

# 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 April 3, 2014 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

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### **STATED MEETING**

#### **ACTION WILL BE HAD UPON THE FOLLOWING PETITION FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Residence</u>
<b>Frank Anthony Cerrone</b>	51	Project Manager	2924 S 16 <sup>th</sup> St Philadelphia PA 19145

*Committee of Inquiry: Robert L. Strickland, PM, Michael Ferrero and Jason M. Ercolano*

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Residence</u>
<b>Eric A. Cahill</b>	33	Mechanical Engineer	2022 Titan St Philadelphia PA 19146

*Committee of Inquiry: Rudolph B. Smith, III, PM, S. Douglas Honea and Samuel A. Schafer, PM*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Residence</u>
<b>Ray R. Wilson</b>	51	Business Owner	1910 Colt Rd Media, PA 19063

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**Note time for dinner is prior to our meeting:** Dinner (Buffet) will start at 6:35pm in the downstairs banquet room in the Masonic Temple. We will then adjourn to Norman Hall for our stated meeting. Reservations requested.

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### **COMING EVENTS**

April 21	(Monday) – Tacony School of Instruction
April 24	Thursday-Past Master's Banquet
May 1	Thursday-Stated Meeting

### **COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION**

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM  
on **Monday, April 14, 2014** 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

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## EXTRA MEETING

*There will not be an Extra Meeting in April*

## MEMBERSHIP

<b>Membership</b> <u>12/27/13</u> 276	<b>Petitions</b> 0	<b>Reinstated/Admitted</b> <u>or Entered</u> 0	<b>Resignations/ Suspensions</b> 0	<b>Deaths</b> 7	<b>Membership</b> <u>Today</u> 269
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### LIVING PAST MASTERS WILLIAM L. ELKINS LODGE NO. 271



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		
John A. Roth, Jr.	1970	William J. McGonigle	1992, 93^
		Thomas J. Penn	1992
John J. Morrison	1971	Stephen J. Craiter	1993
		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
		R. David Cowen	2005, 06
J. Robert Leister	1982	Robert L. Strickland	2007, 08, 10
Daniel J. Hinds	1982, 83^	Thomas C. Tennesen	2009
†Thomas J. Miller, Jr.	1983, 94	Patrick F. Kennedy	2011, 12
		Jeffrey S. Henley	2013

\*\*\* Mt-Horeb Phoenix Lodge #432

\*\* Joseph H. Brown Lodge #751

#Suspended

† PDDGM

\*Elkton Lodge No. 74 - VA

^Transferred

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**FREE PARKING IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS  
AT THESE THREE LOCATIONS**

Parkway Garage at 12th and Filbert Streets (1201 Filbert Street).

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 and your car will be parked on a floor which will allow for faster access when you prepare to leave.

Convention Center Parking Facility located at 1324 Arch Street.

**PLEASE SEE THE SENIOR WARDEN FOR YOUR PAYMENT TICKET**

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**MASONIC BIRTHDAYS**

The following 34 Brethren celebrate Masonic Birthdays in April

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Yrs</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Yrs</u></b>
Michael J. Balfe	2	Francis H. Lawson	64
Adam R. Becker	7	Shane J. LoPresti	3
Christopher M. Bodnar	4	H. Craig Mann	44
Herbert L. Cash	44	Alan L. Martinez	61
John V. D'Ascenzo, PM	35	Charles W. McElwee	44
Joseph P. D'Ascenzo	27	Robert W. Niederberger	47
John L. Dunlap	33	Gerald L. Perrins	19
Ronald L. Gonzalez	25	Jurgen S. Rehnig	38
David L. Grasso	3	Ismael T. Rios	22
Jan C. Grossman	29	George E. Rush	8
John A. Haugstad	22	Salvatore A. Scarpato	18
Joseph E. Hayden	54	Samuel A. Schafer, PM	50
William F. Heinel	68	William H. Smigiel	15
Roger A. Hendler	49	Mark A. Spitzner	33
Bernhard W. Kemmerling	45	Michael J. Walton	18
John E. Langan	58	Edward Williams	38
Thomas J. Latoff, II	21	Charles R. Wochele	33

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

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**MONTHLY MAILINGS**

Please notify the secretary if your mailing and/or email address has changed so that the records can be updated and you can receive notices on a timely basis.

If your notice is returned as undeliverable (i.e. no forwarding address) you will be removed from the regular monthly mailing list.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Initiated</u></b>	<b><u>Deceased</u></b>
WILLIAM J. CANNON	6/28/1984	1/4/2014
WILLIAM C. MILLER	10/2/1947	1/15/2014
JAMES C. TINSMAN, JR., PM	11/8/1966	2/6/2014
HARVEY E. HIRTH, PM	11/12/1948	2/28/2014
VINCENT LUPOLI, JR., PM	9/19/1962	3/11/2014

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**SICK AND SHUT-IN BRETHREN**

FRANK J. AVATO  
ALBERT C. LINQUIST  
ANGEL M. RIVERA, SR.  
WILLIAM WHITE

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



Greetings Brethren,  
Spring is just around the corner. As you can see, we have two petitions for membership and one for initiation and membership. This means that we should have an Extra Meeting in May. In the meantime, it is important for you to become more active in lodge activities and assist in the conferral of degrees. What a great way to welcome new members into Freemasonry in general and our lodge in particular.

I look forward to seeing a greater attendance at both our stated and instruction meetings. Remember, you get more out of Freemasonry the more you put into it. Several members have expressed interest in "going through the chairs". The progress made depends upon the member and his commitment. Are you ready to take the plunge? Please let either the secretary or myself know so we can plan accordingly.

Last month many of us attended the annual Merchantville Table Lodge. It was a great evening as those attending can testify. As I said last month, we will set aside a few minutes at each meeting through the remainder of my term as Worshipful Master to discuss what it mean to be a Mason, Masonic attributes and virtues and how being a Mason impacts our lives. I look forward to seeing you at the March meeting.

Fraternally, Brother Jeffrey S. Henley, PM, WM

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# **15 Qualities of a Master Mason**

**Adapted and condensed from Don Bradley,  
Freemasonry in the 21st  
Century, ISBN 1-888298-00-6.**

- 1. Master Masons do not have selfish interests. All they do, say, and think is for the welfare of others.**
- 2. Vanity is dead for them. They see themselves as they are and do not pretend to be something other than what they are.**
- 3. Anger is no longer their master. They have found that anger is a defense mechanism of the ego.**
- 4. They are not the slaves of possessions. Money, homes, cars, clothes, books, TV's are not evil in themselves; it is being a slave to them that is a problem.**
- 5. Master Masons are not afraid to act with courage in their convictions. If they have a fear, they act to overcome it.**
- 6. A Master Mason is always a real person. He does not care what others think of him, but he constantly cares for the welfare of others.**
- 7. He sees the viewpoints of others. He listens and thinks about what others are saying so as to understand them.**
- 8. His emotions are always positive. If hate or anger try to control him, he finds love and understanding and lets them bloom instead.**
- 9. He uses his imagination for creative, not destructive purposes. He imagines how he is going to respond instead of react to events.**
- 10. He does not belittle or slander others. His job is to see that anything that comes from his mind, emotions, or mouth is the highest it can be for him. 11. Each day he aligns himself with his inner teacher. He does this by spending a few quiet minutes to allow himself to be healed of his vices and shortcomings.**
- 12. All his actions have as their basic animating energy the power of Love. Even when he acts as a warrior to destroy darkness and evil, it is with the support of love and freedom.**
- 13. He always has a vision. His vision comes from his heart, and because this is so, it always includes humanity.**
- 14. His actions, feelings and thoughts are in harmony with the teachings of ageless Wisdom. He is always acting in the best interests of all concerned, and his daily life is an example of sanity and balance.**
- 15. He is never fanatical. He is sane, normal, and healthy. The most interesting idea about the Master Mason is that he is one who is an example of integration. Integration means that his mind, emotions, and body all work together and not against each other. A true Master Mason has glimpsed the eternal and unchanging reality of life. He sees all things as necessary in the Great Plan for unfolding the hidden potential of all creation. As such, mortality and its illusion are overcome by him. As he lives in the eternal, his life reflects that eternal consciousness.**

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## **Sectional Meeting of the Schools of Instruction**

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 12, 2014  
**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.

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### **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 21, 2014 at the Bayfront Convention Center, 1 Sassafraas Pier, Erie, PA.

By Order of the R.W. Grand Master.

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