



Dear 2019 TMS Members,

November 19, 2019

Thank you for your membership this past year – and what an amazing year it has been and continues to be! Through the support of our Members, The Masonry Society continues to further our mission - advancing the knowledge of masonry. We accomplished great things in 2019, that included our largest event ever – the 13th North American Masonry Conference! While it was wonderful, we had another great event earlier this month – our Annual Meeting that was held in beautiful Scottsdale, Arizona. Both forums showed the strength of the Society, the dedication of our Members, and great people to just hang out with and share ideas. Hopefully you were able to enjoy one or both, but if not, we hope to see you at Spring meetings in Charlotte, North Carolina on April 30 through May 2.

As 2019 nears an amazing end for TMS, another is sneaking up on us. To prepare for that, we have email out dues notices, and hopefully, you have already renewed. But if not, please see the attached, and use it to renew your dues by year's end so that you can take advantage of subscriptions to several masonry magazines while you are at it, and if so desired, order publications at Member discounts. Alternately, you can still renew using the website at:

<https://masonrysociety.org/dues-renewal/>

Many Members generously choose to donate to the General Fund, the Endowment Fund, the Pilot Project Fund, or the one of the Scholarship funds when renewing their dues. You may do that easily using the prompts when you renew your dues online.

As you consider you membership renewal, we would like to remind you of some new Member Benefits:

- TMS has just completed an online database of more than 1600 TMS Journal and North American Masonry Conference papers that members have free access to. Members and non-members can search the database using author or keyword search, but only Members can get instant access to those papers at no additional cost.
- Members have free access to over a dozen recordings of TMS webinars – for a listing see: <https://masonrysociety.org/product-category/presentations/webinar-recordings/free-webinars-for-members/>.

We hope you will find value in these new Member-only benefits along with your typical benefits (recognition as a Member of TMS; discounts of 25% or more on TMS publications, seminars, webinars, and events; TMS Journal, access to all issues of TMS Responds, etc.). In addition, don't forget that TMS continues to offer renewing Members complimentary subscription access to the following 5 TMS Standards:

- Cast Stone Standards (3 Standards (TMS 404-16, 504-16, and 604-16) in one download related to the Design, Fabrication and Installation of Architectural Cast Stone)
- Direct Design Handbook for Masonry Structures (TMS 403-13)
- Standard Method for Determining the Sound Transmission Class Rating of Masonry Walls (TMS 302-12)

We hope you find value in your Membership, and will quickly renew.

Questions regarding your dues renewal? Please contact the TMS office.

Thank you again for a great 2019 – we are hoping for even better things in 2020!

Sincerely,

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