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TXOKO ONA PICNIC

We regret to announce that the 2020 Txoko Ona Picnic has been **cancelled**. 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. We will keep planning for next year instead. Below is a brief description of the special day taken from the NABO website:

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.

OMENALDIAK 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
Ricardo & Delores Salutregui
Dan & Vicky Landa
Helen Berria
Simon & Pat Landa
Antornio LaDonna Arriaga
John & Gloria Lejardi
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Louis & Jean Uranga
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Bud Phillips Family
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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
Marilyn 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

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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*

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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