



North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
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NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY LODGE # 2805
AUGUST - 2023 NEWSLETTER
NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 5

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Greetings Members,

Our Lodge has a couple ways to communicate with our members. We have a monthly newsletter and minutes. Both are emailed and the newsletter is also posted on our website. usually in the 3rd or 4th week of the month.

You may also have them mailed to you. If you would like to receive your these in the mail please let Sue know. To sign up to receive our Lodge emails please go to our website, once there, scroll down, you will notice an email sign up form. Fill it in and subscribe.

Our Website address is:

<https://northhavenlodge2805.club>

Our Lodge email address is

nhsdilodge2805@outlook.com. If you have something you would like to request us to share in the newsletter, on our website, Facebook page or in an email please email Lenny at Lric56@yahoo.com or Sue at snoozie321@outlook.com

Deadline for newsletter is the 20th of the month. We also send out emails with important updates, good and welfare, and when committee meetings are scheduled.

President's Message

Welcome to September, it is our busiest month. The weather will be getting cooler, the days shorter, and it's a good time to join us at our September events.

Before the September meeting we will have dinner, at 6:00. I hope you join us, please let us know if you are coming, we can't take people at the door. It's always nice when you don't have to cook before a meeting.

Let's talk about the events we have this September. If you like playing cards, our Military Whist is always a fun night. We are having our Lodge picnic where you and your family can join us, there will be games and of course lots of good food to enjoy, you may even meet some members you didn't know. If you just like to hang out and listen to music, come to Rock Night, this is for you. Do you enjoy the outdoors, come to the golf tournament. Even if you don't play golf, you could come and volunteer to help or just come and join us for lunch or dinner. If you are a blood donor we are having a blood drive, we also need members to help that day. The last event in September is our Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner. This is our premier event where we honor people who do so much for our local communities.

Like I said, we have a lot going on in September, see the rest of the newsletter for details. Hopefully we will see you at one or two or all the events. Our next Lodge meeting is on Tues., September 5th at the church, hope to see you there.

Richard M. DeCrosta Memorial Golf Tournament In Memory of All Departed Members of our Lodge

We are in the process of soliciting sponsors for our Golf Outing from businesses for the Sunday, September 24 Golf Tournament. You will be receiving electronic copies of both the brochure and the cover letter from our president Sue Velleca. You may also view and print both on our website. If you need paper copies, contact Tim Longo at 203-843-7157 or Longo.tim@gmail.com.

Please think of any businesses, especially the ones you deal with on a weekly or monthly basis and ask them if they would like to be a Tee or other contest sponsor. We are also looking for raffle prizes such as, in services donations, gift certificates or other gifts, that can help contribute to the success of our golf tournament. See Regina or Jon Najarian.

The cost this year will be \$150 per player, which includes all golfing fees, lunch, dinner, and other refreshments. Players are eligible for golfing prizes and everyone can buy raffle tickets for many great prizes. It will be a casual and fun outing! Come just for a great Italian buffet! A portion of proceeds goes to the Epilepsy Foundation of CT, & other charities including Lodge Scholarships.
To View and or Print the Golf Tournament Registration, and more information Please visit our website.

Community Outreach

Our committee would like to thank the members for their generous contributions of toys! Our "Christmas in July" Toy Drive was a great success. We will proudly drop off this large donation in early September - pics to follow!

We now have two more activities to help our community that we hope to enlist your generosity and support for:



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1) We will be hosting a **Blood Drive for the American Red Cross** on Wednesday, September 27th from 1:00-6:30. This Blood Drive will be held at St. Frances Cabrini Church, 57 Pond Hill Road, North Haven CT. Blood is urgently needed, and we hope this Blood Drive will enable many in our community to easily donate. Please register online for a time slot at www.redcrossblood.org. It is identified online as St. Frances Cabrini Church - Please help us fill the slots! We will also be asking for a few volunteers to spend a couple of hours helping at the Blood Drive, as well as volunteers to help us supply baked goods for the donors. We will discuss in more detail at the September 5th meeting. Please contact Denise (203-710-7397) if you want to help and won't be at the Lodge meeting



2) We will be holding a diaper and baby wipes drive to benefit the **The Diaper Bank of Connecticut** (www.thediaperbank.org). Many families have true financial difficulty buying diapers, and this organization works wonders to help. We will be collecting any size, brand and bag count of diapers and/or baby wipes at the September and October Lodge meetings. We also know that diapers are expensive - so another option we thought might work for members is to donate any dollar amount they can easily afford for this cause, and our committee will pool the funds and buy what we can with the cash

We will also be asking our local businesses to house collection boxes for us. At this time, the businesses that help us are Arnold's Jewelers, Hello Gorgeous, and Nick's Char Pit. It would be great to have boxes in additional places. If you have a business or know of a business that is willing to house a box for us, please contact us! These boxes have worked in the past, garnering a good amount of additional items collected for our drives. We hope they will continue to do so!

Thanks again to everyone that has supported our endeavors! If any members want to join our committee or suggest an activity please contact us!

Denise Mazzotta Krause,
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Georgianna Hull, 203-988-8006



Save the Date

Lodge 20th Anniversary Party!
Saturday, January 6th, 2024
At Wallingford Country Club
(more information to follow)

SOCIAL MEETING

We will have a social meeting on September 26 at 6:00pm at Nicks char pit. This Will be to finalize the years events and begin planning for 2024.

Anyone interested in obtaining more information is asked to call Frank at 203-410-4254.

Just an update for Bocce.

Friday night (8/11) Glenn's team ended up in 1st place, Sally's Team in 2nd place and Georgianna's Team in 3rd place. Glenn's team was granted the bye. Sally's team vs Georgianna's team played. Georgianna's won --they did a great job in a close game against Sally's team. In Sept (date TBA) Glenn's team will play Georgianna's team for the championship (best out of 3 games). Hope you will come to cheer them on. Congrats to our other 4 teams. It was a great season playing on the courts!

Lodge 2805 Dinner before the September Lodge Meeting



Tuesday, Sept. 5 2023 / Dinner Serving at 6:00 pm

Meeting will follow at approx. 7:00 pm

Advance Tickets only. Reserve by August 29, 2023

Contact Lenny to make Reservation

Text or call 203-507-6509 or email Lric56@yahoo.com

Tickets are \$15.00 per person

Menu:

Roast Pork Loin, Roasted Red Potatoes, Italian Mixed Vegetables,

Salad, Bread, Butter & Dessert

All Proceeds will benefit our Lodge

Scholarship Awards

Military Whist Card Party

Friday September 15, 2023

St Frances Cabrini, 57 Pond Hill Road, North Haven
Doors open at 6:30 pm. Coffee & desserts included

\$10.00 per person

Teams of 4, if you don't have 4 that is ok,
we will place you with a Team.

Basket Raffle prizes Needed!!!

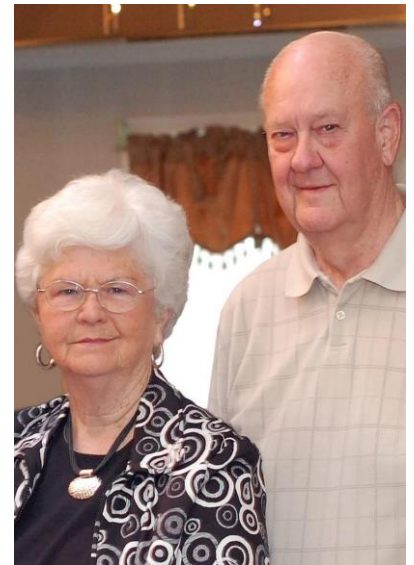
Call Sharon or Lenny 203-234-0215



18th Annual Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner



Honoring Recipients:
William Mitchell
Angel Natalino
Arthur (Artie) Natalino



To be held at
WOODWINDS
29 School Ground Road,
Branford, CT.
Thursday September 28, 2023
5:30 to 9:30 p.m.
\$50.00 per person
Cash Bar.

Menu:

Cold Hors D'oeuvres Display - Salad Station: Caesar & Garden Salad

Pasta Station: Penne w/ Sunday Sauce and Penne Alfredo

Entrée: Chicken Marsala, Stuffed Filet of Sole, Seasonal Vegetable Medley, Rice Pilaf, Herb Roasted Potatoes. For Dessert: Sheet cake served with Espresso, Coffee, and Tea

Unlimited Nonalcoholic Beverages

Please contact Gail Norup for Tickets 203-494-1820 or email gail.norup@yale.edu

Rock Night



Rock Night is back at Lodge 2805
Friday September 22nd 7-10 PM
St. Frances Cabrini Hall

What a better time to socialize with your fellow Lodge members, listen to some good music, learn a bit of Rock History, and Oh yeh! there will be a request hour, and time to dance.

It's free, Bring your own snacks and drink, Hope to see you there.

LETS CELEBRATE THE END OF SUMMER TOGETHER AT OUR PICNIC

Community Lake in Wallingford.

Sunday Sept. 17, Noon to 5pm

Food Served from 1:30 to 3:30

Jimmels Hotdogs, Burgers, Corn on the Cob, Baked Beans, Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Watermelon, Cookies & bottled Water provided.

Please bring a dessert to share. Bring your own

Non Alcoholic Drinks.

The Cost will be \$15 per person, Children under 5 are free

Any questions please call, text or email: Cheryl Vestal 203-530-0046 or stngengage@aol.com

Everyone Must Be Paid By Sept. 5
No Late Reservations and No Walk-Ins

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Italian Heritage Month



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October 4, 2023 7PM

*Frances Calzetta - President American Italian Women
of Greater New Haven*

Discusses Christopher Columbus - Past & Present

October 14, 2023 6PM

Meat Loaf Dinner \$10.00

October 20, 2023, 6:00 PM

Enzo Boscarino

Singing Story Teller

Fried Dough Pizza, Salad

Show and dinner \$10.00

Pizza to go \$6.00 each



October 27, 2023

Italian Pasta Sauce Competiton

& Ziti Dinner \$10.00



Coffee & Dessert and Bottled Water at all events!

For more information call SueAnn at 203-710-4186

E-mail sueann.mentone@yahoo.com

All events at St. Frances Cabrini Church

Fashion Show Info

We are off and running! Your fashion show committee is working very hard to ensure another successful event. Our show is Sunday, November 19, 2023 at the woodwinds banquet facility on 29 Schoolground Road, Branford. We are offering a buffet brunch from 11 am to 3 pm. Tickets are ready. Packets of 10 tickets will be available at the lodge meetings in September, October, & November. The cost is \$50.00 per person sold in advance. Please, no Walkins. Ticket sales deadline is November 13th.

Of course, what would our fashion show be without our raffle? We are asking for raffle item donations of new items. Please, no used items. You can bring your donation to the lodge meetings or drop them off at Regina's house.