



ANSANTAWAE LODGE No 89

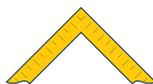
ANCIENT FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT



MARCH 2025 TRESTLEBOARD

Organized October 13th 1859 – Milford, Connecticut

MESSAGE FROM THE EAST



My Brothers,

March is very much a transition... from cold to hot. The colder weather gives way in March and makes it so that we don't feel we need to barricade ourselves in the house with the heat blasting, it presents us with the opportunity to not have to hate having to go somewhere just to not have to deal with the walk from the building to the car and vice versa. This makes it easier to make plans to meet with each other and enjoy each other's company and social interaction. Remember that "we should be social creatures, and receive the greatest and most important part of our knowledge by the information of others."

It is also the transition from dark to light, we see more clear, sunny days and the sun stays out later and later, this often makes us mindful of our time. We no longer feel like the day ends right after we get home from work because the sun is now still out at that time. This always makes me reflect on the Entered Apprentice's 24 inch gauge... the 8 hours for our usual vocation and the 8 hours for refreshment and sleep always seem to come easy and without much deliberation, but the other 8 hours, the hours marked for service to God and a distressed worthy brother, those hours seem to fall by the wayside many times. It often leaves us questioning what it means to serve. A quick look at the charge of that very degree gives us a simple, yet effective, starting point for answering that very question, your duty to God in never mentioning His name, but with that reverential awe. This means you should, in fact, be mentioning His name... you should be praying. To implore His aid in all your laudable undertakings... you should be contemplating His plan for you in this life and asking Him, "who did You make me to be?" and "please help me to become that man". And esteeming Him as the chief good... take the time to truly thank Him for all your blessings. Your duty to your neighbor, in acting upon the square, and doing unto him as you wish he would do unto you... charity, be the neighbor you would like to have, be the man that you would like to befriend, help those who may have fallen as you would appreciate to have when you fall, and be the brother that you, yourself, need. Sometimes this is as easy as picking up the phone and calling a brother, just to check in, to ask how they are feeling and if they might need anything at all. With all that in mind, please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you need anything at all, I am here to serve you!

I hope to see you soon!

Fraternally,
Julio A. Calvao
Worshipful Master

2025 Officers

- Worshipful Master**..... Julio A. Calvao (Jessica)
Email: wm@ansantawae89.org / Phone: (203) 650-1174
- Senior Warden**..... Jeffrey J. Scepanski (April)
Email: sw@ansantawae89.org / Phone: (203) 530-7001
- Junior Warden**..... Michael R. Gendreau (Lea)
Email: jw@ansantawae89.org / Phone: (203) 907-9690
- Treasurer**..... WB Jesse T. Batterton, (Wendy)
Email: Jessebatterton@gmail.com / Phone: (203) 974-9622
- Secretary** RW Charles A. McCollum, (Beth)
Email: secretary@ansantawae89.org / (203) 241-2554
- Senior Deacon** Joseph Soto
Email: sd@ansantawae89.org / (203) 667-8107
- Junior Deacon** Alexander C. Campana
- Senior Steward**..... Gregory C. D'Andrea
- Junior Steward**..... Keith M. Smith, III
- Chaplain** WB James H. Tweedie
- Marshal**..... Moussa M. Kafal
- Tiler** Richard P. Smeland, Jr.
- Organist** WB Ernest A. Dubois
- Historian**..... RW Scott T. Sherrick

Trustees

- 2025** Kevin F. Weirsman, PM
- 2026** Ryan A. Elblein, PM
- 2027** David K. Eisenman, PM
- 2027** Greg F. Manley, PM
- 2027** Dennis S. McNamara, Jr., PM

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

Ansantawae Lodge Secretary's Corner



Brethren;

This month we welcome spring after a very cold winter. While I know that in New England we can have winter weather well into April, I choose to think positively that warm weather is right around the corner.

This month we will portray the Master Mason Degree and welcome three new members into our Lodge. We also have the Bee Hive Lecture which is always well received and is open to family members. The Degree will have a dinner prior to our meeting.

Another public event for us in March is the Milford St. Patrick's Day Parade. Once again, we will march as a Lodge, and it would be great to have a big turnout.

Remember if you haven't paid your dues yet, please do so. If you want to come to Lodge and pay I always have the dues cards with me so you will receive it on the spot.

Fraternally;
 RWB Chuck McCollum,
Secretary



Masonic words and phrases

Jacob's Ladder – The story of Jacob's dream or vision is which he saw a stairway leading from earth to Heaven and angels descending and ascending on it holds an important place in Masonic ritual. It is employed as a symbol of the progressive course from earth to Heaven, and of the transition from death to life.

The three principal rounds of the ladder are denominated Faith, Hope and Charity, which admonish us to have faith in God, hope in immortality and charity for all mankind. The principle of these is the third, charity, because faith may be lost in sight, hope ends in fruition, but charity extends beyond the grave through the boundless realms of eternity.

The Ansantawae Lodge is seeking Brothers who are interested in joining the **Fellowcraft Degree Team**. We require volunteers to perform several speaking roles for the **Master Mason tragedy** in the future. If you are interested in performing a speaking role, send an email to wm@ansantawae89.org with your aspiration. Thank You!

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

- Candidates Jeffrey J. Scepanski (203) 530-7001
- Endowments David K. Eisenman, P.M. (203) 641-2426
- Member Retention..... Scott T. Sherrick, P.M. (203) 996-1960
- Member Retention..... David K. Eisenman, P.M. (203) 641-2426
- Trestle Board Kevin M. Field, P.M. (203) 506-6410

ANSANTAWAE LODGE LIVING PAST MASTERS

1972	T.R. Richards	2006	K.I. Greenhill, PDD
1973	K.B. Hawkins, Sr. PGM	2007	R.F. Lutinski
1981	F.E. Schumitz	2008	S.T. Hill
1984	A.M. Brown, PDD	2009	D.K. Eisenman, PDD
1985	C.A. Buck, Jr., PGM	2010	S.T. Sherrick, PDD
1986	J.D. McCormack	2011	C.J. Buck
1989	T.J. Ritter	2012	R.L. Thomas
1991	A.E. Dubien	2013	K.M. Field
1993	B.R. Somers*	2014	J.W. Hanson
1994	J.J. Blair*	2015	J.T. Batterton
1995	R.L. Jess, PAGT	2016	M.G. Nowlin
1996	S.P. Schreck	2017	G.E. Bateman
1997	R.S. Zwiebel	2018	M. Wasserman
1998	B.A. Rumford	2019	R.G. Womack
1999	J.H. Tweedie, PAGM	2020	J. R. Brockett
2000	E.A. Dubois	2021	J. Whitaker, Jr.
2001	J.A. Harker	2022	K.F. Weirsmen
2002	T.R. Brooks	2023	R.A. Elblein
2004	R.X. Goodrich	2024	D. S. McNamara, Jr.
2005	M.J. Basque		* Not Active

LIVING ANSANTAWAE MEMBERS WHO WERE PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES

R. E. Bateman, P.D.D., #143	R. C. Marquette #143
A. M. Brown, P.D.D., #79	C. A. McCollum, P.D.D., #40& #49
J. H. Burbank #95 (Missouri)	J. T. Mcwain, P.G.M., #65
R. R. Cole, P.D.D., #87	B. L. Silverstein #780 (Italy)
D. G. Conroy #143	B. J. Simonetti #83
J. S. Demko #143	B. E. Thompson
K. L. Dworkin #143	The Meadows Lodge, MA
R. M. Dworkin #143	R. V. Travis #144
J.E. Dyer #143	R. W. Van Horn #84 (Maine)
P. V. Edelen #143	HONORARY MEMBERS
D. K. Eisenman #143	Rev. Bruce R. Bellmore, PGM
A. M. Friedman #143	Gustaf R. Bodin, PGM
R.J. Furce, A.G.M., #142	George S. Greytak, PGM
C. T. Gagel #143	Charles W. Yohe, PGM
D. L. Manley #143	
G. F. Manley, P.A.G.M., #143	

MASONIC TEMPLE CORPORATION

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

David K. Eisenman	President
Scott T. Sherrick	Vice President
Jesse T. Batterton	Treasurer
Charles A. McCollum.....	Secretary
Robert E. Hall	Director
Joseph D. Morgan	Director
Salvatore Siconofi.....	Director
Richard P. Smeland, Jr	Director
James H. Tweedie	Director



Come support the members of
Ansantawae Lodge No.89
as they march in the
**MILFORD
ST. PATRICK'S DAY
PARADE**

Saturday, March 15, 2025 at 1pm – Downtown Milford

Members of Ansantawae Lodge No. 89 and appendant bodies are welcome and encouraged to march. We will be meeting at the Masonic Building.

Light refreshments, coffee and orange juice served at **10am**.

We will depart for **Wasson Field** at **12pm** for Parade step off at **1pm**.

Come down and enjoy the festivities!!



Milford Assembly No. 4, Rainbow

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

Liz Plasky..... Mother Advisor
Casey Kudravy..... Chairman

International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Rainbow members are between the ages of 11 and 20 years old. Rainbow welcomes everyone, regardless of race, creed, color or national origin.

Rainbow Advisory Board

Kristie Mascia Bird • Jeff Brockett • Ernie Dubois
Michael R. Gendreau • Casey Kudravy, PWA
Anna Plasky, PWA • Liz Plasky, PWA



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 Julio E. Calvao
Dad Advisor Dad Julio A. Calvao
Chairman Dad Kevin M. Field

DeMolay International

We are the premier organization based on timeless principles, committed to developing and inspiring leadership, team building, and networking for young men ages 12 – 21.



DeMolay Advisory Board

Daniel J. Adams, PMC, CHEV • Christopher J. Buck, PSMC, CHEV
Julio A. Calvao • Susan Carpenter, COH • Kevin M. Field, PMC, CHEV, LOH
Michael R. Gendreau, PSMC, CHEV, LOH • Mark H. Hawkins, HON
Connie Pesquera • Becca Sheffler, Scribe • Scott T. Sherrick, PMC, CHEV

LUCIA CHAPTER NO. 25, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Thursday, March 13th – Stated Session, 7:30pm

PYREMUS NO. 82, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Wednesday, March 19th – Stated Session, 12:30pm



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 2024-2025

Most Excellent High Priest..... Andrew Flasko
Excellent King..... Michael Miller
Excellent Scribe..... Fritz Erauda
Treasurer / Secretary Charles McCollum
Chaplain..... Michael Sabia
Captain of the Host JD Debaun
Principal Sojourner Gary Shepard
Royal Arch Captain..... Joseph Soto
G M 3rd Veil Kurt Wischow
G M 2nd Veil..... Benjamin Clark
G M 1st Veil Gabriel Zayas
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, CT. 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 2024-2025

Thrice Illustrious Master Michael Miller
Deputy Illustrious Master Andrew Flasko
Ill. Prin. Cond. Works..... Kurt Wischow
Recorder / Treasurer Charles McCollum, PMPGM
Capt. Of the Guard Joseph Soto
Conductor Travis Bain
Steward JD DeBaun
Chaplain Michael Sabia
Sentinel..... Richard Smeland
Organist Ernest 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, CT. 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

March 20th – Hamilton Commandery Stated Meeting



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WB Greg F. Manley *Co-Chairman*
Dean L. Manley, Sr., *Co-Chairman*

March 2025

ELMER F. MANLEY MEMORIAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Ansantawae Lodge No. 89, A.F. & A.M. is offering two “**Medical Scholarships**” for \$1,000 each to a college student studying counseling, social services, psychology, psychiatry, nursing, medicine, social work, gerontology or pharmacology and having completed a minimum of two semesters in their chosen field, and maintaining a minimum GPA of 2.75 are encouraged to apply for this scholarship. Candidates must be a resident of the town of Orange or family member of Ansantawae Lodge.

Also being offered are two “**Lodge Family Scholarships**” for \$1,000 each to a College Student are encouraged to apply for this scholarship. Candidates must be a daughter, son, granddaughter, or grandson, of a member of Ansantawae Lodge No. 89 . Applicants must have completed a minimum of two semesters in their chosen field, and maintained a minimum GPA of 2.75. Qualified students are encouraged to apply.

Interested students should send a synopsis of their College credentials and current social interests within their chosen field, along with a current official school transcript. [Transcripts must be sent directly from your school.]

To: Lodge Scholarship Committee,
Ansantawae Lodge No. 89,
59 Broad Street,
Milford, CT 06460-0173

All requests must be received by **May 22, 2025**. Your full name, address, email and phone where you can be reached must also be included. For further information **email:** bowhunter155@hotmail.com, Subject: **Scholarship**.



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MILFORD MASONS OFFER SCHOLARSHIP

Robert E. Hall and Family Scholarship

Ansantawae Masonic Lodge No. 89, A.F. & A.M. is offering a scholarship for High School Seniors and current college students, having and maintaining a minimum GPA of 2.75 in their chosen field. Students meeting requirements are encouraged to apply for this scholarship.

Applicants must be one of the following:

- 1.) A member of the Milford Chapter, Order of DeMolay or Milford Assembly No. 4, International Order of Rainbow for Girls.
- 2.) A daughter, son, granddaughter, grandson, wife or goddaughter of an active member of Ansantawae Masonic Lodge No. 89, A.F. & A.M.
- 3.) A student pursuing law enforcement, fire services or the medical field.

Interested students should send a synopsis of their credentials, a list of current social interests within their chosen field, along with two letters of recommendation from a Mason in good standing and a current official school transcript. (Transcript should be sent directly from the school). Non-Masonic affiliated applicants may submit two letters of recommendation from an instructor or person within the related services field.

Send to: Lodge Scholarship Committee,

Mr. Robert E. Hall, 197 Walnut Street, Milford, CT 06461

All requests must be received by **May 25, 2025**. Please include your full name, address, email and phone number where you can be reached. For further information call (203) 507-1181 or email rhall1944@hotmail.com. Subject: *Scholarship*.

If applicant applies for a scholarship and is awarded that scholarship, they will be required to attend the presentation ceremony in person in order to receive scholarship.

If, the applicant would be unable to attend, they will apply to scholarship committee to have a family member receive the scholarship award on their behalf.

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ANSANTAWAE LODGE No. 89 — CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

- Mar 3rd** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- Mar 5th** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- Mar 7th** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
BeeHive Lecture
- Mar 15th** **Milford St. Patrick's Day Parade, 10:30am**
Light refreshments in Lodge Hall and families are welcome. Parade steps off at **Wasson Field – 1pm**
- Mar 16th** Masonic Family Breakfast,
8 – 10am \$10 donation.
- Mar 21st** Stated Communication, **7:30pm**
Conferring of **Master Mason Degree**
meal will be served at **6:30pm**.



APRIL

- Apr 2nd** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- Apr 4th** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
Conferring of **Entered Apprentice Degree**
- Apr 7th** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- Apr 18th** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
50 year Pin Presentations & Dinner at 6:30pm
Please make reservations via email: jw@ansantawae89.org
- Apr 20th** Masonic Family Breakfast,
8 – 10am \$10 donation.

The 236th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Connecticut

held at the Marriott Hartford/Windsor Airport, 28 Day Hill Road,
Windsor, CT 06095 (I-91, exit 38), on **Saturday, April 5, 2024**.
The formal opening of the Grand Lodge will be at 9:30am.

(Dues Cards required to attend meeting)

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