



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
JULY - 2025 NEWSLETTER
NEXT MEETING JULY 1

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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

Happy 4th of July! Hope you're enjoying your summer. We have some fun summer activities planned,

Come and join us for a Movie Night. It is always a fun night to enjoy a movie and friendship.

We still have some tickets left for the Yard Goat's Game. Bring your friends & family.

We are also working on some events for this fall. If you have not gotten involved in one of our committees yet, now is the time. Car Show, Golf Tournament, Heritage Month and Fashion Show, are meeting and planning this year's event. Anyone is welcome to join any committee at any time. If you see something that you're interested in, come and join us.

We are starting our Bocce play after the 4th, you are welcome to come and watch. This year we are again playing at the Elks Club in Hamden. Games start on July 11 and the way some of us play there is always something to laugh about and remember, the Elks Club bar will be open if you need anything.

Finally, don't forget to support our Community Outreach Committee and bring a toy to the meeting.

Remember if you are running an event and want to promote it by sending an email, I will need you to send me what you want in the email and who the members should contact for more information. This is the best way to get your message out to our membership.

Check the Newsletter for more information on all of these. Hope you will join us for one or all these events and I will see you at our next Lodge Meeting on July 1.

Susan

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 albertclemente@gmail.com or see them at the Lodge meeting.

2025 Social Calendar Updates Monthly

Sunday	8/3/2025	Hartford Yard Goats Game
Friday Evenings	Begins July 11	Bocce League Play
Saturday	8/9/2025	Car Show
Sunday	9/14/2025	Lodge Family Picnic
Sunday	9/21/2025	Golf Outing
Sunday	10/5/2025	Fashion Show
Friday	10/11/2025	Murder Mystery Dinner

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.

Questions, call Frank at 203-410-5254



Pizza, Popcorn, Salad, Dessert and a movie with Popcorn and Friends!

North Haven Sons and Daughters of Italy

Saturday July 12, 2025 7 PM

Hope Christian Church

Only \$15 per person

Desserts Welcomed!

NONNAS



A grieving man finds the recipe for healing when he buys an Italian restaurant and hires four sassy seniors as the chefs. Based on a true story.

For tickets contact: Lucille 203-804-6722 or Georgianna 203-988-8006

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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 Frank 203-410-4254**

The menu is still under consideration

Price for Craft and Flee Market Vendors is \$25.00

Contact Angela for with Questions.

*** REGISTRATION FORM ***

of Golfers @ \$165.00 each

1. Name
Street.....
City, State, Zip.....
Phone.....
Email.....
2. Name
Street.....
City, State, Zip.....
Phone.....
Email.....
3. Name
Street.....
City, State, Zip.....
Phone.....
Email.....
4. Name
Street.....
City, State, Zip.....
Phone.....
Email.....

Please assign me to a foursome

Total \$ _____

Please make checks payable to:

**North Haven Sons & Daughters
Of Italy**

PO Box 193
North Haven, CT 06473
(203) 239-2999



**Sunday
September 21, 2025**

**To Be Held At;
Hunter Golf Club**

**688 Westfield Road
Meriden, CT 06450
203-634-3366**

www.huntergolfclub.com

Outing is held Rain or Shine

Cancellation of event for any reason is
made at the discretion of the Course
Superintendent



7TH ANNUAL

**North Haven Sons &
Daughters of
Italy Lodge 2805**

**Richard M. DeCrosta
Memorial Golf Tournament
In Memory of All Departed Members
of our Lodge**

**A Portion of the Proceeds
To benefit
The Epilepsy Foundation
Of Connecticut**

**Registration: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
Lunch 12:00 pm
Tee Time: 1:00 pm (Shotgun)
Dinner: 5:30 pm**

Cost: \$165.00 per player

**Registration fees must be received
by September 7, 2025**

Day of Golf Includes...

RANGE BALLS

GREENS FEES & CART

LUNCH – HOTDOGS/HAMBURGERS

BEER/WATER/SODA AT TURN

**DINNER
(Italian Buffett)**



To; Family, Friends, Lodge Brothers & Sisters:

*The North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy
Lodge 2805 is a part of the Order Sons of Italy
in America, which is the largest national
organization for Americans of Italian descent in
the country. We have local lodges throughout
the State of CT and across the country. We
invite you to join us at our 5th annual golf
outing.*

*Our Lodge has given away over \$175,000.00
since our inception in 2004. Our Scholarship
program gives scholarships to a deserving
young graduate from area High Schools.*

*The Scholarships are only a part of our
Charitable giving. We also give to many Local
and National Charitable organizations.
All our Lodges Philanthropic efforts would not
be possible without your support of this event
and all events held by our Lodge.*

Games & Prizes

Lowest Group Score for 1st & 2nd

Hole in one for \$1,000

Men's & Women's Longest Drive

Closest to the Pin

Putting Contest

*** SPONSORSHIP ***

Check any that may apply:

- () Unable to attend, but would like to
make a donation..... \$ _____
- () Lunch-Only Attendee..\$ 20.00
- () Dinner Only Attendee..\$ 40.00
- () Lunch & Dinner Attendee \$ 50.00
- () Donation of Raffle Prize (item) ...

- () Tee Sponsor..... \$ 50.00
- () Longest Ball Sponsor...\$ 100.00
- () Closest to Pin Sponsor..\$ 100.00

*Please Specify Sponsor
Name/Phone/Email:*



See other side for payment information

To print this form, visit our website
northhavenlodge2805.club/golf-tournament

Bocce 2025

We will start the Bocce season on July 11th. We have eight teams. There will be two sessions 6:15 and 6:45. I am going to ask that everyone please arrive at least a few minutes early, so we can ALL start on time!!! Captains—please collect the fees (\$15 for lodge members and Elks members-and \$25 non lodge members)for your team and turn in to me 1st or 2nd week of Bocce. I have appointed these people as Captains—please let me know if there are changes. I will alert Captains for any cancellations! So Captains— please make sure you have contact info for your team members.

Sally Gill

Anna Simeone

Larry Logan

Matt Gill

Mark Defranco

Denise Krause

Kathy Kelsey

Angela Vitti

Priscilla Musco will be returning as our permanent sub. I will ask Captains to contact her if you know you will have an absence on your team.

I will be sending out contact info to all captains as we get closer to start date. We will be playing again at the Hamden Elks.

Any questions please let me know (Sally Gill 203-645-8177).

I am looking forward to another fun season!



Yard Goats.

Join us at the Yard Goats Game on Sunday, August 3, 2025. Tickets are \$21.00 per person. Game time is at 1:00. For tickets call Larry Logan at 203-606-8903.

Golf Tournament

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

This year our 7th Annual Richard M. DeCrosta Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on September 21st. The outing will be held at the Hunter Golf Club in Meriden and the cost per golfer is \$165.00. If you don't golf, we also have other ways you can help. Ask businesses you deal with to do a Tee sponsor for \$50 or a contest sponsor for \$100. Check out the flier for more details. You can also help by donating something for our raffle and we are in the need of empty baskets. If you would like to volunteer, we have many opportunities to help. If you would like more information, you can contact Brendan by email at blogan629@yahoo.com

MARDI GRAS, MASKS, MURDER!

New Date October 11th

Will be held @ Hope Christian Church. 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

See list of roles on Next Page – some rolls are already cast!

The Guest List

The Governor - Marshall Inglewood - Governor of Louisiana who is hosting a Mardi Gras party. He's well known in New Orleans for his constant fundraising and elegant parties.

The Voodoo Queen - Dominique LaBranche - Well known in New Orleans for her many "reading" parlors and Hoodoo supply stores. Her readings are said to be very accurate.

The Queen Bee - Blanche Le Boeuf - The reigning social queen of New Orleans elite society. She is a member of the prestigious Le Boeuf family and is well known for her iron fist inside a lacy glove.

The Sheriff - Jacques "Jack" Le Boeuf - Sheriff Jack is a fixture in New Orleans, as he investigates most crimes in the city. He's known for his down home approach.

The Lawyer - Gabrielle Le Boeuf - Miss Gabrielle is known to be sharp as a tack and a terror in the courtroom. She's utterly ruthless behind her sweet Southern manners.

The Deputy - Jeremy "J" Porter - Deputy J is a notorious playboy, but is very loyal to the Sheriff's Office and his city.

The Hippie - Celine "Luna" Schumacher - Deputy Porter's date, Luna is a big believer in "green initiatives," but appears to legitimately like Deputy J.

The New Man - Raymond Downings - Raymond recently inherited a large estate on the outskirts of the city and just moved back to town.

The Club Owner - Derek Nordhart - Derek owns "Fantasy" a very popular club that is known for its exclusive parties and open dance floor.

The Bouncer - Sarah Corrington - Bouncer at "Fantasy," many underestimate her in her high heels, but she's broken plenty of bones.

The Good Guy - Harvey Daniels - Harvey manages the day-to-day affairs for Leon's construction firm and is known for his "good ol' boy" attitude.

The Socialite - Eloise Daniels - Harvey's mom is a well known socialite who always has a bit of gossip to share.

The Architect - Leon D'Loupe - Mr. D'Loupe runs the largest construction firm in town and is largely responsible for most of the restoration to the city as it recovered from the latest hurricane.

The Preacher - Joseph Grant - Reverend Joseph is the preacher at the Sacred Heart, a rapidly growing mega church.

The Preacher's Wife - Lettie Mae La Terre - Reverend Joseph's wife, and a member of his church. There are hints of some sort of scandal in her past.

The Showgirl - Amelie Belle - Amelie is a rising star on the stages of New Orleans and is famed for her long legs and graceful demeanor.

The New Girl - Heather Le Bois - Miss Heather just bought a large mansion on the outskirts of town and has thrown several lavish parties.

The Bodyguard - "Jack" - Heather's bodyguard, he doesn't say much.

Host/Head Caterer - Tony Cour - Tony runs one of the most successful restaurant/catering businesses in New Orleans. (Played by the Host/Hostess)

The Head Chef - Noel Bellenuit - Chef Noel is a dramatic, flamboyant and difficult man, but his food is so good even the most conservative members of high society don't complain.

The Chef - Rene Le Boeuf - Rene served in the war and returned home recently where he got a job as a chef.

Waitress - Lily Porter - A waitress, she's sometimes a little vague, but very hard working.

Waitress - Jo Ann Duluth - A waitress and member of the Sacred Heart.

Waitress - Jaquelyn D'Argent - A waitress, she is a new staff member.

The Bartender - Crystal La Terre - Crystal's cocktails are legendary in New Orleans and so is her quick mouth and bad temper.

Community Outreach News

Hello everyone! Happy summer

Red Cross Blood Drives

We held a successful Blood Drive on Monday June 2nd, held at Hope Christian Church, thanks to the giving spirit of Pastor Jim. Thank you to our volunteers that baked, brought goodies and gave their time to the day – Dan Krause, Nathan Vestal, Lucille DeGregorio, Charlene Logan. We will be holding another one in September. We hoped to have the date finalized for this newsletter, but the finalization has been delayed. We will send out the info as soon as we have it.

Christmas in July Toy Drive for YNHH

Please be reminded that we will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Yale New Haven Toy Closet at our July 1st meeting. For those new to this endeavor, this is a program that the Yale New Haven Hospital System has run for many years. ALL children that are discharged from the hospital are given a toy. This ranges from infants to teens. If you can't make the meeting and would like to donate, our committee will be on the North Haven green collecting from the community on Saturday, July 26th from 10 am - 1 pm. Stop by, donate, stay with us for a few minutes- all are welcome! Thank you in advance!

We will also be distributing collection boxes at local businesses in North Haven. 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.

Gently used clothing drive for kids

We have a request from another organization that we support, "RKids Family Center, (<https://rkidsct.org/>). They support at risk families and children in foster care. They are holding a gently used clothing drive for kids of all ages. If anyone has clothes that they can donate to this, please bring them to the July 1st meeting, or contact Denise for pick up.

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