

The second half of the program was The Orchestra Project, under the direction of **Richard Yaus**. Richard chose a wide variety of music, starting with Rakoczy March. They played eight songs in all. "American Patrol", "New York, New York", Masquerade Waltz, a kind of a tango, and even a little Glen Miller. They finished with "Valencia". There were 18 orchestra members. They had five rehearsals, about four hours each. Richard offered individual lessons, pro bono. All Absolut Accord Members

participated. They certainly do support each other and encourage the ongoing enjoyment of accordion music. The orchestra played beautifully, and the audience loved it. Your hard work was obvious. It was interesting to hear 17 accordions and drums sound like the instruments in an orchestra. From the audience the layout was left front, the violin section, right side cello section, in the

middle horns, and in the back drums and bass. Accordions are truly versatile instruments!









We were cut short as Harry's booked another event at 4:00. Each orchestra member deserves name recognition, but will have to settle for group recognition. Excellent performance, we enjoyed every minute and are looking forward to the fourth Orchestra Project. Next meeting there will be a short report given by one of the orchestra members.

COMING EVENTS

Coming Events at SVAS: Sunday July 12, 2015 Meeting Doors open at 1:00 pm

1:10-2:1:45 pm Open Play, Anyone can play

1:45-2:00- Master of Ceremonies Remarks

2:00-3:00pm Sunday 7 Band 3:00-3:15pm Break & Drawing 3:15-4:15pm Roberto Rosa

August—Steve & Mike Trucco September– Denis D'Aoust October –Due Zighi Baci November– Karl Lebherz Band December-

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Who's Playing??? William DeMichelis—Music with an accent, 408-375-0001, accordionist.sanjose@comcast.net Reno di Bono plays the second Friday of each month at Montavalle in Scotts Valley, dancing to the Blue Moon Trio. Joe Domitrowich- AlpinersUSA: see www.alpinersusa.com or www.capricious-accordion.com or call 408-255-1259 Mike Zampiceni - Accordionist 408 569-2579, Plays on Sunday nights at Paesano RestaruRant (Reservations required)

AbsolutAccord: Schedule Concerts with Norma Parsons (408) 246-3073, www.absolutaccord.com

Sunday 7: Schedule Concerts with Bob Stanfield (650) 888-3701

Happy Days Band: Schedule Concerts with Ken Caple (408) 892-2760

Due Zighi Baci- Schedule Performances with Sheri Mignano @ sfmignano@yahoo.com

Ernie Beran— Plays at the Tyrolean Inn Restaurant in Ben Lomond, CA every Saturday 6:00-9:00 pm

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ACCORDION CLUBS MEETING SCHEDULES IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Accordion Club of the Redwoods (ACR) meets on the third Monday of the month. Herman & Sons Hall, 860 Western Avenue, Petaluma CA 94952. Contact: (707) 795-4060.

Golden State Accordion Club (GSAC) has three divisions:

- **1. The Vacaville Club** meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM, Pietro's N.2, 679 Merchant St, Vacaville, CA 95687, Starting July 12, 2012, Except for June and December.
- 2. The Humboldt Club meets on the third Tuesday, 7:00 PM., Humboldt Swiss Club, 5403 Tompkins Hill Road, Loleta, CA 95551.
- **3. The Sacramento Club** meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Old Spaghetti Factory,12401 Folsom Rd..,Rancho Cordova CA ,95742. Contact for all the GSAC: Carole Enneking (707) 864-2359.

Good Time Accordion Club (GTAC) meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM, Escalon Community Center, 1055 Escalon Ave., Escalon, CA 95320. Contact Ed Sciarini (209) 545-3603.

Northern California Accordion Society (NCAS) meets on the first Wednesday of the month 6:30 PM 6365 Douglas Blvd., Lutheran Church Social Hall, Granite Bay, CA 95746.

San Francisco Accordion Club (SFAC) meets on the third Sunday of the month 2:00 PM. Oyster Point Yacht Club, 911 Marina Blvd. South San Francisco, CA 94080. Contact Lynn Ewing 650-453-3391.

Silicon Valley Accordion Society (SVAS) meets on the first Sunday of the month, 1:00 PM at Harry's Hofbrau, 390 Saratoga Avenue, San Jose, CA 95129. (between Kiely Blvd. and Stevens Creek Blvd. Contact: Bill Topogna (408) 984-5290.

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Cotati Accordion Festival

Aug. 22 & 23, 2015 Silver Jubilee

Tickets available at the SVAS Meetings at a reduced rate.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND ELECTIONS

On Wednesday June 10, 2015 the Silicon Valley Accordion Society Board of Directors held a meeting to elect board members and officers of the organization. The resulting list of Board Members and Officers are as listed on page 6 of this newsletter. Please notify your Board Members with any comments or suggestions that you have with regard to the operations of the organization.

SVAS Jam Band is forming

In order to propagate more interest in our members playing for the club, the Board of Directors has elected to have a JAM BAND play in the pre-program period of the meeting from time to time. This Band will consist of anyone who wishes to play in a band. SVAS will provide the Jam Books of easy music. The Band will start at 1:00 pm and play until 1:45 pm. Notices of the Band "Play Schedule" will be in the newsletter.

Our first JAM Band performance will be on July 12, 2015. I hope you will all join us in this exciting adventure.

Paul Pasquale of "Accordions International"

Paul will give a presentation of the **Concerto Digital/Acoustic accordion**, which is the most advanced accordion of its kind currently manufactured, beginning at 2:00 pm August 2.

Paul will demonstrate and play the newest version of the Concerto Professional Accordion. Paul was a former partner of the Colombo Accordion Company of San Francisco. He was instrumental in later years for the design and construction of the Colombo accordion.

Today Paul has designed the **Concerto** from selected manufacturers of the best accordion components at Castelfidardo in Italy. He has the basic acoustic accordion assembled to his specifications with the highest quality reeds and components available. When the accordion arrives at his Salt Lake City shop he installs all of the electronic components and software that he has designed and had manufactured in the USA. He has several models and colors available and will custom design an accordion for the buyer.

Paul also owns the **Colombo** trademark and still manufactures accordions with the Colombo brand name. Paul also is the producer of the "Las Vegas Internation! Accordion Convention" (June 22-25,2015 at the Gold Coast Hotel in Las Vegas).

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Silicon Valley Accordion Society meetings held first Sunday of each month at Harry's Hofbrau, 390 Saratoga Avenue, San Jose, corner of Kiely. Doors open at 1:00, Music begins at 1:15, Meeting begins at 2:00 p.m. door fee \$5, under 16 no charge.