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We have been a community asset for the last sixty years.

August Sobriety Milestones

Employment	Name	Milestone	Years	Name	Milestone	Years
🛛 Tony Baron			/ 00000		/	/ 000000
🛛 Maria Garcia	Sharon P	01-Aug 1972	40	Ray D	16 Aug 1987	25
	Glenn S	04 Aug 2007	5	Freddie P	17 Aug 2003	9
🛛 Regina Palacios	Frank C	05 Aug 1990	22	Kristin G	18 Aug 2003	9
🛛 Angela Young	John R	06 Aug 1991	21	Klaus S	18 Aug 1986	26
	Dick B	07 Aug 1985	27	Jim S	20 Aug 1981	31
Anthony Martinez	Ricardo H	08 Aug 1982	30	Victoria K	23 Aug 2002	10
I Stefanie McKewon	Brad R	09 Aug 2011	1	Norm D	23 Aug 1987	25
	Lorenzo E	09 Aug 1991	21	Herman G	25 Aug 2006	6
🛛 Terisa Martinez	Richard G	11 Aug 1994	18	Piano Joe S	26 Aug 1971	41
🛛 Ricky Lopez	Clara N	12 Aug 2010	2	Laura D	27 Aug 1999	13
	Bill M	14 Aug 1987	25	Abdallah N	27 Aug 2011	1
Chris Morgan	Bob N	15 Aug 1994	18	Tony L	30 Aug 2012	2
-	Mark B	16 Aug 1994	18	Laura M	30 Aug 1997	15
🛛 Leah Guthrie		5			0	

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August Member of the Month Freddie P.

We thank Fred P, for his continued dedication, time, & talent here at the Club! As you will often hear Fred say, "I love the Club!" - well, it certainly shows time after time again! Busy here with the various NA Fundraisers that are held here at the Club to raise money for the upcoming Sept 29th NA Speaker Jam , Fred has ensured that a percentage of donations at these events go back to the Club! And, thanks to Fred – he generously donated the main entre for a 4th of July BBQ here. This allowed the Club to offer a 4th of July BBQ at a very reasonable price. A huge thank you, Fred, for all your service, time, and talent to our club!!

Activities at the Alano Club of San Jose

Board meetings are now held at 6:30 pm. The next Board of Directors Meeting - Thursday, August 16, 2012 at 6:30 pm. All Members are Welcome!

"I	Let's Dine Out at Chilis" Fundraiser
Join us for	dinner with your Board Members & Club Manager!!
	Wednesday, August 8, 2012 6:00 - 7:30 pm
CARRENT	10% of all proceeds will go back to your Club!!
Bring with You:	Bring with you a copy of the "Fired Up While Giving Back" flyer & present with your meal payment – it's that easy!
	print a copy of flyer from our website at <u>www.alanosj.org</u> or get a copy in the Club Café
Where:	Chilis Restaurant located at 543 Coleman Ave, San Jose
	And, it gets even better!!
	Dine out at this location for any of the Wednesdays in August &
Dates:	10% of all proceeds will go back to your Club!! Wednesdays of August 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 th
Hours:	11 am – 10 pm

Hot August Nights BBQ & Outdoor Movie – with a Kids Booth!!

Friday, August 24, 2012 7 pm – 11 pm BBQ starts at 7 pm Movie starts at dusk



Come early, set up your chairs or blankets on the lawn,

& let the kids have fun at the Kids Booth!!

BBQ includes: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Can Soda or Water - \$5 per person Kids 5 and under eat free!





Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose (Cont'd)

The Alano Club of San Jose - Our Last Dance!! Celebrate with us!!

Sat, August 18, 2012 9:30 pm – midnight \$3 suggested donation See You There!!



Join us for the "NA Any Lengths Group Speaker Meeting & Dance"

Sat, August 25, 2012 Meeting at 8 pm Dance at 9:30 pm – midnight \$5 suggested donation



Our monthly "Pancake Breakfast" Fundraiser!!

Saturday, August 25, 2012 8 am – 4 pm "All You Can Eat" Pancakes, Bacon, Sausage, and Eggs Served with coffee

Members - \$ 5 Non-Members - \$ 8







Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose

The Fair Avenue Fellowship Group Invites you to the "5 – Year Celebration of the Cup of Coffee Meeting" Saturday, August 25, 2012 2 pm – 5 pm

...Potluck Menu ...Music & Dancing ...For info – call Steve H 408.839.0111





It's Your Club – Become a Part Of!!

Voice Out – Place Your Ideas or Comments in the Suggestion Box ...Or go online at <u>www.alanosj.org</u> Yes! We Really Want to Know!!

Proud of your Club? Refer someone to become a Club Member today!!

Need to Know? Check it out on our website at <u>www.alanosj.org</u>

Become a Part Of? Want to Help Out? Send us an email at <u>board@alanosj.org</u>



Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose

Don't Miss Out!! Up to 35 MPH – ECO Friendly **Win a Battery Operated Electric Bicycle**

Check it out in the Duncan Hall at the Club Raffle Tickets in the café \$1 each – 6 for \$5 – 25 for \$20 Raffe Drawing will be held on August 10, 2012



Only on Sunday Evenings at the Café!! Light Menu Fare, Appetizers, & Desserts!! Special prices! 5 pm – Closing

...12 Step Meetings, Sports in café, and Social Gatherings Join us at the club café!!

Member of the Club Yet?

The Benefits -

- 20-25 % discounts at the café
- PCs available for use & Wi-Fi your own personal account
- Special prices on many events & activities
- Newsletters, other mailings, & email club updates
- A place to hang out & work on your 12 step recovery
- A place to bring family, friends, and meet new friends

The Cost? ... One month of a membership pays for itself!

\$20 per month or \$10 per month (if a senior or on a fixed income) Other discounted "pre-payment" options at the café



Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose

NA Any Lengths Homegroup invites you to our

"CHILI-FEST"



at The Alano Club of San Jose Sunday, September 9. 2012 11 am – 2 pm

Bring Your Best Chili – 3 Prizes Awarded!

To enter, call Carolyn at 408.849.5885 or Fred at 408.849.3637

This is a fundraiser for the upcoming NA Speaker Jam – 29 Sept 2012 at the Alano Club of San Jose (this event has no affiliation with the club)

Join Our Network: The Alano Club of San Jose Business Leads Club!

Run your own business? Licensed & bonded with a trade?

This referral club is perfect for you! Grow your business & supporting other club member professionals! Check it out!



For info – www. alanosj.org or Judith B at 408-439.6050 for info to join.



Ballroom Dance Lessons The Alano Club of San Jose All are Welcome – Especially Beginners! Every Saturday 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm \$5 suggested donation

Save the Dates - Upcoming Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose

"Labor Day BBQ" Monday, September 3, 2012 5 pm – 7 pm

"All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast" Fundraiser Saturday, September 8th and October 18th of 2012 8 am – 4 pmgarage

Alano Club of San Jose - "Community Yard Sale" Saturday, September 8, 2012 9 am - 4 pm

NA Any Lengths' Chili-Fest Sunday, September 9, 2012 11 am - 2 pm

NA Any Lengths "Speaker Meeting & Dance"

Saturday, September 22, 2012 Meeting at 8 pm Dance 9:30 pm – Midnight

The Fair Avenue Fellowship Group's "1st Annual End of Summer Campout"

September 28 – 30, 2012 Mt. Madonna

NA Speaker Jam

Saturday, September 29, 2012 Starts at 9 am Breakfast, Lunch, & Dinner - free Dance at 9:30 pm – Midnight





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End of Summer Campout!!







Words of Encouragement & Hope

... Carrying the Message - A Letter from an Alateen

Dear Mom & Dad

Alcoholics suffer from alcoholism mentally, spiritually, and physically. Well, guess what? So does the family, regardless of age or maturity. I always used to hide my feelings, pretending that I didn't care when I was crying inside. Alateen has given me love, hope, and the feeling that I'm not alone. Please know that Alateen...

Is for kids like me who have been affected by someone else's drinking.

Provides a safe place where I can share.

Helps me understand the family disease of alcoholism.

Is a place for me to learn to feel good about myself.

Encourages me to change my attitude instead of reacting to the situation.

Gives me the courage to detach with love.

Is anonymous - we don't discuss what we hear or whom we see at meetings.

Is grrrrreat!!

I hope this has given you both a clearer picture of Alateen's importance in my life. I guess I just wanted to tell you that I need Alateen.



A Message from your Board of Directors at The Alano Club of San Jose...

As your trusted servants on the Board of Directors at The Alano Club of San Jose, we would like to thank all of you as club members for supporting your Club! Your support, contributions, time, and talent do not go unnoticed. Each of us on the Board are honored to serve; we would like to share with each of you the new things that will be available to you at the Club.

Remember, the Club is your Club! Our mission is to:

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We are currently moving forward with a series of initiatives, projects, programs, and events – all in an effort to continue best serving all 12 step recovery communities. Having said that, the upcoming initiatives that are currently "in the works" are as follows:

- The "Yes, We Really Want to Know!" Initiative
 - Suggestion Box Your Voice is Heard
 - Comments Form Yes! We Really Want to Know!
 - Communications Forum Keeping you Informed at all Times
- The "Did You Get Sober at the Club?" Initiative
 - Remember Your First Time at the Club?
 - Your Favorite Memory of the Club?
- The "Alano Gives Back" Initiative
 - Pack A Back Fundraiser Giving Back to our School Children
 - o Immersions Trips Teaming Up With Sacred Heart Community Services
 - A Saturday at Sacred Heart Another Way to Help Out
- The "Environmental Stewardship Green Team" Initiative
 - Electronic Recycling Fundraiser With 50% Back to Our Club
 - o Recycling of Cans, Plastic, and Other
 - o Getting the Job Done Paperless- Wherever Possible
- The "Bringing Back the Magic of the Club" Initiative
 - Our Best-Kept Secret Getting the Word Out
 - Fill the Club Make a Difference

Over the last few months, many of you have asked, "How can I volunteer my time and be of service to the Club?" – in this newsletter, you will see that we are implementing several avenues and forums for you to either help out as well as have the ability to "stay informed" and "have a voice". And, yes, we encourage each of you to consider helping out with your time and talent – there are many ways that you can "tap into" our initiatives should you be interested in getting involved as well as giving back. We are just an email away – at <u>board@alanosj.org</u> – or better yet, join us at our monthly Board meetings! We look forward to continue all efforts to better serve as your Board of Directors team.

Warm Regards, Your Board of Directors The Alano Club of San Jose, Inc.

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The Alano Club of San Jose

SERVING YOUR COMMUNITY FOR SIXTY YEARS

12-STEP MEETINGS

Held at Your Alano Club of San Jose – 1122 Fair Avenue San Jose

Alcoholics Anonymous

Daily	9:00 am	Sat (backroom) and Sun (downstairs)
Daily	12:00 pm	
Mon- Fri	4:00 pm	
Daily	6:00 pm	Friday (closed meeting)
Daily	7:30 pm	Fri (backroom) and Sat (downstairs)
Sunday	6:30 pm	Speaker Birthday Chip meeting (6:30-8 pm)
Sunday	7:30 pm	(downstairs candlelight)

AA Women's Meetings	Wednesday	8:00 pm	(downstairs)
	Sunday	3:00 pm	(backroom)
AA Men's Meeting	Tuesday Saturday Sunday	9:30 pm 10:00 am 5:00 pm	
AA Spanish Speaking	Monday	7:30 pm	(back room)
	Tuesday	7:30 pm	(back room)
	Wednesday	7:30 pm	(back room)
	Thursday	7:30 pm	(back room)
	Friday	7:30 pm	(downstairs)
AA Medicine Crow Talking Circle	Saturday	12:00 pm	(backroom)
SAA	Wednesday	6:00 pm	(backroom)
Al-Anon	Monday	8:00 pm	(downstairs)
(Understanding friends & relatives who are Alcoholics)	Tuesday	12:00 pm	(backroom)
Co-Dependents Anonymous	Wednesday	6:45 pm	(downstairs)
(Dealing with childhood and relationship issues)	Sunday	5:00 pm	(downstairs)
Narcotics Anonymous Open Meeting Open Meeting Tagalog Speaking NA Closed Women's Meeting Open Meeting Open Meeting Open Meeting Open Meeting	Monday Tuesday Sat & Sun Saturday Friday Friday Saturday Sunday	6:30 pm 6:30 pm 10:00 am 1:00 pm 6:00 pm 8:00 pm 8:00 pm 2:00 pm	(downstairs) (downstairs) (downstairs on Sat) (backroom) (downstairs) (Chip 3 rd Fri) (2 nd & 4 th Sun – downstairs)

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Adrian Flores Presents

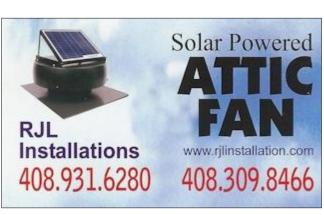
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Norm's Auto Repair







RJL Installations

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Legacy Sanitation

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