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## Call for Papers

On behalf of the Silas H. Shepherd Lodge of Research #1843, the publication committee is sponsoring a call for papers relating to this year's edition of *Pharos: The Silas Shepherd Reader*. It was determined that the Silas H. Shepherd Lodge of Research #1843 of Free and Accepted Masons of Wisconsin intended to produce a new research publication to promote all things Masonic. After several meetings and much discussion of what the publication was to look like and what its purpose was, it came time to name it.

We wanted the name to express the mission and contents of the publication while at the same time "branding" it as a new and exciting reader that would be accessible to Freemasonry at large. We came to agree on "*Pharos-The Silas Shepherd Reader*," named for the Pharos Library of Alexandria. Each year we produce an edition centered broadly about a theme. Our inaugural edition was *Origins*, followed by *Influences*, *Esoterica*, *Travelers*, *Contemplation* and *Symbolism*.

The Committee welcomes papers on any Masonic related topic for inclusion into the transactions of the Silas H. Shepherd Lodge of Research and to have these papers presented at our regular stated meetings. Topics have been (but are not limited to):

- Essays & Articles: Historical, Biographical, Philosophical
- Reviews: of Books (Nonfiction or Fiction) or Articles
- Poetry and Art Work
- Memorials to Members of Silas H. Shepherd Lodge of Research

Authors of accepted papers are invited to present their work at any Silas H. Shepherd stated meeting. In addition, selected papers will be published in the current edition of *Pharos* and will be available on the [www.silasshepherd.org](http://www.silasshepherd.org) Web Site and at the Wisconsin Annual Communication held in June. Both Silas H. Shepherd members and non-members are invited to submit proposals for papers.

Timely submission of the papers is critical to the success of the program. The procedures enumerated below will apply.

### 1. *Deadline for Pharos Papers*

By our March stated meeting, authors should submit their papers with a short description of the author. Papers, along with authors' contact information, should be submitted via e-mail to the Silas H. Shepherd Lodge at [editor@silasshepherd.org](mailto:editor@silasshepherd.org). Please put "Pharos" in the subject line.

### 2. *Papers for our Transactions*

If you are submitting a paper to be presented at one of our stated meetings please submit it to our editor no later than a week prior to the meeting. Please let us know if you intend on presenting it yourself or would prefer to have one of our members present it for you. While we encourage you to attend our stated meeting attendance is not required to have your paper presented.

### 3. *Submission Guidelines*

Work must be typed in English.

The preferred method of submission is electronically, in either MS Word or .rtf format, however works may be submitted by postal mail. Hardcopies will be kept in the archives of the lodge and not returned to the author. (See email and postal addresses below).

There are no length requirements, but papers of more than 10 pages should include a short abstract.

All submissions must include information about the author (at least name and lodge affiliation).

It is hoped that the authors will also submit their papers for publication in *Pharos*. However, acceptance of a paper for this call does not *guarantee* its acceptance for publication in *Pharos*.

The Publications Committee looks forward to receiving papers in response to the call, and is happy to respond to inquiries from interested parties.

Questions may be addressed to Khristian E. Kay via e-mail at [editor@silasshepherd.org](mailto:editor@silasshepherd.org). Your participation in this effort to produce new papers will contribute to the written body of knowledge for the Silas H. Shepherd Lodge of Research and to the success of Freemasonry in general.

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