# VERDI CLUB

Newsletter | August 2023



# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Verdi Club Events**

#### Friday, August 11

<u>Summer of Swing Dinner Dance</u> <u>w/ Nick Rossi Swing Six</u>

#### Saturday, September 9

Roaring 20's Dinner Dance Party w/ Halsey & The Hi-Hats

#### **Public Events**

#### Friday, July 28

James Austin Johnson (SNL)

#### Tuesdays

Woodchopper's Ball

#### Most Wednesdays

Stud Country Line Dancing

#### **Thursdays**

Milonga Malevaje - Tango

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### Benvenuti a tutti!

It bears reiteration: The splendor of the Verdi Club did not spontaneously combust. Verdi Club members and staff work tirelessly to create the pleasant and welcoming experience we all enjoy at The Verdi Club. Naturally, the greater the number of people participating, the lighter the load for each. There are a variety of ways to serve for The Verdi Club, and many opportunities that will fit with your work or social schedule. Please contact any of the Officers or Board Members to learn more.

Last month I announced that we will hold Member meetings and elections for Officers and Board Members in the fall. This month I am including a description of each position and their duties.

Anyone who is a Vested Member in good standing for at least the last 12 months is eligible for a for a Board or Officer position. Every member in good standing is invited to serve on a Committee. Currently, The Verdi Club has the following committees that could use your help: Set-Up, Entertainment, Membership and Finance.

Officers and Board Members are expected to attend the monthly Board Meetings where decisions about major undertakings and expenditures related to the Verdi Club are made. Board Members are also expected to actively participate in running Verdi Club Member activities.

**President** – The President is the Chief Executive of the Verdi Club, and she/he presides over all meetings and enforces all provisions, objectives and purposes of the Club.

**Vice-President** – In the absence of the President, the Vice President performs the duties of that office and other duties as may be required of her/him.

**Treasurer** – The Treasurer deposits all money and other valuables in the name of the Verdi Club. She/he oversees payment of all bills received.

**Financial Secretary** – The Financial Secretary keeps and maintains written accounts of the properties and business transactions of the Verdi Club, including accounts of its assets and liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, losses, capital, dues, assessments and supplies.

**Recording Secretary** – The Recording Secretary records the minutes of all meetings and makes sure that the books, reports, documents, and communications required by law are properly kept and filed.



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Annette Schutz 415-652-2130

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**Sergeant at Arms** – The Sergeant of Arms ensures that order is maintained in and out of the meeting room during meetings.

**Executive Board** – Oversees all major undertakings or expenditures required for the ongoing maintenance and expansion of the Verdi Club. There are 5 Board Members and an additional, alternate Board Member (for a total of 6 Board Members).

This is the last month for our Summer of Swing series of dinner-dances, and we are closing out this season in style: Get your dancing shoes on for the incomparable Nick Rossi Swing Six. Those of you who know this band have already purchased your tickets. If you are new to the Nick Rossi Swing Six, then get your tickets for the August 11 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, before they sell out.

Cordali Saluti, Samuel Bellicini

### DINNER DANCE CALENDAR

Date	Band	Style	Menu
August 11, 2023	Nick Rossi Swing 6	Swing	Bacon Wrapped Pork Loin or 'Plant Based' Vegetarian Meatballs
September 9, 2023	Halsey & The Hi-Hats	20's Jazz	Grilled Flank Steak with Aji Sauce or Cheese Tortellini with Fennel and Mushrooms
October 14, 2023	Doc Kraft and his Dance Band	Rock & Roll	Chicken Parmesan or Eggplant Parmesan with Pesto Rigatoni

#### MEMBER NEWS

Please welcome new Associate Members **Greg Murphy** and **Yen Bachmeier** to our Verdi Club family. We now have a total of 144 Members and we continue to add new members almost every month.

Thank you to each of you for sharing the Verdi Club with family, friends and colleagues. Referrals are our biggest source of new members.

If you have any membership questions, please contact <a href="mailto:delores@verdiclub.net">delores@verdiclub.net</a>





#### **Birthdays**

George Acri **Robert Bailey** Julio Borruso George Campi Michelle Chang Gennedy Farber Leonard Graham Mary Moser Steve Mullarkey Catherine Pallas Jean Perata Dan Singer John Starelli Frank Takemori Patty Tan Pamela Tibbitts

#### **Anniversaries**

Yen Bachmeier

Mr. & Mrs Chuck Bonnici, Jr.

Mr. & Mrs William Cendak

Mr. & Mrs Louis Glaser

Mr. & Mrs. James Lewis, Jr.

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Swift

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

Dennis Davison

Ron McGoldrick

Bonnie McGregor

Annette Schutz

Mark Schutz

Jane Russell Wisdom

Bill Russell

Steve Mullarkey

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:

#### VERDI CLUB PRIVATE EVENTS

Host your next special event at Verdi Club with exclusive Member discount! No event is too small for us to make it truly memorable. Whether it's a happy hour gathering, anniversary party, fundraiser, company event, or any other special occasion, our doors are open to you.

We can help you through every step of the process, from booking entertainment and outside vendors to crafting specialized dinner and bar menus.

For booking inquiries, please contact <a href="mailto:jason@verdiclub.net">jason@verdiclub.net</a>





## SUMMER OF SWING

As the summer of swing draws to a close, Verdi Club is set to end on a high note with Nick Rossi and The Swing Six. This captivating musical experience promises an unforgettable night of enchanting melodies and infectious rhythms, leaving the audience with cherished memories of a timeless era. Don't miss this grand finale to a sensational season of swing!

#### Nick Rossi Swing 6 - Friday, August 11, 2023

Swing rhythm guitarist Nick Rossi, who can often be seen and heard playing throughout the Bay Area and beyond with other bands, brings his own all-star group to play hard-driving 1930's-1940's small group swing, perfect for both Lindy Hop and Balboa







Summer of Swing Dinner Dance w/ Nick Rossi Swing Six

Friday, August 11 @ 5:30pm

# **Tickets**

Verdi Club wraps up the Summer of Swing with the incomparable Nick Rossi and his Swing Six!

#### **Nick Rossi Swing Six**

Swing rhythm guitarist Nick Rossi, who can often be seen and heard playing throughout the Bay Area and beyond with other bands, brings his own all-star group to play hard-driving 1930's-1940's small group swing, perfect for both Lindy Hop and Balboa. Enjoy this wonderful band on a spacious hardwood floor with room to swing out!

#### **Buffet Menu**

Bacon Wrapped Pork Loin or 'Plant Based' Vegetarian Meatballs

Served with Side, Salad, Vegetable, Dessert and Dinner Wine

#### **Schedule**

5:30 Doors Open 6:45 Dinner 7:30 Dance

#### Price

\$45 Member \$90 Member +1s \$55 Non-Member \$25 Dance Only





The Age James Austin Johnson (SNL)

Friday, July 28 7:30pm

# **Tickets**

JAMES AUSTIN JOHNSON is a comedian originally from Nashville and a featured player on Saturday Night Live. The New York Times has called him "one of SNL's most versatile celebrity impressionists." His spot-on impression of Trump paired with his improvisational ramblings about Weird Al, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, and Scooby Doo have garnered over 5 million views, with profiles on James in Vanity Fair, Slate, Mashable, and Vice to name a few. As an actor, James' TV/Film credits include Future Man, Baskets, Robbie, Better Call Saul, The Last Tycoon and the Coen Brothers' feature Hail, Caesar!.

As a stand up, James has performed on the Vice series *Flophouse*, as well as *Riot LA* and Just For Laughs as a New Face.



# Stud Country -Queer Line Dancing & Two-Stepping 8pm Wednesdays

Stud Country premiered at the Verdi Club to a full house of 200 dancers hot off their feature in the New York Times. When they're not taking breaks to appear in Vogue and on Good Morning America, Stud Country will have their SF home at the Verdi Club on Wednesdays. Open to all, this community has been a wonderful addition to the Verdi Club dance schedule. Hope to see you on the dance floor! Tickets are available at the door.



Roaring 20's Dinner Dance Party w/ Halsey & The Hi-Hats September 9 @ 5:30pm

# **Tickets**

Step back in time and join us for an unforgettable evening at the Roaring 20's Dinner Dance Party! Get ready to swing and sway to the jazzy tunes of Halsey & The Hi-Hats as they transport you to the glamorous era of the 1920s.

Dress in your finest Gatsby-inspired attire and get ready to immerse yourself in the spirit of the Roaring 20s.

Indulge in a delectable dinner served with a modern twist, featuring a menu by Chef Sean Gawel. Sip on classic cocktails and enjoy an evening of dancing, laughter, and merriment.

Whether you're a fan of the Jazz Age or simply looking for a night of fun and nostalgia, this event is not to be missed! Join us for a night of glitz, glamour, and unforgettable memories at the Roaring 20's Dinner Dance Party w/ Halsey & The Hi-Hats.

#### **Buffet Menu**

Grilled Flank Steak with Aji Sauce or Cheese Tortellini with Fennel and Mushrooms

Served with Side, Vegetable, Salad, Dinner Wine, and Dessert

#### **Price**

\$45 Member \$90 Member +1s \$55 Non-Member \$25 Dance Only



#### SUNSHINE



#### COMMITTEE

Verdi Club associate member Dena Aslanian-Williams lights up a room. Her warmth and welcoming presence embrace all who have the good fortune to know her.

Where are you from? "My Armenian family immigrated to San Francisco from Iran in 1969 and I have lived within the 7 by 7 borders of the City since then."

What do you love most about San Francisco? "Oh where do I start, I think more than anything I appreciate and love the natural setting and topography of this city. The proximity to the ocean, the bay, the parks and above all the light. Second, I love the diversity and inclusion of this city in people, cuisine, and cultures. Third, I like the cultural activities and the arts both big and small. We have world class, museums, ballet, opera, theater etc. etc."

What do you love most about the Verdi Club? "When you enter the Verdi Club, you know you're in for a special time. I love the design and decorations but more than that I love the people and atmosphere. It's where one can dress up and come to a swanky evening while still being completely comfortable and down to earth. The idea that you can have



a wonderful dinner, dance to a live band, and meet friends at such a reasonable price is extremely unusual in an increasingly expensive city."

Tell us about your work and your hobbies, your passions? "I help people buy and sell real estate in San Francisco and the Bay Area. It is my work but it's also my passion. I love helping people move through stages of their lives and often buying of selling real estate is a part of that. My other passions are travel, art, design, nature, hiking, reading, and gathering with friends either at home or in one of the myriads of restaurants and gathering places in this town."

Is there something you would like to add? "I believe in starting over and second and third chances. I truly love my life and always try to see the best in any situation."

Annette Schutz - Sunshine

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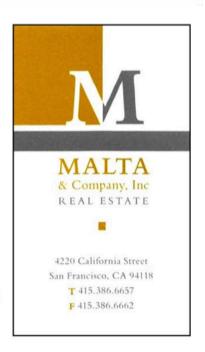
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