



GURE CLUB'EKO BERRIAK



August 2016

Club Website: www.utah-basque.com

Twitter & Instagram: [@UTBasqueClub](https://www.instagram.com/UTBasqueClub)

Next Basque Club Meeting

Date: Thursday, August 4, 2016

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Mary & Jean's home
449 Shamrock Drive
Murray, Utah

Topics: Report on the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, the club picnic and Udaleku.

Bring your favorite snack and plan to attend!



Upcoming Events

Aug 10	S'mores Day
Sept 5	Labor Day
Sept 18	Carmelite Fair
Sept 22	Autumnal Equinox
Sept 30	Club Meeting
Oct 20-21	UEA Break
Oct 31	Halloween
Nov 18	Club Meeting
Nov 24	Thanksgiving

Club Picnic Held

Our annual Basque Club picnic was held on June 26 at the Union Park Pavillion. It was hot but luckily the venue is in the shade so it was a great time.

Thanks to John Cendagorta, Pantxo and Nancy Aguerre for cooking the food. And thanks to Cristina Sangroniz Padjen, who helped serve the food. Another big thank you goes out to Catherine Barajas for taking money and staffing the souvenir booth. And a big thank you to Fr. Dave VanMassenhove for celebrating mass for us.

The club officers would like to extend a special thanks to Phil and Jenn Archibeque, who cooked Paella, with all of the proceeds going to our dancers to support their fundraising for their trip to Washington, DC.

In addition, the dancers had a raffle for several prizes. Thanks to Bob Ithurralde, who provided a painting for the raffle that was won by Pam Lejardi. Cathy Hill won the Summer Fun set and the Carricaburu family won the iPad. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets for the raffle.

The dancers performed for our club and they looked terrific. It was too hot for them to wear their dance costumes but even in summer attire, they looked great. Thanks to all of them for their hard work and dedication.

Follow the Club on Twitter

Have a Twitter Account? Be sure to follow the club's twitter account [@UTBasqueClub](https://www.twitter.com/UTBasqueClub). This account has the latest updates on the club and all things Basque.

Don't have an account? Use the web page.

www.twitter.com/utbasqueclub

Utah'ko Triskalariak Participate in Festival

The Basque Club of Utah dancers, Utah'ko Triskalariak, participated in the 2016 Smithsonian Folklife Festival on July 1 - 3 held on the National Mall in Washington, DC. Our dancers were one of seven US dance groups to participate in the festival.

The 2016 Folklife Festival celebrated resilient communities around the world. Visitors learned how the Basque country sustains culture, drawing on traditions to innovate in a rapidly changing world. They also learned cooking techniques and phrases in the Euskara language and of course, they saw the dancing!

The dancers also debuted new costumes that were created by Pilar Shortsleeve and Rhonda Spivey. The costumes were beautiful and the dancers looked great. Thanks so much to Pilar and Rhonda for creating the costumes.

Thanks to everyone who supported the dancers with their fund raising efforts. It was expensive to travel to Washington, DC but it was worth it for our dancers to represent our club and for the opportunity to perform on a national stage.

See pictures on our club Twitter and Instagram accounts, @UTBasqueClub and on page 4 of this newsletter.

Anthony Ithurralde Book Signing

Anthony Ithurralde, son of Bob and Pat Ithurralde, recently completed the artwork for a children's book called "Andre, the Alligator." To celebrate the book, an art show and book signing was held at the Ely Art Bank, in Ely, Nevada, on July 22.

Here is a link to a video of the event:
<https://www.facebook.com/anthony.ithurralde/posts/10154372622079136>

Congratulations, Anthony.

Club hosts Udaleku

The Basque Club of Utah hosted Udaleku, the NABO Basque Culture Camp, on July 10 through 22. The camp was held at St. Vincent's Holy Family Hall. This year's camp had 81 children from several Basque clubs in the west, as well as instructors from Euskadi, Nevada, California and Utah and aides from Miami, Argentina, Nevada and Utah.

The students learned so much while they were here in Salt Lake City at the camp. They took classes in Euskara, dance, Mus, Culture and Txistu. Thanks so much to our instructors for teaching classes at the camp. Thanks to Scott Berriochoa, Sonia Castanon, Pilar Shortsleeve, Jexux Larrea, Lisa Corcostegui, Irati Del Rio and Martin Almirantearena. Also, thanks to the elective classes instructors: Phil Archibeque, Catherine Barajas, Jay Shortsleeve, Tina Almirantearena, Marc Gaztambide, Carina Barajas and Cirbie Sangroniz.

But it wasn't all just class time. The students visited East High school, where the Disney "High School Musical" movies were filmed. They also had some fun at Snowbird and Lagoon and had a pool party at the Murray Park pool.

On Friday night, July 22, the campers gave a performance of what they had learned. The dancing was beautiful and the performance was outstanding. What was really impressive were the children who were performing on the Txistu, who had never played the instrument before the camp.

In addition to the performance, the club had a delicious dinner. The parents said it was the best dinner they had ever had at an Udaleku performance. Thanks to our cooks who cooked the food and for everyone who helped serve and clean up at the dinner.

I heard from many of the campers and instructors how much they loved the food served at the camp. One mother told me her daughter did not like Basque food until she came to the camp. As a club we have always known we have outstanding cooks, now the greater Basque Community knows, too.

Here is a note from the Directors of Udaleku - Catherine Barajas, Cirbie Lee, Pilar Shortsleeve, Cristina Padjen, Carina Barajas and Marcel Gaztambide - Thank you to all who housed kids, volunteered to work, taught a class, drove and chaperoned on trips and donated money, food and other items to Udaleku! All of you made it a great success! We have received so many compliments about the camp from the kids, their parents and the instructors who traveled here to teach. This would never have been possible without all of your help. Eskerrik Askoi!

See pictures on Page 5 and more info on the NABO website: http://nabasque.org/astero_a11_30.html

NEWS

Congratulations to:

- **Genifer Graff**, who retired from IBM. She is now working for Pega Systems.

Condolences to:

- **Marie and Julene Gunderson and families**, on the death of Marie's son and Julene's husband, **Eric**
- **Pete Markakis and family and the Menna family**, on the death of Pete's wife, **Isabell**. Here is the obituary:
<http://tinyurl.com/IsabelleMarkakis>

Dancer Update

The Basque Club of Utah dancers, Utah'ko Triskalariak, have been very busy this summer. Their summer started with a performance at the club picnic on June 26. In addition to a wonderful performance, the dancers also had a raffle and sold Paella to raise money to attend the Smithsonian Folklife Festival.

At the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, the dancers performed six times. Attendees loved the festival and loved our dancers. They posted video and pictures on Instagram, Twitter and Flickr. The dancers all said it was a great experience and they had a wonderful time.

Next, the dancers were all involved with Udaleku, the NABO Basque Culture Camp. They taught classes and served the performance dinner.

Finally, the dancers will be performing at the Colorado Euskal Extea Summer Picnic on August 6. The dancers have performed for this club before and they love our dancers.

Cirbie Lee Sangroniz and Alise Cendagorta-Skaggs continue to manage our club dancers. If you have any questions, please contact the dancers at their email account:
utahbasquedancers@gmail.com.

Carmelite Fair on September 18

Volunteers are needed for the Basque Booth at the Carmelite Fair. The fair will take place on September 18 from 11 to 5. We will be selling Chorizos to raise money for the monastery and for the nuns who live there. The address of the monastery is 5714 S Holladay Blvd, Salt Lake City, UT.



Our club dancers, Utah'ko Triskalariak, will be performing at noon. More information about the fair may be found on the fair website,

<http://www.carmelslc.org/carmelpg4.htm>

Parking is extremely limited but there is a free shuttle bus to the venue. To ride the free shuttle bus, park your car for free at the following 5 locations:

- Shopping Center - on the N. E. corner at 6200 South Van Winkle and Highland Dr.
- Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church after 12pm, 5335 South Highland Dr.
- Macys, corner of Murray-Holladay Rd., and Highland Dr.
- Holladay Library, 2150 E. Murray Holladay Rd.
- Holladay Village mall on Holladay Blvd., just south of the corner of Murray-Holladay Rd.

The bus runs every 30 minutes from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm. This is an important fundraiser for the nuns and your hard work and efforts are greatly appreciated!

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Basque Culture Summer Camp



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