



North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
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NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY LODGE # 2805
APRIL - 2023 NEWSLETTER
NEXT MEETING MAY 2

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President's Message

Hi Everyone;

Spring is finally here, as we are looking forward to the warmer weather, we have a lot of things planned.

Membership is an important part of any organization. We are blessed with a strong and active membership, but we need to increase our numbers. With new members come new ideas and energy. We are holding a membership drive at our Porchetta Dinner, with a lot of incentives to join. Consider bringing a friend or family member. There is more information below.

We also have a lot of social events planned. Please come to our Lodge meeting to sign up for the event or join a committee. It's a great way to get involved and make new friends.

If you have suggestions or questions, please feel free to contact me any time.

Susan Velleca

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE
COMING IN MAY**



**Sons & Daughters
of Italy
Lodge 2805**

On May 20 the lodge will host a Porchetta Dinner & Membership Drive. Bring your friends and family to join our lodge. We will have Porchetta, stuffed shells, veggie & salad for just \$20. If someone joins the cost of the meal will cover their dues for the rest of 2023! Dinner & membership for \$20. If you bring a friend and they join, you will receive a \$15 coupon for any of our in-lodge events.

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Starring four legends like you've never seen them before. LAST VEGAS tells the story of Billy, Paddy, Archie and Sam—played by Michael Douglas, Robert De Niro, Morgan Freeman, and Kevin Kline—best friends since childhood.

When Billy, the group's sworn bachelor, finally proposes to his thirty-something girlfriend, the four head to Las Vegas with a plan to stop acting their age and relive their glory days.

***** RSVP Required *****

Contact Gale Iannone

203-239-0454

RSVP By April 25th

We need to order food

**MOVIE
NIGHT**

You Are Invited

Saturday, April 29

6:00pm dinner

7:00pm movie

\$20 pp

Buffet

Chicken & Potatoes

Eggplant Parmegiana, Baked Ziti

String Beans w garlic & oil

Salad and more

Popcorn—Soda—Water

Coffee—Dessert

BYOB

North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy

St. Frances Cabrini Church

57 Pond Hill Rd, North Haven, CT

2023 Lodge Scholarship Applications Available on Website

northhavenlodge2805.club/scholarships

Our Lodge is proud to offer lodge members Scholarships to our graduating high school seniors, from any Connecticut public or private High School, whose parents, guardians, or grandparents are lodge members. Two possible scholarships are available;

All applications must be postmarked or received on or before the deadline of Friday, May 12, 2023, To download an application go to our website <https://northhavenlodge2805.club/> and click on the scholarship tab.

Memorial Day Parade

Angela and Joya are chairing this years Memorial Day Parade Committee. Join us on May 27th at the North Haven High School. Be there at 9:00 parade starts at 10:00. Wear your lodge shirts and join your lodge brothers and sisters and march in the parade. all members are encouraged to participate. If you need a shirt see Lenny. Sign up at the meeting with Angela or Joya or email angiem1002@gmail.com or yellowtulips6@protonmail.com. We will have one or two cars for those who cannot walk.

After the parade SueAnn and Frank will host a hamburger/hotdog cookout for people who march. We ask that you bring a side dish or dessert to share and bring your own drinks. The location is a surprise, you will find out after the parade. Come to the May meeting and sign up or email Angela, or Joya.



10th Annual Horse Race Event and Dinner

Saturday June 10th 2023, 6pm
St Frances Cabrini Church

Buffet Menu: Baked Macaroni,
Chicken Francaise, Vegetable,
Salad, Bread,
Coffee Tea, and Dessert
Members \$20.00
Non Members \$25.00



Come one—come all! Saturday, June 17th 7pm at the Church Hall.

Admission is \$15, includes admission packet and three specials!

Please let Sally know if you are interested in coming.

Reminders: Please no checks/certificates / Bring \$15 cash

Bring \$1 bills for "Game Specials" / Bring your markers/dabbers

Bring your own snacks/BYOB We will provide water, soda, Coffee & desserts!

Hope you see you there. Bring your friends!

Sally Gill Sgill247@aol.com 203-645-8177 (sally's cell)

Family Fun! Yard Goats Baseball!

Join us for an afternoon at the Yard Goats, July 23, at 1:00pm. Cost is just \$15 which includes a \$2 coupon for use in the stadium. More information to follow.



2nd Annual Car Show

Saturday - August 12, 2023, Times: 9 AM - 2 PM

Rain date August 19, 2023

More information will follow



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.”

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, and other charities including Lodge Scholarships. It is a Fun Day!

18th Annual Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner

This year's honorees are Bill Mitchell, best know for giving away the candy at Church and Town events for as long as I can remember, and Artie and Angel Natalino who run a Local Chapter of St Jude Children's Research Hospital in the New Haven area. The dinner will be September 28th at Woodwinds in Branford. More information will follow soon.

“Our Fashion Show”

Save the date!

Our Fashion show will take place on Sunday November 19, 2023 at WoodWinds in Branford.

Details and a committee meeting will be discussed at our next Lodge meeting.

Thank you.

OCTOBER IS ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH

Once again, this October we will celebrate Italian Heritage Month. Much more information will be coming soon. For now save the date of October 20, 2023, for a Dinner Show. The menu is fried dough and we will be entertained by Enzo Boscarino.

Community Outreach Committee



The North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy's Community Outreach committee would like to thank all Lodge members and members of the community that donated to our successful Spring food drive. The food was delivered to the North Haven Community Services Food Bank and was well received.

This delivery will assist the food bank to replenish their supply after their Easter distributions. Please visit the Lodge website for more information on membership and other events, northhavenlodge2805.club.



Please join us on Tuesday May 2nd, 6:00 pm before the monthly meeting to help assemble flower vases for the patients at Montowese Rehab. We will bring all the supplies, and are hoping to make 25-30 for delivery.

Our next collection will be "Christmas in July". We will once again be collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Yale New Haven Toy Closet at the June and July monthly Lodge meetings. We will also have our boxes set up at some local businesses. Additionally, we will be holding our final collection on the North Haven Green on July 22nd from 10 am- 1 pm. If any members would like to join us that day, please call Donna Casciello at 203-887-7308. Thanks to everyone for your ongoing support!

Renew your dues

Existing Members, don't forget to renew your dues

BOCCE

Starting Friday July 7th. On Friday nights. Time: TBA (usually start 6:15 or 6:30. The number of teams will determine start times. Make teams of 4 —or 5 (that way you have an alternate). Let me know if you need to be placed on a team.

Location: Most likely Northford Bocce Courts.

Price \$15 for the whole season.

Please call Sally if you are interested or have questions. 203-645-8177.

It lasts thru to end of August and sometimes playoffs are beginning of September (depends on how many teams sign up). It's lots of fun. You don't even need to know how to play to join!



LODGE PICNIC

Mark your calendars, September 17th Family Lodge Picnic. Will be at Community Lake in Wallingford. If you want to help please connect with Cheryl or Charlene.

Lt Governor Susan Bysiewicz and Town of North Haven recognized 2 veterans from our club that are North Haven residents and served in the Vietnam War era. Ralph Casciello & Nick Mastroianni. Thanks to both great guys and all those who keep us safe.

