



North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy
Lodge 2805
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NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY LODGE # 2805
APRIL - 2024 NEWSLETTER
NEXT MEETING APRIL 2

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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

Hi Everyone,

Our committees have started to work on this year's larger events. The Distinguished Citizen Dinner will be on May 22nd, there is still time to get your tickets. The Golf Outing will be in September, and the Fashion Show in November. Everyone is invited to help on the committee, check the newsletter for more information.

There are also some things I would like to remind you all about, April is a busy month.

- Friday, April 12, join us for dinner at Nick's Char Pit for dinner.
- On Saturday, April 20th we will have a Trivia night.
- Then April 27th is a dinner & movie night.

Check the Newsletter for more information. Hope you will join us for one or all of these events.

We have also had a great response to our Dues. There is still time if you haven't paid yet. If you are having a problem, please let me know. I'm sure we can work something out, we don't want to see you go.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on April 2.

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

Think you know trivia? Test your General Knowledge! Come join us for Trivia Night, Saturday April 20, starting at 7 PM.



Participants will be grouped into teams (6 members per team max) who will compete each other. Prizes awarded to team with highest total at end of the night.

\$10, Members and non-Members alike

The lodge is planning to have dinner at Nicks Char Pit on Friday April 12th at 5:30. Nicks is at 22 Middletown Ave, North Haven. Just order and pay for your food, then join us in the back room where we can eat and socialize with fellow lodge members. We hope you will consider joining us for good food and conversation.

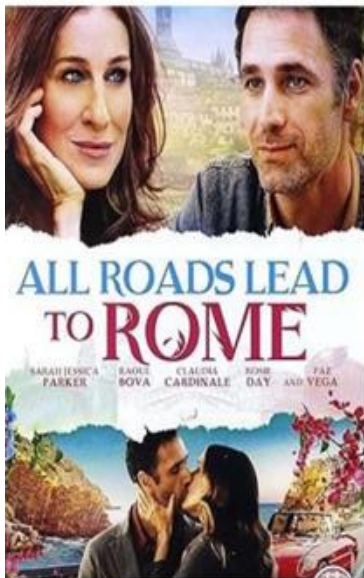


LINE DANCING

Join us for Line Dancing Friday, April 26 at 7:00 at St. Frances Cabrini. Bring snacks and drinks. Come and have some fun!



North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy, Lodge 2805



MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, April 27

6:00pm Dinner

7:00pm Movie

\$15.00 per person

Menu:

Roasted Chicken
Potato, Veggies,
Salad, Bread, Butter,
Soda, Water, Coffee,
Tea, & Desserts

Popcorn & Candy
during the movie



North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy
St. Frances Cabrini Church
57 Pond Hill Rd, North Haven, CT

*** RSVP Required ***

Contact Gale Iannone
203-239-0454



North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy's Community Outreach Committee is coordinating the collection of items listed below for Bedroom and Bathroom to support The Columbus House's Welcome Kits Program.



Most of those we serve have limited incomes and often need help with basic necessities once they secure housing. Help give them a warm welcome into their new home with some basic household items to get them started.

Please help by purchasing one of the kit options below, or purchase one of each kit to create a **FULL WELCOME KIT** (APPROX. COST \$150).

1. CLEANING KIT (APPROX. COST \$38)

- Bucket
- Mop
- Duster
- Broom
- Dust Pan
- Laundry Soap
- Laundry Basket
- Window Cleaner
- Powder Cleaner
- Sponges
- Cleaning Rags
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer

2. BATHROOM KIT (APPROX. COST \$88)

- Shower Curtain/Rings
- Garbage Pail
- Bath Mat
- Bath Towels
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush

3. KITCHEN KIT (APPROX. COST \$80)

- Dish Rack
- Dish Towels
- Pot Holders
- Dish Soap
- Paper Towels
- Reusable Plastic Cups
- Plates
- Pots/Pans
- Cooking Utensils
- Can Opener
- Flatware
- Garbage Pail

4. BEDROOM KIT (APPROX. COST \$120)

- Twin Sheet Set
- Comforter
- Pillow
- Bed

Please consider giving extra **CASH** that can be added to a kit for the purchase of additional items.

1. FUND KITS

Funding a Welcome Kit ensures people receive what they need and gives them the option to make their own decisions on sizes, colors and designs.

2. MAKE A KIT

Get together with family, friends, or co-workers and put together a kit, or two, or ten! Each kit will go directly to someone moving into a new home.

3. GIVE A GIFT CARD

Gift cards to Big Lots, Family Dollar Stores, Target, Dollar Tree and Wal-Mart are a great way to help. They can be used to purchase additional household items.



Figure 1

For more information or to schedule a drop-off please contact Sherrae at 203-481-4400 ext. 318 or silmaria@colombushouse.org

If you would like to fund a Welcome Kit, please make checks payable to "Columbus House" and include "Welcome Kits" in the memo. Mail to: Columbus House, PO Box 7093, New Haven, CT 06519. You can also give online at www.colombushouse.org/fundwelcomekits

Please drop off items by April 2nd Lodge meeting, or contact one of our members for more information:
Georgianna: 203-988-8006 Denise: 203-710-7397 Donna: 203-887-7308

Memorial Day Parade

Memorial Day Parade

Our Parade is May 25 in North Haven.

If you are interested on being on the committee, contact Angela at atangiem1002@gmail.com

Text or call - 203 274-0001

The Memorial Day Parade committee would like to include some type of float this year. For that, we will need a vehicle- if you have or know someone who has a pickup type of truck that we could use for this, please check with them, and let me know.

Community Outreach Committee

The Community Outreach Committee is busy with the following activities. Please feel free to join us for any or all events - we welcome the support!

Red Cross Blood Drive: Our Spring Blood Drive has been confirmed and is on the Red Cross calendar (www.redcross.org, follow the "make an appointment" link)! Please note the date will be Wednesday, April 3rd and it will be held at St. Frances Cabrini Church from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please spread the word to all you know that give blood! Also, if anyone is willing to bake for this, please let Denise know. Donors are always pleasantly surprised to get home made treats after they donate blood.

Columbus House Welcome Kit items: Our committee would like to once again assist the Columbus House in New Haven. Thank you to everyone that already donated - it was wonderful to fill Georgianna's car after the last meeting. For those that have not yet donated and wish to, please see the flyer explaining the program. They put together "Welcome Kits" for those that leave the Columbus House for their own housing - these kits assist their transition and "welcome" them to their independent space. We would like to collect items listed under the Bedroom kits and the Bathroom kits. We are NOT asking each individual to provide all the items in these lists. Simply one or two items per person will add up nicely, and we will organize the kits. If interested in assisting with this collection, please bring items to the Lodge meetings on April 2nd.

Lodge members Sally Gill, Georgiana Hull, Gale Iannone, Denise Krause, Charlene Logan, Regina Najarian and Gary Takach represented our Lodge by participating in the Ronald McDonald House's "Meals from the Heart" program. On March 12th we visited and prepared a dinner for the families staying there. We prepared Italian style roasted chicken, roasted potatoes, and carrots with butter and brown sugar glaze. We also provided dinner rolls and butter, and a large tray of assorted cookies. It was an enjoyable outing for our group, and was very much appreciated by the staff and families of Ronald McDonald House of CT. Thank you to the members that assisted through cash donations, and others that donated actual food items that were used in preparing the dinner. All of these gestures helped defray the cost of doing this and will allow us to have room in our budget to do it again in the future. We do not have another date selected, but once we announce it, we will gladly welcome new volunteers.

Feel free to contact us with any questions or new ideas!

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

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*North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
2024 Distinguished Citizen Awards Dinner*

**Join us as we celebrate three
outstanding members of the community!
Tickets are only \$55.00 per person!
For tickets or ads contact Frank.**

**Fmentonejr@comcast.net
203-410-4254**

HONOREES

***Senator Paul Cicarella
Georgianna Hull
Andrew Caporossi***



***Wednesday, May 22, 2024
5:30pm - 9:30pm***

Woodwinds, 29 School Ground Road, Branford, CT

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