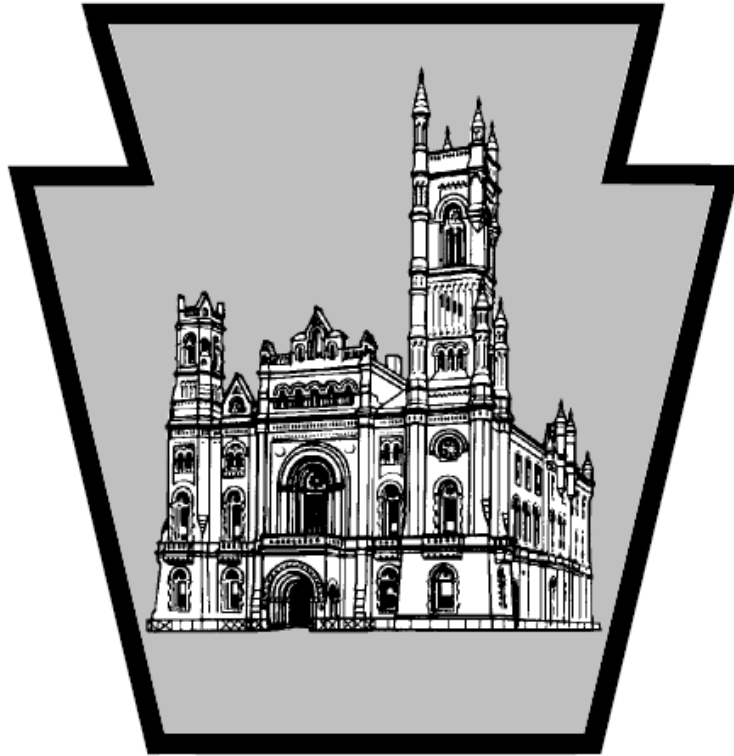


William L. Elkins Lodge



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 May 2, 2013 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock P.M.



STATED MEETING

ACTION WILL BE HAD UPON THE FOLLOWING PETITION FOR MEMBERSHIP

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Residence</u>
R. Allen McCartney	60		

Committee of Inquiry: Frank W. Podrebarac, PM, John J. Morrison, PM, and A. Mercer Quinby, III, PM.

**The Fellow Craft Mason's Degree will be conferred upon:
JOHN ROMAN ZALESKI**

Note: Lodge opens at 7pm and dinner will follow at Maggiano's Little Italy immediately following the meeting

NOTE: There will be no EXTRA MEETING in MAY

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM
on **Monday, May 13, 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

May 7	Athelstan-Lamberton District "A" Night
May 13 or June 10	St. John's #115 District "A" Night
June 6	Stated Meeting: District "A" Night
June 10	Monday-Instruction at the Tacony Masonic Temple
June 17	(Monday) – Tacony School of Instruction – District's A & D



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. 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. 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

*** Mt-Horeb Phoenix Lodge #432

** Joseph H. Brown Lodge #751

#Suspended

† PDDGM

*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

<u>Membership</u> <u>12/27/12</u>	<u>Petitions</u>	<u>Reinstated/Admitted</u> <u>or Entered</u>	<u>Resignations/</u> <u>Suspensions</u>	<u>Deaths</u>	<u>Membership</u> <u>Today</u>
287	1	1	0	6	282

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

The following 33 Brethren celebrate Masonic Birthdays in May

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>
Russell R. Cornell	50	Jeremy B. Malcolm	3
R. David Cowen, PM	29	Colin T. Mansley	3
Fred Deininger, PM	25	George J. Miller	48
Charles E. Entrekin, PM	45	Daniel G. Nate	27
Donald W. Ewing, PM	55	Eugene J. Nazer	38
George E. Fisher	33	A. Mercer Quinby, III, PM	50
Martin G. Good	33	Frank A. Ramondo	23
Douglas K. Gray	58	Alexander J. Schulke	33
Dale R. Haring	33	Louis J. Secreto	15
Charles M. Helmling	56	Gary L. Shafer	11
Ronald H. Henderson	61	David R. Shaheen	4
Edward L. Hoffman	63	Robert L. Strickland, PM	11
Casey D. Huckel	2	Edward G. Tajirian	55
Andrew Kane	27	John W. Vaughan	56
George E. Kangian	59	William W. Werline	15
Patrick M. Lampley, PM	21	Jameson P. Young	6
John B. Leister, PM	41		

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

Point to Ponder

In Freemasonry the highest honor is the bestowal of the Lambskin or White Leathern Apron; the highest degree is the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason; the highest body is the Grand Lodge; the highest office is the Right Worshipful Grand Master; the highest privilege is to be accepted to Membership in a Lodge, and the highest duty is to live by the Obligations and Principles of Freemasonry.

SICK AND SHUT-IN BRETHREN

THEODORE F. HASSELL, PM

MITCHELL R. ELKINS

JOHN H. WILSON, PM

FREDERICK WOODRUFF, PM

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



FROM THE EAST

Brethren, by the time you receive this we will have held our 88th Ladies Night. For those of you who were able to join us I trust you and your lady found it to be a fun evening. If you missed it, well you missed a good time. Next year make sure you're available for what will be our 89th event.

The year was 1853, John Morrissey won the boxing title when after the 36th round his opponent, Yankee Sullivan, left the ring to slug some of Morrissey's fans; potato chips were prepared for the first time; Steinway & Sons piano company was formed, along with Levi Strauss and Co; Cincinnati became the first city in our then young republic to pay fire fighters; the unfinished statue of General Jackson in Lafayette Square, Washington, D.C. received the \$ 5,000 needed to complete the work; East Coast newspapers were filled with European news but deemed very little coming from the West to be important enough to cover; \$ 65 million worth of gold was mined in California; and Keystone Lodge # 271 was founded, which through the years became what we know today as William L. Elkins Lodge # 271. Yes brethren, this month marks the 160th anniversary of our lodge.

I think it is safe to say that in the preceding 16 decades many of our Brethren had competing commitments; interest in meetings that waned from time to time; were made aware of a planned program and thought "That's not for me"; came in after a day in the fields or factory and just didn't feel like attending lodge; some may have gotten offended when things weren't done the "right" way; and at times may have felt like it just wasn't worth the effort to attend; and had busy lives. Yet despite all these things our lodge has been able to sustain itself and grow over the past 160 years. Longevity of this type does not happen by accident, nor does it guarantee the future.

I challenge each of you to ask yourself "What if the Brothers that founded Keystone Lodge in 1853, and each succeeding generation of Masons that sat in our meetings, displayed the same level of commitment that I do? " If you were the example what would our lodge consist of 160 years from today, or 6 years from today, or even 6 months?

Not that long ago our Grand Master challenged lodges in Pennsylvania to "Earn it again." My challenge to each of you, and myself, is to continue to earn it, be an example of commitment to our Masonic Fraternity, not only live out its' principles but also attend its' meetings and functions, and renew your commitments.

Fraternally, Brother Jeffrey S. Henley, WM

Did You Know

Masonic principles and teachings are plain and simple. They are words of truth as applied to man's conduct here on earth. They admonish us to avoid evil speaking and babbling criticisms because such always lead to iniquity and are wholly incompatible with the spirit of fraternalism.

Annual Eastern Pennsylvania

Masonic Family Picnic

at

Dorney Park

(10:00 A.M.-10:00 P.M.)

Wildwater Kingdom

(10:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.)

Rain or Shine

Saturday, June 15, 2013

“ALL YOU CAN EAT” MENU SERVED 12:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, BAKED BEANS,
POTATO SALAD, SODA, ICE CREAM, CONDIMENTS AND MORE!

All Tickets \$35.00

CHILDREN AGES 2 YEARS AND UNDER ARE ADMITTED FREE OF CHARGE

ADMISSION PRICE PAYS FOR BOTH PARKS

COVERED PAVILION FOR MEALS

Mail your ticket requests to:

Linda Matthews

139 W. Richardson Avenue

Langhorne, PA 19047-2827

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO “MASONIC PICNIC”

_____ No. of Tickets @ \$35.00 \$ _____

Name _____ Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Address _____

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR TICKET RESERVATIONS – MAY 31, 2013

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.

LuLu Shrine 2013 Circus May 16th to May 19th

The annual LuLu Shrine Circus will be taking place on May 16, 17, 18 & 19 at the arena located at 5140 Butler Pike, Plymouth Meeting. The gate price of an adult ticket is \$24.00. Children may use these adult tickets for admission as well.

The lodge has 50 tickets which are available on a first come first served basis **at no cost** to you. This would be a great opportunity to offer them to a family who might otherwise not be able to go to the circus.

Please contact the Secretary if you are interested.

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.

You are hereby requested to attend the June Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to be held at 10:00 o'clock, a.m., on Saturday, June 8, 2013 at the Gettysburg National Battlefield Cemetery Annex in Gettysburg, PA,

By Order of the R.W. Grand Master.

STATED MEETING DINNER at Maggiano's

Appetizers: Crispy Zucchini Fritte and stuffed mushrooms

Salads: Maggiano's and Chopped

Pasta Dish: Rigatoni "D"

Entrée: Grilled Salmon Lemon & Herb
