

MOUNT HERMON LODGE #118 A.F. & A.M.

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June-July 2009

Mount Hermon Meetings

Thursday, July 2		
<i>Stated Communication</i>	7:30 PM	
Dinner	6:30 PM	
Thursday, July 16		
<i>1st Degree</i>	7:30 PM	
Dinner	6:30 PM	
Thursday, July 20		
<i>2nd Degree</i>	7:30 PM	
Dinner	6:30 PM	
Thursday, August 6		
<i>Stated Communication</i>	7:30 PM	
Dinner	6:30 PM	

Hermonic Happenings

One of our long-time members has gifted the Lodge with a fine two-volume 1912 edition of a Masonic Encyclopedia. We thank Bro. Harold Talbot for his kind gift for our Mt. Hermon Library.

New Members

Our new brothers are moving along. On May 14, Christopher Todd Dickson was passed to the Fellow Craft Degree. On the same date, Bros. Lonnie Darr, Gary DeVore, Ron Halvorsen II, and Ricki Pierce passed their Proficiency examinations and on May 30th were raised to the sublime Degree of Master Mason.

On June 4, Galen Holland was elected to receive degrees and was made an Entered Apprentice on June 25. Perry Allen James was elected to receive the degrees on July 2.



39th District Meetings

Blackmer #170	
<i>Second Tuesday</i>	7:30PM
French Broad #292	
<i>First Monday</i>	7:30PM
Vance #293	
<i>Third Monday</i>	7:30PM
Biltmore #446	
<i>Every Tuesday</i>	7:30PM
Hominy #461	
<i>Second Tuesday</i>	7:30PM
Christopher Manis, Master	768-7364
David Clontz, Secretary	667-4204
Swannanoa #561	
<i>First and Third Thursday</i>	7:30PM
Nichols-West Asheville #650	
<i>Third Monday</i>	7:30PM
James Goodson, Master	628-5007
Jack Bennett, Secretary	670-7000
Black Mountain #663	
<i>First Monday</i>	7:30 PM

2009 Officers

Master: Mark Bloomfield	243-0303
Sr. Warden: John Yarnell	299-4900
Jr. Warden: Emmanuel Dumigron	335-2737
Treasurer: Ken Lance, PM	254-6038
Secretary: Ron Lambe	252-0643
Sr. Deacon: Zachery Renner	1-540-336-0102
Jr. Deacon: Tycer Lewis	279-4290
Sr. Steward: Travis Owens	693-8600
Jr. Steward: Robert Walker	236-0254
Chaplain: Fred Morris, PM	225-0082
Tyler: Valdo Moncada, PM	253-9849

Mt. Hermon History

Ever wonder where our namesake came from? Here is a brief history from Wikipedia.

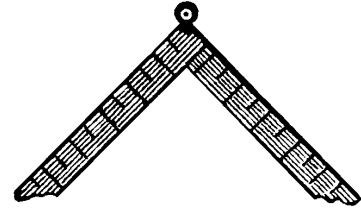
Mount Hermon was called **Senir** by the [Amorites](#) and **Sirion** by the [Sidonians](#) ([Deuteronomy 3:9](#) and see commentary of [Rashi](#) ad loc; [Psalms 29:6](#); [1 Chronicles 5:23](#); [Song 4:8](#); [Ezekiel 27:5](#)), names which may signify a "coat of mail" or "armor". The mountain served as the northern boundary of the [Promised Land](#) ([Deuteronomy 3:8](#)) and also was the northern limit of the conquest ([Joshua 11:17](#), [12:1](#), [13:5](#)).

The high places of Mount Hermon were used by the [Canaanites](#) in [Canaanite mythological](#) rituals. They referred to the [mountain](#) as **Mount Ba'al-Hermon** ([Judges 3:3](#)). It is also called **Mount Sion** or **Mount Siyon** ([Deuteronomy 4:48](#)).

The [Gospels](#) tell of [Jesus](#) and his [disciples](#) journeying north from [Bethsaida](#) on the [Sea of Galilee](#) to the city of [Caesarea Philippi](#) at the southern base of Mount Hermon ([Matthew 16:13](#); [Mark 8:27](#)). There, Jesus revealed to them his purpose to build his [Church](#) and to go to [Jerusalem](#) to die and be resurrected ([Matthew 16:18-21](#)).

Mount Hermon was a possible site of the [Transfiguration](#), where [Jesus](#) took three of his disciples, [Peter](#), [James](#), and [John](#), up on a high mountain for prayer. Before their eyes, [Jesus](#) was transfigured. He became radiantly white and conversed with [Moses](#) and [Elijah](#), who had appeared beside him. The disciples' amazement and fear were further increased, when a voice from [Heaven](#) exclaimed, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him!" ([Matthew 17:1-8](#); [Mark 9:2-8](#); [Luke 9:29-36](#)).

In the [Book of Enoch](#), Mount Hermon is the place where the [Grigori](#) ("Watcher") class of [fallen angels](#) descended to [Earth](#). They swore upon the mountain that they would take wives among the daughters of men and return ([Enoch 6](#)).



From the East

Brothers,

July finds our lodge as busy as we have been, with several degrees planned (July 16th and 30th), Answering multiple inquiries, coaching candidates, and just really enjoying all the activity and interest in our lodge. I'll tell you that no Master could be prouder of his lodge than me. We were thrown a tremendous amount of work this year and everyone has stepped up and done their share. For that, Thank You!! Keep up the good work everyone as what we are doing now is making history!

Mark Bloomfield, Master



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