



ANSANTAWAE LODGE No 89

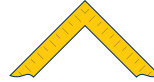
ANCIENT FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT



MAY 2026 TRESTLEBOARD

Organized October 13th 1859 – Milford, Connecticut

MESSAGE FROM THE EAST



My Brothers,

May 25 is Memorial Day. Since this year is the 250th anniversary of our country, the importance of this holiday and its impact are especially apparent. Were it not for those who fought and died for this country, we would not be celebrating this milestone anniversary and they should all be remembered with the utmost reverence and gratitude.

From a Masonic perspective, there is another dimension to this holiday that may sometimes be overlooked. Both the Revolutionary War and the Civil War, the former fought to establish the United States of America and the latter fought to preserve that Union, included American Freemasons on both sides of those conflicts. This fact reminds us that the tenets and bonds of Freemasonry transcend politics and government and Freemasonry is a true Brotherhood of men. This truth is most eloquently and succinctly captured in the following inscription on the Gettysburg Battlefield monument named the Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial:

“This monument is presented by the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania and dedicated as a memorial to the Freemasons of the Union and the Confederacy. Their unique bonds of friendship enabled them to remain a brotherhood undivided, even as they fought in a divided nation, faithfully supporting the respective governments under which they lived.”

Thus, this Memorial Day, in addition to remembering our fallen heroes, we should also remember that Freemasonry remains a Brotherhood undivided even by war.

I would also like to call your attention to our first Stated Communication this month on May 1. As part of our commemoration of the 100th anniversary of DeMolay International, Milford Chapter, members of DeMolay will be portraying the DeMolay Degree. I highly recommend that you attend this dramatic and educational Degree.

Also, at our second Stated Communication on May 15, our Secretary RWB Chuck McCollum will be giving a highly informative presentation titled “A Lesson on Death from the Master Mason Degree”. For those of you seeking further Masonic education, you do not want to miss this presentation.

Finally, we will be having our second Fifth Friday Fellowship happy hour at Bar 3 Thirty Three in Milford on Friday, May 29 (see calendar below for more details). Please join us for food, drinks, and fellowship. Spouses, significant others, and those who may be interested in Masonry are welcome as well.

I hope to see you soon.

Fraternally,
Jeffrey J. Scepanski
Worshipful Master



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2027 Greg F. Manley, PM

2027Dennis S. McNamara, Jr., PM

2028Júlio A. Calvão, PM

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



ANSANTAWAE LODGE NO.89

MILFORD MASONIC FAMILY

Mother's Day
Breakfast

May 10th
8:00–10:00am



Ansantawae Lodge Secretary's Corner



Brethren;

I have really grown to like our April meeting where we present **50-year** pins. This year was no exception with four Brothers receiving their pins.

This month I have the pleasure of presenting a Masonic education program written by a good friend of mine which goes into some detail of the Master Mason circumambulation. I think you will really enjoy so I encourage you all to attend, recently raised members and long-time members will all get something from it.

I look forward to next month and our **Strawberry Festival** where we will present service pins to those Brothers who have completed **10, 20, 25, 30** and **35** years of service. Their names are listed in this trestle board but they will all be receiving an invitation from me.

Ten Years

- Robert Scott Hall
- Paul Matthew Danyliw
- Winthrop Sexton Smith, III
- WB Ryan Alexander Elblein
- Raymond John Cruciani
- Joseph David Morgan
- Gregory Cosmo D'Andrea

Twenty years

- Ronald Jeffrey Schwartz, MD
- Jason Andrew Babcock
- James Foster Palmer
- Kevin Scott Lang
- William Arthur Morrow

Twenty-Five years

- Francisco Avila Rodriguez
- RW Kenneth Ian Greenhill
- WB Christopher Jon-Michael Buck
- Paul Russell Dubicki

Thirty years

- Thomas John Gilberti
- WB Michael J. Basque
- WB Robert Goodrich
- Craig S. George

Thirty-Five years

- Bart R. Hogestyn
- George M. Huntley, Jr
- WB William John Simonetti
- Anthony E. Cirella



I am happy to report that our dues payments are slightly better this year than last. At this time last year, we had 47 Brothers who had not yet paid. Today we only have 43. Thank you for that. Remember that I bring the dues cards to each meeting so you can pay me then and receive your card at the same time.

I look forward to seeing you at our Stated Communications.

Fraternally;

RWB Chuck McCollum,

Secretary

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

ANSANTAWAE LODGE LIVING PAST MASTERS

1972	T.R. Richards	2009	D.K. Eisenman, PDD
1984	A.M. Brown, PDD	2010	S.T. Sherrick, PDD
1985	C.A. Buck, Jr., PGM	2011	C.J. Buck
1986	J.D. McCormack	2012	R.L. Thomas
1989	T.J. Ritter	2013	K.M. Field
1991	A.E. Dubien	2014	J.W. Hanson
1993	B.R. Somers*	2015	J.T. Batterton
1994	J.J. Blair*	2016	M.G. Nowlin
1995	R.L. Jess, PAGT	2017	G.E. Bateman
1996	S.P. Schreck	2018	M. Wasserman
1997	R.S. Zwiebel	2019	R.G. Womack
1998	B.A. Rumford	2020	J. R. Brockett
1999	J.H. Tweedie, PAGM	2021	J. Whitaker, Jr.
2000	E.A. Dubois	2022	K.F. Weirsmen
2001	J.A. Harker	2023	R.A. Elblein
2004	R.X. Goodrich	2024	D. S. McNamara, Jr.
2005	M.J. Basque	2025	J.A. Calvão
2006	K.I. Greenhill, PDD		* Not Active
2007	R.F. Lutinski		

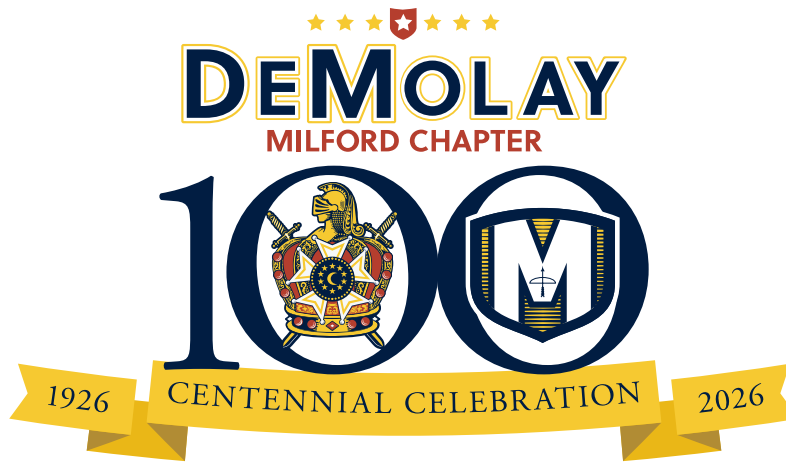
LIVING ANSANTAWAE MEMBERS WHO WERE PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES

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)	B. L. Silverstein #780 (Italy)
R. R. Cole, P.D.D., #87	B. J. Simonetti #83
D. G. Conroy #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
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
Richard P. Smeland, Jr	Vice President
Jesse T. Batterton	Treasurer
Charles A. McCollum.....	Secretary
Robert E. Hall	Director
Joseph D. Morgan	Director
Salvatore Siconofi.....	Director
James H. Tweedie	Director
Scott T. Sherrick	Director



We are honored to invite you to a momentous occasion — the **Centennial Celebration** of the **Milford Chapter** of **DeMolay International**. This milestone marks **100 years** of dedication to shaping young men into leaders of character, compassion, and integrity.

Founded in Kansas City, Missouri in 1919, **DeMolay International** (*formerly the DeMolay Council and the Order of DeMolay*) enriches the lives of its members by providing a fun-filled program which develops key life skills such as public speaking, budgeting, fundraising, collaboration and event planning. Under the mentorship of certified adult volunteers, every DeMolay member is encouraged to develop at his own pace, making his own unique DeMolay experience.

Milford DeMolay was chartered in 1926 and sponsored by **Ansantawae Lodge No. 89, A.F. & A.M.**, counts among its alumni a multitude of gentlemen who transformed the lessons and examples from their DeMolay experience into the foundation for their success in their personal or professional lives. DeMolay empowers young men to become confident, responsible citizens through mentorship, and fellowship. Many Milford Chapter alumni have gone on to become influential leaders in business, government, and civic life.

Join us as we commemorate a century of brotherhood, service, and leadership. The afternoon will feature reflections from past and present members, special recognitions, and a celebration of the enduring values that have guided our chapter since its founding.

Event Details:

Date: Saturday, June 6th

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Milford Masonic Building, 59 Broad Street, Milford, CT 06460

Dress Code: Semi-Casual and light refreshment

We would be deeply honored by your presence as we celebrate this historic milestone. Kindly RSVP by to milford@ctdemolay.org.

Fraternally,
Dad Kevin M. Field
Advisory Board Chairman
Milford Chapter, DeMolay International

Dad Julio A. Calvao
Dad Advisor
Milford Chapter, DeMolay International





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

#thumbsupforrainbow



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, May 7th — Stated Session, 7:30pm

PYREMUS NO. 82, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Wednesday, May 20th – Stated Session, 7:30pm



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 2025-2026

Most Excellent High Priest..... Fritz Erauda
Excellent King..... Andrew Triandafilou
Excellent Scribe..... Silas Mante
Treasurer / Secretary Charles McCollum
Chaplain..... Michael Sabia
Captain of the Host Mark Agnew
Principal Sojourner Joseph Soto
Royal Arch Captain..... Brett Altman
G M 3rd Veil Christian Lutin
G M 2nd Veil..... Alexander Campana
G M 1st Veil Barry Belardinelli
Sentinel Richard Smeland
Organist..... Richard Kassay

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 2025-2026

Thrice Illustrious Master Kurt Wischow
Deputy Illustrious Master Joseph Soto
Ill. Prin. Cond. Works..... Brett Altman
Recorder / Treasurer Charles McCollum, PMPGM
Capt. Of the Guard Fritz Erauda
Conductor Mark Agnew
Steward Alexander Campana
Chaplain Michael Sabia
Sentinel..... Richard Smeland
Organist Richard Kassay

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

May 21st — Hamilton Commandery Stated Meeting

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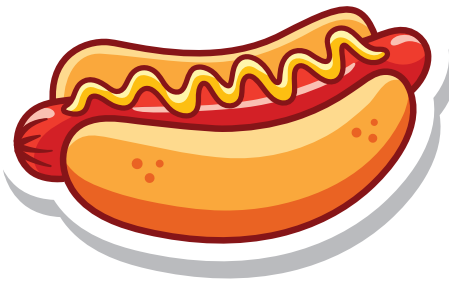
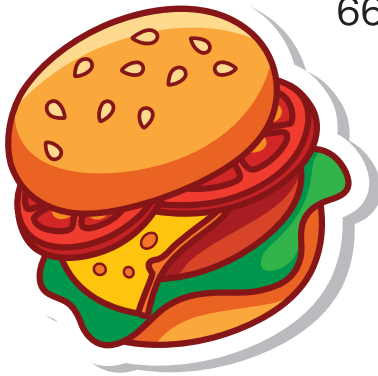


ANNUAL FELLOWCRAFT PICNIC

Sunday, June 28, 2026 – 12pm to 4pm

Harugari Singing Society

66 Highland St, West Haven, CT 06516



DONATION: \$30 per person

For Tickets, please contact any Ansantawae Lodge Officer.

Open to Masons, Non-Masons, Families and Friends. Men only and Must be 21 years of age.

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MAY 2026
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ANSANTAWAE LODGE No. 89 — CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

- May 1st** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
Special Program: DeMolay Degree
- May 4th** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- May 6th** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- May 10th** Masonic Family Breakfast, **8 – 10am**
\$10 donation
- May 15th** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
Special Presentation: A Lesson on Death
from the Master Mason Degree
- May 29th** **Fifth Friday Fellowship Happy Hour, 6 – 8pm**
Bar 3 Thirty Three, 333 Boston Post Rd, Milford,
Contact JW Joe Soto for more information

JUNE

- Jun 1st** Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**
- Jun 3rd** Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477
- Jun 5th** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
Special Program: TBD
- Jun 6th** DeMolay International, Milford Chapter 100th
Anniversary Open House, **1pm**
- Jun 19th** Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
Families and friends are welcome to attend! 
- Jun 21st** Masonic Family Breakfast, **8 – 10am**
\$10 donation

MASONIC SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE

ELMER F. MANLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

ROBERT E. HALL AND FAMILY SCHOLARSHIPS

For further information contact RWM Chuck McCollum
secretary@ansantawae89.org — Subject: Scholarships

ANSANTAWAE LODGE NO.89 Annual Fellowcraft Picnic

Sunday, June 28, 2026 – 12pm to 4pm

Harugari Singing Society
66 Highland St, West Haven, CT 06516

Donation – \$30 per person

Open to Masons and Non-Masons,
Men only and Must be 21 years of age.
Beer available for purchase.

