

North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge #2805

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**NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF
ITALY
LODGE # 2805
JULY - 2016 NEWSLETTER**



JULY Bocce Schedule

Week # 5		Friday 7/8/2016	
Time	Court	Team	Team
6:30	Game 1	My Boys	Ball Breakers
6:30	Game 2	Rock-n-Rollers	Quattro Contessa
7:15	Game 3	The Champs	Bocce Babes
7:15	Game 4	Boccegaloop Troup	In Laws

Week # 6		Friday 15-Jul	
Time	Court	Team	Team
6:30	Game 1	The Champs	In Laws
6:30	Game 2	Ball Breakers	Boccegaloop Troup
7:15	Game 3	My Boys	Quattro Contessa
7:15	Game 4	Rock-n-Rollers	Bocce Babes

Week # 7		Friday 22-Jul	
Time	Court	Team	Team
6:30	Game 1	My Boys	Rock-n-Rollers
6:30	Game 2	Quattro Contessa	Bocce Babes
7:15	Game 3	Ball Breakers	In Laws
7:15	Game 4	The Champs	Bocce Babes

Week # 8		Friday 29-Jul	
Time	Court	Team	Team
6:30	Game 1	Quattro Contessa	Ball Breakers
6:30	Game 2	The Champs	In Laws
7:15	Game 3	My Boys	Boccegaloop Troup
7:15	Game 4	Rock-n-Rollers	Bocce Babes

**Bring in New Members
to earn Rewards**



(Rewards will be received in following year)

- 2 Members per year to earn a \$10 GIFT CARD
- 3 Members per year to earn a \$20 GIFT CARD
- 4 Members per year to earn a \$30 GIFT CARD
- 5 Members per year to earn a FREE DUES

Lodge Calendar

JULY 18- Monday- Golf Tournament

JULY 24- Sunday- Lobster / NY Strip Steak Picnic

SEPT. 17- Movie night

October 23- Fashion Show

November 19- Distinguished Citizen Dinner

To All my fellow North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge 2805 Members:

My message comes to you as a midyear report – As part of this Lodge perhaps you have come and enjoyed being a member by participating in so far this year a movie night, fun bingo night, oldy-wed game night, comedy night, fun horse races, and a few other events, and this past weekend you came to our 2nd annual FREE Pizza Truck Picnic! Currently you may be on one of our Bocce Teams which play on Friday evenings all summer long, and we are looking forward to our 1st annual Golf tournament on July 18th, a Lobster Feast on July 24th, another movie night in September, our returning Fashion Show on Oct. 23rd, and our 13th Annual Distinguished Dinner in November, and then on to the holiday parties.

This year we are pleased to announce that our scholarship committee, and therefore our Lodge has given \$500.00 to the North Haven High School Scholarship Program and will be giving a \$1000.00 Neil Velleca Sr. Scholarship award to our Lodge Member Gianluca Barecchia. All of you who participate in our events make this possible!

My message is clear that as a Lodge we offer many fun activities to come and participate in. We however need more Leaders to help run some activities whether the same ones or some new and innovating ones! There is much promise for the future but it will take commitment by all of us. We need all your help to continue to make our Lodge strong and viable. We need your help both with running activities and bringing in new members to secure our future! By actively becoming involved in our Lodge activities and bringing in new members, this will make us a solid, stable Lodge that will be able to continue into the future. This challenge is in our hands and is up to all of us.

I have heard ideas about many new ways to attract younger members, A few at this year's state convention, some from our members and some over the last few years. Here are a few of them:

- A multiple session "Day Camp" promoting our Italian heritage for children, teens and young adults, they have done this the past 2 years in Derby Lodge and it's been a success.
- A Scholarship Breakfast
- An Italian Heritage Day, there are a lot of variations, in our case because of the festival history, I think we should at least center this idea around our Culture boards.
- An Italian Sports Night, honoring Italian American sports heroes
- Cultural Events – such as Authors, Singing programs, Lodge Programs on Italian American Traditions.

And as always if you have an idea to run something not mentioned, speak with me anytime. I also would like to have some new officers installed in 2017 if you would like to be an officer please let me know.

In closing I hope you all take my message to heart and we can make Lodge 2805 the best ever!
Your President, Lenny R.



NEXT MEETING **JULY 5TH **

2016 HOSTS / HOSTESSES:

July: Denise Krause & Charlene Logan

August: Debbie Leighton, Kathryn

Witteman & Judy Tichy

Volunteers are needed to host the rest of the Meetings. Please see Donna.

Winner 50/50 Raffle - -Mary Slater

Visit our Lodge Website

www.northhavenlodge2805.club

FASHISON SHOW

"Ladies and Gents" come join us at the next meeting for our Fashion Show committee on June 14th in the church hall at 7 pm. Flyers, intro letters, and tickets will be available for everyone.

Remember, our FS is October 23rd. There's a lot to do. So, please come to our meeting. If you have questions or can't be at the meeting but are interested in helping call me at 203-376-8524.

Regina.



**EPILEPSY
FOUNDATION**



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Epilepsy Foundation Connecticut

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Presents Our
**1ST ANNUAL
Golf Tournament**
To benefit
**The Epilepsy Foundation Connecticut
&
The Lodge & its
Scholarship Program**

Monday, July 18, 2016 at Traditions Golf Club at Wallingford

Registration: 7:30 – 8:30 am **Tee Time:** 8:30 (Shotgun)

Registration fees must be received by July 6, 2016

**Cost: \$115.00 per player and includes Day of Golf, RANGE BALLS
GREENS FEES & CART, CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, BEER/WATER/SODA
ON COURSE, LUNCH (Includes beer & soda), PRIZES**

Our 1st Annual Lobster / NY Strip Steak Picnic

Sunday July 24th 3pm St Frances Cabrini Church lot.

\$30.00 per member - \$35.00 for guests.

Reservations only, no walk ins

Starters:

Assorted cheese and crackers platter

Vegetable platter served with a dip

Clam Chowder served with oyster crackers

Main Course:

Choice of: Steamed 1 1/4 pound lobster or NY Strip Steak

Clams grilled or steamed with dry white wine, celery, onion & garlic

Fresh farmers market corn on the cob served with butter

Slow Simmered Baked Beans

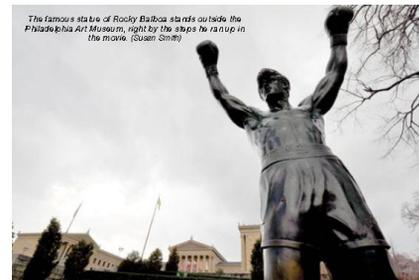
Pasta Salad, Potato Salad, Tossed Salad

Dessert:

Cookies that members make!

Sliced Watermelon & Pineapple





By Rolando Vitale

The world of boxing was not immune to such anti-Italianism. Angelo Dundee, the legendary boxing trainer from Philadelphia who trained champions like Ali, Sugar Ray Leonard, and George Foreman, said:

“In the early 1900s it wasn’t advantageous to have an Italian name. Italians were not held in high esteem by the host population. We lived in Italian ghettos, held menial jobs, spoke funnily and ate spaghetti and ice cream and were considered by the average American to be “gangsters” and members of crime societies.”

The Palermo-born Gaspare Leone was the first notable Italian prizefighter, competing between 1891-1904. Leone changed his name to Casper Leon, yet he still bore the brunt of racist epithets and jeers from the predominantly Irish crowds. By the time he retired, the derision had not diminished. In 1903, the *National Police Gazette* captured this, reporting that:

“It is amusing to note the way in which the crowd at ringside receives the different nationalities of fighters. There is always a hearty cheer and earnest backing for the Irishman; grins and good-humored tolerance for the German and virulent hostility to the Italian and the Negro. Put a boy of any race in with an Italian and everybody in the house who is not himself of Italian origin at once begins to root frantically against the son of ancient Rome. It is to the credit of the Italians that they have pushed so far forward against such adverse influences.”

By 1910, more than three million Italian immigrants had arrived in the United States, and those that pursued boxing quickly discovered that an Irish cohort dominated the sport. Boxers like John L. Sullivan and Jim Corbett were part of the steady stream of Irishmen who held the heavyweight title, creating the misconception that nobody could be successful in the ring unless they had an Irish name. This led many Italian fighters to adopt a pseudonym so that their ability to make a living in the ring wasn’t defeated before they even set foot in it.

The Irish stronghold over what was America’s second most popular sport at the time gave them a virtual monopoly over it and allowed them to dictate the rules of engagement to ethnic newcomers. According to Carmelo Bazzano, Professor Emeritus of Physical Education at the University of Massachusetts, commercial considerations also pressured Italians into adopting non-Italian names. Irish and English promoters sought to manipulate the cosmetics of boxing. They forced Italian boxers to adopt Irish names, thereby producing an army of “ready-made” Irish boxers who were palatable to the predominantly Irish crowds.

Those who refused to change their name frequently complained at the lack of regular fights. Minnesota-native Tony Caponi, who fought between 1902-1917, blamed his lack of booking on his surname, believing that to promoters his real name sounded “more like a music master than a prizefighter.” For a time, Caponi changed his name to TC O’Brien. For the next several decades, a host of other Italian boxers from all across the country followed this trend.

New Jersey-native and pre-World War I heavyweight contender Andrew Chiariglione claimed his Irish moniker on a Utah boxing card. Irritated by the announcers’ inability to pronounce his surname correctly and anxious to get the fight under way, Chiariglione bellowed, “Oh, hell, just call me Jim Flynn.” From then on he became known as “Fireman” Jim Flynn, the only fighter to ever knock out Jack Dempsey.