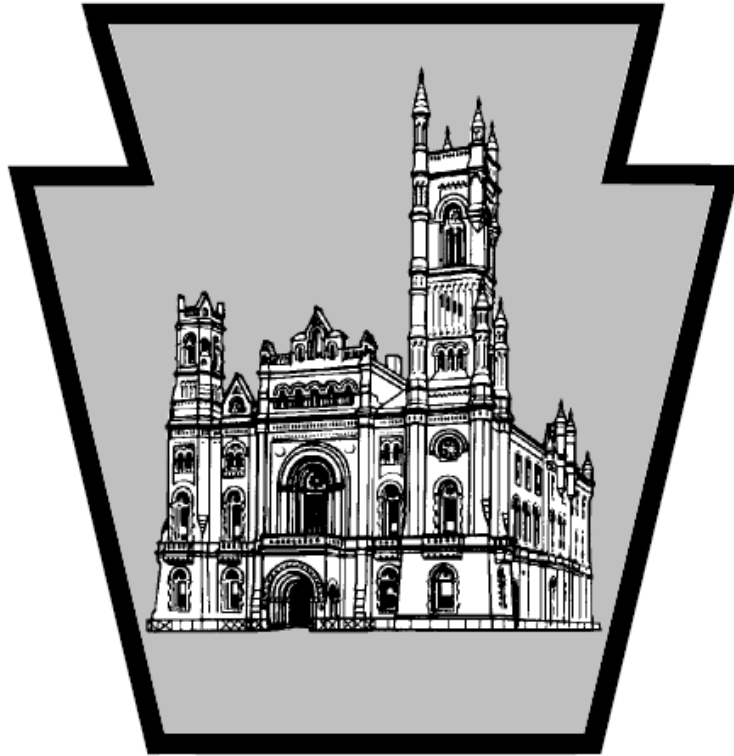


William L. Elkins Lodge



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 **February 5, 2015 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock PM, DST**



STATED MEETING

Tonight we will be honored with an official visit of our new District Deputy Grand Master, Brother Joseph M. Jensen, PM, DDGM

ACTION WILL BE HAD UPON THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR INITIATION AND MEMBERSHIP

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Joshua Harrison Rutter	23	Gift Shop Coordinator	
<i>Committee of Inquiry: J. Norman Welsh, PM, John G. Santos, Sr and Himanshu J. Zinzuwadia</i>			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Daron Anthony White	30	Customer Service Rep	
<i>Committee of Inquiry: Robert L. Strickland, PM, Jason M. Ercolono and Sean M. Northrop</i>			

The Master Mason's Degree will be conferred upon:

JOSEPH JAMES BENZON

Note time for dinner is prior to our meeting: Buffet (see details later) will start at 6:45pm in the downstairs banquet room in the Masonic Temple. We will then adjourn to Norman Hall for our stated meeting. *Reservations Required.*

EXTRA MEETING

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

**The Entered Apprentice Mason's Degree will be conferred upon:
JEREMY ANDREW YOUNG**

There will be refreshments from 6-7pm prior to Lodge (which opens at 7pm).

COMING EVENTS

March 5, 2015	Stated Meeting
March 9, 2015	Monday-Instruction at the Tacony Temple
March 16, 2015	Monday-Tacony School of Instruction

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM
on **Monday, February 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
Raymond C. McKinney	1970	Stephen J. Craiter	1993
John A. Roth, Jr.	1970	Donald G. MacDonald	1994, 95, 98
John J. Morrison	1971	Roger W. Hollowell	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	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

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

The following 22 Brethren celebrate Masonic Birthdays in February

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Yrs</u>
Jesse L. Ayton	4	Paul A. Little, PM	30
Morris J. Cherrey	61	Donald G. MacDonald, PM	30
Edward R. Denny	4	Thomas J. Miller, PDDGM	46
Richard W. Dunlap	46	David C. Miller	32
Ryan J. Dunlavey	3	Lance D. Miller	3
Erwin F. Falkenberg	26	Frank W. Podrebarac, PDDGM	48
Michael J. Ferrero	4	Bruce W. Robertson	54
Donald Ginsberg	63	Jose J. Salas	3
Theodore F. Hassell, PM	52	Alwin C. Schmidt, PM	60
Carl S. Heinel	65	William F. Speier	60
David W. Hughes	36	Paul D. Young	35

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

SICK AND SHUT-IN BRETHREN

MITCHELL R. ELKINS
THEODORE HASSELL, PM
ALBERT C. LINQUIST
WILLIAM WHITE
JOHN H. WILSON, PM

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

Please read and act accordingly:

PLEDGE OF REDEDICATION TO FREEMASONRY

I, _____, in the presence of Almighty God and my assembled brethren, conscious of the deep and abiding heritage which we have each received, and grateful for the inspiration of those who have preceded me along this road, do hereby dedicate myself again to the principles and purposes set forth in our most ancient and honorable fraternity. And I commit myself once more to the power of the one Supreme Being; to the founding principles which undergird my nation, and to the light and knowledge I received in the symbolic degrees of Freemasonry.

With great sincerity of purpose, I now renew my promise to do all within my power to be diligent in support of my lodge and of my brethren; To be faithful to my nation and to all my fellow men, and to be courageous in my concern for what is good and holy. So help me God, and keep me steadfast in this, my pledge of rededication.



FROM THE EAST

As we move into February we need to focus on ways to increase our attendance at stated and extra meetings as well as improve our proficiency in the ritualistic work during 2015. At our extra meeting in January we raised two brothers to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. We have a Master Mason's degree planned for our stated meeting this month and a new petition to vote for initiation and membership. Attendance at our rehearsal meetings is improving but we still need more commitment on your part. I encourage you to become more active as we progress through 2015. Let us set by example those principles we are taught in lodge.

Please mark your calendars for our stated (first Thursday) and extra (Third Wednesday) meetings. Also, our instruction meetings are held the second Monday at the Tacony Masonic Temple.

Merchantville Lodge #119 is holding their annual Table Lodge on Friday, March 6th and Grand Lodge is having the Warden's Workshop for anyone interested in pursuing a leadership role in our lodge in Newtown Square on Saturday, March 28th.

I look forward to seeing each of you at our stated, extra and instruction meetings this month. So mote it be!

Fraternally, Brother James F. Elgert, WM

IN MEMORIAM

<u>Name</u>	<u>Initiated</u>	<u>Deceased</u>
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None to report		
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William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271 F.&A.M. 2015 Dues Statement – February Mailing

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 2015. Full dues for each member is \$75.00 as per the amended by-laws of the lodge, Article 6 section 6.01, \$26.50 of which goes to the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and \$48.50 to our lodge.

Please send a **\$75.00** check or money order 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.

Currently 68 members have not paid their 2015 dues. Are you one of them?

Your dues can be mailed to the Secretary at the below address, handed to him at any Stated or Extra Meeting of the Lodge or paid using PayPal. Your dues card will be mailed to you with your next Monthly Notice.

If you are having financial difficulties and cannot pay your dues please contact me either in writing or by telephone.

If your dues are not paid by the January Stated Meeting you run the risk of being suspended. Please take action now to avoid suspension and pay the amount shown above in a timely manner.

Fraternally,

Frank W. Podrebarac, Secretary

STATED MEETING DINNER in the TEMPLE

SALADS: Tossed, Macaroni and Creamy Cole Slaw
VEGETABLES: Traditional Mashed Potatoes and Green Beans
ENTREES: Honey Mustard Chicken and Sirloin of Beef
DESSERT: Assorted Puddings

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

If reservations are not made, neither seating nor selection can be guaranteed.

Point to Ponder: Where do you stand? What kind of Freemason are you conveying to the profane?

Freemasonry has endured not because of its antiquity, its influence, or its social standing, but because there have been so many who have lived it. The effectiveness of Masonic teachings will always be the measure by which the outside world judges Freemasonry; the proof of Freemasonry is in our deeds and it is in our deeds that Freemasonry is made known to non-Masons. The only way that the Craft can be judged is by its product. The prestige of Freemasonry lies squarely on the shoulders of each of us.
