



ANSANTAWAE LODGE No 89

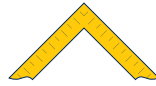
ANCIENT FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT



SEPTEMBER 2020 TRESTLEBOARD

Organized October 13th 1859 – Milford, Connecticut

Message from the East



My Brothers,

Just as in years past, summer draws to a close and we look to the fall to resume our labors. However, unlike all prior years, this year our labor will be conducted in a different format. The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Connecticut has given permission to hold meetings in the lodge room with reduced attendance and stream this to brothers who are unable to attend. This format is how we will be holding meetings going forward until a time comes where we can once again all meet together in the same room.

As I stated earlier the attendance to these meetings will be restricted in accordance with the Governor's mandate of **25 people** or fewer. With this restriction and the number of officers that must be present we will have **10 seats** for any member who would like to attend in person. These spots will be given out on a first come first serve basis. To reserve a spot you can contact me directly starting the Monday before each meeting at wm@ansantawae89.org or call me at **203-306-9578**.

All people entering the building will have their temperature checked and must wear a face covering.

Aside from reduced attendance the other major restriction we have is not being able to serve food at any meetings. This means no refreshment and meals. Because of this Table Lodge and Widows' Night will be canceled this year and Roll Call will not feature the traditional steak dinner.

This lack of food draws to mind the less fortunate who rely on food banks and other means to provide nourishment for themselves and their families. With the large amounts of people losing their jobs due to the pandemic food banks are being stretched thinner and thinner. I ask that those of you who are able to **donate the \$25** you would have spent attending Table Lodge to the **Milford Food Bank**. Or, if you would prefer you can donate non-perishable food items. The lodge will be taking a collection and donating these to the Milford Food Bank the first week in November.

With all of that out of the way I'd like to take this opportunity to tell you how excited I am to get back to our labors. Missing lodge these last 5 months has affected me more than I ever thought it would and I hope that our return will bring us all a sense of normalcy.

Fraternally,
Jeffrey R. Brockett
Worshipful Master

2020 Officers

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Marshal Nicholas J. Staurovsky

Tiler Noel A. Smith (Kerry)

Trustees

2020 Gregg E. Bateman, PM

2021 David K. Eisenman, PM

2021 Greg F. Manley, PM

2021 Mark Wasserman, PM

2022 James H. Tweedie, PM

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

Help us keep each other safe — and stop the spread of COVID-19



5 precautions we're taking to protect you:



Screening employees every day for symptoms



Ensuring they stay home if they are sick



Washing our hands and making hand sanitizer available



Cleaning and disinfecting all surfaces, areas and equipment



Posting social distancing signs

5 actions you can take to protect us:



Wear a face mask to cover your nose and mouth



Stay 6 feet apart from others and follow our signs



Don't enter if you are sick



Wash your hands/use hand sanitizer when you enter



Choose contactless payment options

Ansantawae Lodge Secretary's Corner



Brethren;

I hope this message finds you and your families healthy and happy. We are currently living in interesting times during this Covid-19 pandemic. While practicing social distancing, I assume like myself, you have had a much less eventful summer than in years past. During some of my newly found abundance of free time, I was perusing some Masonic materials and I came across a book on Masonic words and phrases.

The book is titled "Masonic Words and Phrases", by Michael R. Poll published in 2005.

Ansantawae Lodge No. 89, Ancient Free & Accepted Masons. Why do we as Masons call ourselves "Ancient" & "Free" and what is the origin behind this phrase? According to Mr. Poll:

FREE

The origin of the use of the term "free" in speculative Masonry is in the fact that the operative Masons who worked on King Solomon's Temple were exempted from imposts, duties and taxes as were their descendants. They were, therefore, declared to be "free."

ACCEPTED

In Operative Masonry members were admitted through course of time, and when the Craft had begun to decay, gentlemen who had no intention of doing builders' work, but were interested in the Craft for social, or perhaps for antiquarian reasons, were "accepted" into membership; to distinguish these Gentlemen Masons from the Operatives in the membership they were called the "Accepted." After 1717, when the whole Craft was revolutionized into a Fraternity, all members became non-Operatives.

Hence our use of the word in such phrases as "Free and Accepted Masons."

Additionally, second notices have been mailed out to those brothers who have not submitted their 2020 dues. I encourage the members of Ansantawae who have not yet paid their dues, to please do so in a timely manner. If there is an issue or concern with your dues, please feel free to contact me via email: secretary@ansantawae89.org or by phone: (203) 878-6339.

I wish all of you continued health, safety and happiness.

Fraternally;

Kevin M. Field,

Secretary

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Candidates	James Whitaker, Jr. (203) 508-5946
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Widow's Program	Kenneth B. Hawkins, Sr.

ANSANTAWAE LODGE LIVING PAST MASTERS

1972	T.R. Richards	2001	J.A. Harker
1973	K.B. Hawkins, Sr. PGM	2002	T.R. Brooks
1980	J.D. Lang	2003	J.A. Victor*
1981	F.E. Schumitz	2004	R.X. Goodrich
1982	A.H. Jennings*	2005	M.J. Basque
1984	A.M. Brown, PDD	2006	K.I. Greenhill, PDD
1985	C.A. Buck, Jr., PGM	2007	R.F. Lutinski
1986	J.D. McCormack	2008	S.T. Hill
1988	D.J. Darak	2009	D.K. Eisenman, PDD
1989	T.J. Ritter	2010	S.T. Sherrick, PDD
1991	A.E. Dubien	2011	C.J. Buck
1992	E. J. Mikita	2012	R.L. Thomas
1993	B.R. Somers*	2013	K.M. Field
1994	J.J. Blair*	2014	J.W. Hanson
1995	R.L. Jess, PAGT	2015	J.T. Batterton
1996	S.P. Schreck	2016	M.G. Nowlin
1997	R.S. Zwiebel	2017	G.E. Bateman
1998	B.A. Rumford	2018	M. Wasserman
1999	J.H. Tweedie, PAGM	2019	R.G. Womack
2000	E.A. Dubois	HON	R.D. Sherrick, PAGM

* Not Active

LIVING ANSANTAWAE MEMBERS WHO WERE PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES

B. J. Aiken #12	D. L. Manley #143
R. E. Bateman, P.D.D. #143	G. F. Manley, P.A.G.M. #143
A. M. Brown, P.D.D. #79	R. C. Marquette #143
J. H. Burbank #95 (Missouri)	J. T. Mcwain, P.G.M. #65
R. R. Cole, P.D.D. #87	H. E. Newton, P.G.C. #289 (New York)
D. G. Conroy #143	D. Parkinson #104
J. S. Demko #143	R. D. Sherrick, Sr., (Massachusetts)
K. L. Dworkin #143	B. L. Silverstein #780 (Italy)
R. M. Dworkin #143	B. J. Simonetti #83
J.E. Dyer #143	C. J. Smyth #143
P. V. Edelen #143	R. V. Travis #144
R. M. Eldridge M.L.R.	R. W. Van Horn #84 (Maine)
K. E. Fears #144	
A. M. Friedman #143	HONORARY MEMBERS
R.J. Furce #142	Gustaf R. Bodin, PGM
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R.W. Harriman #143	Lewis G. Myrick Sr., PGM, PH
J. H. Introcaso #143	Charles W. Yohe, PGM

MASONIC TEMPLE CORPORATION

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

David K. Eisenman.....	President
Scott T. Sherrick.....	Vice President
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Kevin M. Field.....	Secretary
Kenneth B. Hawkins, Sr.	Director
Greg F. Manley.....	Director
Salvatore Siconofi.....	Director
Richard P. Smeland, Jr.....	Director
James H. Tweedie.....	Director

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Milford Assembly No. 4, Rainbow

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

Daja Bird Worthy Advisor
Liz Plasky Mother Advisor
Kristie Mascia Bird Chairman

Rainbow Calendar

Sept 3rd – Business meeting, White gowns – **7pm**
Setup at 6:30pm

Sept 17th – Pledge and Fun meeting
Bring a friend – 7pm

Rainbow Advisory Board

Tony Barcia • Kristie Mascia Bird • Stephen T. Hill • Anna Plasky
Liz Plasky, PWA • Casey Kudravy • Amy Wrinn

#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 Councilor KJ Pokornowski
Senior Councilor Past Master Councilors
Junior Councilor Kyle Pokornowski
Dad Advisor Dad Mark Hawkins

DeMolay Calendar

Until further notice, **Milford DeMolay Chapter** meetings
will be restricted to members, advisors and parents only.



DeMolay Advisory Board

Daniel J. Adams, PMC, CHEV • Julio A. Calvao • Susan Carpenter, COH
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Scott T. Sherrick, PMC, CHEV

LUCIA CHAPTER NO. 25, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

September 10th Stated Communication to be held at off-site location

PYREMUS NO. 82, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

September 16th NO Stated Communication



Housatonic Chapter #13, Royal Arch Masons

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

Officers for 2019-2020

Most Excellent High Priest Gary Shepard
Excellent King Craig R. Nelson
Excellent Scribe James Whitaker, Jr.
Treasurer / Secretary Charles McCollum
Chaplain Robert Sherrick
Captain of the Host Andrew Flasko
Principal Sojourner Michael Miller
Royal Arch Captain Michael Sabia
G M 3rd Veil Fritz Erauda
G M 2nd Veil David Millington
G M 1st Veil Paul Cummings
Sentinel Richard Smeland
Organist Richard Kassa

This Chapter meets 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.



Paugussett Council #16 Royal & Select Masters

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

Officers for 2019-2020

Thrice Illustrious Master Craig R. Nelson
Deputy Illustrious Master James Whitaker, Jr.
III. Prin. Cond. Works Gary Shepard
Recorder / Treasurer Charles McCollum
Capt. Of the Guard Andrew Flasko
Conductor Kurt Wischow
Steward Richard Smeland
Chaplain Robert Sherrick
Sentinel Scott Sherrick
Organist Ernest A. Dubois

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.



Hamilton Commandery #5 Knights Templar

3960 Main Street, Stratford, CT
7:30pm – 3rd Thursday, Except July & August

September 17th – Hamilton Commandery Zoom Meeting

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SEPTEMBER 2020

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ANSANTAWAE LODGE No. 89 — 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- Sept 4th Stated Communication, 7:45pm
- Sept 14th Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, 7pm
- Sept 18th Stated Communication, 7:45pm
- Sept 20th "No" Masonic Family Breakfast

OCTOBER

- Oct 2nd Stated Communication, 7:45pm
Conferring of Entered Apprentice Degree,
SD Ryan Elblein presiding in the East
- Oct 5th Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, 7pm
- Oct 16th Stated Communication
Masonic Movie Night:
National Treasure 2 — 7:45pm
- Oct 18th "No" Masonic Family Breakfast



George Washington quote of the month:

"It should be the highest ambition of every American to extend his views beyond himself, and to bear in mind that his conduct will not only affect himself, his country, and his immediate posterity; but that its influence may be co-extensive with the world, and stamp political happiness or misery on ages yet unborn."

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