

WAC NEWS



Washtenaw Alano Club Monthly Newsletter

Then & Now

Did you know that 31 years ago there were three sober guys, John S., Dan T. & George R. who found and purchased this Club's property for us? We lost our lease on the State St. building, and had 60 days to relocate. George saw the Maple Rd. property advertised by the Ann Arbor School District on a Thursday. By the very next day they had the bid complete and sent to the Ann Arbor School Board. Next, they were required to make a formal presentation and, based on how they described our mission of service to the community, they won the bid (and they weren't even the highest bidders)! They describe the following couple of months as a whirlwind of activity! A time where many, many people pulled together and made the move to our current Club possible and we are truly grateful to them all! However, the real miracle is that these same guys have continued to stay sober for all the years in between **then & now!**

Spring: Season of Gratitude



(photo permission granted)

WE have so much to be grateful for! As the weather begins to warm up and the snow melts our new **Gazebo** is ready to get some use! Before we begin any festivities, however, we want to give a big shout out to the many folks who made it possible. Up front is **Chelsea**

Lumber Co. who so generously donated everything for the entire construction of the gazebo: from the concrete for the footings, to the lumber for the structure and the fasteners and the shingles for the roof. Also, **Country Lane Landscaping** donated the labor to dig the footings for the posts - and if any of you have had to dig post holes you know what a huge contribution that is! Last but definitely not least, **Andy N.**, who designed and built the Gazebo, (and yes, he is the same guy who put the much needed roof on the Club many years ago)! However, he didn't do it alone as he had much help from **Bill S.**, and **Mike!**

Thanks to all of you for your generous donations of materials, time and effort to make this awesome gazebo. We are so grateful!

Upcoming Club Events

Euchre Night

Is now “Under Construction” and will reappear as GAME NIGHT in the near future. Stay tuned for some exciting changes!

Movie Night

3rd Friday of the month at 7:00pm. Please join us for some snacks, good company and a great movie! For May’s movie title keep an eye on the flyers on the tables. May 18th is the next movie night.

Memorial Day Potluck

Please help us celebrate on Monday, May 28th at 1:00pm. Burgers and Dogs provided.

Please bring your favorite dish to pass!

Includes a 50/50 RAFFLE!
Purchase your ticket at the counter!

Board of Directors Meeting.

Thursday May 17, at 6:30pm.
Refreshments provided for attendees.

All are welcome to attend!

Committee Meetings

All are welcome to join ANY committee. *You do not have to be a member of the Club to be part of a Committee!*

Committees meet monthly at the Club and all start at 6:30pm.

- Building and Grounds Committee: 1st Monday of the month
- Communication Team: 2nd Tuesday
- Social Committee: 2nd Thursday
- Membership Committee: 2nd Thursday
- Fundraising Committee: 2nd Thursday
- 50th Anniversary Committee : 3rd Tuesday
- Governance Committee is an *ad hoc* Committee, that does not meet each month. Watch the website for the next meeting date.

WAC Cookbook

Contributions needed! Do you have a favorite recipe(s) that you would like to share with all your friends at the Club? The Washtenaw Alano Club Cookbook is in the works! Please leave your recipe (with photos and artwork included if you want to jazz it up) with the staff at the front counter. Your recipe should be in an envelope with your name and contact info on it. You may submit each completed recipe on an 8 1/2 x 11 page (with photos and artwork included), or leave it up to the editors to produce the finished product. Feel free to be creative and to have fun with it!

Jewelry & Accessories Sale

Saturday June 9th & 10th! Please join us for the wildly popular “*Junk & Disorderly*” jewelry and accessories sale this June 9th and 10th, 9:00am-2:00pm, at the WAC!

ANNOUNCEMENT

Please DO NOT PARK IN NON-PARKING AREAS! This is crucial in the spring as the ground is wet and the tires are leaving ruts that damage the property! We are so blessed to have this beautiful property and to be sober and capable of taking good care of it! Let's practice our principles in all our affairs.

Thank you!