



Maryland Masonic Research Society

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Topic: Muses Threnodie: Poetic License or Historical Insight?

“Muses Threnodie” is a poem published in Scotland in 1638. It contains a reference to Masonry that suggests a connection between Masonry and the Rosicrucian movement. The presentation explores the theory that Masonry has its origins in Rosicrucianism. The presentation describes what Rosicrucianism is, J.G. Buhle’s theory about its connection to Masonry, and the arguments in favor and against his theory.

Presenter: Companion Ed Johnson, P.P.

Ed is Past Master of Pentalpha Lodge 194 in Germantown, MD, and Past President of the Maryland Masonic Research Society. Ed actively pursues and stays abreast of the latest in Masonic scholarship through his memberships in the Scottish Rite Research Society, the Quatuor Coronati Correspondence Circle, the Philalethes Society, and the Masonic Society. He complements his interest in Masonic scholarship through his membership in the Biblical Archaeology Society and the study of a variety of esoteric topics.

Meeting Location: Silver Spring #215 Lodge
410 University Blvd., West
Silver Spring, MD 20901

Directions available at [link](#). Enter at back of building.

Lunch at 12 noon: \$20 payable at the door

Meeting and Presentation at 1 pm

RSVP: Please contact the Secretary at mmrs1979@gmail.com or 240-398-9546 to confirm your attendance Tuesday, February 27, 2018.

“Masonic Enlightenment Through Research”



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President's Message

Dear Companions,

My name is Anne-Marie Moody, and I will be serving as President of the Maryland Research Society for 2018. I would like to thank my fellow officers who participated in the installation at our December meeting. A special thank you to John Maclay for enthusiastically accepting the office of Chaplain for 2018. To our past President Joe Martellota, thank you for your tireless and inspired leadership.

This year's goals for the Society are threefold: first, to increase attendance at our meetings; second, to encourage members to engage in research by fostering discussions regarding possible topics; third, for members to share their findings with the Society.

If you want to post a research paper to the society's website, give a presentation, or have any suggestions on how we can improve the Maryland Masonic Research Society, please e-mail me at lgtwashington2007@gmail.com or call me at [\(301\) 292-6607](tel:3012926607). Thank you.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Anne-Marie Moody

2018 Planned Meetings

These are the dates planned for the rest of 2018:

Saturday, May 5, 2018

Monday, August 6, 2018 - Festive Board in Columbia, MD

Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018

Saturday, Dec. 1, 2018



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Minutes of December 2, 2017

Following the luncheon, a meeting of the Maryland Masonic Research Society was called to order at 1:05 p.m. in the Temple of the Annapolis Lodge #89 by President Joe Martellotta.

The attendance totaled 16 with 13 Companions and three (3) guests. Please refer to the Attendance Book for more detail.

The Invocation was given by Companion Bernhard Zinkgraf. The Minutes of our October 14, 2017, were approved as distributed. The Secretary reported we received notices from the Masonic Service Association of North America and there were no petitions to be voted on. Payment of the bills was recommended, seconded, and approved. The Treasurer presented the Annual Report and provided it to the Secretary.

Companion S. Dirk Wiker presented on “Bon Pasteur,” “The Good Shepherd: An Eighteenth Century Masonic System”. The presentation covered the source information, usage, illustrations, and relationships to degrees in current use. He also recommended several books including, “The Rose Cross and the Age of Reason” by Christopher McIntosh and “The Invisible History of the Rosicrucians: The World's Most Mysterious Secret Society” by Tobias Churton. There were a number of questions and strong applause. We requested the presentation be sent to the Secretary to add to the Member Section of the MMRS website.

The President then conducted the election for the 2018 officers. The slate was read and the floor opened to nominations. Given there were none, the following were elected as the 2018 Officers:

President: Anne-Marie Moody

1st Vice President: Phyllis Lingenfelter

2nd Vice President: Walter Benesch

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The Chaplin is an appointed role and the incoming President will consider candidates. No nominations came from the floor. Ed Johnson, P.P., was the Installing Official with Dr. Raymond Terry, Marshall. Anne-Marie Moody was installed as President, and she then installed her officers. She presented Joe Martellotta with his Past President medal and thanked him for the successful year. He then thanked the officers who had assisted him. After Companion Bernhard Zinkgraf led us in our devotions, President Anne-Marie Moody adjourned the meeting at 2:10 pm in peace and harmony.