



Maryland Masonic Research Society

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**Saturday, October 13, 2018 Regular Meeting
and Election of 2019 Officers**

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Topic: The Meaning of Masonry by W. L. Wilmshurst

W.L. Wilmshurst was a prolific writer, lecturer, Christian mystic, and advocate of the esoteric school of Freemasonry. His book, *The Meaning of Masonry*, offers Wilmshurst's view of the deeper meaning of Masonry's rituals and symbolism. The presentation relates the essence of Wilmshurst's argument as described in the subject book.

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.

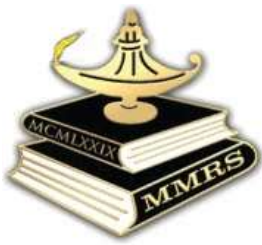
Meeting Location: Silver Spring #215 Lodge
410 University Blvd., West
Silver Spring, MD 20901

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, October 9, 2018.



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President's Message

Dear Companions,

Thank you Companions for a well attended Banquet Aug. 6, 2018, the very best in a long time. The food was delicious and the company lively and harmonious. Our distinguished presenter, S. Brent Morris, P.P. and PH.D gave an in depth talk on the "Evolution of the Mason Word", the way Masons identify each other followed by many comments from the attendees. We lingered, not wanting this wonderful evening to end.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Anne-Marie Moody
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Upcoming Events of Interest

Future 2018 Meeting Date Planned:

Saturday, December 1, 2018 – Grand Lodge of Maryland (Cockeysville) with light breakfast refreshments at **9:30 a.m.** (priced at \$10) and the presentation and the installation of officers starting at **10:15 a.m.**

Topic: Early History of French Speaking Lodges in Baltimore
Presenter: Jeffrey Kaplan

Additional information will be provided closer to that date.



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Minutes of August 6, 2018

Following the open bar and hors d'oeuvres, a meeting of the Maryland Masonic Research Society was called to order at 7:15 p.m. in the dining room of King's Contrivance Restaurant in Columbia, MD by President Anne-Marie Moody.

The attendance book totaled 33 with 22 Companions and 11 guests. Please refer to the Attendance Book for more detail. A physical count indicated 35 Banquet attendees.

The Minutes of our May 5, 2018 meeting were approved as distributed. Payment was recommended, seconded, and approved for dinner, the domain renewal, and the website. The Festive Board was then opened and conducted. Festive Board Speaker and Past President, S. Brent Morris provided the instruction on the Good Fire and led for each Toast. At the appropriate time, S. Brent Morris presented on, "The Evolution of the Mason Word." There was a lively discussion after the presentation, following by hearty appreciation and a certificate was presented by the MMRS President.

Following the dinner, toasts and singing of Auld Lang Syne, petitions were approved for Cleola Bostic and Imelda Kopalchick. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m. in peace and harmony.