

North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805 P.O. Box 193, North Haven, CT 06473

NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY LODGE # 2805 NOVEMBER - 2024 NEWSLETTER **NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 5**

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How to contact our officers		Greetings Members,
Susan Velleca, President	203-239-2999	Our Lodge has a couple ways to communicate with
Frank Mentone, Vice President	203-410-4254	our members. We have a monthly newsletter and
Ralph Casciello, Orator	203-239-0285	minutes. Both are emailed and the newsletter is also posted on our website. usually in the 3 rd or 4 th week of
Marybeth Madigan, Recording Secretary	Upon Request	the month.
Regina Najarian, Financial Secy., Mark DeFrance, Treasurer	203-376-8524 203-213-5378	You may also have them mailed to you. If you would
Mark DeFranco, Treasurer, Len Ricciardelli, Immediate Past President		like to receive your these in the mail please let Sue
Denise Krause, Past President,	203-710-7397	know. To sign up to receive our Lodge emails please go to our website, once there, scroll down, you will
Neil Velleca Jr., Past President	203-239-2999	notice an email sign up form. Fill it in and subscribe.
Marianne Ciarleglio, Mistress Ceremonies	203-239-2868	Our Website address is:
Joya Dolzani, Guard,	Upon Request	https://northhavenlodge2805.club
Trustees:		Our Lodge email address is nhsdilodge2805@outlook.com. If you have
Sharon Ricciardelli, 203-239-0215 /		something you would like to request us to share in the
Sallyann Gill, 203-645-8177 / Gail Norup, 203-494-1820		newsletter, on our website, Facebook page or in an
Nick Mastroianni, 203-430-0411		email please email Lenny at Lric56@yahoo.com or
Gale lannone 203-239-0454/Gary Takach, 203-623-4398		Sue at snoozie321@outlook.com
SueAnn Mentone, 203-710-4186		Deadline for newsletter is the 20 th of the month. We
Angela Vitti,203-274-0001 / Jon Najarian, Upon Request		also send out emails with important updates, good
Website Address <u>northhavenlodge2805.club</u>		and welfare, and when committee meetings are
		scheduled.

President's Message

We will be holding our first meeting, November 5 at Hope Christian Church, 211 Montowese Ave, North Haven. Located at the intersection of Montowese Ave and Middletown Ave (Rte 17), see map. Park on the side of the building and enter through the side door, no stairs.

With our new location we will need to make some changes to the way we do things, and for this we will need everyone's help.

- At the end of the meeting, when you are done with your chair, please put it away (if you are physically able)
- When we have coffee and, we need everyone to clean their own trash.
- After every meeting we need to sweep and mop the floor, if anyone can stay and help it would be appreciated.
- Leftovers of any food cannot stay after the meeting. Please throw it away or take it home.
- For the first two meetings there is no need for anyone to go into the kitchen, we want to keep that area clean. We will provide boxes of Joe for these meetings until we get used to our new location.

We have a couple of upcoming events:

- On Saturday, November 9, come to our Welcome Lasagna Dinner at 6:00 PM.
- On November 10th at the State Columbus Luncheon Denise Krause will be receiving the Meritorious Member Award. Each year the State Honors members from each lodge. Please consider joining us to celebrate Denise's award. More information can be found in this newsletter.

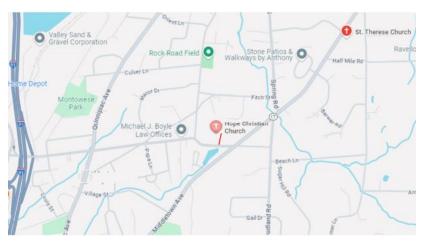
Check the Newsletter for more information on everything that is going on. Remember you can join any committee, it's to meet people and get involved. We are always looking for help and don't worry, you will always be welcome.

Remember to vote, then I hope to see in at our November 5th meeting,

Susan



Sunshine Note: If you know someone who is a member or connected to a member and would like the Lodge to send a card to that person please contact Donna at 203-239-0285



Fashion Show

"Ladies and gentlemen, our Fashion Show will be in six weeks. Yes, we did say "gentlemen". All of our male members are urged to attend and preview the wonderful fashions from Carol's Creations. You will have no trouble finding that just-right outfit to give to your significant other for the holidays. We hope to see a large gathering again this year.

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Our show is Sunday, November 3, 2024 from 11 am to 3 pm at Woodwinds Banquet facility. For tickets or questions, contact Regina 203-376-8524 or Georgianna 203-988 8006. There are no walk-ins. So please call for reservations. The deadline for ticket sales is October 28th.

See you there!"



Community Outreach committee report, 10/15/24

The Community Outreach committee met on Wednesday, October 9, 2024. We discussed many ideas for upcoming activities, and put the following ones in motion. We hope our Lodge members will be interested and willing to continue to support our efforts. Thank you in advance!

Ronald McDonald House of CT – Meals from the Heart

We will once again gather at the Ronald McDonald house to cook a dinner for the family members residing there as their children are healing at Yale New Haven Hospital. The date will be Wednesday, November 20th, and we will be cooking chicken soup with rice or pasta and some fresh bread/rolls. **We are only allowed 8 people to cook, but would love 3 volunteers to join us! Please contact Denise (203-710-7397) if you are interested!**

We did this last March (see picture), and it was very much appreciated by RMH and a very rewarding experience.



Christmas Toy Drive for YNHH Toy Closet

We will be collecting toys for the Toy Closet at the November 5th and December 3rd monthly meetings. <u>The deadline will be December 3rd</u>, so we can sort and deliver the toys in time for Christmas. We will also be setting up our collection boxes in the next couple of weeks at the following businesses. We thank them for their support. If anyone knows of a local business willing to house our box, please let Donna know (203-239-0285); we would love to add them to the list.

Arnold's Jewelers, T & Co. Hair Group, Hello Gorgeous Hair Studio, Studio B, & Nick's Char Pit

And a few new ones that we are confirming

For those that are new, we collect and deliver new, unwrapped toys for the Toy Closet. The Toy Closet is a program that ensures all pediatric patients that visit Yale New Haven and affiliated hospitals receive a toy upon discharge. This is for all patients, no matter the income level or length of stay. The toys should be small to medium in size, so they will fit in the closets, and any necessary batteries should be supplied with the toy.

Upcoming Winter Activities Being Finalized

We will also be cooking dinners for the Fisher House CT in West Haven. They provide temporary lodging for families of veterans that are receiving inpatient treatment at either the VA Hospital or YNHH at VA expense. We are hoping to do this in February -More info to come.

An opportunity has come our way to support the VA Hospital outpatient patients. This will entail collecting snacks for distribution to veterans after their outpatient appointments as they leave the facility. Again, we will have more details next month. Other ideas that will be explored is a pet food collection for Animal Haven, and another collection for 'RKids – stay tuned!

Reminder – our ongoing used sneaker collection is still happening! Please bring any used, bagged sneakers that you no longer need to our monthly meetings. Judy Feather will continue to ship them to Got Sneakers for recycling. The Lodge earns a few dollars for this, but more importantly it is a great way to keep these items out of the landfills! Thanks to everyone in the Lodge for your ongoing support! Please contact us with any ideas for future activities or if you would like to join our committee!

Denise Mazzotta Krause (203-710-7397) Donna Casciello, Georgianna Hull, Charlene Logan, & Regina Najarian

Welcome Lasagna Dinner

Join us for a Welcome Lasagna Dinner to celebrate our move to Hope Christian Church

Saturday, November 9 at 6:00 PM.

We will also be showing the movie Cabrini.

Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM –

Lasagna, salad and bread, and the movie will follow

Price is \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members

The dinner is hosted by Sam & Joanne Tondalo.

Please RSVP by Saturday, November 2 to joannetondalo@yahoo.com

The address is Hope Christian Church, 211 Montowese Ave., North Haven (No alcohol allowed)



The Alzheimer's Walk was September 29, 2024. My Team, North Haven Walkers, which consisted of 13 walkers, collected \$3,936.58 in donations. Some info from the Alzheimer's website is attached, along with a team photo, if you'd like to include any of this info in the November newsletter. Thank you to the Lodge for their participation and continued support each year for this event. -- Theresa and Bill Marino

Lodge team members in the photo are, from right to left, (in front row) are Theresa Marino, Georgianna Stamp, Jane Iannone, (in back row) are Judy Feather, Denise Krause, Bill Marino, Sue Velleca and Neil Velleca.



State Columbus Lucheon Denise Krause will be receiving the Meritorios Member Award It will be held on November 11th at Noon. At Casa Mia at the Hawthorne 2421 Berlin Tpke, Berlin CT 06037

Cost is \$50 per person, see flier for more information.







CT Grand Lodge Sons of Italy in America 2023 Columbus Luncheon Sponsorship Form

Honoring a Meritorious Member From Your Lodge

Use this form to send an ad for either award recipient. November 10, 2024

NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
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EMAIL ADDRESS:		

Back Cover	\$150.00
Inside Covers	\$120.00
Center Pages	\$100.00
Full Page	\$75.00
1/2 Page	\$50.00
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Please attach your ad copy (DO NOT STAPLE)

Make checks payable to: CT GRAND LODGE

For more information, please contact Cynthia Velleca-Fernandez 203.623.6259 or by email c_fernandez3@outlook.com

Mail Completed Form To (<u>Deadline October 25, 2024</u>): Cynthia Velleca-Fernandez P.O. Box 94 North Haven, CT 06473

Show your support for your friend and lodge member by taking an ad!

The Grand Lodge of Connecticut

Columbus Luncheon

Casa Mia at the Hawthorne 2421 Berlin Tpke, Berlin CT 06037

Sunday, November 10, 2024

12:00 pm Hot/Cold Hors D'oeuvres - Lunch to follow

Antipasto, Fried Calamari & Salad Penne Vodka and Fettuccine Bolognese Pasta Chicken Parmigiana, Stuffed Filet of Sole, Potato, & Vegetable Coffee & Dessert Wine & Soda at cash bar

\$50.00 per person Children 12 & under \$20.00 Chicken Fingers & Fries

Entertainment RSVP by October 30, 2024

Tear here and return with payment – tickets will not be sent your name will be at the door

Use this form for up to 10 guests for a full table;

1 Guest Name	_Phone:
2 Guest Name	
3 Guest Name	
4 Guest Name	Phone:
5 Guest Name	Phone:
6 Guest Name	Phone:
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8 Guest Name	Phone:
9 Guest Name	Phone:
10 Guest Name	
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And Contact Phone Number: Please make Checks Payable to CT Grand Lodge and send to: Connecticut Grand Loc C/o Cynthia Velleca-Fernand P.O. Box 94	•
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