

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



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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 March 7, 2013 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock P.M.



STATED MEETING

The Master Mason's Degree will be conferred upon:
RYAN JAMES DUNLAVEY

Note: Lodge opens at 7pm and dinner will follow in the downstairs banquet room at the Masonic Temple

EXTRA MEETING

An Extra Meeting of William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271 will be held in Oriental Hall, Masonic Temple, on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at 7 o'clock P.M.

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

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

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM
on **Monday, March 11, 2013** 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

COMING EVENTS

March 8	Table Lodge: Merchantville Lodge #119 See more details in notice
April 4	Stated Meeting
April 8	Monday-Instruction at the Tacony Masonic Temple
April 15	(Monday) – Tacony School of Instruction – District's A & D
April 17	Extra Meeting in Oriental Hall
April 25	PM dinner at William Penn Inn
April 27	Ladies' Night: see more details in notice



LIVING PAST MASTERS
WILLIAM L. ELKINS LODGE NO. 271



Harvey E. Hirth	1955	†Thomas J. Miller, Jr.	1983, 94
Joseph W. Raffensberger	1955, 84***	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. Schaffer	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. Craitier	1993
James C. Tinsman, Jr.	1971	Donald G. MacDonald	1994, 95, 98
†Frank W. Podrebarac	1972, 79, 80	Roger W. Hallowell	1996, 97#
John H. Wilson, Jr.	1973	Patrick M. Lampley	1996
Charles E. Entrekin	1974, 96	Timothy M. Radtke, I	1997, 98
A. Mercer Quinby, III	1975	Fred Deininger	1999
W. Daniel Joseph	1976	James F. Johnson	2000
John B. Leister	1977	J. Norman Welsh	2002, 08, 09**
Steven W. Rose	1979	Emory H. Merryman, Jr.	2000, 03, 10*
Donald W. Ewing	1980	Leonard P. Ulan, Sr.	2000
Theodore F. Hassell	1980	Robert H. Henriksson	2001, 02
David Milliken	1980	Bekir Karabucak	2002
R. Robert McElwee	1981	Robert F. Hettinger	2003, 04
Samuel J. Takiff	1981	R. David Cowen	2005,06
J. Robert Leister	1982	Robert L. Strickland	2007,08,10
Roy W. Newman, III	1982	Thomas C. Tennesen	2009
Daniel J. Hinds	1982, 83^	Patrick F. Kennedy	2011, 12

† PDDGM

#Suspended

*Elkton Lodge No. 74 - VA

^Transferred

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.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership		Reinstated/Admitted	Resignations/		Membership
<u>12/27/12</u>	<u>Petitions</u>	<u>or Entered</u>	<u>Suspensions</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Today</u>
287	1	0	0	6	281

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

The following 23 Brethren celebrate Masonic Birthdays in March

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>
Walter T. Barlow	24	Joseph E. Hermes	9
Robert D. Bogan	3	William C. Hirth	58
Domenic Corsaro, PM	31	George W. Longan	46
Walter L. Crowder	36	R. Robert McElwee, PM	38
Cloyd R. Donaldson	22	John J. Morrison, PM	50
Michael A. Dowd	30	Daniel L. Panetta	27
Robert P. Eichman	47	Frank H. Sleuman	54
Setrak . Ejdaharian	45	Harlan H. Talley	68
Frank F. Embick	57	Thomas C. Tennesen, PM	10
George P. Endrigian	20	Gilbert H. Thompson	61
John J. Godlewski	59	Nathan J. Zwanetz	6
Lawrence M. Hackett	27		

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

PAST DUE- DUES

Have you paid your dues? If not please do so immediately! 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 your Notice for the following month.

If you are having trouble paying your dues please contact the Secretary prior to the stated meeting.

SICK AND SHUT-IN BRETHREN

THEODORE F. HASSELL, PM

MITCHELL R. ELKINS

RAYMOND MCKINNEY, PM

FREDERICK WOODRUFF, PM

PLEASE NOTIFY THE SECRETARY OF SICK OR SHUT-IN BROTHERS!



FROM THE EAST

As I look back on the past few years I have been in our lodge there's no doubt that we have seen a good deal of growth, not just in names on a roster or membership roll but, more importantly, in the spirit of fellowship and brotherhood that permeates our meetings. May we never take this for granted, and ever push forward to improve ourselves and our fraternity. Seeing this band of brotherhood will doubtless draw new prospects to our lodge and allow us to continue to grow. As we look forward to spring and that time when things start to grow anew, may we also rekindle and nourish the Masonic spirit.

"I am a confirmed optimist as to the growth of the spirit of brotherhood. Science and genius are lending their aid to the removal of obstacles to intercourse and attending understanding among the peoples of the world. We do rise to heights, at times, when we look for the good rather than the evil in others, and give consideration to the views of all. The inherent love of fellowship is banding men together, and when envy and suspicion are vanquished, fraternity records a triumph, and brotherhood brings new blessings to men and people in the larger sense."
Brother Warren G. Harding

Fraternally, Brother Jeffrey S. Henley, WM

IN MEMORIAM

<u>Name</u>	<u>Initiated</u>	<u>Deceased</u>
WALTER BARLOW, PM	11/3/1983	1/26/2013
H. VICTOR BLOECKER, JR	7/1/1946	12/27/2012
WILLIAM H. DOUTHART, JR	2/5/1948	1/23/2013
ROBERT M. JAMES	10/4/1990	1/5/2013
W. RICHARD NEWBY	9/6/1978	12/14/2012

SPECIAL BEQUEST FROM ESTATE OF BROTHER ERIC HERR

The Lodge gratefully acknowledges the gift of \$5,000 from the estate of Brother Eric Herr in memory of his father Allan D. Herr. Such amount to be used to further the education of worthy recipients of the William L. Elkins Scholarship Fund awarded each year by the Lodge. This gift is duly noted in the William L. Elkins Gold Book and is designated to the memory of Allan D. Herr.

MONTHLY MAILINGS

Effective immediately if your notice is returned undeliverable you will be removed from the monthly mailing. Currently notices are being returned for Brother Samuel B. Takiff, PM, Chester Heller and Robert W. Benjamin, Sr. If you know their current address, please notify the secretary so that the records can be updated.

SECTIONAL MEETING

A Sectional Meeting of the Schools of Instruction for Region One which includes Masonic Districts A, B, C, D, 5, 6, 8, 36 and 40 will be held on:

DATE: Saturday, April 13, 2013
PLACE: Masonic Temple
One North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
TIME: 8:00 AM
REGISTRATION: 7:00 - 7:45 AM

All Lodge Officers, Floor Workers, School Officers and Instructors are expected to attend this most important of all Ritualistic functions. All Master Masons are also welcome to attend.

The District Schools of Instruction expend much time and effort to prepare for this Meeting. Please join us.

The schedule for the day has been modified to have all the work conclude by lunch, therefore no lunch arrangements have been made at the Temple.

Did you Know

True friendships and good fellowship are priceless experiences in Freemasonry. But a Master Mason must communicate and make personal contact if he is to cultivate true Masonic friendships and enjoy real Masonic fellowship. Attending Masonic Lodge Meetings, especially your own, will provide the best exposure for enjoying your Freemasonry. Try and develop the habit of attending Symbolic Lodge Meetings. It is an excellent habit.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE:

You are hereby requested to attend a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to be held at 11:00 o'clock, a.m., on Monday, May 27, 2013 at the Gettysburg National Battlefield Cemetery Annex in Gettysburg, PA, for the purpose of rededicating the Friend to Friend Masonic Memorial monument.

By Order of the R.W. Grand Master.

Note: change in dinner location

Refreshments will be in the Masonic Temple for this meeting.

LADIES' NIGHT

Ladies' night will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2013 at the Westover Country Club in Jeffersonville, PA. There will be dining, dancing and music from 6:00-10:00 PM. Cost and dinner choices will be forthcoming. **If you are interested in attending, please notify the Worshipful Master or Secretary.**

If you do not receive more details by the April stated meeting, please contact the Secretary as there may have been a problem with the communication (incorrect mailing or email address).

MERCHANTVILLE LODGE # 119 TABLE LODGE

Friday March 8, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. those brothers interested in attending need to notify Brother Charles Entrekin, PM by March 4th so seats can be reserved. You can also contact the Secretary and he will get the info to Brother Entrekin, PM.

Merchantville Lodge # 119 is located at:
6926 Park Avenue, Pennsauken, NJ 08109-2471

Academy of Masonic Knowledge

The 2013 Spring session of the Academy of Masonic Knowledge will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2013, in the Deike Auditorium of the Masonic Cultural Center on the campus of the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA. Registration will open at 8:30 a.m. with the program beginning at 9:30 a.m. A lunch (voluntary contribution) will be served at noon, and the program will be completed by 3:00 p.m. All Masons are welcome to attend. Dress is coat and tie. In addition to Brother Alexandre Cleven, Past Grand Master of Belgium, speaking on Freemasonry in Belgium, a large portion of the program will be devoted to orienting new Masons to the Craft in Pennsylvania with a Question and Answer period available for both presentations. Both sessions will be worthwhile to more tenured Masons.

Preregistration is required to ensure an adequate lunch count. Please RSVP your attendance to: AMKSecretary@pagrandlodge.org. A cost is involved with your reservation so please cancel if you find you cannot attend after having registered.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Mark A. Haines
R.W. Grand Secretary