

Zazpiak Bat

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Incoming President's Message

JOE ROSEVEAR

Happy New Year to the Reno Basque Club! I am honored to serve as the Club's president for 2012.

To introduce myself to those of you I have not yet had the pleasure to meet, I have been a club member on and off since 2000 and served as a board director in 2011. I was born in Winnemucca and raised in Elko. My family was active in the Elko Basque club during my childhood, and I enjoyed many years of celebrating the Basque culture throughout Nevada. I relocated to Reno in 2000 after living several years in the Northwest, and now I am proud to be raising my daughter with my wife, Ann, in my home state.

In my role as president, I hope to carry on the longstanding traditions of the Reno Basque Club, including the Mus Tournament and annual

Death Notice

EXCERPTED FROM THE RENO GAZETTE-JOURNAL
Juan Acordagoitia, 82 years old, died on January 4, 2012, in Reno. He was born on February 26, 1929, in Ereño, Bizkaia, Spain, to Jose Domingo Acordagoitia and Luisa Leniz. After moving to the United States in April 1952, he worked on the Spanish Ranch Tuscarora (Nevada) as a sheepherder for 5 years. He became an American citizen on May 14, 1958. He moved to Reno where he lived for the remainder of his life. He was married to Maria Christina Acordagoitia for 36 years until her death in 1995. He worked many years at Helms Construction.

He is survived by his wife, Beatriz Uribe-Acordagoitia, sons Javier and Robert Acordagoitia, and grandchildren Tanya and Sean.



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Images of the San Martin Dinner Dance, November 12, 2011, 775 Gastropub Restaurant, Reno, Nevada. Photos by Marian Gooch. Left: Club members and their guests enjoying the music. Right: Left to right, Gloria Castillo and Pierrette Calleja.

Basque Festival. I am excited to work with a cohesive and well-balanced board of directors to ensure the Club continues to promote our Basque culture. As with any organization, there is always room for improvement and expansion—the board and I are looking toward a year with more members, greater outreach to our neighboring clubs, commitment to educating our children about their Basque heritage, and building a stronger Reno-Basque community.

Our Installation Dinner is set for January 28, 2012, at the Santa Fe Restaurant. Please come and meet board members new and old. In particular, I would like to thank retiring president Kate Camino and newsletter editor Sara Vélez Mallea for their amazing dedication and many hours of service to this club.

This newsletter includes a directory of board members with contact information. Feel free to call me with any questions, concerns, or ideas regarding the club. Best regards to all.

Outgoing President's Message

KATHLEEN J. CAMINO

Urte berri on dener! I hope you all have spent a wonderful holiday season with family and friends! Hard to believe that it is already 2012. In reflecting on what to write in my final president's message, I was reminded of all the wonderful people I was allowed to work with, and got to know, over these three years and what wonderful strides we made together in keeping our Basque club alive and vibrant! I first want to thank everyone who served on the board with me over the years. Ours was not an easy tenure, a NABO convention, followed by an Udaleku, hosting various folks from the Basque Country as well as Basque Government dignitaries, and making what I feel are improvements for our local activities. I also want to thank all the club members who stepped up to support and attend our activities and volunteer wherever needed. If it weren't for you our club would never make it. We worked hard, no doubt about it, but it was all done with a common goal in mind, perpetuating our Basque culture here in Reno. I wish Joe Rosevear, your new president, and his board all the best, and I am confident that you

will show him the same support you have shown me. *Ene desira hoberenekin.*

2012-2013 Board of Directors

PIERETTE CALLEJA, GLORIA CASTILLO, AND SARA VELEZ MALLEA, MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

We are pleased to announce the results of the 2012-2013 nominations/elections as follows:

President: Joe Rosevear (2012–2013)

Vice President: Javier Narvarte (2012–2013)

Secretary: Lauri Narvarte (2012–2013)

Treasurer: Margurite Wilson (2012)

NABO Rep: Paul Etxeberri (2012)

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Board Members:

Christine Aramini (2012)

Jennifer Etcheberry (2012-2013)

Paul Iñaki Etxeberri (2012)

Tori King (2012)

Joxe Mallea-Olaetxe (2012)

Lorenzo Trimble (2012-2013)

Paul Woodin (2012–2013)

Jack Yturiaga (2012)

We are seeking individuals to volunteer to serve as a treasurer-in-training to eventually take over Margo's treasurer and membership chair duties, and a nonboard member to chair the November-December nominations/elections committee. Sara resigned as the committee's chair, and that position is vacant.

Membership Message

MARGO WILSON, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

As we close the 2011 year for the Zazpiak Bat Basque Club, I want to take the time to say what an amazing year it has been! We had many great times as members. Thanks to all who have kept our club functioning. We will be losing our president, Kate Camino, who has worked many dedicated hours on the club's behalf. We look forward to the new president, Joe Rosevear, and will continue to do our best for the club. I will finish my term as treasurer and membership chair until we can find volunteers to take over these functions. I look forward to my newly elected position as NABO Representative.

We want to give a warm welcome to all the new members who joined the club in 2011, and we hope to see you at the functions that we have throughout the year.

Tentative 2012 Calendar of Events

Note: These dates have not yet been confirmed.

February

Feb. 11 (Sat.): Utah Club Dinner Dance + NABO Winter Meeting
Feb 18-19: S.F. Basque Cultural Center Anniversary

March

March 3 (Sat.): Reno Mus Tournament, Santa Fe Hotel and Restaurant

April

April 22 (Sun.): Aberri Eguna New York City Basque Club; Miami Basque Club

May

May 5 (Sat.): Fresno festival
May 19 (Sat.): Los Banos festival
May 26-27: Bakersfield festival
TBA NABO Mus Finals

June

June 2 (Sat.): Ventura County festival
June 3 (Sun.): San Francisco Basque Club festival
June 9-10: Winnemucca festival
June 24 (Sun.): Txoko Ona (Homedale); Utah Basque Club festival
June 30-July 1: Elko festival

July

TBA: Beti Gazte (Youth) Picnic
July 1 (Sun.): Elko festival
July 8 (Sun.): So. Cal Basque Club (Chino) festival
July 15 (Sun.): Gooding festival
July 21: Reno festival
July 21-22: Buffalo (Wyo.) festival
July 28-29: Boise festival

August

Aug. 4 (Sat.): Seattle Euskal Etxea picnic
Aug. 11 (Sat.): Gardnerville festival + Kantari Eguna; Mountain Home festival
Aug. 18 (Sat.): Colorado Euskal Etxea; Rock Springs festival
Aug. 25 (Sat.): Battle Mountain festival
Aug. 26 (Sun.): San Francisco BCC annual Euskal Etxeko Jaialdia

September

Sept. 2 (Sun.): Chino festival
Sept. 9 (Sun.): Marin-Sonoma festival
Sept. 15 (Sat.): Montreal club festival

October

Oct. 7 (Sun.): Las Vegas
Oct. 14 (Sun.): Santa Rosa fall festival
Oct. 20 (Sat.): Rocklin festival

November

Nov. 3 (Sat.): Basque Educational Organization
Nov. 10 (Sat.): Reno San Martin Dinner
TBA: Cenarrusa Foundation dinner event

Oroitzapenez

In memory of those who passed away in 2011:

Frank Arregui
Raymond Gabica Sr.
Eugene Thomas Gastanaga
Christopher Cruz Ibaibarriaga
Daniel Raymond Jayo
Joan Helen Springer Laca
Tony Laca
John Landa
Frances Larragueta
Henry Paul Mentaberry
Michael Lynn Olano

Basque News

In October 2011, the online newspaper *Gara* reported ETA's ending of armed campaign for independence.

In November 2011, EITB reported that the Basque Country Government of Euskadi was the only community in Spain to have a surplus through September 2011.

In the January 8, 2012, *New York Times*, David Chang wrote that in his opinion, "the best seafood experience in your life" is awaiting at the Elkano Restaurant, about 15 minutes outside Donosti/San Sebastián

Editorial Note: This is Sara Vélez Mallea's last newsletter. Sara is stepping down after four years of service in this capacity. We are pleased to announce that new club member Robyn Oxborrow has agreed to be the club's newsletter editor, and Sara will work with her for a while. Welcome Robyn!

Board of Directors

The board meetings are scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 P.M. The February meeting will be at residence of Joe and Ann Rosevear. Please note that the board is exploring a public location for future meetings. All are welcome.

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Paul Iñaki Etxeberri (2012) Paul Woodin (2012–13)

Tori King (2012) Jack Yturiaga (2012)

Committees

Dance Instructors: Marylou Etcheberry & Jennifer Etcheberry

Membership: Margurite Wilson is recruiting a volunteer

NABO Calendar/Cookbook Sales: MaryLou Urrutia

Newsletter/Facebook: Robyn Oxborrow

Nominations/Elections Committee: Gloria Castillo, Pierrette

Calleja & recruiting a volunteer to chair it

Photographer: Claude Sendon

Web site: Lorenzo Trimble

Membership Notices

Installation-Dinner Meeting. The installation of officers' dinner meeting has been scheduled for January 28, 2012, at the Santa Fe Restaurant. Please join us for cocktails at 6 P.M. and dinner at 7 P.M. Please RSVP and tell us the number of individuals in your party by calling the club's telephone number, 775-762-3577.

Deaths. The year 2011 ended with sad news for the families of some of our members who lost beloved relatives: Javier Narvarte's father; Lauri Narvarte's niece; Joxe Mallea's brother; and MaryLou Urrutia's mother, Magdalena Urrutia. We keep them in our thoughts and prayers for a better year in 2012.

Sunshine. *Zorionak* to Gloria Castillo. Another birthday and looking great!

Membership. Fees are \$20/individual and \$30/family, and membership renewal is **due in January**. Make your check payable to Zazpiak Bat Reno Basque Club, fill out the enclosed envelope, affix a postage stamp, and mail it. Please note that postage increases will happen soon! **We ask you to fill out the information requested in the envelope so that we may compare it with our records on file.** You must be a current member to receive the secretary/treasurer's reports and to attend membership meetings. Your newsletter address label indicates your membership status.

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