

North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge #2805

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**NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF  
ITALY  
LODGE # 2805  
AUGUST - 2015 NEWSLETTER**



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A Part of  
the  
Grand Lodge  
of  
Connecticut

COMMITTEES

Charities: Rick DeCrosta  
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Nathan Vestal  
Nick Mastroianni  
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Social: Donna Casciello  
Membership: Susan Velleca  
Member Development: Neil Velleca Jr  
Scholarship: Cheryl Vestal  
Library: Sharon Ricciardelli  
Distinguished Citizen: Neil Velleca Sr  
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Support Troops: Earl & Mary Lou Stamp  
Dominoes: Maryann Ciarleglio  
Newsletter: Sallyann Gill  
Publicity / Website: Denise Krause  
Chris Warko

We encourage all members to run an event or join a committee. To join a committee, contact a committee member or talk to Lenny, Sue, or Sharon

# ANNOUNCEMENT!

WELCOME to ALL NEW MEMBERS  
Please Get Involved!!

If you are a new member and have not been installed yet please let Sue know. Her email address is [snoozie321@outlook.com](mailto:snoozie321@outlook.com). Or come to the next meeting

if you have to turn in something or get reimbursed for something, please contact Laurie Solimene . Her contact info is [laurie.solimene@gmail.com](mailto:laurie.solimene@gmail.com) or 203-314-8770

**69 MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT  
OUR JULY MEETING**

Winner of 50/50 Raffle— Mary Slater

**Happiness is being**  
**ITALIAN**

## **NEXT MEETING**

**\*\*AUGUST 4TH\*\***

## **HOSTESSES:**

**Cheryl Vestal & Charlene Logan**

**September:** Marie Freitag, Janice Guido,  
Joanna Leone & Marybeth Madigan

**October:** Joanie DeFosses, Kelly Fahey,  
Robbie & Bruno Juliano

**November:** Richard DeCrosta & Dave D'Aniello

**December:** Michael Polo, Annie St.Amand,  
Patty & Neil Velleca

**The Maintenance committee needs to be notified if there is a need for paper goods, soap, water, etc for the lodge. Contact Nick, Gary, or Nathan.**



## **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

**NEWSLETTER:** Sally Gill is now our newsletter editor If you have something to share with members please send info or pictures to Sallen [sgill247@aol.com](mailto:sgill247@aol.com) & [lric56@yahoo.com](mailto:lric56@yahoo.com)  
**Winners of the Newsletter Raffle: Mary or Joe Brigante. To enter raffle please give us your email address to receive your newsletter via email.**

## **Lodge Calendar**

August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tribute to Mama  
August 22<sup>nd</sup> Movie Night with Singer Briana  
August 30<sup>th</sup> Dean Martin Night  
Sept 26<sup>th</sup> Distinguished Citizen Dinner  
October 17<sup>th</sup> Military Whist  
October 24<sup>th</sup> Murder Mystery Night  
Dec.12<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party / Frank Sinatra's  
100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration  
Dates TBA / Sports Night , dinners before our lodge meetings



## **Bocce Standings**

Bocce Galoop	4 Wins	1 Loss
Who Cares	4 Wins	1 Loss
In Laws	3 Wins	2 Losses
Leaders Pack	3 Wins	3 Losses
Quattro Cont	3 Wins	2 Losses
Rockin Rollers	2 Wins	3 Losses
Over Hill Gang	2 Wins	3 Losses
Bocce Babes	2 Wins	3 Losses
The Cousins	0 Wins	5 Losses

## Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner

Please save the date Sept 26<sup>th</sup> 2015 to participate in our 11<sup>th</sup> annual fundraising event. We will be honoring our Past President Neil Velleca, Jr. and Susan Velleca. Tickets will be \$55.00. We need your support for this Lodge Fundraiser. Please see Neil Velleca, Sr. for more information.



### Tales from a Pig Roast

*It was a great event. We want to thank everyone who helped us. And, thank you to all the members and friends who came and enjoyed the food and socialization. If you didn't come this year, you'll get a second chance when we do it again next year. Our president, Lenny Ricciardelli, has already told us there will be another pig roast next year. Big hugs to all. Gale and Gary and our committee*



## THE LODGE CULTURAL CORNER

The Lodge Culture Committee meets the third Tues. of each month at Church. Aug 18<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting. Please call Matt Gill to Participate 203-640-2596

'Let's talk; Instead of ordering the special, Let your waiter, Mateo, know what about your Italian heritage is most important to you. "Calling all Lodge 2805 members to volunteer to participate in an open discussion" Let's share our views with our community via social media....The discussion begins at the August meeting....I will be ready to take your order"



The North Haven Sons & Daughters of Italy Lodge # 2805

Warmly invites you to attend a nostalgic *Italian* "Tribute to Mama".  
St. Frances Cabrini Church Hall  
57 Pond Hill Rd  
North Haven, CT  
Sunday, August 2nd  
5:00pm



Guest Speaker: Joanna M. Leone  
CT Author of "Slices of Life Italian-American Stories"

Socialize, rekindle and share heart-felt  
Memories of Mama.  
Admission: Free and open to the public  
Refreshments and beverages

Contact: Lenny Ricciardelli - Lric56@yahoo.com  
203-234-0215



Last Chance to order  
your Lodge Shirt  
Call Sharon  
203-234-0215

Italy is considered to be part of the wine belt of Europe. Nevertheless, beer, particularly mass-produced pale lagers, are common in the country. It is traditionally considered to be an ideal accompaniment to pizza; since the 1970s, beer has spread from pizzerias and has become much more popular for drinking in other situations.



**"Just Trying to Have a little fun Folks!" – DEAN MARTIN NIGHT**

Please join us on Sunday, August 30th at 5pm, at St. Frances Cabrini Hall  
You'll Hear the wonderful songs of Dean Martin, as Performed by local performer, Jack Lynn, <https://www.facebook.com/jack.lynn.18?fref=ts>  
Refreshments, snacks and desserts will be provided. You also receive a complimentary raffle ticket for a chance to win a Dean Martin Theme basket.  
The cost is \$ 10 members and \$15 non-members. BYOB.

**Contact Joanna Leone if you wish to attend or if you have questions.**  
**jmaria165@hotmail.com and 203 895-5091**



**JOIN US AUGUST 22 2015**

**Dinner with Singing by Briana Knight and a Movie**

**You begin the night with song, Then we'll have Dinner, after Briana will sing a couple more songs, then we watch a Movie**

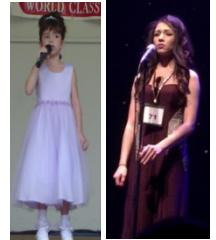
**Dinner cooked by Sammy, Joanne, and Peachy**

**Menu: Salad, Chicken Parm, Green Beans, Roasted Potatoes bread, coffee, dessert you know all that good stuff.**

**\$15.00 per member and \$20.00 for non Members**

**Contact Sammy, Joanne or Peachy**

Folks here's a little history for you, Briana Knight first sang for us at Festival # 1. She has volunteered to sing for us many more times. She is the niece of Joanne and Sammy Tondalo. The pictures are of Briana at that 1<sup>st</sup> Festival and at a singing competition a few weeks ago. Please welcome her on the 22<sup>nd</sup>



Hi All

I would like to once again welcome all our new members. I hope you all of you enjoy this club as I do. I hope new and present members are interested in participating in some way in our lodge. We like to have fun. Summer is here and it's nice to see so many enjoying the bocce on Friday nights. This season bocce was shortened because of our move to the church. Next year we hope to accommodate more teams and players. During the fall Fridays can still be used as a fun night, we can play board games, cards, watch movies or have a classic rock night. See Sally, Matt, Sharon or Myself for more information. **If we purchased a Wii game system would you be interested in playing that?**

On September 26th we are holding our main annual fundraiser, The Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner. We are honoring Lodge members Sue and Neil Velleca. The price is \$55.00 per person. Please support this event. You can also help by getting an ad to support the event. Try for the small ads from your hairdresser etc...! There is Fun after dinner too; Music will be provided by DJ member Ricky Vizz! (Rick Vizziello). See Neil Velleca SR. for more information.

Many people have approached me about our lodge doing an Italian Festival again. I'm really not surprised about that, are you? Of course I think we should do an Italian Festival. I however have some different Ideas on how we would do that. We know we stopped having it because of the physical work involved. Our Hearts are still the same; it's our Legs, Arms and Backs that are not. I would like to do a much smaller type event, done within our means. It's going to be about our own Traditions and History and also Italian, and Italian American Culture. I'm thinking an intimate Little Italy type event for our Members, our Families and Friends, rather than have 10,000 people we don't know. When I get rid of the walker we will have a special meeting to discuss this.

I'm still looking for someone to be in charge of our electronics. I'll show you everything you need to know. Please visit our new website. [www.northhavenlodge2805.club](http://www.northhavenlodge2805.club) – Enjoy the Music!

We also have a Lodge and Lodge Culture Facebook page, a Twitter Page and soon we will publicity committee will be maintaining and updating all these pages.

I'm scheduled for Hip replacement Surgery on August 6th so I might miss an event or 2 during the month. Know this though, when I feel a little better, I will do everything I can to make our lodge accommodating and fun for all. If you get 5 people to join our lodge by the end of the year your dues in 2016 are Free, Maryann Ciarleglio (Peachy) and Sally Gill have accomplished this already.

See you soon

Lenny R. Your President

