

**Application for Membership to the
Galano Club of Milwaukee, WI Inc.**

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Group Affiliation: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

**I hereby apply for membership in the
Galano Club. I agree to abide by it's
bylaws and house rules.**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Dues:

1 month	\$10
3 months	\$28
6 months	\$54
1 year	\$105
Low Income	\$5/month

What is the Galano Club?

The Galano Club is a recovery club that provides meeting space for AA, Al-Anon, NA, an SCA 12 step meetings. The Club also provides a place to socialize and enjoy the fellowship of others in recovery. While our membership is made up of primarily gay and lesbian people, all persons are welcome. The purpose of the Club is to promote the improvement and development of those recovering from addictions.

Club Philosophy

The Galano Club provides a safe place where Gay and Lesbian people can participate in 12 step recovery programs, attend meetings, and socialize with each other. It's survival depends upon active members and volunteer work. We as individuals foster our own recovery through associating with other people at the Club who are in 12 step programs. We keep what we have by giving it away. We need the Club. The Club need us. Contribute. Benefit.

**Galano
Club
of
Milwaukee,
Inc.**

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Why Join The Club?

- To actively contribute to the workings of place in which you can work a recovery program.
- Members help guide the various social functions at the club.
- To help keep the doors open for the next gay/lesbian person looking for a safe place to recover from addiction.
- To be a recognized member of a flourishing LGBT recovering community.

Galano Club members receive the Galano Club newsletter, are invited to members only activities, and are offered reduced rates for certain events.

The membership dues are a large part of the financial foundation of the Galano Club. They help cover the club's expenses.

History of the Galano Club.

The genesis of the Galano Club was in 1973 when the founders of the 94 group discovered it would not be easy to find meeting space for gay/lesbian AA groups. As the 94 AA group grew and expanded with additional difficulty in securing space, the idea to have a

place of their own also grew. There was an obvious need for gay/lesbian people to have a place where they could expand their social needs in an alcohol and drug free environment.

Ten years after the first 94 group was formed, a "Steering Committee" started the process to form what is now the Galano Club. The committee became the first Board of Directors. For several years they met once a week at Summerfield Methodist Church and held events to raise money for a clubhouse of their own. In a short time we had enough funds to move into our first location at 1428 N. Farwell Ave. In March of 1989 the Club moved to 2408 N. Farwell. The Club enjoyed these spaces on the East side for almost 12 years.

In September, 2001 the Galano Club membership decided to move once again. The Club had been extended an invitation to be an integral part of the greater LGBT community. In December 2001, the Galano Club opened it's doors at the present location on the second floor of the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center.

Today the Galano Club has a growing,

active membership. The Club is home to fifteen 12 step meetings a week. Many people come through our doors each week for meetings or to just socialize with other recovering people.

The Galano Club hosts a variety of social activities appealing to all kinds of interests, including movies, dances, potlucks, and social outings.

Operating on a purely volunteer basis, the Galano Club has a board of Directors, consisting of eleven members, elected by the membership. The Board elects the officers of the Club. Volunteers run and operate the Club under the direction of the Board of Directors. No one is paid.

It is that spirit of everyone doing his or her part that makes the Club work. It is the membership pulling together that allows us to build for the future.

We urge you to join us. If you can, please volunteer.