



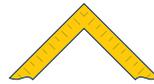
ANSANTAWAE LODGE No 89

ANCIENT FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT



NOVEMBER 2025 TRESTLEBOARD | Organized October 13th 1859 – Milford, Connecticut

MESSAGE FROM THE EAST



My Brothers,

There are parts of the year that tend to give off and create specific feelings and cause the mind to go in certain directions. January and April seem to lead the mind into thoughts of new beginnings, the beginning of the year in January and the rebirth of Nature with Spring starting in April. June tends to bring on the feeling of rest and relaxation with the ending of school and the start of the summer months and vacation season. November is a month that brings on reflection and introspection, and I have come to think that it makes perfect sense that Thanksgiving would be celebrated in the second to last month of the year and I believe it was made so by design, not by man’s design, but God’s. We started to celebrate Thanksgiving in November because it is tied to harvest season, but there is no better time to reflect on the year that has passed, any earlier and we would still have too much to come to really be able to make a proper reflection, if it was later we would be too preoccupied with preparing for the end of one year and the beginning of another, so in God’s infinite wisdom, He made harvest season fall in the month of November! With this in mind, I will be sure to take the time to reflect on what has passed this year and take stock of all the blessings our Great Creator has bestowed on me, and I encourage you to do the same. One thing that comes to mind immediately is the opportunity I have been given to be Master of this amazing Lodge in the oldest and best fraternity in the world, and for this I thank Him and all of you.

November also leads the mind to think about tradition, it is definitely the most traditional time of the year with the holiday season and the ending of the year. I am convinced that there is no group that cherishes their traditions more than Masons, our traditions tie us to the Brothers that came before us and keep us grounded to the most solid foundation on which Masonry was erected. We just had our Table Lodge, which is one of the great traditions of our lodge, in Memorial of such a Brother, and I would like to thank all that were able to attend and make it a successful and memorable evening. I enjoin you to come to lodge to take part in the traditions we hold so dear and be part of passing them down to the next generation, we have a very special class of degrees starting this month and it would mean the world to me if you could join us in doing just that.

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



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Masonic Family Breakfast

Sunday, November 16, 2025 — 8 to 10am

All proceeds from this breakfast will be donated to the **Milford Fire Department** and their “**Toys for Tots**” program.

Please do not bring toys to the breakfast.

Masonic Building, 59 Broad Street, Milford, CT

Cost: Adults - \$10 All that you care to eat with special rates for children and families

Menu: Menu includes Pancakes and Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Toast, Home fried Potatoes, Orange juice, Coffee or Tea.



The International Order of the
Rainbow for Girls

Ansantawae Lodge Secretary's Corner



Brethren;

Last month we completed a very well portrayed set of Degrees on two new members.

You should have or will be soon receiving your dues notice for 2026. Please take the time to correct or add any information we have in our records. This includes your spouse's name, your email address and your phone numbers. Also let us know how you prefer to be contacted.

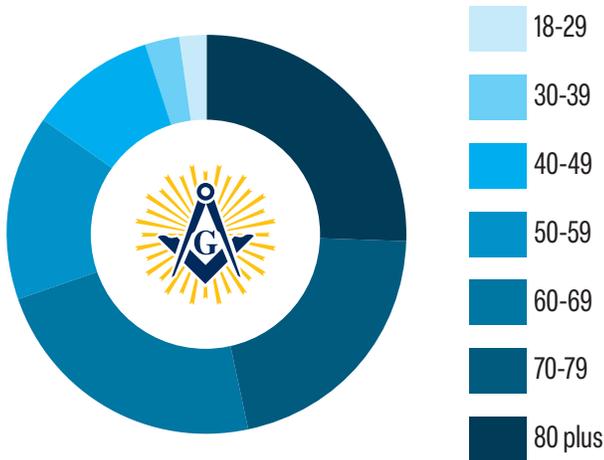
I hope you also take some time this Thanksgiving month in particular to just be thankful.

I look forward to seeing you at our Stated Communications.

Fraternally;
 RWB Chuck McCollum,
Secretary

Ansantawae Lodge Age Dispersion

A fraternal organization composed of men ranging in age from 18 to 90 offers a uniquely enriching environment that fosters intergenerational collaboration, mentorship, and continuity. Younger members bring innovation, energy, and contemporary perspectives, while older members contribute seasoned wisdom, historical context, and a deep commitment to tradition. This broad age spectrum cultivates a dynamic exchange of ideas and values, strengthens leadership development, and ensures the preservation of institutional knowledge. Moreover, it promotes inclusivity and mutual respect, enabling the organization to remain relevant and resilient across generations while deepening its impact within the community.



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
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- Trestle Board Kevin M. Field, P.M. (203) 506-6410

ANSANTAWAE LODGE LIVING PAST MASTERS

1972	T.R. Richards	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
2004	R.X. Goodrich	2023	R.A. Elblein
2005	M.J. Basque	2024	D. S. McNamara, Jr.
2006	K.I. Greenhill, PDD		* Not Active

LIVING ANSANTAWAE MEMBERS WHO WERE PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES

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)	C. A. McCollum, P.D.D., #40& #49
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	
D. K. Eisenman #143	HONORARY MEMBERS
A. M. Friedman #143	Rev. Bruce R. Bellmore, PGM
R.J. Furce, D.D., #142	Gustaf R. Bodin, PGM
C. T. Gagel #143	George S. Greytak, PGM
D. L. Manley #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
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

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Kids Christmas Party

Sunday, December 21, 2025 — 10:30am to 12pm

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, Joesph Soto
via email: sd@ansantawae89.org





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,
7:00pm (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, November 13th — Stated Session, 7:30pm

PYREMUS NO. 82, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Wednesday, November 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

November 20th – Hamilton Commandery Stated Meeting

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ANSANTAWAE LODGE No. 89 — CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- Nov 3rd** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- Nov 5th** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- Nov 7th** Stated Communication, Conferring of
Enter Apprentice Degree at 7:45pm
- Nov 16th** Masonic Family Breakfast, **8 – 10am**
Annual Toys For Tots Fund-raiser
\$10 donation



- Nov 21st** Stated Communication, Conferring of
Fellowcraft Degree at 7:45pm



DECEMBER

- Dec 3rd** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- Dec 5th** Stated Communication, Conferring of
Master Mason Degree at 7pm
- Dec 8th** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- Dec 15th** **Annual York Rite Carol Sing**
Dinner will be served at **6pm**,
Carol program will start at **7pm**
- Dec 19th** **Annual Communication & Election of 2026 Officers.** Dinner at **6:30pm**
with Lodge opening at **7:45pm**
- Dec 21st** Masonic Family Breakfast, **8 – 10am**
\$10 donation
- Dec 21st** **Ansantawae Kids Christmas Party**
10:30am – 12pm

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