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Alano Club of San Jose
Board of Directors Meeting
June 2nd, at 5:00 pm
Members Welcome
(In Person)

Fair Avenue Fellowship
Steering Committee Meeting
Training for New Secretaries
June 8th, at 7:00 pm
All Are Welcome
Zoom ID 618 624 2512
Password 241520

Steering Committee Meeting
will be held Via Zoom

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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-eight years.

Recovery Milestones

Name	Milestone	Years	Name	Milestone	Years
Ames D	06/01/2020	02	Sonny P	06/01/1984	38
Cruz M	06/02/2007	15	Darryl S	06/04/2012	10
Scott C	06/06/2015	07	Dennis S	06/10/1989	33
Richard B	06/10/1989	33	Joey M	06/11/2007	15
Nina S	06/11/2013	09	Ricard F	06/12/2018	04
Jeff S	06/13/1991	31	Jeanette G	06/13/199	40
Jerry R	06/15/2011	11	Eduardo S	06/15/2021	01
Manuel T	06/15/1992	30	Candice P	06/16/2019	03
Mike D	06/16/2021	01	Angelo M	06/18/2016	06
Chris H	06/21/2017	05	Marvin P	06/22/2014	08
Rick P	06/22/2015	07	Marcie M	06/22/1991	31
Scott Y	06/24/2021	01	Elizabeth K	06/26/1988	34
Robert T	06/27/2018	04	Lupe M	06/27/2020	02
Patrick P	06/28/1989	33	Garry B	06/28/1990	32

Member of the Month – Simi R.

We would like to acknowledge Simi as member of the month. She is so thoughtful and always ready to help others. She played a huge part in making the kids eastern party a success. Terisa couldn't have pulled it off with out her. Thank you Simi for all that you do for other and us here at the Alano Club.

Monthly Membership Dues

	Month	Six Months	Thirteen
Regular Member	\$25	\$125	\$250
Senior	\$15	\$75	\$150
Fixed	\$15	\$75	\$150
Couples	\$15 (each)	\$75(each)	\$150(each)
Lifetime			\$2,500
Out of Town (75 Miles or More)			50% Off

Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose

4th Annual San Jose Alano Club vs Alano Club West Golf Tournament

Sunday June 5th 2022

For more information please see Flyer/Registration form
at the end of this newsletter.

Independence Day BBQ

Sunday July 3rd 2022

Time and Menu TBD

The Alano Club of San Jose – 12 Step Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous		Narcotics Anonymous	
Sat & Sun	8:30 am Hybrid	Sun	10:00 am (Hybrid)
Mon-Fri	9:00 am Hybrid	Thu	6:00 pm (Women) Unknown
Sat	10:00 am (Men) Hybrid	Mon	6:30 pm Unknown
Daily	12:00 pm (Hybrid)	Tue & Fri	8:00 pm (Spanish) In Person
Sun	1:30 pm (Women) Hybrid	Tue	8:00 pm (Book Study) Unknown
Sat	1:30 pm (Spanish) Unknown	Sat	7:30 pm (Hybrid)
Mon-Fri	4:00 pm ZOOM (Wed Hybrid)		
Sun	5:00 pm (Men) Hybrid		
Mon-Sat	6:00 pm Hybrid		
Fri	6:00 pm (Speaker) Hybrid		
Sun	6:30 pm Hybrid		
M, W, F.	7:30 pm (Spanish) In-Person		www.AlanoSJ.org
Tues	9:30 pm (Men) Hybrid		Check-out our newly revised web site.
Tues.	7:30 pm (AA Cigar Meeting) Hybrid		This is a Great Way to Introduce a Friend to the Club.
Depression Anonymous			
Sun	6:30 pm Unknown		
Co-Dependents Anonymous		Al-Anon	
Sun	5:00 pm Hybrid	Mon	8:00 pm ZOOM
Wed	6:30 pm Hybrid	Tue	12:00 pm ZOOM

Tuesday 9:30 PM Pacific: Men’s Topic Meeting (San Jose) Meeting ID: 339 961 4550 Join Meeting: Men’s Topic Meeting One tap mobile: +16699009128,,3399614550# Password:149229

Saturday 10:00 AM Pacific: Think Tank (Alano Club, San Jose) Meeting ID: 930 3631 4063 Join Zoom Meeting: Think Tank Alano Club One tap mobile: +16699006833,,93036314063#,,,,0#,,847721048# US (San Jose)

Sunday 5:00 PM Pacific: Fair Ave Men’s Meeting (San Jose) Meeting ID: 618 624 2515 Join Zoom Meeting: Fair Ave Men’s Meeting Password: 241520

Monday 8:00 PM Al-Anon Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/3399614550>
1-669-900-9128 339-961-4550 149229

CODA: Sunday @ 5:00 pm / Wednesday @ 6:30 pm
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password 978717

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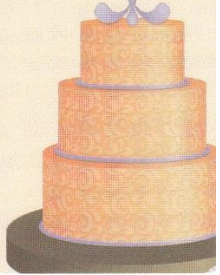
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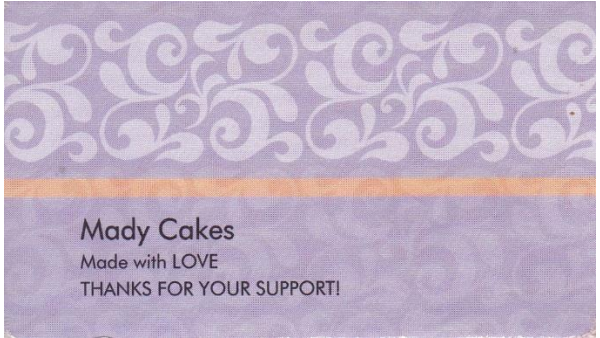


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Alano Merchandise

**We now offer handmade custom
coffee mugs and t-shirts for sale**

**If you would like a mug or shirt please contact
Terisa M. @ 408-830-6339 or
terisamartinez79@gmail.com**

Alano Club of San Jose and COVID19

Here at the Alano Club we hope all of you are staying healthy and safe.

We have implemented meetings on ZOOM app/online

Our meetings times are 9am 12 noon 4pm and 6pm.

The zoom Room ID is 618 624 2512

The Zoom Password is 241520

We have a virtual 7th tradition set up through VENMO

@FairAvenue-Fellowship.

If you need any help with Zoom or Venmo feel free to contact Terisa

Via Email or txt

terisamartinez79@gmail.com or 408-830-6339

You can continue paying your dues by sending check in mail or through our website

www.alanosj.org Via PayPal

Alano Club Hybrid Meetings

Please see updated schedule on page 3

Hybrid meetings are in-person & on Zoom

Alano Café will be open and serving food during our Hybrid meetings.

We are now open to full capacity Seating

Wearing masks in doors is no longer mandated however, if you're not vaccinated or have symptoms to please continue to wear a mask.

Our History “The Alano Club of San Jose, Inc.”

A BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 2022 Newsletter

TROUBLED WATERS

The sixties brought a lot of changes not only in the club, but in society, as well. Membership had dropped significantly, prompting many attempts to perk things up. Committees were formed for almost anything, at one point even committees to oversee the other committees. It got so desperate that outside advertising was solicited for the club newsletter. The newly expanded parking lot became known as Lake Alano, at one point causing a lawsuit to be filed by a nearby landowner. The club won the suit, but Lake Alano required periodic draining.

Society at large experienced a major increase in drug use, and as users became abusers, many looked to AA for help. Meetings at the club began to change as addicts started talking about their problem, often in street language that became annoying to members who viewed their club as a sanctuary. To be sure, foul language had periodically come under fire, including signs posted and warnings given at board meetings, but this new influx that showed little regard for the sensitivities of others was a bit too much for many.

At an August 1970 Board Meeting, a letter was sent to New York requesting advice on addicts in AA meetings. The September membership meeting addressed the problem, noting that the by-laws stated the club was for alcoholics, but conceded to allow one meeting a week for addicts. The problem hit AA all over the Valley, prompting a special note read before the definition of AA requesting that only alcohol and related problems be discussed. The problem grew and one club member resigned in January 1973 because he felt addicts should have a chance to get clean in AA.

Card games, a mainstay of club activities since the first club opened also came under fire. Many of the younger people coming in didn't join the club, but played cards often winning. Some older members felt there was foul play, and in fact, there seemed to be a general lack of courtesy flowing throughout the club. A struggle began that lasted several years. The older members, who had built the club up, although there had been many incidences of dissention and problems along the way, were losing ground.

In 1968, a five-man Board of Trustees was established to supplement the Board of Directors. Although they had no vote, this group served in an advisory capacity, their clout being to call membership meetings for issues of disagreement. At the end of 1972, the Trustees and Board

were merged into a Nine-man Board of Directors. The new Board was elected, but by Valentine's Day, 1973, five had resigned, two of these being replacements of members who had resigned. Manager and worker problems seemed the order of the day, one reason possibly being the low monthly salaries.

The early 70's brought in a range of activities in an attempt to promote interest. Miss Alano pageants pitted men against men to vie for the crown, along with their name inscribed on a trophy. Other trophies were awarded for shuffleboard, golf, bridge, pool and even a turkey shoot. Live bands, always used during most of the 60's, gradually gave way to taped music to cut expenses. Bingo was stopped, and then restarted.

In June 1972, Harold P. assumed responsibility as administrator of the club after manager Dean W. resigned. Harold had been on the board since 1959, serving as president during most of the time. Gradually, both finances and the general condition of the club improved until he took sick in November 1974. In December, Al B. took his place. Al was elected to the board February 10th, was elected president May 15th, and now would cover until Harold returned. At the December 15th General Membership Meeting, he announced that "a certain amount of money is going to be deposited into the savings account to cover Bingo payoffs."

WHAM, BAM

January 1975 started on a somewhat positive note. Harold P. came back, Al B. was re-elected president of the new board, a cleanup committee was formed and a cuss box with a five-cent penalty was put at the coffee bar. Pathways were allowed to bring 10 people to dances and NA was allowed to have a dance at the club on January 25th. Estimates were being obtained for a fence around the property and Al was continuing to serve as manager in addition to his duties as president of the board. In his report at the January 25th board meeting, he suggested "caution should be exercised so we remain in black ink."

By July, the club had been painted on the outside, the restrooms were being remodeled, the parking lot was being considered for paving and Bingo was improving, showing a profit. The financial statement had been modified, combining some revenue items, poker income from the card room was low and a small deficit was showing up from bad checks. In August, cases of steak and grapefruit were reported stolen, and Andre L. suggested it be recorded in the P & L statement. He also requested an audit to determine the extent of the loss. A lock was put on the back-room door, and things settled down.

By the end of the year, dances were being held every Saturday night, live bands the 2nd and 4th Saturdays and jukebox dances the remaining Saturdays. The board had voted in November to raise dues to \$5.00 per month effective January 1st, 1976, to help pay for the growing costs of business, management and the several major improvements planned for the club. The December newsletter included a "Special Thank You" to Al for the fine job being done.

1976 began as usual, activities planned, improvements progressing and things generally going well. There was nothing much different than the past year, until one mid-year morning the club wasn't opened at the normal time. When someone with a key to the office finally arrived, the bad news began to unfold. The floor safe was open, all the cash was missing, and no sign of forced entry. As the day progressed, a call to Security Savings & Loan found a dry savings account. That was bad enough but as the days passed, checks began showing up at the club marked "insufficient funds". Al and the club's money had disappeared.

Panic set in and an emergency board meeting was called. The first priority was to keep the club going, so volunteer help manned necessary posts, creditors were called to explain the problem and keep essentials coming in and the whole club was stunned. Except for AA meetings, not much else was talked about for some time. Several members had gone to the board asking for their resignations, feeling they had neglected their duty in not paying closer attention to financial reports and the like. None resigned, but each felt a greater sense of caution in any actions of the board.

Law enforcement agencies and bonding companies began their tasks in taking care of such unpleasant matters while another group began to hold discussions outside the club. After the club moved from Minnesota Avenue in 1962, a church group rented the property for use as children's bible school. Coincidental to the disaster at Fair Avenue, the Minnesota building was now vacant. A word here, a word there and before long a large group held a meeting at the vacant building. Topics ranged from the recent theft to the foul language and abuse from addicts to what do we do now. Hard as it was to swallow, the only thing that seemed right was to give up the club many of them had worked hard to build, and start again. A board of directors was elected, volunteers offered help and support and a name was chosen: Alano Club West was born. The doors opened for business in October 1976. Meanwhile, a new manager was hired back at the Alano Club of San Jose, and Tony B. rolled up his sleeves.

4TH Annual San Jose Alano Club vs Alano Club West



WHEN
SUNDAY
June 5th
2022

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OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM

Your Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____

Email Address: _____

NCGA# _____ (If you don't have one then enter your average score for pairings: _____)

You will be in the Calloway Flight if you do not have a NCGA #

Who would you like in your group?

Name(s): _____

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after the tournament at
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