



ANSANTAWAE LODGE No 89

ANCIENT FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT



DECEMBER 2017 TRESTLEBOARD

Organized October 13th 1859 – Milford, Connecticut

Message from the East

Brothers,

It's not a secret that our modern form of Freemasonry originated in the ancient guilds, or lodges, of working stonemasons who built throughout Europe hundreds of years ago. Like us, men expressed an interest in joining these lodges. Like us, those men were motivated to improve themselves and their situations in life. Like us, they were initiated into the craft, passed levels of education, and were ultimately raised to the rank of 'Master' in their trade. And like us, every step of the way they were given duties to perform, obligations to meet, and work to do.

Freemasonry teaches us many things, but when you boil them down to their essential ingredients, you tend to find one of these three themes: **duty, obligation, and work.**

In the charge to the Entered Apprentice we are taught about the three great *duties* every Mason owes to his God, his neighbor, and himself. As a Master Mason each of us promises and swears an *obligation* to our brothers, to their families, and to the relief & aid of others. The rough & perfect ashlar remind us to constantly *work* at improving ourselves so that we might, someday, be fitted into that spiritual building eternal in the heavens.

Thinking back again to our ancient brothers; some would spend their entire lives on the same project or 'job site.' For example, the building of Westminster Abbey took over 250 years. In other instances, if a brother had a very unique skill, the carving of gargoyles for instance, he would travel from job to job throughout his career. In both situations, their tasks never stopped. And like them, OUR tasks never stop.

My brothers, no matter where you are in life's journey, or on your journey as a Freemason, you should ever remember that your duties, your obligations, and most of all your work, are never finished.

Peace to you and your loved ones in this Holiday Season and, in the years ahead, I look forward to seeing you at lodge.

Fraternally,
Gregg Bateman
Worshipful Master

2017 Officers

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Trustees

- 2017** John W. Hanson, PM
- 2018** Jesse T. Batterton, PM
- 2018** David K. Eisenman, PM
- 2018** Greg F. Manley, PM
- 2019** Michael G. Nowlin, PM

Stated Communications, first & third Friday of every month. Except during July & August.

ANSANTAWAE LODGE No 89



Kids Christmas Party

Sunday, December 17, 2017 — 10:30am to 11:30am

Masonic Building, 59 Broad Street, Milford, CT

All brothers are welcome to bring their families to spend some time with Santa! Fun activities, games and refreshments will be served.

Please make reservation with
Senior Deacon, Jeff Brockett
via email: sd@ansantawae89.org



Ansantawae Lodge Secretary's Corner



My Brothers;

You will soon receive your membership dues notices for 2018. Please note that the amount has not been raised for several years.

If you feel an error has been made or would like an explanation of your bill, please feel free to contact me at (203)783-8742 or ken.hawkins@cbmoves.com

Please note that for each member of every Connecticut lodge, as of **December 31** of each year, the Grand Lodge assesses **\$65.00**. The remainder goes to support the expenses of operating the individual lodges. The only exceptions, when a member reaches fifty years of membership, both his Grand Lodge assessment a lodge dues are forgiven.

Please make every effort to remit payment as soon as you are able and you will thereafter, expect to receive your dues card in a timely fashion. If any of your contact information has recently changed or you are planning to change your address, please forward that information to me as soon as possible.

MEMBERSHIP LOSSES TO DATE IN 2017

W. B. David A. Ende*	January 4
Bro. Tony R. Pontello*	January 16
Bro. John MacFadyen, Jr.*	January 19
Bro. M. Wallace Rubin*	January 31
Bro. Frank Lindsay Beveridge*	February 9
Bro. William J. Levey	April 27
Bro. Howard E. Cole	May 14
Bro. Marcus W. White	June 6
Bro. George G. Krause*	August 11
Bro. Howard A. Nielson*	September 21
Bro. David B. Conway	October 23
Bro. James J. Miller	October 30

*Fifty Year members

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FELLOW CRAFT DEGREE TEAM

Jesse T. Batterton	Greg F. Manley
Joseph R. Borack	Paul M. Marino
T. Raymond Brooks	Sean P. Ronan
Charles A. Buck, Jr.	Willam W. Roots
Julio A. Calvao	Steven P. Schreck
Kevin M. Field	Richard P. Smeland, Jr.
Robert S. Gavlik	Nicholas J. Staurovsky
John W. Hanson, Captain	Robert L. Thomas
Robert E. Kee	Robert W. Volgmuth
Dean L. Manley	Todd J. Whaley

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

David K. Eisenman, PM	Endowments
Kenneth B. Hawkins, Sr., PGM	Member Retention
Greg G. Manley, PM	Widows Program
Kevin M. Field, PM	Photography
Kevin M. Field, PM	Trestle Board
Mark Wasserman	Candidates
WB Gregg E. Bateman	Outreach Committee

ANSANTAWAE LODGE LIVING PAST MASTERS

1972	T.R. Richards	1999	J.H. Tweedie, PAGM
1973	K.B. Hawkins, Sr. PGM	2000	E.A. Dubois
1980	J.D. Lang	2001	J.A. Harker
1981	F.E. Schumitz	2002	T.R. Brooks
1982	A.H. Jennings*	2003	J.A. Victor
1984	A.M. Brown, PDD	2004	R.X. Goodrich
1985	C.A. Buck, Jr., PGM	2005	M.J. Basque
1986	J.D. McCormack	2006	K.I. Greenhill, PDD
1988	D.J. Darak	2007	R.F. Lutinski
1989	T.J. Ritter	2008	S.T. Hill
1991	A.E. Dubien	2009	D.K. Eisenman, PDD
1992	E. J. Mikita	2010	S.T. Sherrick, PDD
1993	B.R. Somers*	2011	C.J. Buck
1994	J.J. Blair*	2012	R.L. Thomas
1995	R.L. Jess, PAGT	2013	K.M. Field
1996	S.P. Schreck	2014	J.W. Hanson
1997	R.S. Zwiebel	2015	J.T. Batterton
1998	B.A. Rumford	2016	M.G. Nowlin
	* Not Active	HON	R.D. Sherrick, PAGM

ANSANTAWAE MEMBERS PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES

R.E. Bateman, PDD	G.F. Manley, PAGM
R.R. Cole, PDD	R.C. Marquette
D.G. Conroy	J.T. McWain, PGM
J.S. Demko	H.E. Newton
K.L. Dworkin	J.L. Pallas
R.M. Dworkin	D. Parkinson
J.E. Dyer	R.D. Sherrick
P.V. Edelen	B.I. Silverstein
R.M. Eldridge	B.J. Simonetti
R.A. Foster	C.J. Smyth
A.M. Friedman	R.V. Travis
R.J. Furce	R.W. VanHorn
C.T. Gagel	

HONORARY MEMBERS

R.W. Harriman	Gustaf R. Bodin, PGM
J.H. Introcaso	George S. Greytak, PGM
A.J. Karvosky Jr	Lewis G. Myrick Sr., PGM, PH
K.A. Maehlenbrock	Charles W. Yohe, PGM
D.L. Manley	

MASONIC TEMPLE CORPORATION

Meeting the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm

Salvatore Siconolfi	President
David K. Eisenman	Vice President
Alan M. Brown	Treasurer
Kenneth B. Hawkins, PGM	Secretary
James S. Demko	Director
Bruce A. Rumford	Director
John W. Hanson	Director
Scott T. Sherrick	Director
Greg F. Manley	Director

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Being a Rainbow Pledge Girl

What is a Pledge Girl?

Girls ages 6-10 are called Pledges. Though they cannot become a full Rainbow Girl until age 11, they are welcomed and encouraged to participate in many activities including charity work, installations, and many other assembly activities. At this stage, the pledges enjoy the “big sister” relationships they will form with the older girls as they work and play side by side, absorbing the positive energy that comes from being a good person inside and out.



Pledge girls doing a presentation to the Grand Worthy Advisor



Our Past Grand Worthy Advisor in a fashion show with our pledge girls



Our Pledge girls with Our Rainbow girls and Advisors playing games at our Emoji Party!

If you would like to know more, please contact:



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Mom Liz Plasky

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Milford Assembly #4, Rainbow

Meetings 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 7:00pm
Email - milfordrainbow@yahoo.com

Brenna WrinnWorthy Advisor
Amy Wrinn..... Mother Advisor
Stephen T. Hill..... Chairman

Rainbow Calendar

Dec 7th – Business meeting, White gowns – 7pm
Setup at 6:30pm

Dec 21st – Fun meeting. Bring a friend – 7pm

Rainbow Advisory Board

Tony Barcia • Denise Curcio • Stephen T. Hill
Kristy Mascia • Andrea Nadel • Liz Plasky, PWA
Sonja Schmidt, PWA • Steve Mullins

#thumbsupforrainbow



The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls



Milford Chapter Order of DeMolay

Meetings 2nd and 4th Wednesdays,
7:30pm (except July & August)

Master CouncilorKeith Schmidt
Senior CouncilorIsaac Evans
Junior Councilor KJ Pokornowski
Dad Advisor.....Michael Sheffler

DeMolay Calendar

Dec 13th – Stated Communication – 7:30pm

Dec 27th – Fun activity (no meeting) – TBD

Jan 14th – **Chevaliers Investiture Ceremony**
for Brothers Noel Womack & Paul Danyliw,
Milford Masonic Lodge – 1pm



DeMolay Advisory Board

Daniel J. Adams, PMC, CHEV • Charles A. Buck, Jr., LOH
Christopher J.M. Buck, PMC, PSMC, CHEV, LOH • Susan Carpenter, COH
Kevin M. Field, Chairman, PMC, CHEV, LOH • Kenneth B. Hawkins, CHEV, LOH
Mark H. Hawkins, HON • Becca Sheffler, Scribe • Michael P. Sheffler, PMC, CHEV, LOH
Scott T. Sherrick, PMC, CHEV • Robert G. Womack, HON



MILFORD CHAPTER #49 R.A.M. BECOMES HOUSATONIC CHAPTER #13

At their meeting of October 10, 2017 the members present, voted to merge with Baldwin Chapter #13 of Stratford to form one Chapter to be called **Housatonic Chapter #13.**

The Convocations for this Chapter will be held at 7:30pm on the 2nd Friday of each ODD month.

This schedule will have the new Chapter meeting 5 times during a calendar year with meetings being held in January, March, May, September, and November.

The Convocations for this Chapter are to be held at the America-St. Johns Masonic Temple, 3960 Main street in Stratford, Connecticut.

The Annual Meeting of this Chapter shall be held on the Stated Convocation of March of each year.



ADAM SATTIG COUNCIL #35 BECOMES PAUGUSSETT COUNCIL #16

At their meeting of October 3, 2017 the members present, voted to merge with Jerusalem Council #16 of Stratford to form one Council to be called **Paugussett Council #16.**

The Assemblies for this Council will be held at 7:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each EVEN month.

This schedule will have the new Council meeting 5 times during a calendar year with meetings being held in February, April, June, October, and December.

The Assemblies for this Council are to be held at the Ansantawae Masonic Lodge located at 59 Broad Street in Milford, Connecticut.

The Annual Meeting of this Council shall be held on the Stated Assembly of April of each year.

LUCIA CHAPTER NO. 25, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

December 14th Stated Session, 7:30pm

January 11th Stated Session, 7:30pm

PYREMUS NO. 82, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

December 20th Stated Session, 7:30pm

January 17th Stated Session, 7:30pm

YORK RITE BODIES OF STRATFORD AND MILFORD

Fall 2017 Trestle Board

Meeting Schedule

November 10 - Stated Conconvocation and installation of officers of Housatonic Chapter 7:30PM. Dinner at 6:30PM. Stratford Masonic Temple

November 16 – Stated Conclave of Hamilton Commandery. Inspection on the Order of the Temple 7:30PM. Refreshments after the Conclave. Stratford Masonic Temple

December 12 – Stated Assembly of Paugussett Council. Installation of officers and Select Master Degrees to be portrayed for inspection 7:30PM. Dinner 6:30PM. Milford Masonic Temple

December 17 – Annual Christmas Observance of Hamilton Commandery 3:00PM. Dinner to follow. Stratford Masonic Temple

December 18 – Annual Milford Carol Sing 6:00PM Dinner and 7:00PM Program. Milford Masonic Temple.

December 21 – Stated Conclave of Hamilton Commandery 7:30PM. Refreshments after the Conclave. Stratford Masonic Temple

Message from the High Priest

Milford Chapter #49 of Milford and Baldwin Chapter #13 of Stratford have voted to merge and form one Chapter to be called Housatonic Chapter #13

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The Convocations for this Chapter are to be held at the America-St Johns Masonic Lodge located at 3960 Main Street in Stratford CT. The Annual Meeting of this Chapter shall be held on the Stated Convocation of March of each year.

Fraternally,

Craig Nelson, Sr.
High Priest

Message from the Thrice Illustrious Master

As the first TIM of the newly established Paugussett Council #16, I would like to thank all of the **Companions in Milford and Stratford who made this smooth transition possible. The bodies of the York Rite** have long been a strong force within Freemasonry in Southwestern Connecticut. I have the hopes that we together can get this new Council, along with the new Housatonic Chapter, growing and thriving for many years to come. Please continue informing your Brothers in your Blue Lodges about York Rite Masonry, or refer them to long-standing Companions. You are the driving force behind our continued success.

Fraternally,

Richard Kassay
Thrice Illustrious Master

Officers of Housatonic Chapter No. 13

High Priest	Craig Nelson, Sr.
King	Gary Shepard
Scribe	Michael Southmayd
Treasurer	Tony Pipitone
Secretary	Charles McCollum
Captain of the Host	James Whitaker
Principal Sojourner	Michael Miller
Royal Arch Captain	Michael Skrocki
Chaplain	John Mellor
GM of 3 rd Veil	Robert Danyliw
GM of 2 nd Veil	Andrew Flasko
GM of 1 st Veil	Rob Womack
Organist	Richard Kassay
Sentinel	Harvey Hartin

Officers of Paugussett Council No. 16

Thrice Ill. Master	Richard Kassay
Deputy Ill. Master	Michael Southmayd
Principal Conductor	James Whitaker
Treas/Recorder	Charles McCollum
Captain of the Guard	Gary Shepard
Conductor	John Mellor
Steward	Rob Womack
Chaplain	Michael Skrocki
Organist	Ernie Dubois
Sentinel	

Officers of Hamilton Commandery No. 5

Eminent Commander	Gary Shepard
Generalissimo	Jack Farkas
Captain General	James Whitaker
Senior Warden	Michael Southmayd
Junior Warden	Michael Skrocki
Treasurer	Edward Ham
Recorder	Stuart Drost
Prelate	Craig Nelson, Sr.
Standard Bearer	Robert Cascone
Sword Bearer	
Warder	John Mellor
Guard	Daniel Galloza
Guard	
Guard	
Organist	Richard Kassay
Sentinel	Anthony Pipitone

Message from the Eminent Commander

Greetings Sir Knights,
 With a little less than two months to go in 2017, I wanted to highlight a couple of the remaining events going on at our Asylum. Currently we are busy preparing for **our annual inspection** by the Grand Commandery of Connecticut on **November 16th**. We will be **opening in full form**. In the month of December, we will celebrate our **Christmas Observance on December 17th**. The **final Conclave of 2017** will be on **December 21st**. In addition to our meeting we will have a brief, unique, and interesting educational program led by Tony Guinta about the organ donation program. I hope to see many if not all of you there.

Courteously,

Gary Shepard
 Eminent Commander

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DECEMBER 2017

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ANSANTAWAE LODGE No. 89 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER

- Dec 1st** Stated Communication, **7:00pm**
Conferring of **Master Mason Degree** and
"Double Advancement", Senior Warden
presiding in the East. Dinner at the break.
- Dec 4th** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- Dec 6th** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- Dec 15th** Annual Communication & Election of 2018 Officers.
Lodge opens at **7:45pm**, Dinner served at **6:30pm**.
Reservations Required, please contact the
JW Robb Womack – jw@ansantawae89.org
- Dec 17th** Masonic Family Breakfast, **8–10:30am**
- Dec 17th** **Children's Christmas Party, 10:30am – 11:30am**
Children's Christmas Party, Families Invited
(following the lodge breakfast).
- Dec 18th** **ANNUAL YORK RITE CAROL SING**
Dinner served at **6pm**, Program at **7pm**

JANUARY 2018

- Jan 3rd** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- Jan 6th** **Installation of 2018 Officers, 7pm**
Reception to follow, families & friends invited.
- Jan 8th** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- Jan 19th** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
Conferring of Entered Apprentice Degree,
JW Jeff Brockett in East
- Jan 20th** Annual Chili Cook-off, **6:30pm**
Milford Masonic Lodge
- Jan 21st** Masonic Family Breakfast, **8–10:30am**
- Jan 29nd** Blue Lodge Council, **7:15pm**
Temple 16 — Temple Lodge #16,
9 Country Club Rd, Cheshire, CT



Thank you to all those who supported
our Masonic Family breakfast and
helped raise **\$1,400** to benefit the
Milford Fire Department, Toys For Tots
holiday program.

