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# The San Jose Alano Club News

Home of The Fair Avenue Fellowship

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Okay, So This Year Let's Try To Get It Right!

Well Cora did it again.....

The Alano Club of San Jose's Christmas Boutique was a smashing success! We had over nine vendors who were very successful in their sales. Once again Thank you Cora!! Cha-Cha W., Cub Reporter

These Great and Wonderful Folks Will be Celebrating A Milestone In Their Recovery:

Esther O.	1/07/62	Fred B.	1/10/70	Steve M.	1/08/73	Dan O.	1/15/73
Rudy C.	1/14/78	David D.	1/01/78	Juan A.	1/05/82	Edie M.	1/29/82
Steve S.	1/30/82	Jody K.	1/01/83	Barry P.	1/06/86	Judy M.	1/03/89
Bill R.	1/30/89	Mark F.	1/31/89	Michelle G.	1/09/90	Robert C.	1/15/90
Andy D.	1/01/91	Sue S.	1/13/91	Terrie R.	1/17/92	Steve M.	1/03/94
Rachel P.	1/16/94	Tim N.	1/29/94	George N.	1/23/95	Judy P.	1/30/95
Craig S.	1/01/96	Tina T.	1/06/96	Stan S.	1/12/96	Sam D.	1/16/96
Robert T.	1/20/96	Ed D.	1/05/97	Leslie F.	1/06/97	Alice M.	1/24/97

Congratulations



The Votes Were Cast

On Sunday December 14, 1997 The Alano Club of San Jose held its annual General Membership meeting. On this day Randy G., Karen C., And Arturo G. were re-elected to the Board of Directors. New to the Board is Judy P. Welcome! The spaghetti dinner that followed was a success thanks to Tony P. and Felix L. Note: On December 18, 1997 Arturo G. resigned, and Ernie A. was elected to fill the seat. Cha-Cha W., Cub Reporter

Gone, But Not Too Far!

Carmine M. da guy from New York did not seek re-election. However after much groveling on Tony's' part he did concede that he would continue to help with Yard Sales and other games of chance here at the Club. Many thanks to Carmine for all of his help here in the past and many thanks to Carmine for all of his help in the



## Member of the Month:

The Board of Directors were proud to elect Andy Delre as our member of the month. Andy donated a television and a VCR to our Club. Andy is a member of the Club that is always willing to help and has done so in the past. We now have a counter TV and a Dining Area TV. It just doesn't get much better than this folks!



Let us not look back in anger, or forward in fear, but around in awareness. James Thurber

## Thanks for making it work!

It's Christmas Morning and its about 5:00a.m. A moment or two to thank every one of you for helping to make the impossible happen for another year. And we now look forward to the miracle happening for another year. I sit here writing this newsletter, with the smell of turkey in our oven and toys (gifts of caring from one human to another) for some children that will be here in a bit and I am in awe of how it all happens. Our group isn't a wealthy in finance group. Often our group isn't abundant in long term sobriety. Odds were that we wouldn't survive the split back in the 70's. I have had many doubts over the years, many doubts that a change for the good wouldn't be accepted by the community. Many doubts that we just didn't have enough love and acceptance in our hearts to let somebody a little different into our ways of recovery. Merry Christmas everyone and lets see if we can do it all over again.

**Love**

from Tony Baron, your current Club Manager.

## In Celebration of a guy named Martin Luther King:

A Dinner and some festivities will be available to you on Saturday, January 17, 1998. The dinner is planned to start at 6:00 p.m. and the speaker meeting will be at 8:00. The dinner will be for a small fee.

## Christmas Past

Many thanks to a bunch of individuals, The Marines and The Wednesday Night Men's Meeting at Coco's Restaurant. A Lot of kids had a pretty happy Christmas as a result of our toy drive.

## A Fair Avenue Fellowship Group Announcement

The Group Conscious Secretary Nominations will be made for election on this date:

The FAFG will be electing a new GCS. This will help relieve the already too busy, too many hats Tony Baron.

This elected service position is nominated and voted on by the current meeting secretaries of the Fair Avenue Fellowship Group.

If you are in one of these service positions your participation at the meeting is required.

All members of Alcoholics Anonymous are encouraged to attend on Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, at 11:00 am. The meeting will be here at the Club.

**Service Work**  
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"Life moves on, whether we act as cowards or heroes. Life has no other discipline to impose, if we would realize it, than to accept life unquestioningly. Everything we shut our eyes to, everything we run away from, everything we deny, denigrate or despise, serves to defeat us in the end. What seems nasty, painful, evil, can become a source of

beauty, joy and strength, if faced with an open mind. Every moment is a golden one for him who has the vision to recognize it as such." Henry Miller

It's Your Turn.

Letters to The Editor. (A portion from May 95)

"What can be done about the language in some of the meetings? I would like to bring my mother to one of the meetings, but I just don't feel safe. She would really be embarrassed to hear some of the language. What can you do?"