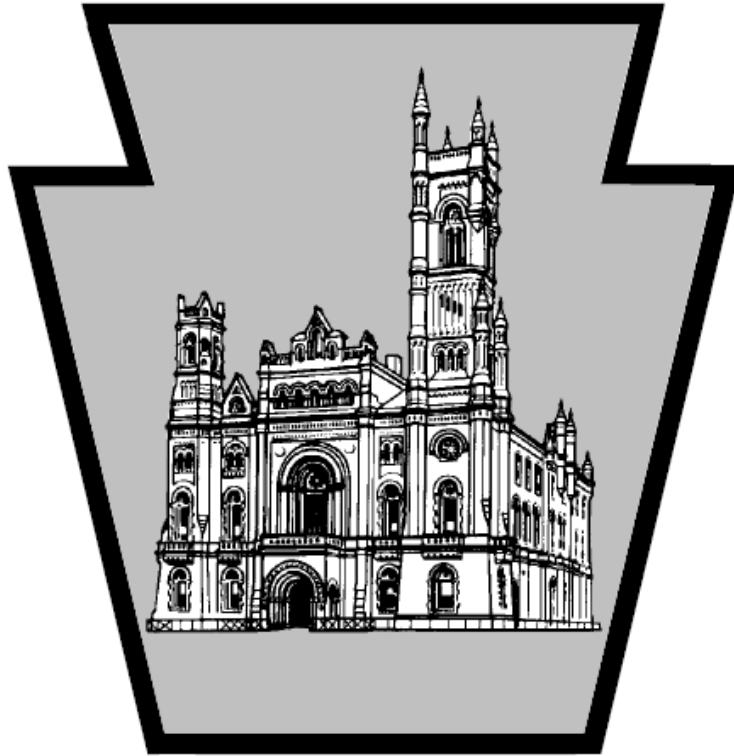


William L. Elkins Lodge



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 the Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street Philadelphia on Thursday evening **November 5, 2015 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock PM, DST**



STATED MEETING

PROGRAM

Our guest speaker this evening is Brother Daniel J. Hinds, PM, Superintendent of Masonic Temple who will give us a "slide" tour of the Masonic Temple and pique our interests in the mysteries of Freemasonry in general and our Temple in particular.

We will be honored with a Visitation by members of Merchantville Lodge #119 F&AM

In recognition of Armistice day (see article in notice), we will recognize and pay tribute to those (living and dead) who have served their country with honor and dignity.

Refreshments will be served in the downstairs banquet room starting at 6:35 PM

EXTRA MEETING

An Extra Meeting of William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271 will be held in Oriental Hall, Masonic Temple, on Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 7 o'clock pm.

**The Fellow Craft Mason's Degree will be conferred upon:
ERIC MARTAIN WEAVER and JUSTIN AARON BECKER**

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM
on **Monday, November 9, 2015** 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.

MEMBERSHIP

<u>Membership</u> <u>12/27/14</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>
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LIVING PAST MASTERS WILLIAM L. ELKINS LODGE NO. 271



Joseph W. Raffensberger	1955, 84***	Richard A. Booth	1986
Richard H. Wilson	1957	Charles A. Bowers	1986, 87
Alwin C. Schmidt	1959	Domenic Corsaro	1987
Rudolph B. Smith, III	1962, 81	John V. D'Ascenzo	1987
William E. Fischer	1965	James A. DeFrates	1988, 89#
Donald W. Bubeck, Sr.	1968	George J. Hahn	1988
Samuel A. Schafer	1968	Paul A. Little	1990, 99
William J. Eichelberger	1969, 71, 72	William J. McGonigle	1992, 93^
William J. Eichelberger	1993, 95	Thomas J. Penn	1992
		Stephen J. Craiter	1993
John A. Roth, Jr.	1970	Donald G. MacDonald	1994, 95, 98
John J. Morrison	1971	Roger W. Hallowell	1996, 97#
†Frank W. Podrebarac	1972, 79, 80	Patrick M. Lampley	1996
John H. Wilson, Jr.	1973	Timothy M. Radtke, I	1997, 98
Charles E. Entrekin	1974, 96	James F. Johnson	2000
A. Mercer Quinby, III	1975	J. Norman Welsh, Jr.	2002, 08, 09**
W. Daniel Joseph	1976	Emory H. Merryman, Jr.	2000, 03, 10*
John B. Leister	1977	Leonard P. Ulan, Sr.	2000
Steven W. Rose	1979	Robert H. Henriksson	2001, 02
Donald W. Ewing	1980	Bekir Karabucak	2002
Theodore F. Hassell	1980	Robert F. Hettinger	2003, 04
David Milliken	1980	R. David Cowen	2005, 06
R. Robert McElwee	1981	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
Frank A. Aitken, III	1984, 85, 86	Jeffrey S. Henley	2013, 14

*** Mt-Horeb Phoenix Lodge #432

** Joseph H. Brown Lodge #751 #Suspended

† PDDGM

*Elkton Lodge No. 74 - VA

^Transferred

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

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

The following 26 Brethren celebrate Masonic Birthdays in November

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>
Stanislav Alemaskin	4	Patrick Lampley, Jr.	22
Frank J. Avato	13	Jonathan M. Malcolm	13
Joseph J. Benzon	1	Richard J. McElwee	4
Michael R. Benzon	1	Louis H. Mick	60
Charles A. Bowers, PM	49	Lee D. Napier	29
John T. Bygott	5	Roy W. Newman	10
Joseph M. Cocco	6	Joseph W. Raffensberger, PM	66
John J. Cooke	7	Anthony F. Ramondo	28
Stephen J. Craiter, PM	36	Richard D. Reilly	65
Fredrick R. Custer	4	Nicholas L. Vinci	6
William J. Eichelberger, PM	50	Raymond R. Woehr	52
Marc E. Golaszewski	7	Kwun Y. Wong	1
Frederick L. Kuhn	54	Himanshu J. Zinzuwadia	4

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.

COMING EVENTS

December 3, 2015	Stated Meeting
December 5, 2015	Holiday Banquet
December 14, 2015	Monday-Instruction at the Tacony Temple

IN MEMORIAM

<u>Name</u>	<u>Initiated</u>	<u>Deceased</u>
Jay Ellis Shirley	12/6/1962	5/6/2015



FROM THE EAST

Brethren:

We are getting near the end of our current Masonic year. At our Extra Meeting on October 21 we entered two new Masons. That is the good news. The bad news is that the attendance was very poor.

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.

We have some good programs planned for 2016 as well as degree work at our extra meetings in November and December. When I was elected Worshipful Master last December, many of you indicated interest in helping out by serving as appointed officers. Unfortunately this was not supported with your actual attendance and carry through for reasons only you know. "Let all private animosities, if any should exist, give place to peace and good fellowship".

I challenge each of you to be active in 2016 (and beyond) and to earn advancement as the "wages of your labors".

I look forward to seeing you at our November 5 Stated Meeting.

So mote it be!

Fraternally, Brother James F. Elgert, WM



William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271 F.&A.M. 2016 Dues Statement – December

Brother:

As you are aware the lodge collects dues on an annual basis and it is now that time of year to pay dues for 2016. Please send a **\$75.00** check or money order (to the Secretary) made payable to: **William L. Elkins Lodge # 271** at your earliest convenience. Fifty year and Life members are exempt from dues. You may also use PayPal to remit your dues but the total amount is **\$78.00** which covers the fee charged by PayPal.

SICK AND SHUT-IN BRETHREN

CLINTON G. LATOFF

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania
Masonic Charities Annual Fall Appeal

Several weeks ago, I mailed you a letter asking for your support of the 2015 Annual Fall Appeal. If you have already responded with your financial support, I say "THANK YOU." If not, I ask you to pull out the letter you recently received and please read the material.

Masonic Villages, with five locations across the Commonwealth and more than 140 years of experience, displays our Mission of Love by giving peace of mind to many, including those who cannot afford the care they deserve. The **Pennsylvania Masonic Youth Foundation** preserves the legacy of Freemasonry by providing education and services to develop leadership and character among the youth of Pennsylvania. The **Masonic Children's Home** has led the charge with equal access to education, security and support for every child, through healthy growth and development. The **Masonic Temple and Masonic Library and Museum of Pennsylvania** in Philadelphia is a place of great history. Beautiful architecture, rare artwork and unique artifacts tell the story of Freemasonry.

You can make your donation by returning the response form attached to the letter received in the mail, along with your check, or by logging onto www.MasonicCharitiesPA.org and clicking "Donate Now" and complete the form. Thank you for your continued support!

Armistice Day (which coincides with [Remembrance Day](#) and [Veterans Day](#), public holidays) is commemorated every year on 11 November to mark the [armistice](#) signed between the [Allies of World War I](#) and [Germany](#) at [Compiègne, France](#), for the cessation of hostilities on the [Western Front](#) of [World War I](#), which took effect at eleven o'clock in the morning—the "eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month" of 1918.

The date was declared a national holiday in many allied nations, to commemorate those members of the armed forces who were killed during war.

The first official Armistice Day events were held in the grounds of Buckingham Palace on the morning of 11 November 1919. This would set the trend for a day of Remembrance for decades to come.

Most countries changed the name of the holiday just prior to or after [World War II](#), to honor veterans of that and subsequent conflicts.

The United States chose [All Veterans Day](#) (later shortened to 'Veterans Day') to explicitly honor military veterans, including those participating in other conflicts.

From the outset, many veterans in many countries have also used silence to pay homage to departed comrades.

In the U.S., the function of Veterans Day is subtly different from that of other 11 November holidays. Instead of specifically honoring war dead, Veterans Day honors *all* American veterans living and dead. The official national remembrance of those killed in action is [Memorial Day](#), originally called 'Decoration Day', from the practice of decorating the graves of soldiers, which originated in the years immediately following the American Civil War.

STATED MEETING BUFFET in the TEMPLE

SALADS: Tossed Traditional Caesar Salad
VEGETABLES: Roasted Potatoes, Buttered Green Beans
ENTREES: Sweet & Tangy BBQ Chicken Breast
Penne Pasta in a Delicate Red Sauce
Baked Ham in Hawaiian Glaze

DESSERT: Assorted Puddings

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Philadelphia Regional Instructor –S. Curtis Barrett, PM

Tacony School

Tacony Masonic Temple
4400 Magee Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19135
Meets 3rd Monday at 7:30 PM

Temple School

Masonic Temple
One North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19107
Meets 4th Tuesday at 7:30 PM



Jenkintown School

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