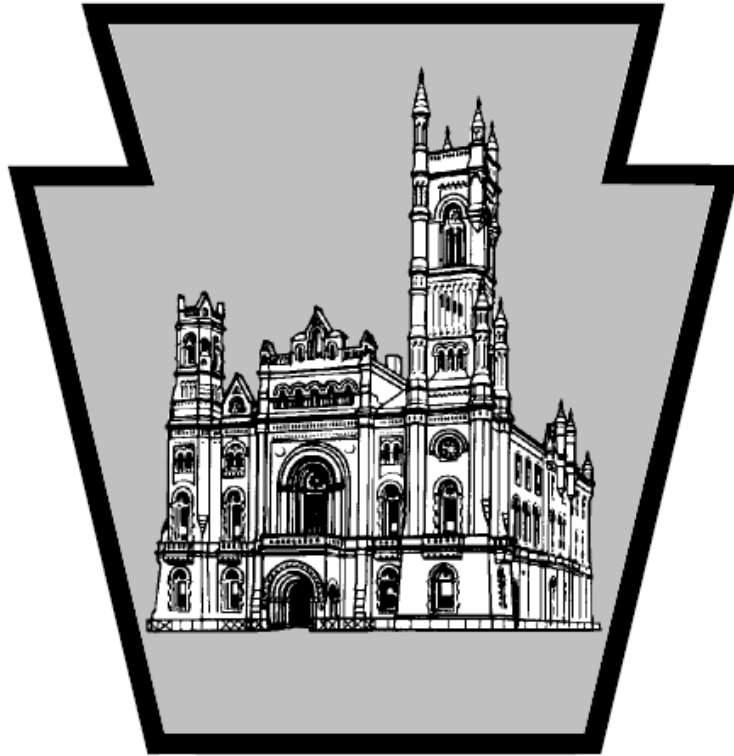


William L. Elkins Lodge



F. & A. M. No. 271

Keystone Lodge No. 271, Constituted May 4, 1853
Covenant Lodge No. 456, Constituted January 12, 1870
Excelsior Lodge No. 491, Constituted March 18, 1871
William C. Hamilton Lodge No. 500, Constituted October 12, 1871
William L. Elkins Lodge No. 646, Constituted June 26, 1906
Matthias H. Henderson Lodge No. 661, Constituted September 17, 1909
Merged June 30, 2004



WILLIAM L. ELKINS LODGE NO. 271

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Dear Brother:

A Stated Meeting of William L. Elkins Lodge, No. 271 Free and Accepted Masons will be held in Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street Philadelphia on Thursday evening November 1, 2012 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

STATED MEETING



Program

With the Presidential election taking place five (5) days after our stated meeting; our program will consist of a presentation on Masonic Presidents.

NOTE: There will not be an Extra Meeting in November.

NEXT EXTRA MEETING

The next Extra Meeting of William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271 will be held in Oriental Hall, Masonic Temple, on **Wednesday, December 12, 2012** at 7 o'clock P.M.

The Entered Apprentice Mason's Degree will be conferred upon:

JASON MICHAEL ERCOLONO

The Fellow Craft Mason's Degree will be conferred upon:

**RYAN JAMES DUNLAVEY, JEFFREY JAMES GEORGE,
JASON LAWRENCESWEENEY and KEVIN MICHAEL MORIARTY**

There will be a light dinner from 6-7pm prior to Lodge (which opens at 7pm)

Much time and effort is devoted to planning and arranging programs for Lodge Meetings. But without the attendance of the Members — those living within a reasonable distance of the Lodge Room and physically able to attend — even the best made plans will lose their effectiveness and impression. It takes the efforts of the Officers in planning and conducting the Meeting and the support of the Members in attending the Meetings, to keep a Lodge active, alive and effective.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership		Reinstated/Admitted	Resignations/		Membership
<u>12/27/11</u>	<u>Petitions</u>	<u>or Entered</u>	<u>Suspensions</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Today</u>
314	6	6	20	15	285

FREE PARKING IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AND GUEST AT THESE TWO LOCATIONS

Free Parking for Members and Visitors is available in the garage at 13th and Filbert Streets. Free Parking is also available at Convention Center Parking located at, 142 North Broad Street (and operated by a lodge brother.) When you arrive in the parking garage, please tell the attendant that you are with the masons so they park your car on a floor which will allow for faster access when you leave.

PLEASE SEE THE SENIOR WARDEN FOR YOUR PAYMENT TICKET AT THE LODGE MEETING FOR EITHER GARAGE.

COMING EVENTS

December 6 Stated Meeting
December 10 Monday-Instruction at the Tacony Masonic Temple
December 12 Extra Meeting in Oriental Hall

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION –NOTE CHANGE/ DATE/PLACE

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM
on **Monday, November 12, 2012** at the Tacony Masonic Temple,
4400 Magee Avenue, Philadelphia PA

All elective and appointed officers should attend; members are invited and encouraged to participate and become more active in Lodge. If you have ambitions to become an Elective or Appointed Officer please attend and learn the work of the chairs

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE:

You are hereby requested to attend the December Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to be held at 10:00 o'clock, a.m. on Saturday, December 8, 2012 at the Marriott Lancaster and Convention Center, 25 South Queen Street, Lancaster, PA.

By Order of the R.W. Grand Master.

Mark A. Haines, Grand Secretary

SICK AND SHUT-IN BRETHREN

RAYMOND MCKINNEY, PM
JAMES M. SANDS

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

The following 30 Brethren celebrate Masonic Birthdays in November

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>
Stanislav Alemaskin	1	Matthew S. Lupoli	15
Frank J. Avato	10	Jonathan M. Malcolm	10
Walter Barlow	29	Richard J. McElwee	1
Charles A. Bowers	46	Louis H. Mick	57
John T. Bygott	2	Lee D. Napier	26
Joseph M. Cocco	3	Roy W. Newman	7
Kenneth S. Collins	51	Joseph W. Raffensberger	63
John J. Cooke	4	Anthony F. Ramondo	25
Stephen J. Craiter	33	Richard D. Reilly	62
Fredrick R. Custer	1	Willard R. Stover	66
William J. Eichelberger	47	James C. Tinsman	46
Marc E. Golaszewski	4	Nicholas L. Vinci	3
Harvey E. Hirth	64	Frank Wizorek	27
Frederick L. Kuhn	51	Raymond R. Woehr	49
Patrick Lampley	19	Himanshu J. Zinzuwadia	1

We look forward to celebrating with you at the November Stated meeting. If it is your Masonic Birthday and we omitted you, please notify the Secretary.

DUES

Full dues for each member are \$75.00 per year. Dues for 2013 are now due and payable. Please remit payment (payable to William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271) and send to the **Secretary**. If you do not have a current dues card (good through December 31, 2013 and are not a Life or 50 year member) then you have not paid your dues. **Once your dues are paid your dues card will be mailed out with the next mailing of the Notice.**

If you have any financial difficulties or questions concerning your dues, please contact the Secretary. Remember, paying Lodge dues is one of the privileges you have in that you maintain your status as an active member in the one of the world's oldest and most prestigious fraternities.



FROM THE EAST

Brethren, since our last stated meeting we have initiated three (3) new members into our lodge and raised one to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. YOUR lodge continues to be strong and we look forward to everyone coming out to our stated and extra meetings.

This month our country holds a Presidential election. Voting is a privilege and I encourage each of you to get out and vote for the candidate of your choice, while at the same time respecting the choice others may make. Emotions, opinions, feelings and beliefs are strong and can be divisive if we focus on what differentiates us. However let's focus on what unites us and what aspirations we hold in common. We are blessed to live in the only country in the world that regularly and peacefully transfers power.

The blessings we enjoy in our country do not come free, and Veteran's Day is November 11th. This holiday was first proclaimed as Armistice Day by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919 to recognize the end of major hostilities in World War 1. November 11th was chosen because it was at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 that the Armistice was signed by Germany. This was re-named to Veteran's Day as a result of the efforts of a World War 2 veteran from Alabama who led a delegation to visit and proposed to General Dwight Eisenhower that the day be changed to honor all Veterans and not just those who lost their lives in World War 1. General Eisenhower was not yet President, but his strong support was instrumental in getting the holiday re-named. Our military veterans and their families are owed a debt of gratitude that "Thank you" does not cover, but there is no better place to start by thanking a Vet! May we never forget that we sleep in peace at night because brave men and women stand guard on our behalf.

We will not be holding an extra meeting in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday falling the in same week. I look forward to seeing everyone at the regularly stated meeting.

Jeffrey S. Henley, SW, Acting Worshipful Master



LIVING PAST MASTERS
WILLIAM L. ELKINS LODGE NO. 271



Harvey E. Hirth	1955	Daniel J. Hinds	1982, 83
Joseph W. Raffensberger	1955, 84	†Thomas J. Miller, Jr.	1983, 94
Carl F. Bubeck	1957	Frank A. Aitken, III	1984, 85, 86
Richard H. Wilson	1957	Richard A. Booth	1986
Alwin C. Schmidt	1959	Charles A. Bowers	1986, 87
Rudolph B. Smith, III	1962, 81	Domenic Corsaro	1987
William E. Fischer	1965	John V. D'Ascenzo	1987
Donald W. Bubeck, Sr.	1968	Walter Barlow, Jr.	1988
Samuel A. Schafer	1968	James A. DeFrates	1988, 89
William J. Eichelberger	1969,71,72,93,95	George J. Hahn	1988
Raymond C. McKinney	1970	Paul A. Little	1990, 99
John A. Roth, Jr.	1970	Frederick B. Woodruff	1992, 94
Vincent Lupoli, Jr.	1971	Thomas J. Penn	1992
John J. Morrison	1971	Stephen J. Craiter	1993
James C. Tinsman, Jr.	1971	Donald G. MacDonald	1994, 95, 98
†Frank W. Podrebarac	1972, 79, 80	Roger W. Hollowell	1996, 97
John H. Wilson, Jr.	1973	Patrick M. Lampley	1996
Charles E. Entrekinn	1974, 96	Timothy M. Radtke, I	1997, 98
George T. Clark	1975	Fred Deininger	1999
A. Mercer Quinby, III	1975	James F. Johnson	2000
William D. Joseph	1976	Emory H. Merryman, Jr.	2000, 03, 10*
John B. Leister	1977	Leonard P. Ulan, Sr.	2000
Steven W. Rose	1979	Harry D. Fisher, Jr.	2001
Donald W. Ewing	1980	Robert H. Henriksson	2001, 02
Theodore F. Hassell	1980	Bekir Karabucak	2002
David Milliken	1980	Robert F. Hettinger	2003, 04
R. Robert McElwee	1981	R. David Cowen	2005,06
Samuel J. Takiff	1981	Robert L. Strickland	2007,08,10
J. Robert Leister	1982	Thomas C. Tennesen	2009
Roy W. Newman, III	1982	Patrick F. Kennedy	2011
† PDDGM		*Elkton Lodge No. 74 - VA	

STATED MEETING DINNER

Dinner will follow the Stated Meeting at approximately 8:40 P.M. at Maggiano's Little Italy, Menu for the Stated Meeting:

SALADS: Caesar and Maggiano's

APPETIZERS: Bruschetta and Tomato Caprese

MAIN COURSES: Mom's Lasagna and Seared Pork Scaloppine

The meal includes all Non-Alcoholic Beverages.

BROTHERS MAY ORDER FROM THE BAR AND START YOUR OWN PERSONAL TAB THERE. THE WAIT STAFF WILL BE INFORMED NOT TO TAKE ANY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDERS FROM THE TABLE.

Grand Lodge of PA — Charities Appeal

Several weeks ago you received a letter asking for support of the Annual Fall Appeal. If you have responded already, I say "Thank you." If not, pull out the letter, read it and respond.

Charity is one of the most important responsibilities of our lives, as Masons. And, as a Freemason, charity is our passion and our duty! We all come together to meet as equals, as friends and to do good for others through our manpower and money.

You can make your donation by returning the response on the mailing or by logging in to www.pagrandlodge.org, click on: gift Planning, click "online Gifts" and complete the form. Thank you for your continued support! Mail to: Masonic Charities, Office of Gift Planning, One Masonic Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Philadelphia Regional Instructor - John A. Rose

Tacony School

Tacony Masonic Temple
4400 Magee Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19135
*Meets 3rd Monday at 7:30
P.M.*

Temple School

Masonic Temple
One North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
*Meets 4th Tuesday at 7:30
P.M.*



Jenkintown School

Jenkintown Masonic
Temple
443 Old York Road (Rt.
611)
Jenkintown, PA 19046
*Meets 1st & 3rd Tues at
7:30 P.M.*

Roxborough School

Masonic Temple of
Roxborough
Manayunk Avenue &
Conarroe St.
Philadelphia, PA 19128
*Meets 3rd Wednesday at
7:30 P.M.*

What is Freemasonry?

Freemasonry is a life to be lived, not a formality to be perfunctorily observed. It is a life to be lived, not a set of empty creeds to which lip service is given. It is a life grounded in religion, organized in morality, mellowed by good fellowship, humanized in character and dedicated to service.