

North Haven Sons & Daughters
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**NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF
ITALY
LODGE # 2805
JANUARY 2015 - NEWSLETTER**



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COMMITTEES

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Social: Donna Casciello
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Meetings Hosts: Annie StAmand
Crafts: _____
Support Troops: Earl & Mary Lou Stamp
Dominoes: Dolores Mazzotta
Newsletter: Neil Velleca Jr
Publicity: Sharon Ricciardelli
We encourage all members to join a
committee. You will not be turned down,
and we are always looking for more help.
To join a committee, contact a committee
member or talk to Denise.

NEXT MEETING

****JANUARY 6TH****

HOSTESSES;

Mary Zimbardi & Dolores Mazzotta



As a reminder you get up to \$75.00 to purchase food items which can consist of just desserts. Coffee, water and soda are provided by the lodge.

Anyone interested in hosting please contact me at (860) 571-0498 or at ann.stamand@trincoll.edu. Thank you to all who have served during the year. Annie St.Amand

SUPPORT THE TROOPS!

Even though we do not have any men or women serving from our Lodge family or friends, please keep all service men and women and their families in your prayers this Christmas season.



Save the Date
Come to our Valentine's Party
Saturday February 14
7pm at our new location.
St Frances Cabrini Church
More Details to follow.

WEEKLY DOMINOES

We play Dominos every Thursday afternoon at 1:00 pm at the Lodge. This is open to ALL members and it's Free. You don't have to come every week to enjoy a nice afternoon of fun and conversation.

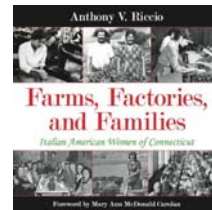


For more info contact Dolores Mazzotta (203) 234-8314

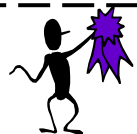
Local Italian American Culture note:

Author Anthony Riccio will be appearing at the North Haven Library on Saturday March 7th 2015 at 1pm. He will present his new book

"Farms, Factories and Families: Italian American Women of Connecticut"



"Farms, Factories and Families: Italian American Women of Connecticut" is the story of Italian American women who tell their largely unknown history in their own words, through oral history interviews and photographs.



BRING IN NEW MEMBERS
EARN REWARDS!

2 MEMBERS	\$10 GIFT CARD
3 MEMBERS	\$20 GIFT CARD
4 MEMBERS	\$30 GIFT CARD
5 MEMBERS	FREE DUES

LODGE CALENDAR

January 6 th	Lodge Meeting
February 3 rd	Lodge Meeting at new location!
February 14 th	Valentine's Party

NEWSLETTER: If you are running an event or you have something to share with other members please send info or pictures to Neil at navelleca@hotmail.com.



Denise presents frames donated by our Lodge to the Co-Presidents of the North Haven Photo Club



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA 2014

Hello everyone!

I hope everyone had a joyful Christmas!

Included in this newsletter is the proposed 2015 Lodge budget. Please take a few minutes to review it, as we will be voting on it at our January 6th meeting.

The Board met in early December, and decided to propose a change in the dues structure, to coincide with our reduced rent at St. Frances Cabrini. The budget includes this new structure. Here is the proposal:

Regular member dues will be reduced to \$45.00 per person. There will no longer be the incentive for event attendance – it is hoped that all members will support our events without it affecting the dues.

Special dues will be \$25.00 per person. Special dues will be for students and senior members over 80.

The budget proposal is based on 115 regular members and 28 members paying special dues. The dues less the per capita fees of \$36.28 per person leaves us with a surplus on that line item of \$700 to help defray the annual cost of producing and mailing the newsletter.

I believe the other lines are self-explanatory, but please bring your questions to the January meeting. And as always, I thank Lenny for his time and energy devoted to putting this budget together.

As the New Year approaches, I would like to ask each member to please take a moment and consider their participation in the Lodge.

If you have ideas for new events, committees, etc., please bring them forward. If you have hesitated to join a committee, now is a great time to do so! Our committees are listed on the front of the newsletter, and we always benefit from increased participation.

I hope to see many of you at the New Year's Eve party at the Lodge!!

Con i migliori auguri,

Denise Mazzotta Krause

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