE BUILDING

WASH OR SANITIZE YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY

MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING

WEARING A PROTECTIVE MASK IS ENCOURAGED BUT NOT REQUIRED

Thank you for your cooperation, Txoko Ona, Board of Directors

2020
EGUTEGIA / CALENDAR

*** Events may be subject to postponement or cancellation due to future Covid-19 restrictions.

07/04/20 Demolition Derby Chorizo Booth
08/05/20 Owyhee County Fair Chorizo Booth
11/14/20 Fall Dinner
12/06/20 Christmas Party