

# VERDI CLUB

Newsletter | January 2023



## Upcoming Events

### Verdi Club Events

**Saturday, January 21**

[\*Installation Dinner Dance  
w/ The Oaktown Strutters\*](#)

**Saturday, February 11**

[\*Verdi Club Dinner Dance  
w/ Halsey & The Hi-Hats\*](#)

### Public Events

Tuesdays

[\*Woodchopper's Ball\*](#)

Thursdays

[\*Milonga Malevaje - Tango\*](#)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Buon Natale!

Fun fact: the Romans invented Christmas. The Chronograph of (AD) 354, is the first written work to attribute the birth of Christ to December 25th. Nearly two-thousand years later, Western culture has melded this important Christian milestone, with the other various Winter Solstice celebrations, to become Christmas, a celebration of light and life and love that is so much more than the sum of its varied cultural parts.



So, too, with our beloved Verdi Club. Established in 1916, our founders could have hardly imagined that their men-only Italian social club would blossom into the jewel of San Francisco that it is today – The Verdi Club. Today, we certainly hope and aspire to reflect San Francisco's powerful culture of inclusion and reverence for diversity.

We started out as a men-only Italian social club. Who are we now?

Our official Purpose in Article II of our By-Laws states merely, "The purpose of this club shall be social-fraternal." That's all. Over the course of the coming year, your Officers and your Board will explore crafting a mission statement that is worthy of The Verdi Club and her place in San Francisco culture. This is, literally, a monumental task, and we need your help, your contributions, and your ideas in this regard. Food for thought.

Coming Next ...

The December Dinner Dance and New Year's Eve at the Verdi Club were a huge successes – and here's a big Verdi Club Thank You to all who attended!

New Year's Eve at the Verdi Club was fabulous, featuring music by The Vintage Jukebox. Bandleader Laurent Fourgo was right at home here at The Verdi Club, and this New Year's Eve Dinner-Dance was the perfect way to ring in the New Year.

Also, please join us for the Installation Dinner Dance on **January 21, 2023**, featuring Verdi Club favorite, The Oaktown Strutters. Get your tickets for the Installation 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



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## MEMBER NEWS

### ALERT!

Verdi Club experienced a mail theft over the holidays and Member dues checks may have been included in the stolen mail. If you've sent in a dues check that has not cleared by your bank, please stop payment on the check and issue a replacement. If you have questions about your dues payment, please send an email to [delores@verdiclub.net](mailto:delores@verdiclub.net)

### TIME TO PAY YOUR 2023 DUES!

It's that time of year again!

Annual dues are \$100 per year for both Associate and Vested Members. Dues must be paid by February 15, 2023. If your payment is not received by the deadline, a \$20 late fee will be assessed.

There are several convenient ways to pay your dues.

**Electronic Payment:** You can pay your \$100 dues electronically. Just click on this link (<https://www.verdiclub.net/2023-member-dues/>) and follow the directions. You will receive an acknowledgment that your payment has been received.

**Payment by Check:** Send your \$100 dues payment to the Verdi Club. Your cancelled check will constitute acknowledgment that your dues have been paid.

Mail your payment to: Verdi Club Attn: Membership 2424 Mariposa St. San Francisco, CA 94110

### REMINDER

The Verdi Club Newsletter will no longer be printed and mailed via the USPS.

The Newsletter will be delivered only via email. If your email has changed recently, please send an email to [delores@verdiclub.net](mailto:delores@verdiclub.net) so she can update our membership records.

## DINNER DANCE CALENDAR

### Upcoming Dinner Dances

Date	Band	Style	Menu
January 21, 2023	The Oaktown Strutters	Ballroom	Salmon w/ Lemon and Dill Beurre Blanc or Creamy Tomato Risotto
February 11, 2023	Halsey & The Hi-Hats	Mid-Century Jazz and Ballroom	Smoked Pork Chops w/ Tomato Marmalade or Creamy Gorgonzola Polenta w/ Roasted Root Vegetables
March 11, 2023	Eammon Flynn	Irish	Menu TBD



### **Birthdays**

Jonathon Bartlett  
Emil Bertana  
Roy Herstein  
Delores Homisak  
Ray Lenci  
Glenn Micallef  
Michelle Merlo  
Melissa Mooney  
Joanne Regalia  
William Russell  
Gail Stimmel  
Paul Varni

### **Anniversaries**

Mr. & Mrs. Dave Armstrong  
Cristine Gasperi & Dan Patten  
Peggy Guylai & Jeremy Sutton  
Patty & Ian Anderson

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

Dennis Davison  
Jean Perata  
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Mark Schutz  
Jane Wisdom-Russell  
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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:**

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[dgrizz24@yahoo.com](mailto:dgrizz24@yahoo.com)  
415-584-1075

## **BAND SPOTLIGHT**

### **January 21: The Oaktown Strutters**

The Oaktown Strutters are one of the Bay Area's hottest new swing bands, with an upbeat style of syncopation and classic swing jazz and ballroom repertoire aimed especially at ballroom dancers. Led by Richard Chon on violin and his warm baritone vocals, these veteran musicians know exactly how to get a dance floor moving! Tickets on sale December 1st!



### **February 11: Halsey & The Hi-Hats**

Verdi Club is thrilled to welcome back Halsey and the Hi-Hats! They performed at one of the most memorable Dinner Dances of 2022 and are not to be missed.

Halsey & The Hi-Hats presents: Midcentury Madness!

Swing and jazz of the 40s, 50s and 60s in the style of Betty Hutton, Vera Lynn, Doris Day, and the rat pack. With a top secret special guest!

Drums: Karen Stoneham  
Horn: Jeff Sanford  
Guitar: Stu Rosenberg  
Bass: Andrew Higgins  
Vocals: Halsey Varady





# VERDI CLUB INSTALLATION DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

*Featuring*



*Wine  
Served  
with  
Dinner*

## BUFFET MENU

Salmon  
w/ Lemon and Dill Beurre Blanc or  
Creamy Polenta w/  
Mushrooms and Roasted Vegetables

Salad  
Dessert

*Sales End  
January  
19*

5:30 DRINKS  
6:30 DINNER  
7:30 BAND

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

Tickets available at [verdiclub.net](http://verdiclub.net)  
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# VERDI CLUB DINNER & DANCE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11



*Wine  
Served  
with  
Dinner*

**Halsey & The Hi-Hats**

*Sales End  
February  
9*

## BUFFET MENU

Smoked Pork Chop w/ Tomato Marmalade

or

Creamy Gorgonzola Polenta  
w/ Roasted Root Vegetable

Garlic Parmesan Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Almandine

Mixed Green Salad

Dessert

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