

From Sarah Brown McCulloch's *Guilford: A Walking Guide* (2012):

**Menuncatuck Odd Fellows Hall, 14 Water Street, 1894.**

Menuncatuck, which means menhaden river, was the name of the small Indian tribe whose sachem squaw, Shaumpishuh, sold their lands to the first settlers. The Menuncatuck Lodge, founded in 1849, met on Thursday nights in the hall over Henry Hale's store on Whitfield Street. Active for many years, it was disbanded after the treasurer absconded with the funds. It was revived in 1880 and moved into its own two-story building in 1895. Notice on the facade the brick cornices and decorative corbeling around the arched gable window and, on the sides, the arched windows separated by brick pilasters. The openings on the facade were bricked in later and the dormer is an addition. The building was sold in 1996 and remodeled.