



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
MAY - 2025 NEWSLETTER
NEXT MEETING MAY 6

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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,

Spring is here and it's time to get out and enjoy!

Our committees have started to work on this year's larger events. First, the Distinguished Citizen Dinner will be on Wednesday, May 21st. We will be honoring one of our members, Nathan Vestal. Nathan is one of our original members and has held different positions in our Lodge. He is also the first one to help when something needs to be done. Please consider joining us to support Nathan. If you are not able to join us that evening, you could honor him by putting an ad in the Ad book. We will also be honoring Vincent Candelora and Raymond Ciarleglio.

Our other larger events are the Car Show which will be in August, Golf Outing will be in September, and the Fashion Show in October. These committees have started to meet, and everyone is invited to join a committee. Check the newsletter for more information.

We have had a great response to paying our dues this year. Some members are still missing but there is still time if you haven't paid. If you have a financial problem, please let me know, I'm sure we can work something out, everything will be confidential. We don't want to lose any member.

Hope to see you at our next meeting on May 6.

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

2025 Social Calendar Updates Monthly

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	8/9/2025	Car Show
Sunday	9/14/2025	Lodge Family Picnic
Sunday	9/21/2025	Golf Outing
Friday	10/25/2025	Murder Mystery Dinner
Sunday	10/5/2025	Fashion Show

How You Can Help!

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

Date of next meeting will be announced soon.

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| 1. Public speaker events | 5. Movie night |
| 2. Distinguished Citizen Dinner | 6. Golf Tournament |
| 3. Car show | 7. Fashion Show |
| 4. Mystery Dinner | |

Questions, call Frank at 203-410-5254

Golf Tournament

The Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805, Richard M. DeCrosta, Memorial Golf Tournament

The event will take place on Sunday, September 21, at Hunter Memorial Golf Course in Meriden. The fee is only \$165 and it includes:
Range balls, Green fees and Cart, Lunch, Beer/water/soda at the turn and an Italian Style Dinner Buffet.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit The Epilepsy Foundation of Connecticut.
Please make checks payable to:
North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805

Send too – North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
PO Box 193, North Haven, Ct 06473.

Annual Horse Races Event



Saturday June 14th 6pm
\$20.00 per person
includes Meal and Admission

Races are \$2.00
per horse per race

St. Andrew's, Episcopal Church, the White Church on the Hill in the Heart of Northford.

Where Rt22 and Rt17 intersect, 1382 Middletown Ave, Northford
Cold Subs, Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Green Salad, Coffee, Soda, Water
Please sign up to bring a dessert

Tickets on Sale at Lodge meetings

Contact Donna @203 239-0285 or Sharon 203-234-0215 or Lric56@yahoo.com



Yard Goats.

Join us at the Yard Goats Game on Sunday, June 29, 2025. Tickets are \$19.00 per person. Game time is at 1:00. For tickets call Larry Logan at 203-606-8903.

Bocce 2025

Hi everyone! I would like to start the ball rolling for Bocce 2025! If you are interested in playing Bocce this summer please gather your team of four and let me know if you are in. Having a 5th person as an alternate is always a good idea. Looking to start the season July 11 th (Friday nights). We will again be playing at the Hamden Elk's courts Friday nights—time to be determined by number of teams. Non-members are welcome. Cost \$15 members and \$25 non members. Thank you, Sally Gill 203-645-7177



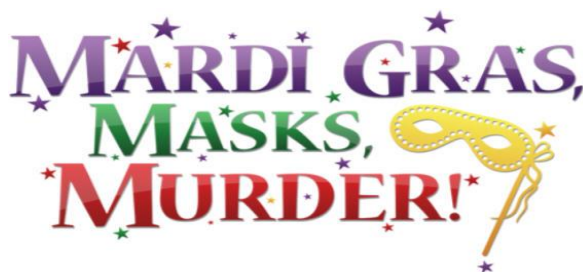
Would you like to share something with your Lodge in a 10-to-20-minute presentation after a lodge meeting

Overview

At our monthly meetings we would like to line up some speakers from time to time. The speaker can be a member or an outside individual. Below is a summary of some of the topics. Al and Michelle Clemente have volunteered to chair this committee. If you would like to join this committee, would like to be a speaker or know someone who would like to speak please contact Al or Michelle Clemente at albertrclemente@gmail.com or see them at the Lodge meeting.

Generally accepted topics include the following:

1. A past Lodge Event
2. Health related matters
3. An historical event
4. Growing up in North Haven or another surrounding community
5. A person of prominence that greatly contributed to our country or their religious faith
6. A noteworthy person or group that preserves Italian American traditions, culture, history and heritage
7. A noted composer, musician or singer
8. A science related matter
9. A unique engineering or structural design
10. Italian immigration into the United States
11. New Haven Wooster Square.
12. Southern Italian Religious Societies.



Scheduled for October 25th

We need a minimum of 19 people to run this correctly. (9 performers, 1MC, + 5 to prepare + serve dinner + 4 for props and decorations.) There are 16 optional parts.

There are 25 to 30 investigating parts so all guests can dress in a costume if you choose to do so. I can expand that if necessary. Price to be determined.

To Learn more talk to Lenny at meeting or give me a call 203-507-6509 or email Lric56@yahoo.com

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4th Annual Car Show Flee Market & Craft Show



On the Grounds of
Hope Christian Church, 211 Montowese Ave. North Haven, CT. 06473

Saturday August 9, 2025

Rain Date August 16, 2025

Bring Your Classic Car or Motorcycles / All makes and models, no cut off year.

Large Asphalt Parking Lot - Grass Area - Bring your chairs and enjoy the day!

Pre Registration \$15.00 / Registration on Day of Show \$20.00

Registration Begins at 8:00 AM, Show 9 AM - 2 PM

Judging Starts at 12 Noon - Trophies at end of Day

For Car Show information contact
John Giorgio 203-430-6549
or email jallstarelectric@aol.com

For Flee Market or Craft Show
information contact
Angela Vitti 203-274-0001
angiem1002@gmail.com

We are planning on selling food items this year and using the hall. Lots of help is needed.

We have to monitor the hall and bathrooms too.

To signup to help in kitchen please contact Lenny

203-507-6509 or Lric56@yahoo.com

The menu is still under consideration

Price for Craft and Flee Market Vendors is \$25.00

Contact Angela for with Questions.

TICKET REQUEST FORM

North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805
2025 Distinguished Citizen Awards Dinner



HONOREES

State Representative Vincent Candelora
Raymond Ciarleglio
Nathan Vestal

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

5:30pm - 9:30pm

Woodwinds, 29 School Ground Road, Branford, CT
\$55.00 Per Person

NAME: _____
NAME: _____
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NAME: _____
NAME: _____
NAME: _____
NAME: _____
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Total Amt People _____ Total Amt \$ _____

Make Check out to North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy 2805.

Submit By May 11, 2025

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ADDRESS: _____
CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____
PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP

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Inside Cover	\$250.00
Center pages	\$250.00
Full Page	\$125.00
Half Page	\$75.00
Quarter Page	\$50.00

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By May 1st 2025

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Community Outreach Committee News

Hello everyone! Our committee is having a busy spring/summer! Here is the latest - 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 raffle will have 3 gift cards for prizes - \$50, \$25, and \$15. The raffle will be active at the 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!

Red Cross Blood Drive

We are proud to announce that we are once again sponsoring a Blood Drive! It will be held at Hope Christian Church, thanks to the giving spirit of Pastor Jim. **The date is Monday June 2nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** We have committed to the Red Cross that we would provide the volunteers that day, as we have in the past. If you are interested in volunteering a few hours, or helping to provide small hand-held baked goods, please let Denise know. And for all that are blood donors, please look for our drive online and register for it.

Christmas in July Toy Drive for YNH

More details to follow on dates, etc., but keep in mind that we will be collecting again. If you have any ideas for local businesses that we can request to house a collection box, please let us know. We will be happy to reach out to them.

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!

Easter Baskets for “R Kids

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

Pictured Left to Right
Regina, Georginna,
Anthony Fiore, Community
Outreach and Development
Coordinator and Charlene

