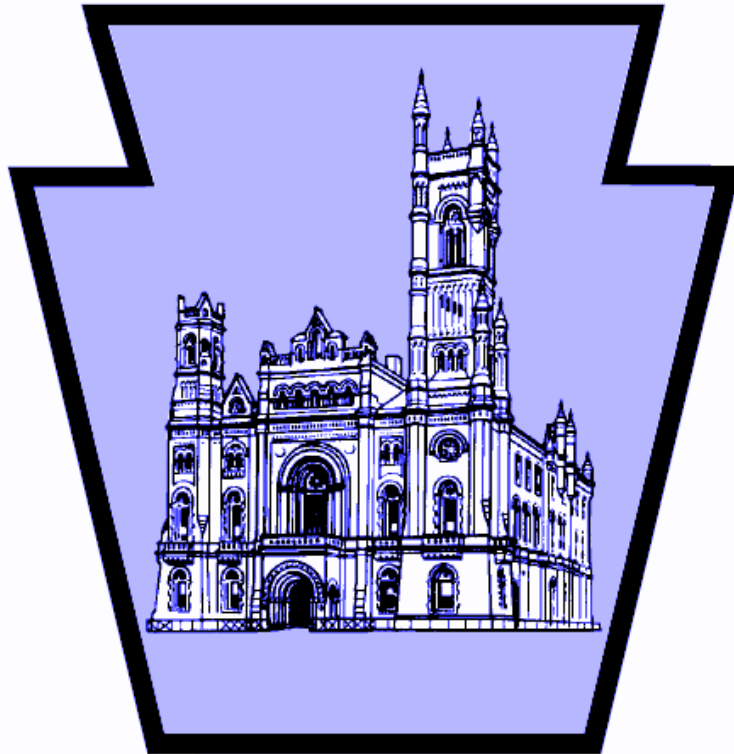


William L. Elkins Lodge



No. 271, F&AM

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

Notice for November 2nd, 2017



William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271

Free and Accepted Masons

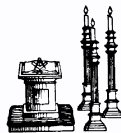
Where there are no strangers, just friendly Masons.

On the web at www.elkins271.org

Stated Meeting

A Stated Meeting of William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271, F&AM will be held in **Norman Hall, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia** on **Thursday, November 2nd, 2017** at **7 o'clock, P.M.**

Dinner will be served in the Temple Banquet Room at 6:30. Please RSVP to the Secretary no later than October 25th if you plan on attending dinner.



Program

Merchantville Lodge No. 119 of Pennsauken, New Jersey will be our honored guests this evening.

Brother Robert Harris, Jr., Worshipful Master

We will be honoring our Past Masters with a ceremony and remembering our departed Brethren with a Memorial Service.



From the East

Brethren,

November is upon us already !

To Arms ! To Arms !

Where has all that time gone? We haven't seen many brothers since January, or May.

Last month's NE DeMolay visit and presentation of "The Shield Talk" was truly a spectacular event.

You may have also missed our annual Districts A&D Picnic at Alverthorpe Park in Abington PA, near Jenkintown.(10/7) There were about 90 members and their families there.

Food and sodas & desserts were enjoyed by all.

Thanksgiving is fast approaching and we will be paying Honor to those members that have departed for that "undiscovered country." in this passed year.

We will do that with our annual "Memorial Service", (Thur, 11/2/2017)

Merchantville Lodge, # 119 will be our guests, with Bro Robert Harris Jr. Worshipful Master.

I hope to see you all soon to wish you a happy Thanksgiving.

Stay Well my Brethren !

-Brother J. Norman Welsh, Jr., Worshipful Master

Coming Events

Thursday, November 2nd: **Stated Meeting**

Tuesday, Nov. 7th: **District Visitation and Table Lodge at Athelstan-Lamberton Lodge No. 482**

Monday, Nov. 13th: **Lodge Instruction Night at Tacony Temple, 7pm**

Wednesday, Nov. 15th: **Extra Meeting**

Saturday, Nov. 18th: **"Pancake Day" at Tacony Temple**

Monday, Nov. 20th: **District School of Instruction, 7:30pm**

Saturday, December 2nd: **Holiday Banquet with Palestine-Roxborough Lodge No.**

Wednesday, Dec. 6th: **Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge**

Thursday, Dec. 7th: **Stated Meeting**

Lodge Instruction at Tacony Temple

Tacony Masonic Temple,
4400 Magee Avenue, Philadelphia PA
Second Monday of each month, 7:00 PM

Members of William L. Elkins and Joseph H. Brown Lodges 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.

All elective and appointed officers should attend.

Casual dress.



DISTRICTS A & D SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION

Philadelphia Regional Instructor –S. Curtis Barrett, PM

Tacony School	Jenkintown School	Temple School
Tacony Masonic Temple 4400 Magee Avenue Philadelphia, PA 19135 <i>Meets 3rd Monday at 7:30 PM</i>	Jenkintown Masonic Temple 443 Old York Road (Rt. 611) Jenkintown, PA 19046 <i>Meets 1st & 3rd Tues at 7:30</i>	Masonic Temple One North Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 <i>Meets 4th Tuesday at 7:30 PM</i>

An **Extra Meeting** will be held **Wednesday, November 15th** at 7 pm in Oriental Hall. Brother **Jonathan S. Lomonico** will be passed from Entered Apprentice to **Fellowcraft Mason**. Please come out and support our newest member!

Dinner will be served in the Temple Dining Room prior to the meeting. Please RSVP with the Secretary no later than November 7th if you plan to attend dinner.



Living Past Masters of
William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271

<p>Richard H. Wilson, 1957 Rudolph B. Smith, III, 1962, 1981 William E. Fischer, 1965 Donald W. Bubeck, Sr., 1968 Samuel A. Schafer, 1968 William J. Eichelberger, 1969, 1971, 1972, 1993, 1995 John A. Roth, Jr., 1970 John J. Morrison, 1971 Frank W. Podrebarac, PDDGM, 1972, 1979, 1980 John H. Wilson, Jr., 1973 Charles E. Entrekin, 1974, 1996 A. Mercer Quinby, III, 1975 W. Daniel Joseph, 1976 John B. Leister, 1977 Steven W. Rose, 1979 Donald W. Ewing, 1980 Theodore F. Hassell, 1980 David Milliken, 1980 R. Robert McElwee, 1981 Daniel J. Hinds, 1982, 1983^ Thomas J. Miller, Jr., PDDGM, 1983, 1994 Frank A. Aitken, III, 1984 Richard A. Booth, 1986</p>	<p>Charles A. Bowers, 1986, 1987 John V. D'Ascenzo, 1987 James A. DeFrates, 1988, 1989# Paul A. Little, 1990, 1999 William J. McGonigle, 1992, 1993^ Thomas J. Penn, 1992 Stephen J. Craiter, 1993 Donald G. MacDonald, 1994, 1995, 1998 Roger W. Hallowell, 1996, 1997# Patrick M. Lampley, 1996 Timothy M. Radtke, 1997, 1998 James F. Johnson, 2000 J. Norman Welsh, Jr., 2002, 2008, 2009**, 2016** Emory H. Merryman, Jr., 2000, 2003, 2010* Robert H. Henriksson, 2001, 2002 Bekir Karabucak, 2002 Robert F. Hettinger, 2003, 2004 R. David Cowen, 2005, 2006 Robert L. Strickland, 2007, 2008, 2010 Thomas C. Tennesen, 2009 Patrick F. Kennedy, 2011, 2012 Jeffrey S. Henley, 2013, 2014 James F. Elgert, 2015, 2016</p>
	<p>* Elkton Lodge No. 74, Virginia ** Joseph H. Brown Lodge No. 751 # Suspended</p>
<p>^ Transferred</p>	

November Masonic Birthdays

The following Brethren celebrate a Masonic birthday this month. If your name has been omitted, please notify the Secretary

Louis H. Mick, 62 years Richard D. Reilly, 60 years Frederick L. Kuhn, 55 years Raymond R. Woehr, 54 years William J. Eichelberger, PM, 52 years Charles A. Bowers, Sr., 51 years Stephen J. Craiter, PM, 38 years Anthony F. Ramondo, Jr., 30 years Patrick Lampley, Jr., 24 years Jonathan M. Malcolm, 15 years Roy W. Newman, IV, 12 years	John J. Cooke, Jr., 9 years Marc E. Golaszewski, 9 years Nicholas L. Vinci, Jr., 8 years John T. Bygott, 7 years Stanislav Alemaskin, 6 years Frederick R. Custer, 6 years Richard J. McElwee, 6 years Himanshu J. Zinzuwadia, 6 years Joseph J. Benzon, 3 years Michael R. Benzon, 3 years Kwun Y. Wong, 3 years
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Sick & Shut-in Brethren

Brother Theodore F. Hassell, PM	Brother Frank A. Ramondo	Brother Frank A. Ramondo, Jr.
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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.



2018 Dues

Brethren, please submit **2018 dues** in the amount of **\$75** to:

Justin Becker, Secretary
1134 Tree Street
Philadelphia, PA 19148

Make checks payable to William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271

If you still owe 2017 dues, please pay immediately to avoid possible suspension. Members may also use PayPal, but please be aware of an additional \$3 processing 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. Fifty Year and Life members are exempt from dues.



In Memoriam

Brother Ismael Tellado-Rios
of Mercedita, Puerto Rico

Entered April 14th, 1992, William C. Hamilton-Keystone
Passed Away September 28th, 2017

Membership

Membership, October 2017	Petitions	Reinstated, Admitted, or Entered	Resignations or Suspensions	Deaths	Membership Today
239	1	1	0	1	239

Grand Lodge Communications and Other Important Information

FREE PARKING IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS AT THESE TWO LOCATIONS:
<i>Parkway Garage, 1201 Filbert Street</i>
<i>Convention Center Parking Facility, 1324 Arch Street</i>
<i>Continued</i>

**PALESTINE ROXBOROUGH LODGE # 135
WILLIAM L. ELKINS LODGE #271
HOLIDAY BANQUET
December 2nd 2017**



Dear Brother:

The Worshipful Masters of Lodge 135 and 271 cordially invite you and your spouse/guest to attend our Annual Holiday Banquet to be held on Saturday, December 2nd 2017. We are excited to once again join with our Brothers from William L. Elkins Lodge #271 in this happy holiday banquet.

This is the highlight event of the year and will be held at the Masonic Village at Lafayette Hill located at 801 Ridge Pike, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444.

The cost for this year's Banquet will be \$.00 for members and \$25.00 each for your spouse and/or other guests.

Music will be offered by a D.J. for your listening and dancing pleasure.

Social Hour from 5:00 to 6:00 PM


As there is no Bar at the Masonic Village we are permitted and invited to B.Y.O.B.

A Buffet Dinner of Prime Rib and Salmon will be served at 6:00 P.M.

DON'T MISS THIS HOLIDAY GALA

Make your reservation early. Complete and send the form below with your check made out to "**William L. Elkins Lodge No. 271**" and send to Brother Justin A. Becker, Secretary as noted below.

All reservations must be received no later than November 20, 2017.

 Cut along here

Brother Justin A. Becker 215-888-6714
1134 Tree Street
Philadelphia, PA 19148

Your Name _____

Spouse Name _____

Guest Name _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

For Lodge Notices in November and December

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania
Masonic Charities Holiday Appeal

The approaching holiday season holds special meanings for us as Freemasons. Our philanthropy is what makes possible the outstanding services of the Masonic Charities that provide for our brethren and their families, the elderly and the youth, and our ability to reach out into the community to help our friends and neighbors. We show our charity as Freemasons through the vital programs and services of all the Masonic Charities.

As you reflect on the blessings in your life, consider the opportunity you have to benefit many, be part of a community and demonstrate the main principles of the fraternity; brotherly love, charity and truth.

If you are age 70 ½ or older, consider making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) this year to your favorite Masonic Charity – tax free! For the charitable distribution to be tax-free qualified, please have the check payable directly to the charity and not you the owner.

If you have not already supported the Masonic Charities this holiday season, please consider a charitable gift before the New Year. Please consider the needs addressed by the Masonic Charities and support the necessary programs and services that we make possible together. There is still time to make a difference! Thank you for your support!

Please mail your contribution to: Masonic Charities
Office of Gift Planning
One Masonic Drive
Elizabethtown, PA 17022



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TO THE SECRETARY OF THE LODGE:

By direction of the R.W. Grand Master, the following copy must be printed in the Lodge Notice of every Lodge for the Stated Meeting next preceding December 6 and December 27, 2017.

GRAND LODGE OF FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF PENNSYLVANIA

Philadelphia, PA, September 12, A.D. 2017, A.L. 6017

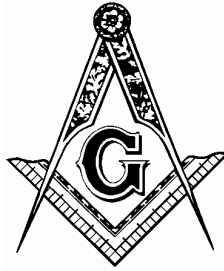
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE:

You are hereby requested to attend the December Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to be held at 10:00 o'clock, a.m. on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at the Masonic Temple, 1 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA, at which the Grand Lodge Officers and Masonic Villages Board of Directors will be elected.

You are also hereby requested to attend the Annual Grand Open Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, 325 University Drive, Hershey, PA 17033, on Wednesday, December 27, 2017, at 10:00 o'clock, a.m. at which the Grand Lodge Officers will be installed.

By Order of the R.W. Grand Master.

Mark A. Haines
R.W. Grand Secretary



Anno Domini 2017, Anno Lucis 6017

Worshipful Master
J. NORMAN WELSH, JR., PM
wm@elkins271.org

Senior Warden HARRY B. RUTTER, JR. sw@elkins271.org	Junior Warden ERIC M. WEAVER jw@elkins271.org
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Trustees William L. Elkins Charity Fund

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Rudolph B. Smith, III, PM

Paul A. Little, PM

Representative in the Grand Lodge

Robert L. Strickland, PM

Substitute Representative in the Grand Lodge

Paul A. Little, PM

Appointed Officers

Joseph McKay, Senior Deacon

Stan Alemaskin, Junior Deacon

Jeremy Malcolm, Senior Master of Ceremonies

Edward Denny, Junior Master of Ceremonies

Richard McElwee, Pursuivant

William Boharsik, Tyler

Robert Kestler, PM, Organist
Paul A. Little, PM, Chaplain
Robert L. Strickland, PM, Lodge Ritualistic Instructor
Timothy M. Radtke, PM, PA Youth Foundation Representative

Grand Master's Appointments

Joseph M. Jensen, PM (Athelstan-Lamberton Lodge No. 482)
District Deputy Grand Master, District A
ddgm_a@pagrandlodge.org

**Lodge Almoner Fund; Almoner; Grand Lodge Charity Fund; Bursar, Thomas J. Patton
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Richard K. Schoeniger
(215) 342-4372

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Colin T. Mansley
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