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The San Jose Alano Club News

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The Mission of the Alano Club is to maintain a safe, secure and stable environment for 12 Step Recovery, support and fellowship to take place.

A Community Asset For The Last Fifty Years

Recovery Milestones

Recovery birthdays December:

Name	Birthday	Years	Name	Birthday
Arlene G	12/2/2004	1	George H	12/18/1968
Tyree S	12/3/1984	21	Louis B	12/19/1998
Morris T	12/4/1990	15	Betsey P	12/20/1971
Dick U	12/4/1984	21	Manny V	12/23/2003
Miguel G	12/5/1983	22	Armando E	12/25/1998
Cecilia H	12/8/2004	1	Chris G	12/28/1990
David J	12/8/1999	6	Donny C	12/29/2002
Ray M	12/11/2004		Susan B	12/30/2002
Francisco H	12/12/1995	10	Solomon T	12/30/2003
Hazel C A big Congr !everyone!	12/14/1990 catulations 12/14/2004	15 and Happ	Kalani P Dy Birthday	12/4/2004 to all

Congratulations, and Happy Birthday everyone!

Member of the Month

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This month we acknowledge Rudy L. as our Member of the Month.

Years

37

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Can this guy hustle a raffle ticket or what?! He's our Raffle King!

The Alano Club of San Jose Presents:

Alano Club Board of Directors Elections

Interested in becoming a Board member? Or want to hear more about it? Come to the annual elections on Sunday Dec. 11th — 2:00 p.m.

Help shape the direction of our club!

Alano Recovery Dance Come kick up your heels!

Saturday December 10th.
(NOTE: There will NOT be a New Years Eve Dance at the Alano Club this year.)

Dances start after the 8 pm. Main Speaker Meeting. Donations - \$5.00 (\$4.00 for recovery homes)

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday December 15, 7:30 pm.—downstairs meeting room.

Club Announcements

Alano Club Membership: Help increase our club membership—join today!

<u>Parking</u>: Please be considerate about where you park. Don't park in the fire lane, marked by a "No Parking" sign, located along the side of the club. Please do not park one car in two spaces. And please try to get the car in between the lines. Other drivers who want to park will thank you. <u>Behavior</u>: Weapons of any kind are NOT allowed on the Club property. No violence or threats of violence will be tolerated for any reason.

<u>Children:</u> No children under 13 years old allowed on Club property after 9:30 p.m., this includes Club dances.

Holiday Cheer

Some Club Members were asked "What would you like to find in your holiday stocking this year?" The answers came from: **Regina, Gino, Tim**, and **Robert**. Can you guess who asked for what? Match the answer with the member. Good luck!

"I want a new Screaming Eagle Harley Glide. And candy!" "I want candy, a shaver, AA batteries, and deodorant."

"I want a gift certificate for anything."

"I want good health."

"I want candy!"

"I want a CD player, money, and a book certificate."

"I want lipstick!"

Answers: Only Santa knows for sure...



"Isn't It Strange?" - Contributed by Low-rider Larry

Isn't it strange how a \$5 bill seems like such a large amount when you put it in the basket, but such a small amount when you go buy a car part?

Isn't it strange how two hours seem so long when you're in a meeting, and how short they seem when you're at a car show?

Isn't it strange that you can't find a word to write when you're doing a step, but you have no trouble thinking what to write in a friends card?

Isn't it strange how difficult and boring it is to read one chapter of the Big Book, but how easy it is to read 100 pages of a low-rider book?

Isn't it strange how everyone wants front-row tickets to a concert, but will do whatever is possible to sit in the last row in a meeting?

Isn't it strange how we need to know about an event for AA/NA/CA 2—3 weeks before the day so we can include it in our agenda, but we can adjust it for other events in the last minute?

Isn't it strange how difficult it is to learn a fact about sobriety to share it with others, but how easy it is to learn, understand, extend, and repeat gossip?

Isn't it strange how we believe everything that magazines and newspapers say, but we question the words in the Big Book?

Isn't it strange how everyone wants to stay sober but they don't want to do any writing, no calling, or reading to get there?

Strange isn't it?

Upcoming Events

THE ALANO CLUB OF SAN JOSE

Upcoming Club Activities

Help keep the doors open! We need your help with yard sales, car washes, and recruiting new members. To help, Contact Tony B. (408) 297-1878. Check out our web site - www.alanosj.org

Club Boutique - Now open! See what's for sale or bring in donations.

Dec 11 (Sun) Board Of Directors Elections—all members encouraged to attend!

Dec 25—Christmas Dinner and Toy give-away