



# Maryland Masonic Research Society

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## Regular Meeting

Saturday, March 2, 2019

**Topic:** Louis Goaziou the Man, the Freemason

Francois Louis Goaziou's life is a fascinating one with many great achievements as a man and writer. He was a founder and long-time Grand Commander of the first Co-Masonic American Federation of Human Rights in the early 20th Century. All the applicants to this first Co-Masonic Lodge had progressive ideas about women and wanted to choose a Masonic organization that would admit their wives. The rest is history... This presentation will explore Bro. Louis Goaziou's personal transformations and illustrate his continuous work to the progress of humanity.

**Presenter:** Companion Anne-Marie Moody, P.P.

Anne-Marie is a founding member and Past Master of her Droit Humain Lodge, Louis Goaziou #1953 [Catonsville, MD], Past President of the MMRS, member of Orpheus #553 Lodge. She is active in Masonic research and is a 33rd Degree Mason. She began her Masonic journey in France more than 48 years ago. She is a wealth of Masonic knowledge and history, and is passionate about sharing her ideas through fellowship and fraternity.

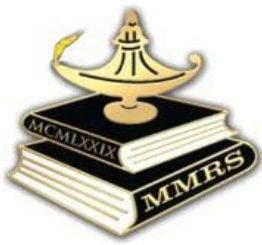
**Meeting Location:** Silver Spring #215 Lodge  
410 West University Blvd.  
Silver Spring, MD 20901

Directions available by clicking this [link](#). Parking and Lodge entrance are located at the rear of the 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](mailto:mmrs1979@gmail.com) or 571-242-3403 to confirm your attendance Tuesday, February 27, 2019.



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## President's Message

Dear Companions,

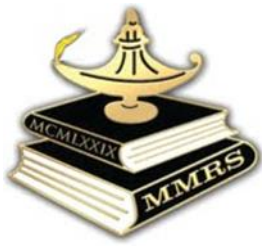
My name is Phyllis Lingenfelter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your patience and to introduce myself as the presiding 2019 President of the Maryland Research Society. I would like to thank my fellow officers who participated in the installation at our December meeting. A special thank you to Bernhard Zinkgraf and Cleola Bostic for wholeheartedly accepting their offices of Chaplain and Secretary for 2019. To our past President Anne-Marie Moody, thank you for your tireless and inspired leadership.

This year's goals for the Society are fourfold: first, recognize our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; second, explore new lodge meeting venues and increase membership/attendance; third, to encourage members to engage in research by fostering discussions regarding possible topics; four, for members to share their findings with the Society.

If you want to give a presentation or have any suggestions on how we can improve the Maryland Masonic Research Society, please e-mail me at [lingenph1@gmail.com](mailto:lingenph1@gmail.com) or call me at (630)715-2186. Thank you.

Sincerely and Fraternaly,

Phyllis Lingenfelter



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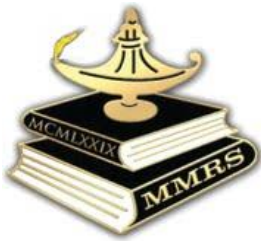
## Upcoming 2019 Meeting Dates and Other Events

### **Planned dates for the 2019 calendar year**

- Saturday, March 2, 2019
- Saturday, May 4, 2019
- Monday, August 5, 2019 – Festive Board in the Evening in Columbia, MD
- Saturday, October 12, 2019 – Election of 2020 Officers
- Saturday, December 7, 2019 – Installation of 2020 Officers

### **Other Masonic Events of Interest:**

- February 21-24, 2019 – Masonic Week, Crystal City, VA
- October 5, 2018 – Harvest Home Day at the Grand Lodge



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## Minutes of December 1, 2018

Following the luncheon, a meeting of the Maryland Masonic Research Society was called to order at 10:10 a.m. in the Temple of the Silver Spring #215 by President Anne-Marie Moody.

The attendance totaled 17 with 12 Companions and five (5) guests. Please refer to the Attendance Book for more detail.

The Invocation was given by Companion Bernhard Zinkgraf. The Minutes of our October 13, 2018 meeting were approved as distributed. The Secretary reported we received notices from the Masonic Service Association of North America and there were three petitions to be voted on and approved for Kai Hughes, Julie Kraus and Julian Comanda. Payment of the bills was recommended, seconded, and approved. The Treasurer presented the Annual Report and provided it to the Secretary.

Companion Jeffrey R. Kaplan presented on "Early History of French Speaking Lodges in Baltimore". The presentation covered the existence of these Lodges working in French, their continuity overcoming adversity, and prevailing political circumstances during the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Although the projector wasn't working, the VP kindly circulated the laptop to display the presentation slide deck. Following was a Q&A with discussion on Masonic welcoming of different languages and groups. It was discovered there is a Firemen focused group as well as another which speaks in the German language. Additionally, there was recognition of other foreign bodies being present. We requested the presentation be sent to the Secretary to add to the Member Section of the MMRS website. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented.

The President then conducted the 2019 Installation of Officers. The following were elected as the 2019 Officers:

President: Phyllis Lingenfelter  
1st Vice President: Walter Benesch  
2nd Vice President: Isabel Tejero del Rio

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The Chaplin is an appointed role and the incoming President considered and nominated candidate, Bernhard Zinkgraf. Anne-Marie, P.P., was the Installing Official, Phyllis Lingenfelter was installed as President, and she then installed her officers. She presented Anne-Marie Moody with her Past President medal and thanked her for the successful year. She then thanked the officers who had assisted her. After Companion Bernhard Zinkgraf led us in our devotions, President Phyllis Lingenfelter adjourned the meeting at 2:17 pm in peace and harmony.