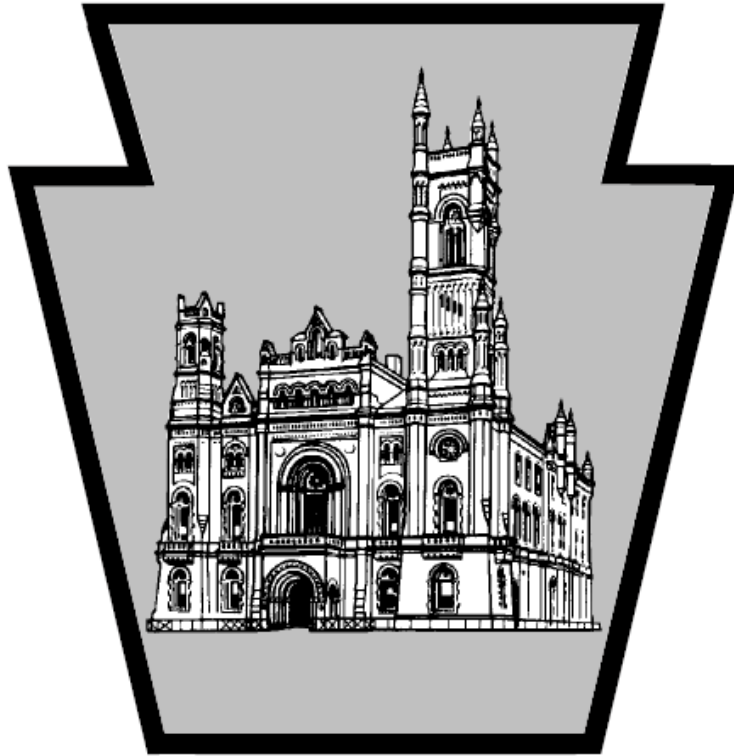


William L. Elkins Lodge



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 April 6, 2017**
in **Norman Hall** at **7:00 o'clock PM**



STATED MEETING

Thursday evening April 6, 2017 in Norman Hall at 7:00 o'clock PM

Coming Events

Monday, April 10th: Instruction at Tacony Temple, 7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 19th: Extra Meeting, Oriental Hall, 7:00 PM
Monday, April 24th: Tacony School of Instruction, 7:30 PM

EXTRA MEETING

An Extra Meeting of William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271 will be held in Oriental Hall, Masonic Temple, on **Wednesday, April 19th**, 2017 at 7 o'clock pm. Refreshments from 6-7PM in Temple Banquet Room.

The Fellow Craft AND Master Mason's Degrees will be conferred upon:

CONNOR TIMOTHY RADTKE

With a special presentation by the Pennsylvania Shield & Square Club; you won't want to miss this!

MASONIC BIRTHDAYS

The following 32 Brethren celebrate a Masonic Birthday in April:

Charles W McElwee, 47 years
Herbert L Cash, 47 years
Alan L Martinez, 64 years
Francis H Lawson, 67 years
John E Langan, 61 years
Mark A Spitzner, 36 years
Jurgen S Rehnig, 41 years
George E Rush Jr., 11 years
Roger A Hendler, 52 years
John V D'Ascenzo, PM, 38 years
Robert W Niederberger Jr., 50 years
Joseph P D'Ascenzo, 30 years
Jan C Grossman, 32 years
Ismael T Rios, 25 years
Michael J Balfe, 5 years
Samuel A Schafer, 53 years
Michael J Walton Sr., 21 years
Salvatore A Scarpato, 21 years
William F Heinel Jr., 47 years
Ray R Wilson, 14 years
Adam R Becker, 10 years
Shane J LoPresti, 6 years
David L Grasso, III, 6 years
Christopher M Bodnar, 7 years
Bernhard W Kemmerling, 48 years
Edward Williams III, 41 years
Thomas J Latoff II, 24 years
Ronald L Gonzalez, 28 years
Charles R Wochele, 36 years
Gerald L Perrins Jr., 22 years
William H Smigiel, 18 years
John L Dunlap Jr., 36 years

We look forward to celebrating your Masonic Birthday. If your name has been omitted, please notify the Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION

Committee of Instruction will meet at 7:00 PM
on **Monday, April 10, 2017** 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.



FROM THE EAST

As I ponder on what to tell you, my Brothers, I am thinking many thoughts of us, as Freemasons. Springtime always brings hopes of things unfolding before us. Warm weather, outdoor activities, and doing some new things. Perhaps travel, sports, cooking, or renewing an old interest. All of these will concern some forethought on your part. For instance, cooking. You'll need a recipe, ingredients, and most likely, advice from an experienced cook. You know that trying anything new could involve risk. Failing to follow the recipe could lead to the trash can. Somehow, there are lessons to be learned by trying new things. This message to you is meant to encourage you to try to learn more about Freemasonry in general, and your lodge in particular. Find out how it works, and where you fit into it as an ingredient. As in any recipe, *when* things get added is as important as the other steps. Time and temperature, too. Come to lodge and share your recipe with us.

-Norm



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 2017 in order to avoid possible suspension. Please send a **\$75.00** check or money order made payable to: **William L. Elkins Lodge # 271** and mail to:

Justin Becker, Secretary
1134 Tree Street
Philadelphia, PA 19148

Fifty year and Life members are exempt from dues. Members may also use PayPal, but please be aware of an additional \$3 fee. If you are currently experiencing financial difficulty, please notify the Secretary, and the Lodge will do what it can to help you avoid suspension.

Applicants for Almoner's Fund

The Lodge Almoner's fund is available to aid and assist all worthy and distressed members and their families. Please notify Richard K. Schoeniger, Chairman, at 215-342-4372, if you are aware of any qualified applicants who may need assistance. All inquiries will be handled on a confidential basis. Use of Almoner's funds must be approved by Lodge vote.

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

In lieu of a pre-Meeting dinner in the Temple Dining Room this month, we will be dining **AFTER** a brief Stated Meeting in the beautiful new **GRAND BALLROOM**. Members' **partners and children are welcome!** Join us in some fellowship and experience the new Ballroom, firsthand. Stated Meeting begins at 7 pm sharp, after which we will immediately adjourn to dinner.

**IF YOU HAVE NOT YET SUBMITTED YOUR RSVP TO THIS DINNER,
PLEASE NOTIFY THE SECRETARY IMMEDIATELY VIA PHONE CALL, TEXT
MESSAGE, OR EMAIL. THANK YOU!**

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