

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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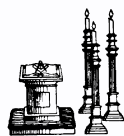
Stated Meeting

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, March 1st, 2018** at **7 o'clock, P.M.**

Immediately following our meeting, Brethren will dine together at
Tir Na Nog Irish Pub, 1600 Arch Street

Agenda

Ballot on the Petition of **Ryan G. Gipson**, having received unanimous approval from his Committee of Inquiry



Program

Help for Heroes



From the East

To My Fellow Brothers:

The days and nights go by as we await spring and the arrival of new buds on the bushes and trees. I actually saw a few poking their heads out of the ground today. Reaching and extending to the glorious orb and warmth of the sun. So it goes with our many newly raised and soon to be new initiates preparing to be initiated into our lodge. Their thirst for knowledge, belonging, and a fraternal purpose is what they are looking to achieve.

Hopefully, we are up to the task to teach and mentor our newest members into our Fraternity. If it's only to sit down with a new Brother at our meal or in the Lodge. It goes a long way to say you care and makes them feel welcome as we join hand in hand. Give them your cell number and take their cell number and either give them a personal call or a quick text prior to our meeting. Let them know who we are and that we are here for them.

Prior to 2008, I had the opportunity to sit down and work out an accounting plan regarding a new program called "Change for Troops". Little did I know that this program would become a staple of all future Grand Masters, even to this day. It has taught me what we can accomplish as a Fraternity. It shows we care for our military, our freedoms, and our communities. We should all be honored and proud to be a part of our Help for Heroes.

Our program this month just happens to be Help for the Heroes so come out for the rest of the story . . .

So mote it be!

Harry B. Rutter, Jr. WM 2018

Coming Events

Thursday, March 1: **Stated Meeting, Norman Hall, 7pm**
Friday, March 9: **Merchantville No. 119 Table Lodge
6pm, Merchantville, NJ (see attached flyer)**
Monday, March 12: **Lodge Instruction Night at Tacony Temple, 7pm**
Monday, March. 19: **District School of Instruction, 7:30pm**
Wednesday, March 21: **Extra Meeting, Oriental Hall, 7pm**

Extra Meeting

An Extra Meeting will be held in Oriental Hall on **Wednesday, March 21** at 7:00 pm. All members are encouraged to attend as Brother **John Patrick Jasionowicz** is raised to the level of **Master Mason**, while candidates **David Leff** and **David Goodman** are entered into our Fraternity!

Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. Please notify the Secretary no later than February 14th if you plan on attending dinner

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>



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

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. Entekin, 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 ^ Transferred	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 * Elkton Lodge No. 74, Virginia ** Joseph H. Brown Lodge No. 751 # Suspended
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March Masonic Birthdays

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

Bro. Harlan H. Talley, Jr., 73 years Bro. Gilbert H. Thompson, 66 years Bro. Frank F. Embick, 62 years Bro. Frank H. Sleuman, Jr., 59 years Bro. John J. Morrison, PM, 55 years Bro. George W. Longan, Jr., 51 years Bro. R. Robert McElwee, PM, 43 years Bro. Walter L. Crowder, III, 41 years Bro. Lawrence M. Hackett, 32 years	Bro. Daniel L. Panetta, 32 years Bro. Walter T. Barlow, 29 years Bro. Cloyd R. Donaldson, 27 years Bro. George P. Endrigan, 25 years Bro. Thomas C. Tennesen, PM, 15 years Bro. Joseph E. Hermes, 14 years Bro. Nathan J. Zwanetz, 11 years Bro. Robert D. Bogan, 8 years Bro. Daron A. White, 3 years
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Sick & Shut-in Brethren

If you know of any Brethren feeling under the weather or recovering from a recent surgery, etc., please notify the Secretary

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.

Membership

Membership, January 2018	Petitions	Reinstated, Admitted, or Entered	Resignations or Suspensions	Deaths	Membership Today
236	4	1	0	0	237



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

Fifty-Year and Life Members are exempt from dues. If you are having difficulty paying your dues, please contact the Secretary and we will seek out alternative assistance for you. All requests remain confidential

FREE PARKING IS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS AND GUESTS AT THESE TWO LOCATIONS:

Parkway Garage, 1201 Filbert Street
Convention Center Parking Facility, 1324 Arch Street



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February 1, 2018

Dear Worshipful Master:

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 14, 2018
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.

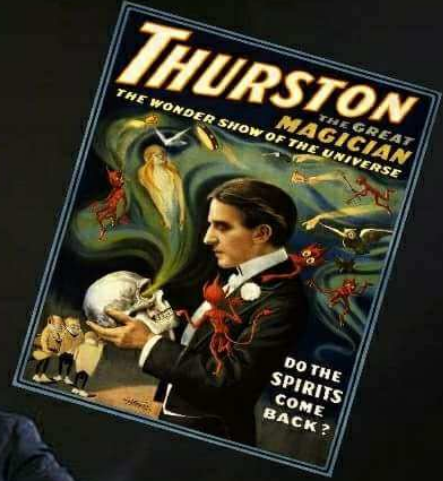
The schedule for the day has been modified to have all the work conclude by lunch, therefore no lunch arrangements have been made at the Temple.

This letter is to be read at all Lodge and School Meetings and inserted in all Lodge Notices prior to April 14, 2018.

Sincerely and fraternally,

S. Eugene Herritt
R.W. Grand Master
SEH/mtw

cc: All Elected Grand Lodge Officers
All District Deputy Grand Masters in Region One
Director of Ritualistic Work
All Regional Instructors
All Lodge Secretaries in Region One



**MERCHANTVILLE LODGE PRESENTS
52ND ANNUAL TABLE LODGE**

Magicians and Freemasonry

GUEST SPEAKER WB MARTIN BOGARDUS

DINNER \$50

COCKTAILS AT 6PM, DINNER AT 7PM.

**PLEASE SEND YOUR RESERVATIONS
TO MERCHANTVILLELODGE@GMAIL.COM**

856-663-1719



**FRIDAY MARCH 9, 2018
MERCHANTVILLE MASONIC TEMPLE,
MERCHANTVILLE, NJ**



**Charles C Tarragano, PM
Principal Instructor
Masonic District A & D**

January 30, 2018

By order of the DDGM,s Masonic District A & D

Dear Brother Secretary,

By order of the RWGM Bro. S. Eugene Herritt , the Dress code for those attending the school of instruction is now;

- **Business casual and in good taste.**

Tacony School of Instruction will be exemplifying the Fellow Craft Degree at the Sectional School on Saturday April 14th, 2018.

All those who would like to participate in the degree team should contact the principal of the school no later than Monday February 19th via e mail.

- tacony.school@gmail.com

Lodge officers and members of the instruction committees are encouraged to attend the sectional school.

At the Tacony school in 2018 we will be conducting instruction on the mechanics of every elected and appointed position for BOL and all Degrees.

- **Elected Offices are required to attend and Appointed Officers are encouraged to attend.**
- **Lodge Instruction committee Members and Chairman are required to attend.**

We will exemplify the Funeral Service, Table Lodge and Examination of a visitor as well as one-on-one instruction for all masonic ritual.

All those who would like to be certified in the work should make an appointment with the principal of the school the month prior to the scheduled school night.

Last but not least I would like to remind you that last day for certifications will be Monday October 15th, 2018.

Fraternally,
Charles Tarragano PM
Principal Instructor

Cc
Joseph M. Jensen DDGM "A"
Lenonard A. Juliani Jr. DDGM "D"

**604 S Washington Sq. Apt# 3114, Philadelphia PA 19106
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