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JUNE 2009 ELECTIONS

The elections for the Board of Directors will take place following the General Membership Meeting at **10:00 am SHARP on Sunday, June 14, 2009**. Elections will be held in the same format as previous years. Everyone has an opportunity to participate in the election "BY MAIL" if you are unable to be present on June 14, 2009. Some of the rules are as follows:

- 1) You must be a Certificate Member in good standing to vote.
- 2) You can still vote at the Basque Cultural Center on the Election Day if you do not send in your ballot on time.
- 3) You **MUST** have a signature card on file.

BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Sec 3.02 of the bylaws has been amended by the Board of Directors. There will now be one annual informational meeting for members on the **third Sunday in November**. The annual Members' General meeting will continue to be on the **second Sunday in June**.

Board of Directors

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RENO CONVENTION

It's not too late to sign up to perform in this year's NABO convention! We are still accepting dancers and all are welcome. Practices will be June 13, 19, and 20th. July practices to be announced later. We will be performing dances from the Benafarroa cavalcade. This includes mutxikoaks, fandango, Soka dantza (farandole), Quadrilles. For more info contact Valerie Arrechea at etcharren@msn.com.

NEW MEMBER

Zorionak to our newest member:

Manuel Gamio

**When you have the opportunity,
please congratulate him!**

Upcoming Events

- Jun 7-San Francisco Basque Club Annual Picnic
- Jun 12-BEO Basque Film Series 7:30pm **Akelarre** (Witches' Sabbath)
- Jun 13-San Francisco Junior Mus Tournament
- Jun 14-General Meeting and Elections 10 a.m.
- Jun 19-Dance 101 7:00 p.m.
- Jun 21-Father's Day Lunch and Raffle
- Jul 24-26-NABO Convention, Reno, NV
- Jul 30-Aug 1-Boise Pilota Invitational
- Aug 2-Zpiez Mukaki-Lapurdi Dance Group
- Aug 28-Pastorale by Xiberoa Youth Exchange
- Aug 29-30 BCC Euskal Etxeko Jaialdia
- Aug 30-Memorial Mass for Aita Tillous
- Oct 3- 12th Annual Golf Invitational
- Oct 14-Iparreko Ibarra October Besta and Mus Tournament

JUNIOR MUS TOURNAMENT

We will be holding the San Francisco Junior mus tournament on Saturday, June 13. The tournament will start at 10:00 at the Basque Cultural Center. A pizza lunch will be provided to all players. There are two divisions: under 12, and 13-17. The winners of the 13-17 division will play in the NABO finals in July in Reno, NV.

2009 BOISE PILOTA INVITATIONAL

Boise Eusko Kirolak is hosting their 2nd annual Men's Paleta Goma and Women's Baleen tournament **July 30th-August 1st**. If you are interested in participating, please contact Evelyne at pierresautobody@sbcglobal.net or 415.850.6733.



ZPEIZ MUKAKI - BASQUE MEN DANCING IN KILTS!

Sunday, August 2nd, 3:30pm - After Lunch

Zpeiz Mukaki, a Basque Dancing group, from the province of Lapurdi, will perform at the San Francisco Basque Cultural Center on August 2nd. Zpeiz Mukaki are eight dancers accompanied by six musicians. They perform traditional Basque dances to the music of classic Basque rock tunes of the early 1990s and dance in kilts. For more details and to see video clips, please check the Basque Cultural Center website at www.BasqueCulturalCenter.com.

HOUSING NEEDED

XIBEROA YOUTH EXCHANGE

Nine young adults will be traveling this June to Xiberoa to spend two weeks getting to know that area. In exchange, a group of 15 young adults will be coming to San Francisco for 12 days from **August 19 - August 31st**. They will be putting on a pastore written by Mixel Etchecopare here at the Basque Cultural Center on Friday, August 28th.

We are looking for housing for these young adults. If you are interested in welcoming them, please contact Valerie Arrechea at 415-859-1154 or Etcharren@msn.com as soon as possible.

REUNION FOR 59-61 YEAR OLDS

We are hoping to have a get together on **November 21, 2009** at the BCC for those that were born in 1948, 1949, and 1950. That would be for those of us (who have not reached the memory loss) who will be turning 59, 60, and 61 years old.

We do not know everyone in these age groups so if you are interested in attending, helping plan the event, or have any questions please contact Leon Sorhondo at Irissartara@yahoo.com or at 415-285-0748. We would love your help in organizing a nice event, so please contact Leon if you would like to be a part of the planning committee.

EUSKARA CORNER

Here are a few important words for locations that might be useful if you happen to be traveling in Euskal Herria. Hopefully you would visit some more than others ;)

town/city hall – udaletxea
bathroom - komuna

restaurant – atetxea
hospital - ospitalea

church – eliza
street - kalea

beach – hondartza

hotel – hotela

DANCE 101

This month's Dance 101 class will be on June 19th at 7:00 pm. We will then be taking the summer off and resuming classes on September 25th.

SIX FLAGS MARINE WORLD

We will be taking the group from Xiberoa to Marine World on Saturday, August 22nd. If anyone is interested in coming and getting a group rate price on the ticket, please contact Valerie Arrechea no later than June 15th at etcharren@msn.com.

THIRD ANNUAL ANGEL ISLAND

BASQUE PICNIC

Please join us on **Sunday, August 23rd** for the 3rd Annual Angel Island Basque Picnic. Bring your meal, and we will BBQ it for you. Please also bring something to share. To coordinate, please contact Valerie Arrechea at etcharren@msn.com before August 15th.

GIANT'S GAME

We will be taking the group from Xiberoa to a Giants game on **Tuesday, Aug. 25** (evening game): For those interested in attending as a group and getting a group rate ticket, please contact Valerie Arrechea at etcharren@msn.com no later than June 15th.