

North Haven Sons & Daughters  
of Italy Lodge #2805  
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**NORTH HAVEN SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF  
ITALY  
LODGE # 2805  
JUNE 2015 - NEWSLETTER**



OFFICERS

President:	Lenny Ricciardelli
Vice President:	Susan Velleca
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\*Arbitration Committee  
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Marybeth Madigan, Lucille Tondallo

\*Not members of Board of Directors



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the  
Grand Lodge  
of  
Connecticut

COMMITTEES

Charities:	Rick DeCrosta
Church Use	
Management	Gary Takach, Nathan Vestal Nick Mastroianni
Culture:	Matt Gill
Social:	Donna Casciello
Membership:	Susan Velleca
Member Development:	Neil Velleca Jr
Scholarship:	Cheryl Vestal
Library:	Sharon Ricciardelli
Distinguished Citizen:	Neil Velleca Sr
Good & Welfare:	Donna Casciello
Meetings Hosts:	Annie St Amand
Support Troops:	Earl & Mary Lou Stamp
Dominoes:	Dolores Mazzotta
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!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
NEW PRESIDENT—LENNY  
RICCIARDELLI!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS  
Please join me in welcoming  
our new member Justine Appi.

Justine is Lodge trustee Dave Gianotti Father in  
Law and that of course makes him Patti Gianotti's  
Father

**42 MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT OUR  
MAY MEETING.**

### **NEXT MEETING**

**\*\*JUNE 2ND\*\***

HOSTESSES:

**Cindy DeFranco and Ellie Gaetano**

**July:** Donna Casciello & Sharon Ricciardelli

**August:** 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



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

**NEWSLETTER:** Please note Sally Gill is now doing  
the newsletter. If you are running an event or you have  
something to share with other members please send info  
or pictures to [sgill247@aol.com](mailto:sgill247@aol.com).

### 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 Spring!

**The Lodge Culture Committee meets the third  
Wednesday of each month at Matt's house. June  
17<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting. Our goal is to promote  
our love of Italian culture through events,  
demonstrations, broadcasts, round table  
discussions, and any ideas you would like to  
discuss or plan. Please call Matt Gill if you would  
like to join or have questions about this committee  
203-640-2596**



### Domino's Tournament



Saturday July 11, 2015 at 6:30 pm  
at St. Frances Cabrini Church Hall. Pot luck dinner  
provided by all attending. Coffee & dessert. Price is  
\$10.00-members. \$15.00 for non-members. Call  
Maryann Ciarleglio (203)239-2868 for what dish or  
dessert you are going to bring. Sign up at meeting.  
Prizes will be \$25.00 to winner at each table.

Winner of 50/50 Raffle—Gary Takach

### WEEKLY DOMINOES

We play Dominos every Friday  
afternoon at 1:00 pm at the St  
Frances Cabrini. 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

### **Lodge Calendar**

May 30 <sup>th</sup> .....	Membership Dinner
June 6 <sup>th</sup> .....	Horse Races
June 14 <sup>th</sup> .....	Movie Night
June 28 <sup>th</sup> .....	Member's Picnic
July 11 <sup>th</sup> .....	Dominoes/Pot Luck
July 12 <sup>th</sup> .....	Anthony Riccio
July 26 <sup>th</sup> .....	Pig Roast
August 2 <sup>nd</sup> .....	Tribute to Mama
August 8 <sup>th</sup> .....	Movie Night Outside\
August 30 <sup>th</sup> .....	Dean Martin Night
September 12 <sup>th</sup> .....	Military Whist



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



Scholarship reminder:

All applications must be post marked, or emailed by June 6, 2015 @ midnight. Absolutely no late applications will be considered.

SAVE THE DATE:

A Luncheon will be held @ St. Frances Cabrini Hall on Sunday, August 16, 2015, Time to be announced but will be early afternoon.

Further info to follow

Email Cheryl at stngengage@gmail.com  
For questions about the Scholarship

Luncheon will be open to ALL MEMBERS, FRIENDS & FAMILY MEMBERS.

## "Come to the Horse Races "

Saturday June 6<sup>th</sup>

Starting at 6:30 PM

at ST Frances

Church Hall

Meeting Place

\$15.00 per person

includes Lasagna

Dinner with Salad

& Bread, BYOB



Come to bet on your favorite hours!!

\$2.00 per bet, per horse, per race, you may be the big

winner of the Night!

Contact Donna 203-239-0285 or Sharon 203-234-0215

for tickets

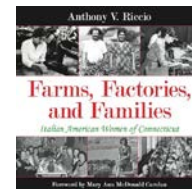
Local Italian American Culture note:

Author Anthony Riccio will be appearing

at St Frances Cabrini Church on

Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 5pm.

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*

## Annual Members Picnic



Sunday June 28, 2015. We will have the New Haven Pizza Truck from 4-7pm at the Church parking lot. Free to all members. Non-members \$20.00. Children 8-12 \$5.00. Children 7 and younger =Free! Please sign up if you will be attending at the June monthly meeting or call me. You must sign up to attend this. There are no walk-ins allowed. I will need a count 2 weeks before. Get ready to socialize, eat delicious pizza and possibly play some games??? Let's hope we have good weather that day...Lenny, put the rosary beads out! Any questions, please contact Sally Gill 203-239-6611 Hope to see you ALL there!

Hi All!

Thank you all for your support during my Dads passing. May was a difficult month for my Family, Alayna, Sharon and I.

On a happier note, we had a social meeting last week and our calendar is filling up, please plan to participate in these events. If you have a new idea please see me or our social Chairperson, Donna. We still need some people to help with our AV equipment--please see me if you're able to help in that way.

We are going to be playing bocce at the church on Fridays, Sally and I are running our League; Let's make the best of it, have some fun, and see where we go with it. If you're a newer member, you can play too. See Sally Gill or Myself to get involved. The fee is \$10.00 per player to play in league and half of the total fees collected will be donated to a charity chosen by the championship team. You can also play cards or other games besides or in addition to bocce on Friday nights. My hope is that you all will participate in bocce and /or the other activities on Fridays.

As you hear about our financial reports please remember that the money we will be saving by moving to St Frances Cabrini will take some time to show up. The reasons for this are the moving expenses and the new equipment expenses. Although we are physically moved in, the process of adjusting is still going on.

Thank you to all those folks who have volunteered to host our Lodge meetings. It is appreciated! The limit to spend is still at \$75 total. The reason for that is so we can limit the left overs. If you would like to host a meeting please see a member of the Building Committee or Donna. We are booked until the Jan 5 2016 meeting. The Hosts for the meeting are responsible for the refreshments and to help with the cleanup after the meeting. However they are not solely responsible for the cleaning of the Kitchen, the Church Hall and putting all the chairs and tables away after the meeting. **We All Are Responsible To Help With This!** Please put the chair you sat in and maybe the one next to you away before you leave for the night.

During the lodge meeting please show the person who is speaking the courtesy of being quiet and also listening to what they have to say. Hopefully I won't have to do this, but I will ask who ever I have to, in front of everyone, to please be quiet! If you want to comment on the subject at hand, raise your hand, and wait your turn, then speak out loud so everyone can hear what you have to say.

Always remember as your President I'm there for all members and our Lodge

Lenny