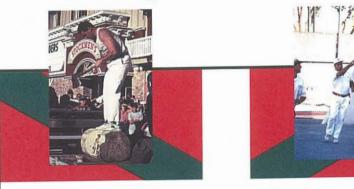


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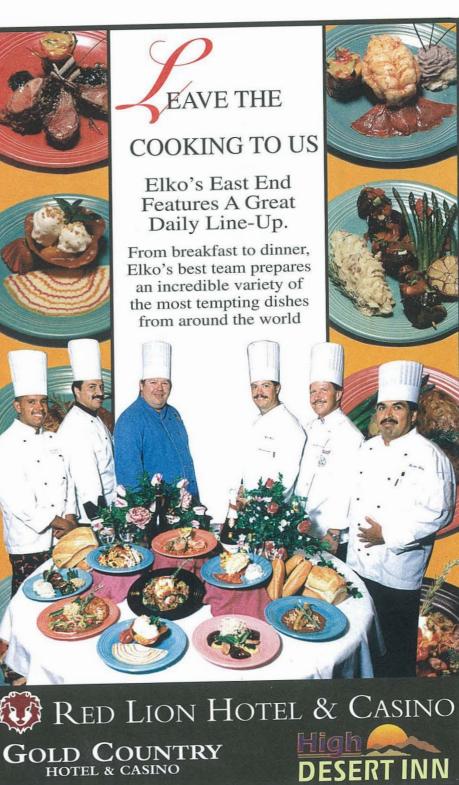




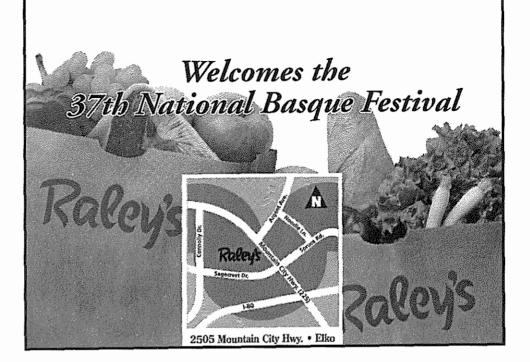
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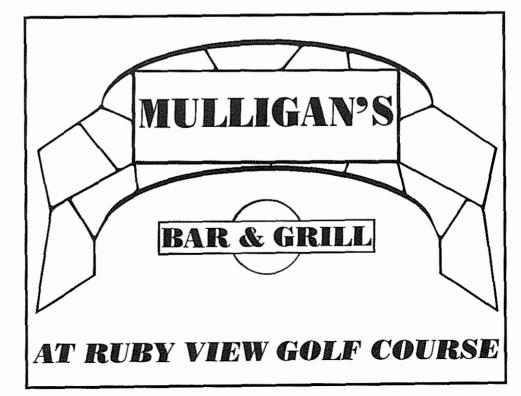
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President's Message

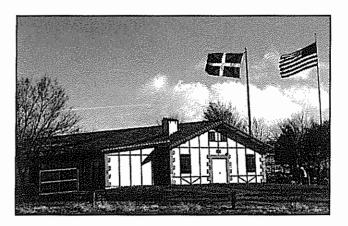
Welcome to the 37th National Basque Festival. I would like to thank everyone who has worked with the board to put our celebration together. Community sponsors and many volunteers working together make our festival happen.

Basques have many proud traditions: dancing, handball, eating, weightlifting, wood chopping, and authentic music. These are the traditions which most associate with Basques. There is one more proud Basque tradition, working together to get a job done. As we "Celebrate old traditions in a new millennium," remember the tradition that makes this festival possible, working together, pitching in to help a friend when they ask.

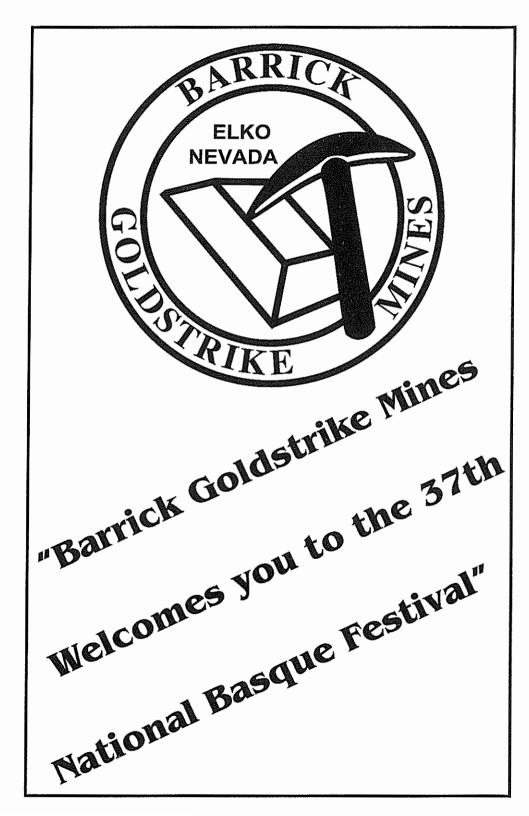
Have Fun!! Enjoy old Friends!! Support our sponsors!! Thank you for coming!! Ramon Zugazaga

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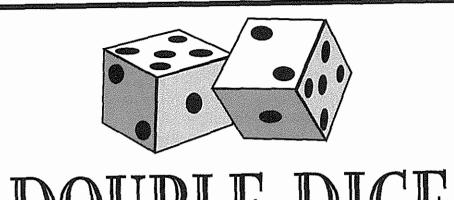
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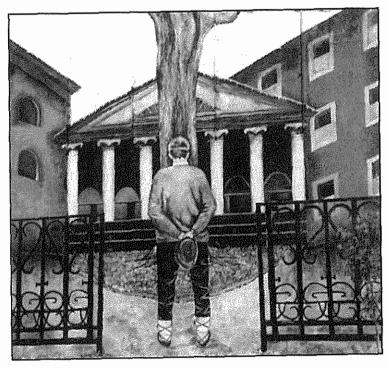
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"Before God was God and boulders were boulders, the Basques were already Basques."

There is no shortage of theories that seek to explain the origins of the Basques, western Europe's mystery people. They range from the incredulous (that Basques are the survivors of the lost people of Atlantis, the fabled land that sunk into the sea) the mythical (that Basques are descendants of the mythical Aitor, the first Basque man) the pre-historic (Basques descended from the Stone Age, proponents pointing to Basque words for tools that all incorporate stone) the expansive (purported links with other distant languages) to the probable (Basques are descendants of the Iberians, people who once inhabited Spain).



Euskal Herria

The Basques defined themselves as Euskaldunak those who speak Basque and their homeland Euskal Herria land of the Basques. Their homeland was claimed by the emerging nation-states of Spain and France. There are seven provinces that make up what is today considered the Basque country. Four are in Spain and three are in France. This legacy dates from the Treaty of the Pyrennes in 1659. By: John M. Ysursa

4th Annual National Basque Festival Golf Tournament

Join us Friday, June 30th, 2000 at the Ruby View Golf Course at 11:00 a.m. for lunch. At noon there will be a shotgun start. The cost for the golf tournament is \$40.00 per player includes lunch, green fees and the golf cart. The tournament is a 4man scramble. Entry deadline is June 27th, 2000. If you have any questions, call Matt Echeverria 738-7300.



Spring Creek High School Travels to Euskal Herria

The Spring Creek Music Department spent the year 2000 Spring Break by going to Euskal Herria. They were well received in Bilbao, Durango, Lekeitio, Donostia, Zarautz, Baiona, Gernika and Bermeo. The countryside is beautiful, but what everyone was most impressed with was how fabulous the people were. The students took Basque classes and are sending letters and e-mails to maintain contact with the new friends they made while they were there.

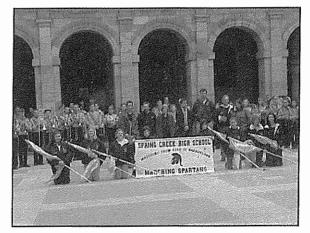
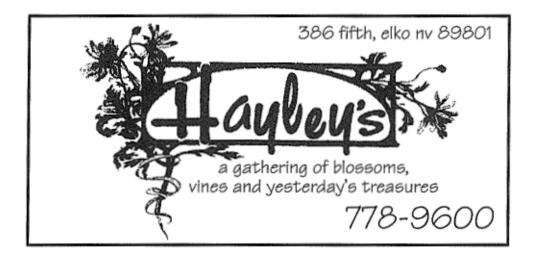




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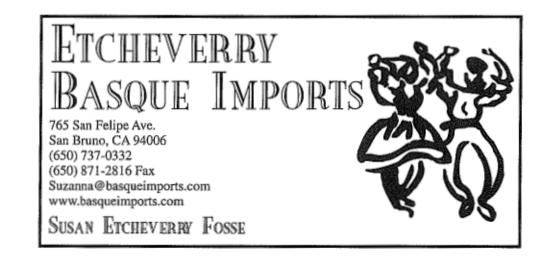


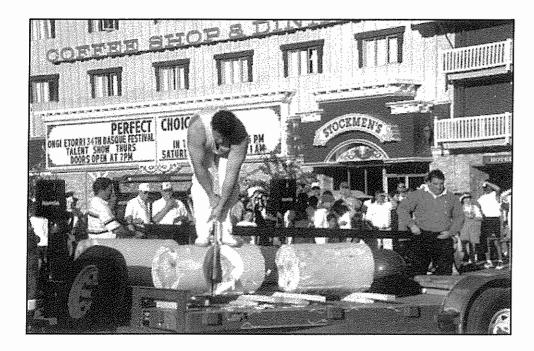






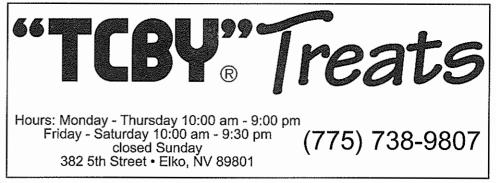




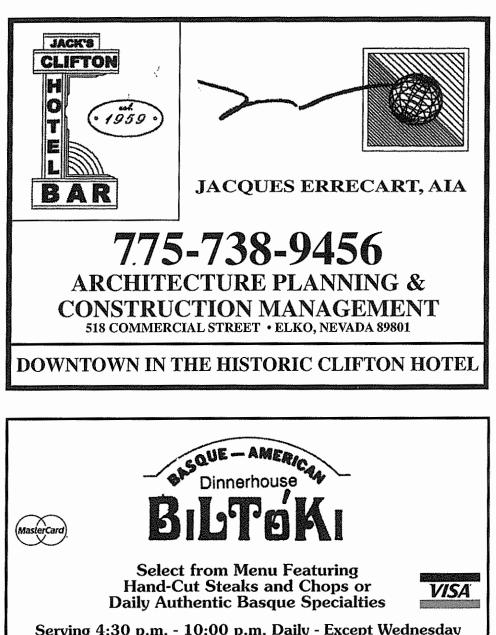








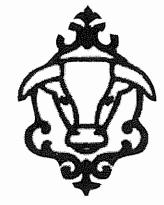




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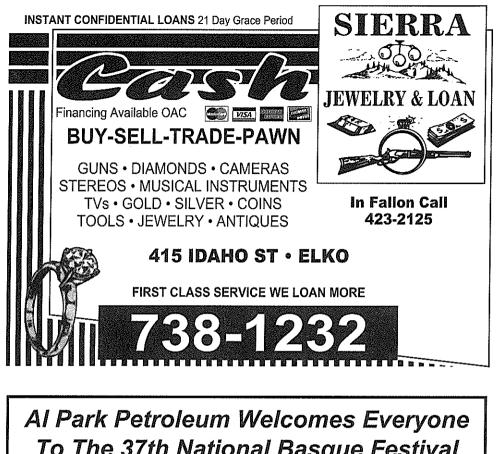


Kick Off The 37th National Basque Festival Friday June 30th, 2000

Join us at the Stockmen's Hotel & Casino Friday night, June 30th, and "Run With the Bulls" in the downtown streets of Elko. The fun starts at 6:00 pm. You will experience traditional dancing, authentic music, wood chopping and weight lifting exhibitions by local competitors and world champion competitors from the Basque Country.



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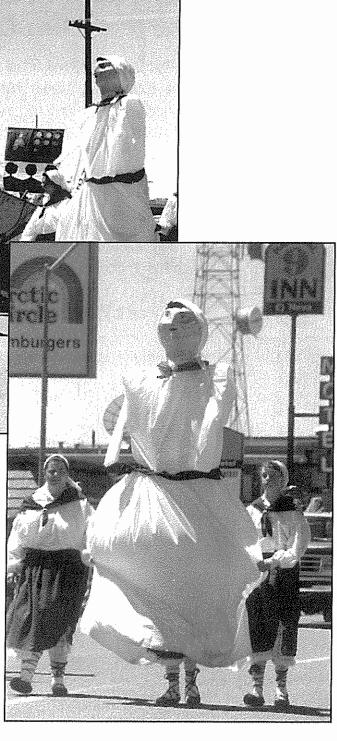








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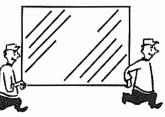


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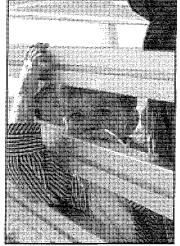




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Old Traditions in A New Millennium Saturday, July 1st

The downtown streets of Elko will be filled as the 37th National Parade starts. Saturday, July 1st, at 11:00 a.m., the parade proceeds through the downtown streets of Elko, ending at the Elko County Fairgrounds.





2000 Grand Marshals Pedro Moiola & Grandfather Juan Uriaguereca

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Irrintzi Contest Sunday, July 2, 2000 3:30 pm at the Elko City Park

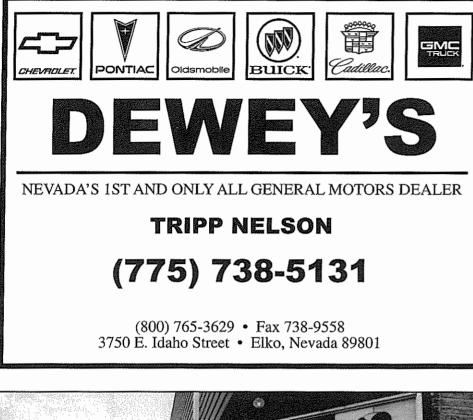
Basques are known for their culture. The Irrintzi is originally a war cry. Now the Basques have turned this form of protection into a competition, trying to preserve this culture and keep this tradition alive. The Irrintzi yell is a long wavering yell a cross of a laugh, a shriek and a horse's neigh. The Irrintzi will send chills up your spine.

1st Prize - \$75.00 2nd Prize - \$25.00

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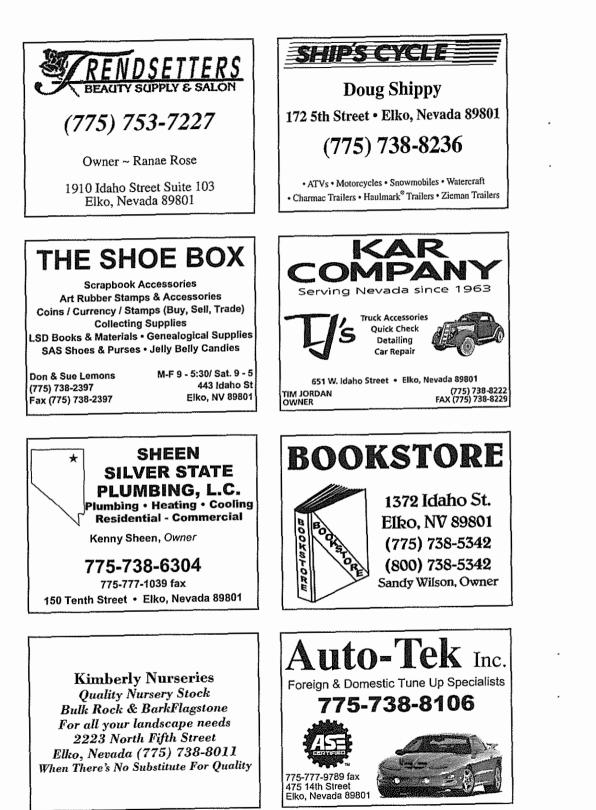




Jean Iribarne & Bernardo Yanci a special "Thanks" from all the Elko Dancers







Sunday July 2, 2000 Jota Contest

The Jota is one of the Basques most traditional dances. There is no one way to perform a jota, you will watch as the competitors show their originality.

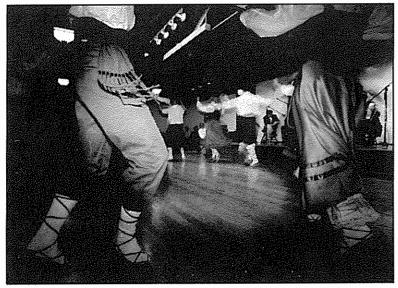
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Sunday July 2, 2000 37th National Basque Festival Continues at 2:00 p.m. in the Elko City Park

Relax in the park after having a delicious meal, watch as invited groups entertain you with authentic dancing from all the different provinces from the Basque Country. You will see dance groups such as the Elko "Arinak" Dancers which range from as little as 5 years old to 18 years of age. Then be amazed as you watch "Beti Egarri" perform. You will be delighted to see that the fun doesn't stop at 18 when Elko's Adult Dancers show their skill and love for the dance. "Beti Egarri's" dancers range from ages 21 to well, you're never too old to dance. There are many more dance groups still to perform. Groups from all over the west. Battle Mountain Dancers, the Salt Lake "Triskalari" Dancers, and many more groups.



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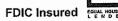
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Handball

Join us Saturday, July 2nd, at 8:00 a.m. at the fronton in the Elko City Park for the NABO Semi-Final Handball



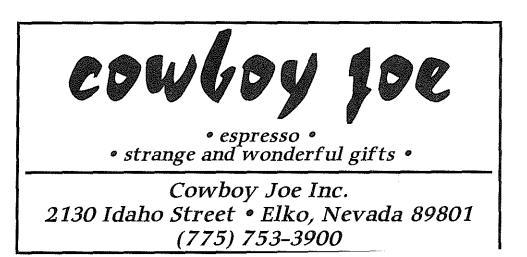
competition. Local teams and teams from all over the United States will compete against each other. You will see handball teams compete for the trophies with incredible skill as they hit a steel ball covered in a piece of leather against a concrete wall. The competition concludes Sunday, July 2nd at 8 a.m., in the Elko City Park.

Sunday, July 2, 2000 Elko City Park 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Basque Picnic

Join us for the Picnic in the Park. We will be serving barbecued steak, lamb chops, Basque beans, green salad, rolls, cake, coffee and wine. Wine & Brandy donated by: Blach Distributing, Almeden Vineyards & Silver State Liquor and Wine. Lambs donated by Ellison Ranching Co., Tuscarora, NV, Paris Lovestock, Elko, NV, Silver Creek Ranch, Inc., Austin, NV, Manual & Amy Vega, Elko, NV Cost for the Picnic is \$14.00 per adult and \$6.00 for children under 12 years. The meal is cooked & served by members of the Elko Euzkaldunak Club.



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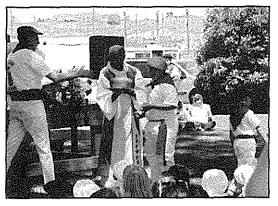


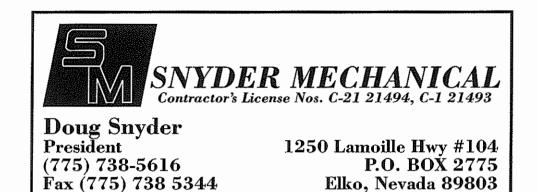
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Sunday, July 2, 2000 Sheepherders Bread Contest & Auction

Register at the ticket trailer between 10:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m., at the Elko City Park. Golden loaves of sheepherders bread baked dutch oven style. The bread will be auctioned right after mass. Winners of the bread contest will receive:

1st Place - \$50.00 2nd Place - \$30.00 3rd Place - \$20.00

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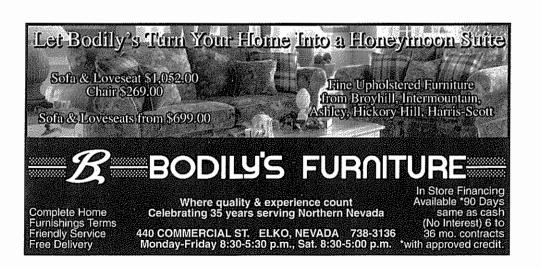
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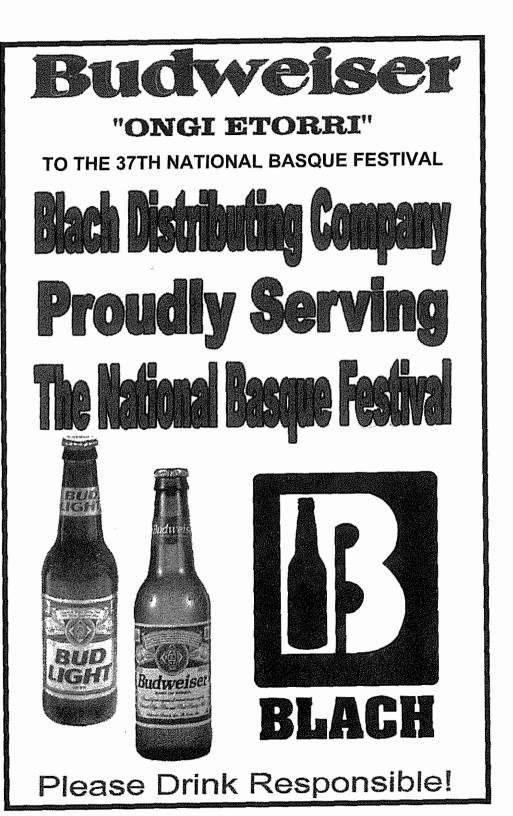


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Sunday July 2, 2000 Holy Mass 11:00 a.m. Elko City Park

Follow the procession from the Elko handball courts to the City Park for the Sunday Mass. Mass will be spoken in Basque & English by Father Martxel Tillous. Father Tillous was ordained a priest in 1963 in Bayonne, France, coming to Bayonne from the Province of Xuberoa. Father Tillous is a talented singer and musician.

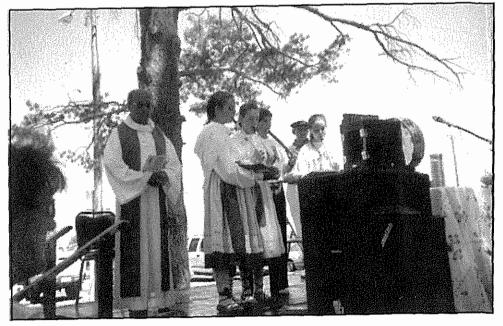
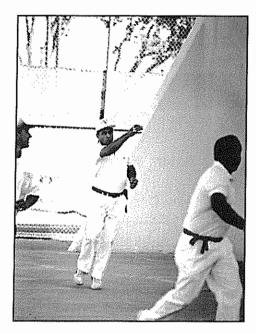


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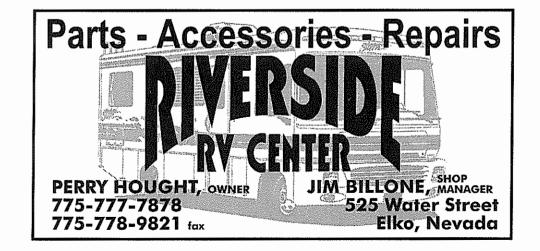
Sunday, July 2, 2000 Handball Finals

Start your Sunday morning with the NABO handball finals. It all begins at 8:00 a.m.. At the fronton in the Main City Park finalists from each division will compete to see who will be the champion.









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Saturday, July 1, 2000 Public Dance Elko Basque Club

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Saturday, July 1, 2000 Elko County Fairgrounds Entry \$6.00 Per Person

Let the competitions begin, starting at 1:00 p.m. you will be part of the festival games. It all begins with Karen Rogers & Maite Moiola singing the National & the Basque Anthem. The Elko "Arinak" Dancers and invited dance groups will perform several authentic dances.

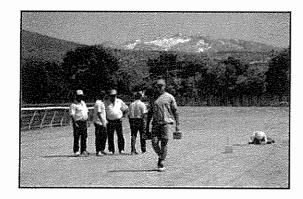
Junior Weight Carrying Contest

The Junior Weight Carrying is open to those 16 and under. Weight carried is 150 pounds around a 100-foot course. The contestant to carry the weight the longest distance wins. Permission release forms must be signed by parents in order to participate in this event.

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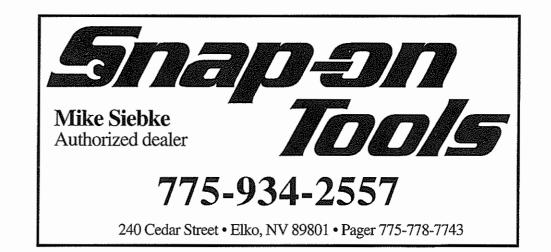
The Senior Weight Carrying contest is open to everyone over the age of 16. The contestant will carry 208 pounds on a 100-foot course. The winner will be determined by who carries the weight the longest distance.

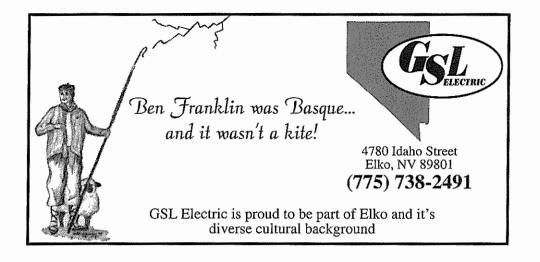
1st Place - \$200.00 ~ 2nd Place - \$100.00 3rd Place - \$50.00

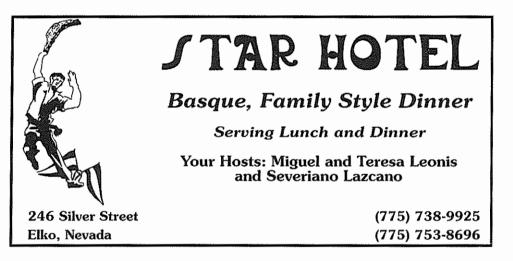






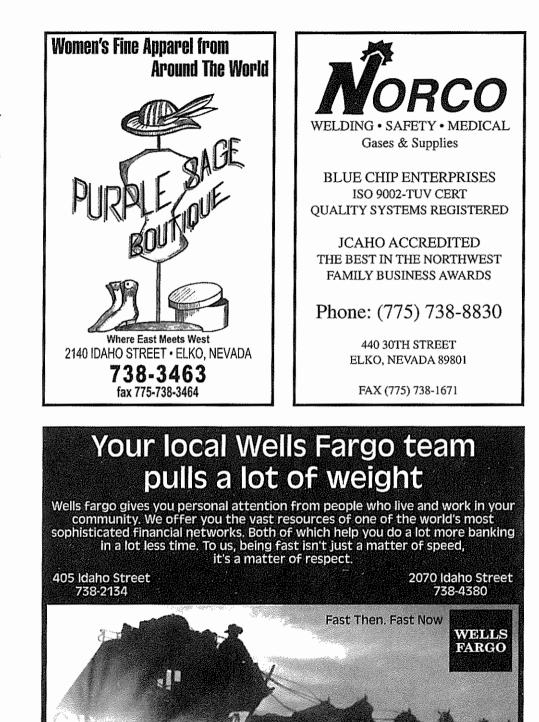








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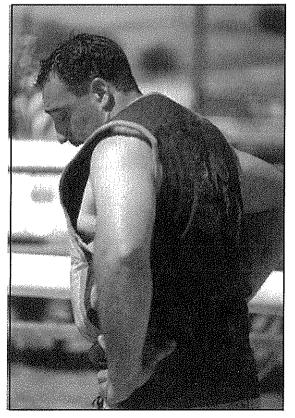


Saturday, July 1, 2000 Basque Relay

Is a tag-team approach, before a team member may begin a task he must be tagged by his teammate who has finished his part of the relay team. For the 3-man relay team, they need to do the following.

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- 2. Lift the granite ball 5 times.
- 3. Lift the 250 cylinder 10 times.
- 4. Carry the 104 pound weights walking 400 feet.
- 5. Place 20 cans into a basket.
- 6. Pole vault a bail of hay.
- 7. Lift 10 times the man's weight 21 feet high.

1st Place - \$500.00 2nd Place - \$300.00



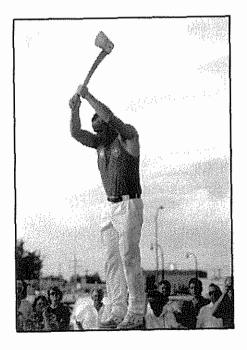
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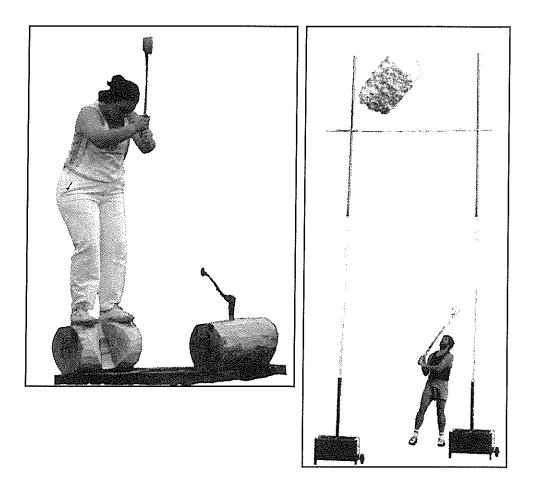


Saturday, July 1, 2000 Weight Lifting & Wood Chooping Exhibitions Elko County Fairgrounds

Saturday, July 1st, you will experience the Basque's love of competition with the world champion weight lifter from the old country, Miguel Saralegi. Miguel will lift over 700 pounds. Along with Miguel, Kristina Saralegi, Daniel Vicente and Jose Antonio Loiarte will excite you as they show their skill at wood chopping.









Sunday, July 2, 2000 Elko County Fair Grounds



TUG OF WAR



Elko High School "Indians" vs. Spring Creek "Spartans." Six football players per team, no substitutions after the contest begins; Max weight per team 1,300 pounds. Best of three! The winner will receive a plaque and \$100.00 for their schools activity fund.

OPEN WEIGHT LIFTING CONTEST

This contest is open to anyone over the age of 18. The lifter must be able to lift a 225 pound cylinder to his shoulder, drop the cylinder and repeat the most lifts in a 5-minute period.

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