William L. Elkins Lodge



J.&A.M. No. 271

Repstone 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 June 6, 2013 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock P.M.



STATED MEETING

District "A" Night

Visitation by Brother Robert J. Burns, PM, District Deputy Grand Master and officers of Masonic District "A"

Presentation of Fifty/Sixty Year Masonic Service Emblems to:

Philip R. Beeson	9/7/1953
Robert W. Benjamin, Sr.	06/06/1963
Donald W. Bubeck, Sr., PM	12/18/1963
Russell R. Cornell	05/14/1963
Vincent Lupoli, Jr., PM	9/19/1962
Theodore F. Hassell, PM	02/07/1963
Alan L. Martinez, WM	4/14/1953
Raymond C. McKinney, PM	10/03/1963
John J. Morrison, PM	03/04/1963
A. Mercer Quinby, III, PM	05/06/1963
Harold Rhodes, Jr.	10/07/1963
George C. Vinter, Sr.	01/16/1963
Raymond R. Woehr	11/20/1963

Note: Lodge opens at 7pm and dinner will follow at 7:30 pm 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, June 19, 2013 at 7 o'clock P.M.

The Master Mason's Degree will be conferred upon: RYAN JAMES DUNLAVEY AND JOHN ROMAN ZALESKI

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

COMING EVENTS

June 10	St. John's #115 District "A" Night
June 10	Monday-Instruction at the Tacony Masonic Temple
June 17	(Monday) - Tacony School of Instruction

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM on Monday, June 10, 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



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	George J. Hahn	1988
William J. Eichelberger	1993,95	Paul A. Little	1990, 99
Raymond C. McKinney	1970	Frederick B. Woodruff	1992, 94
John A. Roth, Jr.	1970	William J. McGonigle	1992, 93^
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		† PDDGM	
** Joseph H. Brown Lodge #751	#Suspended	*Elkton Lodge No. 74 - VA	^Transferred

<u>SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION</u> 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
12/27/12	Petitions	or Entered	<u>Suspensions</u>	Deaths	<u>Today</u>
287	1	1	2	6	280

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

The following 29 Brethren celebrate Masonic Birthdays in June-August

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	Name	Yrs
Michael J. Avato	10	Ronald Kaplan	26
Robert A. Barford	56	David E. Kay	26
Robert W. Benjamin	50	Samuel R. Kelly	53
William J. Cannon	29	Frederick C. Larocco	30
Marty W. Casteel	5	Clinton G. Latoff	16
Albert Dove	63	Thomas M. Loeffel	2
Mitchell R. Elkins	15	James I. Mills	59
Andrew C. Entrekin	6	Afif S. Nassim	16
Anand L. Glaser	3	Anthony C. Perrucci	4
Edward J. Gray	44	Ryan J. Perrucci	4
George J. Hahn, PM	29	Ronald Radke	44
Edgar H. Hendler	52	Steven W. Rose	44
S. Douglas Honea	25	David H. von Berg	40
John Jacob	66	Frederick B. Woodruff, PM	29
Jason C. Johnston	1		

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

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, following our June meeting we will go into our traditional "dark" months with no meetings in July or August. I trust for you going dark will be symbolic only. While the tapers will not be burning around the altar in our lodge room, this does not mean the Light of Freemasonry goes out. On a daily basis each of us has the opportunity to practice those teachings and principles we have heard so frequently inculcated and make them part of our life. Use these dark months to become even brighter. If you're going on vacation why not take along a book from the Grand Lodge library; if you're sitting around waiting, why not go through the Grand Lodge Masonic knowledge courses on the internet. There's an old Chinese proverb "The rising tide lifts all boats." Raise your boat, increase your knowledge, encourage others to join you on the journey and come back in September better and brighter than you left in June.

Fraternally, Brother Jeffrey S. Henley, WM

THE FORMATION OF EXCELSIOR LODGE, NO. 491

During the late summer of 1870, five Brothers of Philo Lodge, #444, Philadelphia, Isaac Muff, Edward S Keeler, Samuel Lees, Joseph Lees, and John Lees, unhappy about certain happenings in their Lodge, were discussing the possibilities of forming a new Lodge.

On mentioning the matter to the Grand Secretary, that officer remarked that there were several Masons from "foreign parts" who might be interested.

One proved to be from Scotland, one from Peru, one from California, and one from Connecticut.

When the nine met to talk over their plans, it developed that the new quartette had other friends who would be interested.

At a meeting of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania held at the Masonic Hall, Philadelphia, March 18, 1871, A. L. 5871, Excelsior Lodge, No. 491 was duly warranted and constituted; at the same session Bro. William R Nichols was duly installed as Worshipful Master, Bro. Isaac Muff as Senior Warden, Bro. John L Benzon as Junior Warden, Bro. Samuel Lees as Treasurer, and Bro. Henry B Sesinger as Secretary.

Annual Eastern Pennsylvania

Masonic Family Picnic

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!

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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 John H. Wilson, Jr., PM, 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.

Masonic Blood and Organ Donors Club

The Masonic Blood and Organ Donors Club of PA provides a valuable service to our Fraternity. Each Member of the Club, his spouse and all children up to 18 years of age can receive blood without any limitation on number of units of blood. There are also no geographic limitations.

The Club is open to all Pennsylvania Freemasons, and is also open to Members of Pennsylvania Women's groups having Masonic affiliation as a requirement for membership. The only requirement is one donated unit of blood by the applicant or by a substitute. There is no monetary obligation for membership. Widows of all Pennsylvania Freemasons are automatically covered, upon application, without the required one unit of blood.

While the Blood Club has no membership dues, it does rely on the generous donations of individuals, and more especially, donations from the Blue Lodges. These donations allow for the administration of the Club, but most importantly, they permit Club to encourage Blood Drives that benefit our Masonic Youth and Masonic Charities.

Any Blood Drive sponsored by a PA Lodge, or appendant Masonic organization, or Masonic youth group, will qualify that organization to designate for each blood unit collected, a gift of \$10 per unit to a Masonic Charity (501c3 classification) of their choice, pending approval by the Blood Club committee.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE:

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.

You are hereby requested to attend a public Datestone Ceremony of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to be held at 2:00 o'clock, p.m. on Sunday, August 11, 2013 at St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 2848 St. Alban's Drive, Sinking Spring, PA, 19608 for the purpose laying the datestone.

You are hereby requested to attend a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge to be held on Saturday, August 24, 2013 at the Rimrock Masonic Center, 900 Rimrock Drive, Stroudsburg, PA 18360 at 10:30 a.m. for the purpose of Constituting Hamilton Day Lodge No. 814.

By Order of the R.W. Grand Master.