



North Haven
Sons and Daughters of Italy
Lodge 2805

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IN AMERICA

P.O. Box 193, North Haven, CT 06473

NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY LODGE # 2805
MAY - 2026 NEWSLETTER
NEXT MEETING MAY 11

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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,

We are still getting used to our new meeting location, but I think everyone can agree it was a great move. If you have not joined us lately, please try and come and check it out. We have been getting great numbers at our meetings, creating a slight problem with seating. I'm going to ask for an additional 20 chairs for our upcoming meetings so it should not be a problem any longer.

Meeting Day: The Second Monday of every month, our next meeting will be on May 11

Location; North Haven Congregational Church, 28 Church Street (across from Green) North Haven. Our first meeting at our new location will be on May 11.

There are two entrances to the hall.

Exterior stairs on the side of the building in the parking lot. These are relatively steep so if you are not sure there is a second way.

Follow the walkway to a set of double doors at the front. There is a lobby with an elevator hit the LL button.

May Events this month:

Sub Night and play Games – Saturday, May 16

Distinguished Dinner – Wednesday, May 20

Movie Night – Friday, May 22

Memorial Parade – Saturday, May 23

Look in the newsletter for more information.

Our next general committee meeting will be on Monday, May 20 at **North Haven Congregational Church**. Please join us if you are working on a current committee, want to join a committee or have an idea for a new event. We are meeting with many committees that night, so please look for the scheduled time for the committee you're interested in, or you can join us for as many of them as you would like.

Hope to see you on **May 11, North Haven Congregational Church**. If there are any cancelations, it will be done by email, so in the event of bad weather please keep an eye on your email. You can contact me at any time if you have any questions.

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

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

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.

- A noteworthy person or group that preserves Italian American traditions, & culture.
 - A noted composer, musician or singer
 - A person of prominence that contributed to our country or their religious faith.
 - A unique engineering or structural design
 - A past Lodge Event
 - Health related matters.
 - An historical event.
 - Growing up in North Haven or another surrounding community.
 - A science related matter

2026 Tentative Social Calendar

Updates Monthly

How You Can Help!

Activities meetings are held every couple months. They are usually held on Monday. All are invited to attend to either join one of our committees or if you have new ideas for an additional activity during the 2026 you are more than welcome to express it.

Questions, call Frank at 203-410-5254

Saturday	5/16/26	Sub and Bingo Night
Wednesday	5/20/26	Distinguished Citizen Dinner
Friday	5/22/26	Movie Night
Saturday	5/23/26	Memorial Day Parade
Friday	6/12/2026	Bocce Starts
Saturday	6/20/26	Music & Game Night
Saturday	6/27/26	Horse Race Game Night
Saturday	7/25/26	Membership Drive
Saturday	8/8/26	Car Show
Saturday	8/15/26	Car Show (rain Date)
Friday	9/11/2026	Military Whist
Sunday	9/20/26	Golf Outing
October	HERITAGE MONTH	dates to be determined
Sunday	10/4/2026	Magnanini Vineyard Bus Trip
Sunday	10/11/26	Fashion Show
Saturday	10/24/2026	Murder Mystery
Sunday	11/8/26	State Dinner
Sunday	12/6/26	Christmas party

Saturday, July 25, 2026

PASTA DINNER MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Sons & Daughters of Italy

Proudly Presents

MISGIVINGS

A "Divine" comedy of belly laughs, blessings, blarney and bingo



Join Father Patrick Aloysius Misgivings for this divine presentation of stories and one liners about growing up Catholic. From miracles and marriage counseling to bazaars and birth control, nothing escapes the good father's razor sharp Irish wit. This hilarious interactive comedy includes a collection, a raffle and even an actual Bingo game.

*Don't miss
this delightfully
entertaining
and uplifting
one man show!*

Location

North Haven Congregational Church
28 Church St. New Haven CT

DOORS OPEN: 5:30PM

DINNER: 6:00PM

SHOWTIME: 7:00PM

\$15

Join the group and dinner is on us!

To reserve tickets contact
Frank 203-410-4254
or fmentonejr@comcast.net

*Enjoy pasta, meatballs, salad and dessert and then a great show.
If you become a member, or sponsor a member your night is free.*



*Let's get together and have a fun night!
Join us for Subs & Bingo!
May 16, 2026*

**Start the evening off with a
meatball or eggplant
submarine sandwich (Spoolette),
salad and beverages.**

B I N G O				
7	25	44	57	62
15	22	40	50	70
11	30	FREE BIRD SPACE	46	74
2	28	37	55	68
10	27	39	59	75

**Then stay and join the gang with
Sally's Bingo.**

Bring chips and blotters.

There will also be plenty of homemade desserts.

Only \$15.00 per person.

Evening starts at 6:00

North Haven Congregational Church.

To reserve your spot call

Joanne Tondalo at 203-464-0216

Those who attend sub night will also have the opportunity to play Mini
Bingo. It will
start immediately after sub clean up. We will break in between games
for dessert.

One small card will be \$1 and we will play a few games up to 9:30 pm.

All proceeds from

Card sales will be the winning pots. Bring your Dabbers/markers and
SINGLES.

Subs and Bingo—what could be better?

Any questions, Sally Gill 203-645-8177

- NORTH HAVEN -

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16th Annual

HORSE RACE GAME



Saturday, June 27 • 6 PM

North Haven Congregational Church
28 Church Street, North Haven

Members \$20 • Non-Members \$25

Buffet Dinner & Admission Included!



Join us at our 14th Annual Fashion Show



Sunday October 11, 2026, to be held at
Woodwinds

29 School Ground Road, Branford, Ct.

For Tickets or
more information contact
Regina at 203-376-8524

or

Georgianna at 203-988-8006

"Movie Night"

Movie & Pizza Time



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

Friday May 22, 2026 7 PM North Haven Congregational Church

Only \$15 per person Pizza, Popcorn, Salad, Dessert and a movie with Friends

Dessert donations welcomed!

NORTH HAVEN

SONS & DAUGHTERS LODGE 2805

5th Annual Car Show

Flea Market & Craft Show

northhavenlodge2805.club/car-craft-show



At

Nicks Char-Pit, 22 Middletown Ave, North Haven, CT. 06473

Saturday August 8, 2026

Rain Date August 15, 2026

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

Large Asphalt Parking Lot - 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

Food – DJ Entertainment

For Car Show information contact

John Giorgio 203-430-6549

jallstarelectric@aol.com

For Flea Market or Craft Show information

contact Angela Vitti 203-274-0001

angiem1002@gmail.com

Mail form with payment to:

North Haven Sons and Daughters, PO Box 193. North Haven, Ct. 06473

or bring with you on day of event

Make Checks Payable to:

North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805

Name: _____ Are you a member of OSDIA Yes-No

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Car Club Affiliation: _____

Vehicle info: Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

Please Initial – This Vehicle is Registered and Insured _____ Date: _____

SAVE THE DATE

ROCKY'S
Big Night!



*Who doesn't like to solve a good mystery
while enjoying a great dinner?*

*We'll sharpen up your detective skills because we will
be hosting a new and upcoming murder mystery
dinner. An evening filled with family, friends and a
murder to be solved with only clues, questions and
great narrators.*

*Oh, and cast members well that's a good question-only they
will know who they are or maybe you might be
a cast member and not even know
it until it's too late.*

*So be on the lookout for more
information to come.*





Family-style dinners are more than just sharing a meal—they create a warm, memorable experience where friends and families gather, connect, and celebrate together.

For one set price, your Sunday Family Dinner begins with a relaxing Wine Tasting from 12–1pm on our beautiful stone patio overlooking the vineyard.

From there, guests move into the main celebration with dinner, music, and dancing from 1–5pm.

We invite you to experience a Family Style Dinner at Magnanini Winery!



Bus Trip , Sunday, October 4, 2026.
Bus to Leave North Haven at 9:30 AM
Sons & Daughters of Italy Members \$155
Non Members \$165.

Includes bus transportation, wine tasting, dinner and entertainment
Price is subject to change if the Vineyard finds it necessary to adjust the price.

Non refundable \$50. Deposit required upon booking.
Must book as soon as possible to hold the bus and spot.
For more information or to reserve your seat
Call SueAnn at 203-710-4186.

First Course | Antipasto

Assorted Antipasto | Homemade Salami, Capocollo, Prosciutto Di Parma, Fontina Cheese, and Sweet Peperonata

Second Course | Pasta

Penne Bolognese | A classic Italian meat sauce made with ground beef, crushed tomatoes, veggies, and seasonings

Third Course | Salad

Caesar Salad | Crisp romaine lettuce tossed with our homemade caesar dressing. Topped with shaved Parmigiano Reggiano and croutons.

Fourth Course | Main Course

Melt in your mouth, slow roasted pork belly
 Chicken breast baked in a lemon cream sauce
 Baked Yukon gold potatoes in a rosemary garlic butter
 Braised red cabbage made with local apples

Fifth Course | Dessert

Freshly baked homemade apple crisp with vanilla ice cream

All Menus Are Subject To Change Based On Seasonal Availability



Community Outreach report for newsletter – 4/27/2026

Refill Snacks for the Auxiliary at WH VA Hospital

We met on Feb 16th, and decided to once again help with the snack distribution at the WH VA Hospital. For those not familiar, there is a program that distributes snacks to veterans as they come and go before and after their appointments. We are asking all members interested in helping to please bring in individually wrapped snacks (peanut butter crackers, snack size bags of chips, other snack foods – no drinks) to our April and May meetings. It will be delivered on the first Monday in June.

School Supplies

Another collection we will be asking for is school supplies at our May, June and July meetings. Once again, we will be filling backpacks for the kids supported by 'RKids in New Haven. The committee received a donation from Five Below of 25 backpacks, but we ask anyone interested in helping to please bring in items on this suggested list. We will fill the backpacks and deliver them in late July, so they can be distributed in time for the start of school.

Suggested items: Small boxes of crayons, Pencils - #2 and/or colored, Pens – basic blue/black inked, Spiral notebooks, School folders (2 pocket), Small pocket staplers, Small pocket simple calculators, Rulers, Novelty erasers, Pencil sharpeners, Pencil boxes/zipper pouches

Thank you in advance!

Red Cross Blood Drive

We will once again be hosting a Blood Drive at Hope Christian Church on Monday, June 1st from 1:00 pm to 6 pm. Please pass this info onto anyone you know that gives blood! We will be publicizing as much as possible, in the hopes of filling all of the slots.

Christmas in July toy drive for YNH Toy Closet

We will also be holding our toy drive in July. Please bring in new, unwrapped toys by the July meeting. We will be holding a community collection on July 18th on the North Haven Green.

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!

Again, 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)
Diane Barone, Karen Buccini
Donna Casciello, Michelle Clemente
Lucille DeGregorio, Georgianna Hull
Charlene Logan, and Regina Najarian

