Ansantawae Lodge No 89

Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Connecticut



NOVEMBER 2026 TRESTLEBOARD | Organized October 13th 1859 – Milford, Connecticut

MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

My Brothers,

November is a month of thanks. As we celebrate Veterans Day on this 250th anniversary of our country, let us be thankful for all of our veterans for the various roles they have played in defending our country and keeping us safe. Also, as we celebrate Thanksgiving, let us be thankful for continuing to live in freedom in the most prosperous country in the world. Finally, as we are almost at the end of another year at Ansantawae Lodge, let us be thankful for continuing to have such a strong Brotherhood and prosperous Lodge.

At our first Stated Communication on Friday, November 6, we will be conferring the Master Mason Degree on our current Fellow Crafts. Join us in supporting these Brothers as they attain the sublime degree of Master Mason.

On Friday November 13th, we will be having our annual Table Lodge in honor of our veterans with a delicious Italian dinner. The dress for this dinner will be business casual. Collared shirts or polos with slacks or khakis, no blue jeans. The cost will be $30 per person.

Also, at our second Stated Communication on Friday, November 20, we will be having a Past Masters Night in which our Past Masters in attendance will discuss their year as Worshipful Master of Ansantawae Lodge or another lodge in which they served as Worshipful Master.

I hope to see you soon.

Fraternally,
Jeffrey J. Scepanski
Worshipful Master

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Candidates	Michael R. Gendreau (203) 907-9690
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2026 Officers

Worshipful Master.....Jeffrey J. Scepanski (April)
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Treasurer.....WB Jesse T. Batterton, (Wendy)
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Senior Deacon.....Alexander C. Campana
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Junior Deacon.....Keith M. Smith, III

Senior Steward.....Gregory C. D'Andrea

Junior Steward.....Scott R. McVeigh

Chaplain.....WB James H. Tweedie (Kathy)
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Marshal.....Moussa M. Kafal

Tiler.....Richard P. Smeland, Jr.

Historian.....RW Scott T. Sherrick

Trustees

2026.....Ryan A. Elblein, PM

2027.....David K. Eisenman, PM

2027.....Greg F. Manley, PM

2027.....Dennis S. McNamara, Jr., PM

2028.....Júlio A. Calvão, PM

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

ANSANTAWAE LODGE № 89

ANNUAL TABLE LODGE

November 13, 2026 – 6:30pm

59 Broad Street, Milford, CT 06460

DONATION: $30 per person

Reservations are a must for this event no later than **Friday, November 6th** and can be made with **JW Joseph Soto** at jw@ansantawae89.org

Table Lodge will be opened on the Entered Apprentice Degree.

ANSANTAWAE LODGE Nº 89

TOYS FOR TOTS SM

Masonic Family Breakfast

Sunday, November 15, 2026 — 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.

DeMolay
Milford Chapter

The International Order of the Rainbow for Girls

Ansantawae Lodge Secretary's Corner

Brethren;

Last month we completed a very well portrayed Fellowcraft Degree on four new members. This month we will complete their journey in the Blue Lodge.

You should have or will be soon receiving your dues notice for 2027. 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.

Please remember in this Thanksgiving month in particular to just be thankful for the many blessing the Grand Architect of the Universe has bestowed on you.

I look forward to seeing you at our Stated Communications.

Fraternally;
RWB Chuck McCollum,
Secretary

Most Worshipful Brother Joseph Warren

Dr. Joseph Warren was a pivotal figure in both the American Revolution and the Masonic fraternity, serving as the Grand Master of Masons for the Continent of America and a leading patriot who ultimately gave his life at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Joseph Warren's Masonic journey began in 1761 when he was initiated into St. Andrew's Lodge in Boston. His leadership abilities were quickly recognized, and in 1769, the Grand Lodge of Scotland appointed him Grand Master of Masons in Boston. By 1772, his jurisdiction was expanded, and he was named "Grand Master of Masons for the Continent of America," making him the senior Freemason in the colonies. His Masonic connections provided a powerful network that aided his revolutionary activities and intelligence gathering.

As tensions with Britain escalated, Warren emerged as a key leader in the Patriot movement. He was a prominent member of the Sons of Liberty and authored the Suffolk Resolves, a bold declaration of resistance against the Intolerable Acts.

Warren also played a critical role in the events of April 1775. It was Warren who dispatched Paul Revere and William Dawes on their famous "Midnight Ride" to warn John Hancock and Samuel Adams of the advancing British troops.

In June 1775, Warren was commissioned as a Major General in the Continental Army. Despite his high rank, he chose to fight as a private soldier during the Battle of Bunker Hill, famously stating that he wanted to serve where the fighting was thickest. He was killed in combat on June 17, 1775, instantly becoming a martyr for the American cause.

His death galvanized the revolutionary forces, and his legacy as both a patriot and a Freemason endures as a symbol of the fight for liberty.

ANSANTAWAE LODGE LIVING PAST MASTERS

1984	A.M. Brown, PDD
1985	C.A. Buck, Jr., PGM
1986	J.D. McCormack
1989	T.J. Ritter
1991	A.E. Dubien
1993	B.R. Somers*
1994	J.J. Blair*
1995	R.L. Jess, PAGT
1996	S.P. Schreck
1997	R.S. Zwiebel
1998	B.A. Rumford
1999	J.H. Tweedie, PAGM
2000	E.A. Dubois
2001	J.A. Harker
2004	R.X. Goodrich
2005	M.J. Basque
2006	K.I. Greenhill, PDD
2007	R.F. Lutinski
2009	D.K. Eisenman, PDD
2010	S.T. Sherrick, PDD
2011	C.J. Buck
2012	R.L. Thomas
2013	K.M. Field
2014	J.W. Hanson
2015	J.T. Batterton
2016	M.G. Nowlin
2017	G.E. Bateman
2018	M. Wasserman
2019	R.G. Womack
2020	J. R. Brockett
2021	J. Whitaker, Jr.
2022	K.F. Weirsman
2023	R.A. Elblein
2024	D. S. McNamara, Jr.
2025	J.A. Calvão

* Not Active

LIVING ANSANTAWAE MEMBERS WHO WERE PAST MASTERS OF OTHER LODGES

R. E. Bateman, P.D.D., #143
A. M. Brown, P.D.D., #79
J. H. Burbank #95 (Missouri)
R. R. Cole, P.D.D., #87
D. G. Conroy #143
K .L. Dworkin #143
R. M. Dworkin #143
J.E. Dyer #143
P. V. Edelen #143
D. K. Eisenman #143
A. M. Friedman #143
R.J. Furce, D.D., #142
C. T. Gagel #143
D. L. Manley #143
G. F. Manley, P.A.G.M., #143
R. C. Marquette #143
C. A. McCollum, P.D.D., #40& #49
B. L. Silverstein #780 (Italy)
B. J. Simonetti #83
B. E. Thompson
The Meadows Lodge, MA
R. V. Travis #144
R. W. Van Horn #84 (Maine)

HONORARY MEMBERS

Rev. Bruce R. Bellmore, PGM
Gustaf R. Bodin, PGM
George S. Greytak, PGM
Charles W. Yohe, PGM

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

Ansantawae Lodge № 89

Kids Christmas Party

Sunday, December 20, 2026 — 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, Alex Campana
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

#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 Milford Chapter 100 Centennial Celebration 1926 2026

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
Becca Sheffler, Scribe • Scott T. Sherrick, PMC, CHEV

LUCIA CHAPTER NO. 25, ORDER OF EASTERN STAR

Thursday, November 12th — Stated Session, **7:30pm**

PYREMUS NO. 82, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

Wednesday, November 18th – 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 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 during a calendar year with meetings being held in January, March, April, 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 April 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

November 19th — Hamilton Commandery Stated Meeting

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ANSANTAWAE LODGE No. 89 — CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

Nov 2nd Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**

Nov 4th Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477

Nov 6th Stated Communication, **7:00pm**
Conferring of **Master Mason Degree**
— Dinner served at the Break

Nov 13th Special Communication, **6:30pm**
Annual Table Lodge
$30 donation

Nov 15th Masonic Family Breakfast, **8 – 10am**
Annual Toys For Tots Fund-raiser
$10 donation

Nov 20th Stated Communication, **Past Masters Night**.
Dinner at **6:30pm** with Lodge opening at **7:45pm**



DECEMBER

Dec 2nd Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477

Dec 4th Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
Beehive Lecture

Dec 7th Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**

Dec 18th **Annual Communication & Election of 2027 Officers.** Dinner at **6:30pm** with Lodge opening at **7:45pm**

Dec 20th Masonic Family Breakfast, **8 – 10am**
$10 donation

Dec 20th **Ansantawae Kids Christmas Party**
10:30am — 12pm

Dec 21st **Annual York Rite Carol Sing**
Dinner will be served at **6pm**,
Carol program will start at , **7pm**

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