

# Around the Coffee Pot...

Serenity House - Alano Club of Charlevoix

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## Summer 2006 Highlights, Tid-Bits & Updates...

(1) The July board meeting focused on final preparations for Venetian as old minutes were approved, financials were approved and all was declared okay; (2) Venetian financials are in and show a gross income of \$4,801.96, expenses of \$2,192.93 and a **net income of \$2,609.03 in 2006** - 2005 Venetian net income was \$1,622!! Thank you to all who volunteered their time and energy for a very successful event. This year's menu included smoothies, brats, hotdogs, soda and

water. Thanks to Terry L and the Villager staff for their assistance in preparing the food. (3) A new toilet was installed in the meeting room due to "slow refill" not conducive to high volume use, the new toilet cost \$250 and promises to "dispose of a dozen golf balls" with one flush while only using a minimal amount of water; installation was donated by Kelly Plumbing & Heating; (4) Sat AM Men's Meeting donated \$300 to the Club over and above their rental fees to address whatever needs the board

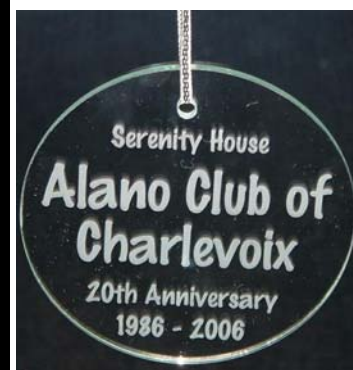
deemed necessary, ***A Big Thank You*** to one and all of the Saturday morning group; (5) the Alano Club is now official with it's "Charitable Solicitation License" granted by the Attorney General of the State of Michigan which is an annual license that requires a copy of the or-

ganization's form 990 tax filing each year; (6) Over 40 volunteers helped during this year's Venetian Booth success!!; (7) **LARGE PRINT Big Books and 12 & 12's** are available for order at prices below \$7 each, call Scott to order your copy and eliminate another excuse!!

**NEXT BOARD**  
**MEETING**  
**MONDAY,**  
**AUGUST 21ST**  
**6:30 p.m. at BASES**  
**(208 W Lincoln Street)**

**FYI—As promised on a sign in the Alano Club promoting the "Booth Decorating Contest" several months ago, Liz G has made good on her promise by delivering each winner one of her home made pies! Celia K and Helga S were the happy award winners. (See back for picture.)**

These Christmas ornaments are available for purchase at \$10 each. The ornament is 3 1/2 inches in size, made of glass and commemorates the organization's 20th Anniversary. Please contact Scott or one of the Alano Board members to place your order.



The "Serenity House - Alano Club of Charlevoix, Inc." was organized in 1986 to provide a meeting place for 12 step meetings. The organization is a non-profit corporation governed by a Board of Directors elected from its membership.

Club membership is never required and should never be implied for participation in 12 step meetings held at the club.

We request each group to organize itself as suggested through their respective 12 step program to avoid any violation of their traditions.

The Alano Club is a group of people interested in helping those seeking relief from addiction related problems by providing a place for 12 step meetings to be held.

# Alano Club 2006 Trailer Make-Over Project



Many thanks to Celia and Helga for donating their expertise and numerous hours in creating such a work of art that served as a magnet for many Venetian guests. This year's event made almost \$1,000 more this year than in 2005!



***Speaker / Potluck Meeting on 3rd Friday of the Month moving to Depot Beach Pavilion for the rest of the summer.***

**Scheduled Speakers:**

***Aug 18 - Helga S - Charlevoix***

***Sept 15 - Nanette W - Boyne City***

***Potluck at 6:30 / Speaker Following***

Newsletters & updated Alano Meeting Schedules now available on the internet!! Email to Scott to get more info: [scott@basesteencenter.org](mailto:scott@basesteencenter.org)

**2006 Board of Directors**

- Richard O'Leary - Chair
- Kent Warner - Vice-Chair
- Sonny Wright - Treasurer
- Sue Goodwin - Secretary
- Tony Blake
- Betty Collins
- Liz Gooch
- Terry Left
- Joanne Beemon (Alternate)
- Tony Swann (Alternate)

<i>Member-ship Updates</i>	<i>Aug 5, 2006</i>
Past Due	6
Due in Aug	5
Due in '06	4
2007+	41
Lifetime	13
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>69</b>

**Laughter is good medicine...**

***“Q: WHY IS THERE NO AA SOFTBALL TEAM?”***

***A: Because we'd all be out in left field.***

***David E., Gaylord, Michigan”***

***August '06 Grapevine***

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