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Alano Club of San Jose
Board of Directors Meeting
August 6th at 6:00 pm
 Members Welcome

Fair Avenue Fellowship
Steering Committee
Meeting
September 10th at 6:30 pm
 All Are Welcome

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The Alano Club of San Jose News

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The Alano Club is your Club. Our mission is to:

- Provide a safe & supportive environment where 12-step recovery can take place
- Provide information to help those new to recovery
- Provide encouragement through fellowship within a twelve step community
- Provide a place where twelve step meetings can take place
- Provide a social setting for events and other recovery-related activities

We have been a community asset for over sixty years.

Sobriety Milestones

| Name | Milestone/Years | Name | Milestone/Years |
|------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|
| John R | 08/06/1991 24 | Roy E | 08/12/2013 2 |
| Barbara Z | 08/13/2015 0 | Bill M | 08/14/1987 28 |
| Bob N | 08/15/1994 21 | Ray D | 08/16/1987 28 |
| Mark B | 08/16/1994 21 | Freddie P | 08/17/2003 12 |
| Klaus S | 08/18/1986 29 | Kristin G | 08/18/2003 12 |
| Romo M | 08/21/2014 1 | Norm D | 08/23/1987 28 |
| Victoria K | 08/23/2002 13 | Onnie G | 08/25/2014 1 |
| Jim S | 08/27/1983 32 | Laura D | 08/27/1999 16 |
| Rick G | 08/28/2014 1 | Laura M | 08/30/1997 18 |
| Tony L | 08/30/2010 5 | Terri W | 08/30/2014 1 |

Member of the Month – Patricio L.

Patricio donated his time and experience by installing a new burglar alarm for the Club.

Here's How United Way Can Help Us

If you are going to contribute to United Way this year, I invite you to designate some or all of your contributions to the Alano Club of San Jose. They will do this for about a 5% fee. It's called "Directed Contributions".

And we, like so many other non-profits, we can really use these funds. This is the only way that we can receive your donations to United Way.

Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose

Alano Club BBQ- Triple H BBQ
Saturday September 26th
All you can eat for \$10.00
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Hot Links
Potato & Macaroni Salad, Baked Beans

**Our Annual Heritage Dinner
October 17, 2015**

**Schedule Your Event
Here at the Club
With Tony Baron**

Keeping the Doors Open

In the 1993 edition of the South County Alano Club Gazette, their President, Dan K. wrote the following which is just as valid for our club today as it was for their club then.

"To make the Club work, we need one main ingredient: People! People to go to the meetings, to come to the Club, to drop a dollar in the donation basket, to buy a cup of coffee, a burger, soda, or a \$12 per month membership. Keeping the doors open is a drop in the bucket compared to what we blew on booze, drugs, fines, attorney fees, loss of work, etc.

We all need this place: Old timers, newcomers, and the people that haven't gotten here yet. This is our Club. It's a fellowship place, a sober social gathering place. We need it, lets keep it open!

It is now 2015, and our membership dues \$20 per month. Besides dues, the real need today is for old timers and newcomers to be in service and participate in the fellowships here at The Alano Club of San Jose. You make the fellowship and social gatherings a success.

Unfortunately The South County Alano Club, The San Mateo Alano Club, The Peninsula Alano Club and the All Amigos Alano Club are no longer in operation. Their club faltered – let's keep ours open.

Tony B.
CEO, The Alano Club of San Jose

Why I am a Member of the Alano Club of San Jose

By Bill McBride

A member of the Saturday 10 a.m.
"Think Tank" – A Men's Meeting

He's friendly, open-minded, and loud (in a good sort-of way). His name is Jorge I Valencia. In July, the Think Tank AA group elected him secretary for that meeting. "I work in the construction field, I do custom home remodeling."

Jorge had his first drink of alcohol at age 12. Ten years later he was introduced to AA through Gateway Rehab. "I came to the Alano Club East for the very first time in 2002 for an outside meeting."

When asked *What Is Your Life Like Now?* Jorge answered. "Today my life is a lot better thanks to the Rooms like this. I am grateful for my sobriety, and that's why I keep coming back!"

What Advice would you give the Newcomer? "My advice is this. If you are an alcoholic like me, I encourage the newcomer to get a Sponsor, a Big Book, and take the Twelve Steps of AA. Do them completely. Don't give up before the miracle happens."

Please Pay Your Membership:

Please pay your membership if you are using the club and remember the price you paid to get here. I belong to other kinds of clubs and organizations, they didn't keep me sober. I personally like coming to a well lit, clean, happy place for meetings. I am happy to find what I need here. I can buy lunch, visit with a sponsee, go to a meeting and use the bathroom if needed. Lets continue to become successful, recovering members.

Your membership helps save lives every day. We are giving away what was given to us . Are you a member? We sincerely hope so. We need you. We need those of you who are in OA, NA and MA. EVERYONE OF YOU IS VITAL TO KEEPING THE HOUSE OPEN. Copied from The Portland Alano Newsline, March 1996

The Alano Club of San Jose – 12 Step Meetings

| | | | |
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| Alcoholics Anonymous | | Narcotics Anonymous | |
| Daily | 9:00 am, 12:00 pm | Mon & Tue | 6:30 pm |
| Mon- Thu | 4:00 pm | Tue | 8:00 pm (Book Study) |
| Mon-Thu | 6:00 pm | Tue | 8:00 pm (Spanish) |
| Mon | 8:00 pm (Tagalog) | | |
| Sat | 6:00 pm (Newcomers Q & A's) | Fri | 6:00 pm (Women) |
| Tue | 9:30 pm (Men) | Fri | 8:00 pm |
| Thu | 7:30 pm (Chip Mtg) | Sat | 8:00 pm (Speaker) |
| Wed | 8:00 pm (Women) | | |
| Fri | 6:30 pm (Speaker) | Sat & Sun | 10:00 am |
| Sat | 10:00 am (Men) | Sun | 10:00 am (Spanish) |
| Sun | 3:00 pm (Women) , 5:00 pm (Men) | Sun | 6:30 pm (Speaker) |
| Mon-Fri | 7:30 pm (Spanish) | Sun | 7:30 pm (Spanish) |
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| | | Cocaine Anonymous (CA) | |
| | | Sat | 8:00 pm |
| | | | |
| AA Medicine Crow Talking Circle | | AI-Anon | |
| Sat | 12:00 pm | Mon | 8:00 pm |
| | | Tue | 12:00 pm |
| | | | |
| Crystal Meth Anonymous (CMA) | | Co-Dependents Anonymous | |
| Sun | 6:00 pm | Wed | 6:30 pm |
| | | Sun | 5:00 pm |
| | | | |
| Cross Addiction | | | |
| Mon | 7:30 pm | | |

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Do you know MS Office? How would you like to be our new Newsletter Editor?

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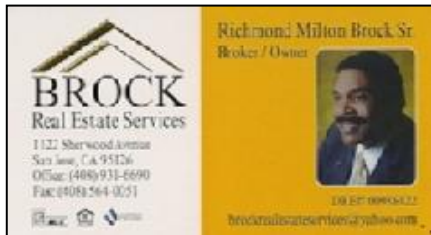
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