



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
MARCH - 2025 NEWSLETTER
NEXT MEETING MARCH 4

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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

Soon winter will be over, spring will be here, and everyone will be coming out to joy our Lodge events. At the March meeting we will be talking about events scheduled for this year. We will have some of our old favorites, Fashion Show, Golf Tournament, Distinguished Citizen Dinner and Car Show to name a few. As well as a new Murder Mystery Night and Guest Speakers for Lodge meetings.

You are all welcome to join us in planning and running these events. If you can't, we hope you to buy a ticket and join us. We try to keep our events as inexpensive as possible; while keeping in mind we need to make enough to pay our bills. Maybe you can bring a friend or two who might enjoy a night out and may then be interested in joining our lodge.

I would like to remind you all about a couple of things:

- Don't forget the final day for payment of your dues is the March 4th Lodge Meeting. Don't let your membership lapse, send your dues in today or bring it to the meeting!
- Come and join us for a Movie Night on March 7th.
- Please note the change date for our Porchetta Dinner **MARCH 29th**. If you are not able to make the February 15 date, hopefully you'll join us with the new date.

Hope to see some of you at the March 4th 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



North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
2025 Membership Dues Bill

Make Checks Payable to:
North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
Due Date before or on March 4, 2025

**To Renew Dues is \$45.00 per person
Student, or Senior Dues (age 80 and over) are \$25.00**

Please Return this form with your Full Payment

If you have any Questions or concerns please contact SueAnn Mentone-203-710-4186 or Sue Velleca 203-239-2999

Please provide your Phone number and email address:

This information will help us keep our Lodge records up to date.

Name:		Amount Due
Phone:	email:	
Name:		
Phone:	email:	
Total Due		

If you have moved, please put your new address on the back side of this form.

Also use back of form if needed for additional members

You can pay at our monthly meetings or Mail payment to:

North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
Attn: SueAnn Mentone
P.O. Box 193
North Haven, CT 06473

Please pay before March 4, 2025 we don't want to lose you as a member.

2025 Social Calendar Updates Monthly

Friday	3/7/2025	Movie Night
Saturday	3/29/2025	Porchetta Dinner
Wednesday	5/21/2025	Distinguished Citizen Dinner
Saturday	5/24/2025	Memorial Day Parade
Saturday	6/14/2025	Horse Race Game
Sunday	7/13/2025	Hartford Yard Goats Game
Friday Evenings	July + August	Bocce League Play
Saturday	August	Car Show
Sunday	9/14/2025	Lodge Family Picnic
Sunday	9/21/2025	Golf Outing
Friday	October	Murder Mystery Dinner
Sunday	10/5/2025	Fashion Show

How You Can Help!

Please join us for this committee meeting. We will be discussing the following upcoming events. If your interested in helping plan of these events please come and join us.

1. Public speaker events
2. Distinguished Citizen Dinner
3. Car show
4. Mystery Dinner
5. Movie night
6. Comedy night

Everyone is invited. Monday, March 3 at 6:00 pm at Nicks Char Pit, 22 Middletown Ave., North Haven.

Great food and great activities.

Questions, call Frank at 203-410-5254



**Happy Valentine's
Porchetta Dinner
Date Change To
Saturday March 29, 2025
Hope Christian Church**

**Porchetta, Pasta, Vegetables, Salad,
Desserts & Coffee or Tea.**

\$25 for Members, \$30 for Non-Members
For Tickets call Frank at
203-410- 4254 or fmentonejr@comcast.net

iMember Emails you are receiving

The Order has purchased, and we are starting to use a new Media Platform, iMember. There are many useful features including a Lodge calendar, contacts and networking. We will soon be providing access to all members. Right now, we will be starting with the email service.

For the last couple of months, you should have been receiving two emails from Susan for the Lodge. The first is from our old MailChimp service, if you subscribed, which is the problem with this service it is difficult to subscribe. The new iMember email reaches everyone who has provided us with their email address. A few members have told us that the emails are going into your spam or junk file. If you don't receive the second email please check and mark it as not junk.

You will know which is the new iMember email because it will come from the sender, right now it will come from my Susan email snoozie321@outlook.com. We hope to fully launch this email service soon. If you have any questions you can respond to the emails from either service and we will get you more information.

You can also contact me with any questions, thanks Susan

What's Better than Pizza and a Movie?

Pizza and a Movie with Popcorn and FRIENDS



*Come see the "Children's Train".
In 1946 a boy is sent north by his mother
with another woman in an attempt to escape
poverty.
"A moving Italian Drama!"*

**Pizza - Popcorn
- Salad & Dessert.**




**North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy.
Friday, March 7, 2025,
7:00**

**Hope Christian Church.
Only \$15.00 per person!
Bring a Friend!**

**For tickets call Georgianna
at 203-988-8006**

**MARDI GRAS,
MASKS, MURDER!**



***New Fundraising Event - If you have a desire to become an
actress or actor, we need you to take a part in our upcoming
Murder Mystery Dinner.***

To Learn more talk Lenny or give me a call 203-507-6509

Community Outreach Committee

Fisher House CT

We were very excited to cook a meal for the families at the Fisher House of CT, but due to circumstances beyond our control, this activity has been postponed. We hope to resurrect it in the near future, and will keep everyone posted.

VA Hospital West Haven

Once again, our Lodge members came through with a very generous volume of donations. This time it was for the VA Hospital outpatient patients. On February 10th, Donna, Ralph and Denise delivered a car trunk full of single serving snacks so we could partner with the Dept. of CT VFW Auxiliary. Their support team hands out snacks to veterans as they enter/leave their outpatient appointments. These women said that what we brought is at least a two- month supply – extending their limited budget! Please see the photos -Thanks to all!

Animal Haven of North Haven

As announced at the February 4th meeting, our next initiative is to collect pet food and supplies for the Animal Haven. They are a local, no-kill shelter; their info can be found at <https://theanimalhavenct.org> and our member Charlene Logan is one of their volunteers.

Our committee knows that we ask for great deal from our members, so we decided we would change it up a bit. We are going to hold a raffle for our members, and the entry fee will be the pet food and supplies! The amount of raffle tickets you receive will depend on how much you donate. The raffle will have 3 prizes, which we are currently working on as of this writing. We will have all the final details at the March meeting. The raffle will be active at the March, April and May meetings. We will hold the raffle and distribute the prizes at the end of the May meeting (May 6th). So, clip those coupons, and start buying pet stuff- Our sheltered furry friends will thank you!

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

Charlene Logan

Georgianna Hull

Regina Najarian

Christmas Toy Drive for YNHH Toy Closet 2024

Thank you everyone for helping us with another successful toy drive! The toys were delivered by Donna, Ralph and Georgianna before Christmas as the attached picture shows.

