

# VERDI CLUB

Newsletter | October 2022



## Upcoming Events

### Verdi Club Events

**Saturday, October 8**

[October Dinner Dance](#)  
[w/ The Full House Band](#)

**Saturday, November 12**

[November Dinner Dance](#)  
[w/ Lady D & The Marin Three](#)

### Public Events

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Benvenuti a tutti!

As we move into the last quarter of our first year of full operation on the waning end of the pandemic, I want to comment on the phenomenal job your Officers and Board members have done, not only to get the Verdi Club ramped up, but to improve the Club. The cosmetic improvements in the ballroom, and the lounges, are hard to miss because of their beauty and good taste, but it gets better when you look under the hood. Notably, our new HVAC system is on schedule to be completely operational by the end of September! That means heat when it's cold outside, and air conditioning when it's hot. If you want to know who to thank, then look no further than your Board and your Officers, who have been working on making the new HVAC system a reality for the past couple of years.

Speaking of hard-working and dedicated Board members and Officers, Verdi Club elections are now set for November 9, 2022, at 5:30 PM at the Verdi Club. Complimentary food and beverages will be served.

Last month I put out the call for volunteers, and although being on the Board or an Officer are not the only ways to contribute to the Verdi Club, if you have been a Full Member for the past year, then you are eligible to run for one of these positions.

But even if you cannot serve on the Board, for whatever reason, the most basic form of participation in the Verdi Club, is just showing up and casting a ballot. I will put out additional reminders as the election day approaches. We hope to see you there.

Also, please join us for the October 8 Dinner Dance, which will be a 50's Rock 'n' Roll/ Motown theme featuring the Full House Band. Get your tickets for the October 8 Dinner Dance, and for all of The Verdi Club's public events, at <https://www.verdiclub.net/event-space/> and just click on the event you want to attend.

Cordali Saluti, Samuel Bellicini





## Verdi Club Directory

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# DINNER DANCE CALENDAR

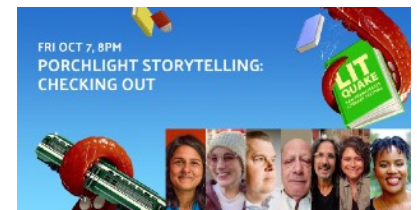
## Upcoming Dinner Dances

Date	Band	Style	Menu
October 8, 2022	Full House Band	50's Rock & Roll/Motown	Chicken Parmesan or Eggplant Parmesan w/ Pesto Rigatoni
November 12, 2022	The Marin 4	Various Jazz	Herb Roasted Turkey or Butternut Squash Baked Pasta
December 10, 2022	Bob Gutierrez Band	Ballroom	Beef Tenderloin w/ Green Peppercorn Sauce or Creamy Gorgonzola Polenta w/ Mushrooms and Roasted Root Vegetables

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### October 7 - [Porchlight Storytelling](#)

The Bay Area's Porchlight storytelling series celebrates its 20th anniversary year with this Litquake special edition, featuring tales about checking out, bugging out, and splitting the scene. With authors Nandita Danesh, Charlie Haas, Daniel & Rebecca Handler, Gary Singh, Silvia Vasquez-Lavado, and Monica West. Co-hosted by Arline Klatte and Beth Lisick. Music by Marc Capelle. Doors at 7 pm, show at 8 pm.



### October 19- [Generation Women: Litquake Edition](#)

For the San Francisco debut of Generation Women, a live multigenerational storytelling series, we've invited one woman or non-binary performer in their 20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, and 70s+ to share an original true story on the theme of BODIES—their own, the bodies of others, bodies wished for, and bodies gone. Founded by author Georgia Clark in New York City in 2017, the mission of Generation Women is to amplify underheard voices and create space for intergenerational connection and community. Featuring Janet Cheatham Bell, Alka Joshi, JiaJing Liu, Lauren Parker, Caroline Paul, and Bonnie Tsui. Hosted by San Francisco Chronicle books editor Samantha Schoech.





### **Birthdays**

Nick Cannuli  
Joseph Corvino  
Dennis Davison  
Ray Garcia  
Sean Gawell  
JoAnn Giroux  
Brian Gorman  
Steve Muller  
Pamela Reppen  
Ed Sutton  
Susan Troia

### **Anniversaries**

Mr. & Mrs. James Broussard  
Mr. & Mrs. Mark DePaula  
Mr. & Mrs. Ron McGoldrick  
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Muller  
No

### **Dinner Dance Set Up Team**

Dennis Davison  
Bonnie McGregor  
Jim and Debbie Poulos  
Annette and Mark Schutz  
Jane Wisdom-Russell and  
Bill Russell  
Steve and Diane Mullarkey

*If you would like to help out at the Club, on the day of the dinner dance we meet at 8am and are usually finished by 10am.*

#### **To join the crew contact:**

Dennis Davison at:  
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## **DINNER DANCE HIGHLIGHTS**

Wow! What a Night. Vintage style was on full display with Halsey & The Hi-Hats!



## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

The Verdi Club welcomes new Associate Members Karen and David Crommie and Vested Members Fiona Ma and Marissa Israel. We also extend our congratulations to Jane Wisdom-Russell and Bill Russell on becoming Vested (Full) Members. We now have a total of 131 Members: 97 Full Members and 34 Associate Members.

We're looking to grow so if you are interested in helping to recruit new members or just want to share some ideas, please reach out to me at [delores@verdiclub.net](mailto:delores@verdiclub.net) or 650 996 9060.

#### **Change to Verdi Club Gift Certificates**

The Board has approved a change to the terms of Verdi Club Gift Certificates, effective immediately. If you are in possession of or receive a Gift Certificate in the future, you may now use the Gift Certificate for any Verdi Club Member Dinner dance except New Year's Eve and the Crab Feed. We hope this encourages Members to attend more dinner dances and invite new friends to enjoy the hospitality of the Verdi Club.



VERDI CLUB  
DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

*Featuring*

*The Full House Band*



**50's**

*Rock & Roll  
and Motown*

*Wine  
Served  
with  
Dinner*

*Sales End  
October 6*

BUFFET MENU

Chicken Parmesan or

Eggplant Parmesan w/ Pesto Rigatoni

Salad

Dessert

\$45 MEMBER  
\$90 MEMBER + 1  
\$55 NON-MEMBER

6PM DRINKS  
7PM DINNER  
8PM BAND

Tickets available at [verdidclub.net](http://verdidclub.net)

RSVP by email: [rsvp@verdidclub.net](mailto:rsvp@verdidclub.net)



*"Your life was our blessing, and you shall never be forgotten"*

**Gino Joseph Pettinari**

February 24, 1927 – September 4, 2022

Our beloved Gino Pettinari passed away on September 4th, 2022. Our members have cherished memories of Gino's enduring presence at our Club from overseeing our 7:00 am set up for our monthly dinner dances, his attendance in his dapper attire, and the endless menagerie of animals he created out of wood for our monthly raffles. He served as a board of director for many years. In celebration of Gino he was bestowed the honor of Outstanding Verdi Club Member.

Gino Pettinari was born on February 24, 1927, to Pacifico and Gina Pettinari in North Beach, San Francisco, at home and across the street from the San Remo Restaurant.

Gino has one sister, Nadia Sutherland. Nadia and Gino lost their mother two weeks after Gino was born and he was raised by his sister and friends.

Gino's family later moved to Stockton so their father could work on farms to support the family. Shortly after, the family moved back to San Francisco where their father got a job with Michel & Pfeffer (an iron works company) in San Bruno.

He joined the Army to serve his country. He was in the Calvary stationed in Japan during the Occupation for three years.



When he came home from the Army, he was asked what he wanted. He said a convertible and a blonde. He met the woman of his dreams, Jaquelyn "Jackie" Taylor, in 1947. They married in 1950 at Star of the Sea Church in San Francisco. Yes, he also got his convertible. They had two sons, Michael Gene and Patrick Edward.

His family grew to 6 Grandchildren and 10 Great-grandchildren. He also had what he liked to call his "extra" children – many daughters, sons, and grandchildren – "extra to spoil".

He loved all his family and friends.

Gino worked at Standard Oil, was a journeyman roofer for 18 years and worked for Millbrae Lumber Company for 22 years as a Teamster Truck Driver.

In retirement, Gino swam a mile every weekday morning at Orange Park Pool. He also bowled twice a week. Woodworking was his passion, so every chance he had he made plant holders, baby cradles, rocking horses, birdhouses, and many other projects.

He served as the Retired Teamsters Club Vice President of Local #2785. He was an active member of the SSF Elks Lodge #2091.

He was the embodiment of goodness. He was a generous kind man and all of us who were fortunate to know him loved him.

Annette Schutz ~ SUNSHINE CHAIR

VERDI CLUB  
DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

*Featuring*

*Lady D  
& The Marin  
Three*

*Wine  
Served  
with  
Dinner*

BUFFET MENU

Herb Roasted Turkey or

Butternut Squash Baked Pasta

Mashed Potatoes, Herbed Stuffing, Salad

Dessert

6PM DRINKS  
7PM DINNER  
8PM BAND

*Sales End  
November  
10*

\$45 MEMBER  
\$90 MEMBER + 1  
\$55 NON-MEMBER

Tickets available at [verdiclub.net](http://verdiclub.net)

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