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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 Eight Years

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Name	Birthday	Years	Name	<b>Birthday</b>	Years
Tony P	2/1/1988	22	Rudy R	2/15/1974	36
Brian F	2/1/2007	3	Walter M	2/16/2004	6
Ernest 0	2/1/2001	9	Jack S	2/17/1988	22
Lawra C	2/2/1997	13	Judy H	2/17/2008	2
Andy S	2/5/1987	23	Rigo J	2/18/1987	23
Sue E	2/6/2009	1	Lisa F	2/19/2004	6
Tim M	2/9/2007	3	Horace C	2/21/1995	15
Gary B	2/9/2006	4	Phil M	2/22/1984	26
Luther B	2/9/1990	20	Curtis H	2/23/1988	22
Sue W	2/9/2007	3	Carl L	2/23/1991	19
Whitney G	2/10/2001	9	Harvey D	2/24/2005	5
David E	2/10/1998	12	Cora S	2/24/1987	23
Leslie A	2/12/2005	5	Kristen H	2/25/2006	4
Jerry V	2/15/1991	19	Stace R	2/26/1981	29

**February Sobriety Milestones** 

# **February Member of the Month**

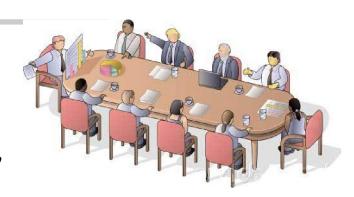
A huge thank you to everyone who volunteered their time On Christmas Day to ensure that those who needed a place to go had a wonderful dinner. You make a difference!

Have you visited our Web Site? alanosj.org Do you have something you would like to Contribute? Volume 61, Issue 2 Page 3

**The Alano Club of San Jose Presents— December Activities** 

# Board of Directors Meeting Thursday February 18, 2010 7:30pm

All members are always welcome!!





# Sunday February 7, 2010 Super Bowl Party Fun-Food-Fellowship Kick off at 3:00

\*\*\*Watch on our projection wall\*\*\*

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY DANCE
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2010 IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING THE BRITHDAY PANEL SPEAKER MTG.

\* BUY YOUR TICKETS IN ADVANCE TO SAVE MONEY AND HAVE A CHANCE AT

A SPECIAL RAFFLE DRAWING FOR ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY

Alano Club Membership: We need you to Continue Paying your Dues. You Help Us Do The Impossible and we appreciate it. Do you like having a safe, sober, clean and fun place to hang out? We can't do it without your membership! So it is up to you to keep our club doors open!

Behavior: We count on Good Behavior!

<u>Children:</u> No children under 13 years old allowed on Club property after 9:30 p.m. . Children under 16 must not be left unattended for any reason. This includes 12-Step meetings.

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### 1940 AA Preamble

We are gathered here because we are faced with the fact that we are powerless over alcohol and unable to do anything about it without the help of a Power greater than ourselves. We feel that each person's religious views, if any, are his own affair. The simple purpose of the program of Alcoholics Anonymous is to show what may be done to enlist the aid of a Power greater than ourselves regardless of what our individual conception of that Power may be.

In order to form a habit of depending upon and referring all we do to that Power, we must at first apply ourselves with some diligence. By often repeating these acts, they become habitual and the help rendered becomes natural to us. We have all come to know that as alcoholics we are suffering from a serious illness for which medicine has no cure. Our condition may be the result of an allergy which makes us different from other people. It has never been by any treatment with which we are familiar, permanently cured. The only relief we have to offer is absolute abstinence, the second meaning of A.A.

There are no dues or fees. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. Each member squares his debt by helping others to recover. An Alcoholics Anonymous is an alcoholic who through application and adherence to the A.A. program has forsworn the use of any and all alcoholic beverage in any form. The moment he takes so much as one drop of beer, wine, spirits, or any other alcoholic beverage he automatically loses all status as a member of Alcoholics Anonymous.

A.A. is not interested in sobering up drunks who are not sincere in their desire to remain sober for all time. Not being reformers, we offer our experience only to those who want it. We have a way out on which we can absolutely agree and on which we can join in harmonious action.

Rarely have we seen a person fail who has thoroughly followed our program. Those who do not recover are people who will not or simply cannot give themselves to this simple program. Now you may like this program or you may not, but the fact remains, it works. It is our only chance to recover.

There is a vast amount of fun in the A.A. fellowship. Some people might be shocked at our seeming worldliness and levity but just underneath there lies a deadly earnestness and a full realization that we must put first things first and with each of us the first thing is our alcoholic problem. To drink is to die. Faith must work twenty-four hours a day in and through us or we perish.

In order to set our tone for this meeting I ask that we bow our heads in a few moments of silent prayer and meditation. I wish to remind you that whatever is said at this meeting expresses our own individual opinion as of today and as of up to this moment. We do not speak for A.A. as a whole and you are free to agree or disagree as you see fit, in fact, it is suggested that you pay no attention to anything which might not be reconciled with what is in the A.A. Big Book. If you don't have a Big Book, it's time you bought one. Read it, study it, live with it, loan it, scatter it, and then learn from it what it means to be an A.A.