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Alano Club of San Jose
Board of Directors Meeting
July 7th, at 5:00 pm
Members Welcome
(In Person)

Fair Avenue Fellowship
Steering Committee Meeting
Training for New Secretaries
July 13th, 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
Jim O	07/01/2010	12	Herb R	07/03/2021	01
Chuck G	07/03/2017	05	Tony B	07/04/1973	49
Christina N	07/06/2007	05	John M	07/07/1988	34
Ann A	07/08/2018	04	Kevin b	07/09/2019	03
Jeanne W	07/10/2013	09	Mark P	07/10/1986	36
Rudy P	07/11/1998	24	Melissa T	07/11/2019	03
Ben M	07/12/2016	06	Penny J	07/12/2014	08
Ricky L	07/13/2005	17	Lisa R	07/15/1999	23
Claude R	07/20/1976	46	Ed S	07/20/1984	38
Kiki M	07/22/2008	14	Patricia G	07/22/2016	06
Tim M	07/24/2012	10	Mike S	07/25/1971	51
Tammy A	07/26/2009	13	Mario G	07/30/2019	03

Member of the Month – Kelly B.

We would like to honor Kelly as our member of the month for being in service to the fair avenue fellowship. We know it's a lot and you do it with grace. A big thank you from all of us.

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

Dues can now be paid online at www.alanosj.org using PayPal.

Activities & More at the Alano Club of San Jose

Independence Day BBQ

Sunday July 3rd 2022

3pm to 6pm

\$10 per plate

Menu:

Option 1: Steak & Sides

Option 2: Chicken, Hotlink & Sides

Sides: Mac Salad, Rice Pilaf, Beans,
Shrimp Cocktail & Watermelon

Cake and Soda included

Tickets available day of event.
Raffle tickets 5 for \$10 available for
pre-purchase at café counter

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		
Tues	9:30 pm (Men) Hybrid		www.AlanoSJ.org
Tues.	7:30 pm (AA Cigar Meeting) Hybrid		Check-out our newly revised web site.
			<i>This is a Great Way to Introduce a Friend to the Club.</i>
Depression Anonymous			
Sun	6:30 pm Unknown		
Co-Dependents Anonymous		AI-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 AI-Anon Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/3399614550>
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CODA: Sunday @ 5:00 pm / Wednesday @ 6:30 pm
 4085934790
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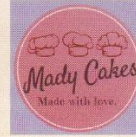
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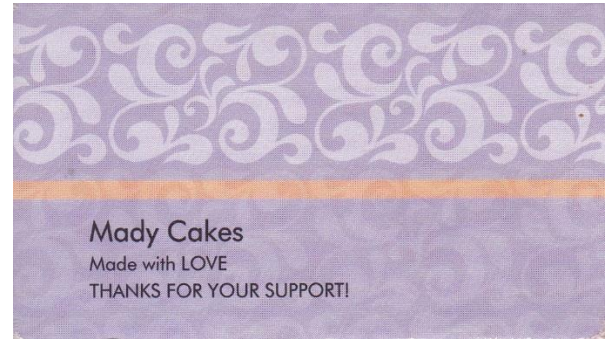
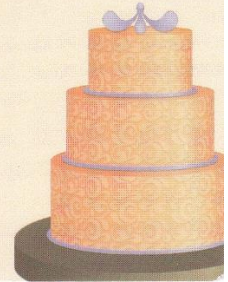
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coffee mugs and t-shirts for sale**

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.”

July 2022 Newsletter

A NEW BEGINNING

October became a traditional month of celebration, the first charter received October 23, 1951, the Fair Avenue opening on October 20, 1962. October 1976 was also significant, but in a different way. Alano West opened its doors, Al B. had been apprehended in Los Angeles and Tony B. was just beginning in his new role as manager. The embezzlement, theft or whatever you called it, had drained the club financially, and an Anonymous Donor had come through with a \$2,000 no interest loan to be repaid when things got better. The members of the board had volunteered their services at the counter to defray the costs of hired help. Rough going, but life goes on.

On December 21, 1976, Dan O. our club attorney brought a check for \$4,500 from Security Savings to cover losses, another attorney was handling the other losses for the bonding company that protected the club. \$2,100 in recovered checks had been turned over, and arrangements were being made for Al to make restitution.

The anonymous loan was repaid, the balance put into savings. On January 18th, money from the bonding company was received, the new board elected and officers selected: Dick P., President, Charlie F., Vice President, Grautzie F., Secretary, Kathy O., Treasurer, all supported by Dave O., Willie K., Buzz S, Katie W. and Manuel M. Later, Katie resigned, replaced by Andre L.

On April 20, Andre made a motion to dismiss the manager, Tony, seconded by Manuel. Kathy, Dick and Willie agreed: Buzz, Grautzie and Charlie voted no. Dave had resigned earlier. Reasons given were 1. Tony did not move the piano back on the stage, and 2. Tony did not fire a bar worker that served someone without a badge. The piano had been an on-again, off-again subject at board meetings, and membership rules had been a bone of contention for several years. Shock waves went through the club, and a special membership meeting was called for May 3rd. At the meeting, eight reasons were given, only one matching

the two given Tony, but all were rebuked as Grautzie took the floor. She authoritatively summarized the facts in each case, including that only one board member had followed through on the commitment to help behind the counter. 82 voted to remove the five board members, 26 voted to retain - a clear majority. New board members were elected and Tony was unanimously reinstated with no loss in pay. The years that followed saw steady improvements in the club, albeit membership fluctuations continued. The parking lot was paved, the front lobby tiled, the inside painted several times, improvements in the kitchen and more often than not, enough money was available for hired help. Volunteer effort then, as now and undoubtedly for all time to come, helped smooth over rough spots, but when membership in anything combines involvement with being there, those who become involved benefit to a greater degree whether or not they realize it at the time. Being a part of seems a common lacking for many alcoholics.

Becoming involved in and being a part of was a missing element for some time in my own past. Being allowed the opportunity to research the Heritage of the Alano Club of San Jose has given me many hours of pleasure, at times almost a feeling of having been there when these memories of today were in the making. Duncan Hall, Goble Hall, the basement, the pool room, the back room, lobby - every part of the club stirs a feeling that more than just the memory of the past is alive. The struggles and triumphs, the sorrows and joys, the heartaches and accomplishments all meld into one overwhelming sense of pride in belonging. Regardless of anything else, this clubs and clubs like it throughout the world, hold a very special place in the hearts of many a sober alcoholic. I'm grateful that mine is one of them.

Help Wanted!

I need to report some of the goings on of this Alano Club of San Jose and what it may have meant to you in your journey. Would you give me a paragraph or two and maybe your part in it? We will start with 1976 right up and through the Pandemic. This will be used for the updated history of our club, or it may not be used at all. So believe this, I could sure use some help. It can be anonymous or signed and to be used or not used as we see fit. So if you can, please do.

Love Tony

Send you entries and thoughts to tonybaron@comcast.net Much appreciated regardless of the outcome.