ANSANTAWAE LODGE Nº 89

ANCIENT FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT



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

MESSAGE FROM THE EAST

My Brothers,

When I was installed as Worshipful Master of this Lodge last January, several Past Masters warned me that the year would go by very quickly and it would seem as though no time had passed at all. They were absolutely correct. As I write this message it is hard to believe this is my last Master's Message and the year is drawing to a close. Time tends to fly by when we are busy, productive, and engaging in enjoyable activities. I believe that this perfectly describes my tenure as Worshipful Master. It has, indeed, been quite a busy and productive year at the Lodge with a variety of events and programs, thanks in no small part to such an active Brotherhood and also to my fellow Officers, without whose help this Masonic year would not have been possible. It has truly been a great honor and pleasure to serve as Worshipful Master of this Lodge.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you for your support over the past year and I wish you all a wonderful Holiday Season and Happy New Year! I also wish the best of luck to the incoming Worshipful Master and his fellow Officers for a successful year ahead!

I hope to see you soon.

Fraternally,
Jeffrey J. Scepanski
Worshipful Master

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Candidates	Michael R. Gendreau (203) 907-9690
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

2026 Officers

Worshipful Master.....Jeffrey J. Scepanski (April)
Email:wm@ansantawae89.org / Phone: (203) 530-7001

Senior Warden.....Michael R. Gendreau (Lea)
Email: sw@ansantawae89.org / Phone: (203) 907-9690

Junior Warden.....Joseph Soto
Email: jw@ansantawae89.org / (203) 667-8107

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.....Alexander C. Campana
Email: sd@ansantawae89.org / (203) 906-3768

Junior Deacon.....Keith M. Smith, III

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

Junior Steward.....Scott R. McVeigh

Chaplain.....WB James H. Tweedie (Kathy)
Email: tweedji@earthlink.net / (203) 877-7861

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

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

Ansantawae Lodge Secretary's Corner

Brethren;

This month we have our annual meeting, which is your opportunity to select the officers who will lead our Lodge in 2027. Please come out on the 18th and make your voice heard.

I want to thank so many of you who have already paid your 2027 dues. Sending the notice early and accepting payment using Venmo has been key to this success. If you haven't paid yet, please do so.

I want to draw your attention to some holiday events in and around our Lodge that might interest you. The first is on Saturday, December 12th, Hamilton Commandery will be having their annual Christmas Observance at the Lodge in Stratford. It starts at 3pm and there is a dinner to follow. Next is Housatonic Chapter's annual Carol Sing at our Lodge on Monday, December 21st. There is dinner at 6pm and the Carol Sing starts at 7pm.

Also, make an effort to attend the Masonic Family Breakfast on Sunday, December 20th from 8-10am followed by our kid's Christmas Party.

Fraternally;
RWB Chuck McCollum,
Secretary

Light of Life

The source of enlightenment and knowledge for life's dark-ness, perplexities and doubts, as well as for life's responsibilities and duties, is the **Holy Bible** — the Great Light of Masonry.



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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

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, December 10th — Stated Session, **7:30pm**

PYREMUS NO. 82, DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE
Wednesday, December 16th – 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

December 17th — Hamilton Commandery Stated Meeting



Ansantawae Lodge No.89

Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Connecticut

167th Annual Installation of Officers
Friday, January 8, 2026 – 7p.m.

Michael R. Gendreau

Worshipful Master–elect

Masonic Building, 59 Broad Street, Milford, Connecticut

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ANSANTAWAE LODGE No. 89 — CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**

JANUARY 2027

Jan 1st **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**
NO Stated Communication – First Stated Communication of January moved to Jan 8th

Jan 4th Masonic Temple Corporation Meeting, **7pm**

Jan 6nd Masons Night at Orange Ale House, **7pm**
517 Boston Post Rd, Orange, CT 06477

Jan 8th Stated Communication, **7pm**
2027 Installation of Officers

Jan 15th Stated Communication, **7:45pm**
Masonic Jeopardy

Jan 17th Masonic Family Breakfast, **8 – 10am**
$10 donation

Jan 29th **Fifth Friday Fellowship,**
Axe Throwing at Crazy Horse axe throwing & lounge in Milford, **7:30pm**
Contact Junior Warden for more information

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