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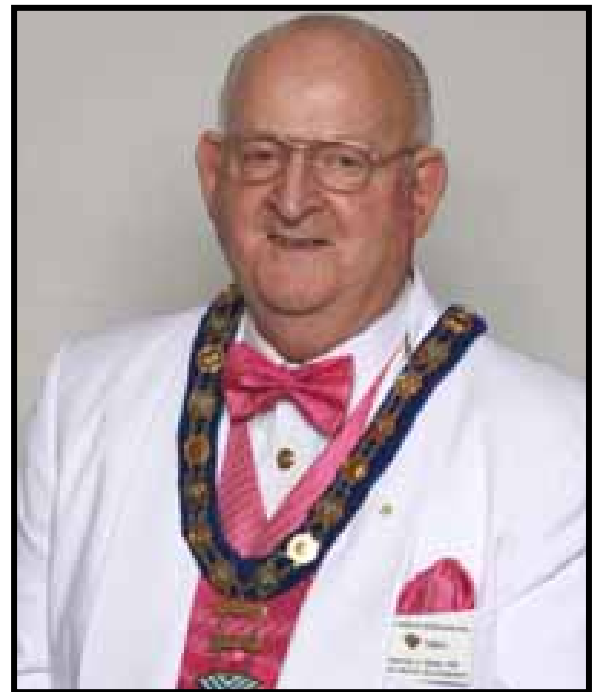
Brethren,

I would like to thank you for electing me President of High Twelve International. I will do my best to improve our great organization and with the help of the entire group of officers, we will **"Git it Dunn!"**

We have three types of men in Masonry; Good, Great and Outstanding. I believe this year High Twelve International has Outstanding, Outstanding officers. The three Vice Presidents have been assigned tasks, which they are putting 100% plus effort into accomplishing.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Sid Leluan is leading the effort in making our Automated Membership system one of the best in Masonry. He and the Webmaster Kelly and her husband Matt are spending many hours improving the system, so we will be able to have the means to account for all our members and will know the actual number of members there are. Many High Twelvians belong to two or more clubs and it looks like we have more members than we actually do. The Website is used for many venues and we are slowly listing all the clubs in the Associations. Our Club and Association Secretaries are working hard to make the system work.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Don Whistler has taken on the International Fund Raiser, which this year is sending Pocket Planners to each and every member. The plans were to send out the Planners by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Guess what? Don has accelerated the process and they were mailed out on September 15<sup>th</sup>. We hope the membership will support this Fund Raiser, so that we will not have to address raising the Per Capita. Our Officers and members do not want to raise Per Capita and with your support, we can hold off for the foreseeable future. If you would like more than the one Planner sent to you,



Mervyn J. Harris  
President

High Twelve International, 2010-2011

orders can be placed with the International Secretary.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President Jim Parker has taken on two areas this year. The biggest is Membership, followed by the Youth Program. He has some great ways to assist you and your clubs in finding and encouraging Masons to join our great fraternity. He has two articles in this issue of the Fall High Twelvian, which we hope you will

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# President's Message

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read and take appropriate actions. Jim is also finding ways to include the Youth Groups as they are also included in our future growth.

During the time frame of July 1<sup>st</sup> to September 15<sup>th</sup>, we have had more than ten inquiries for New Club Packets from Masons, who have expressed their desire to start a new club. What thrills me is that they are all in the USA. I asked PIP Jim Satterthwaite to monitor the requests for new clubs. When he receives an inquiry, Jim sends them an email explaining that he would like to assist them in starting the new club and has a Packet mailed to them. He then follows up with a call and then another email. He is having a great response to his offer of assistance.

I will cover the other officers in a later report but I want you to know they are putting their hearts and souls into making High Twelve International a leader in Fraternal Organizations.

One of our goals for this year was to have a Conference Call with the Executive Committee and on the opposite month with the entire Governing Board. We have held two Executive Committee call so far, but we are at a stand still with the Governing Board because after the State's Annual Convention/Meetings, we are not receiving the information on the new Presidents and Secretaries. We are shooting for our first Governing Board Conference Call on Monday, October 18, 2010 at 4:00 pm Eastern Time. The telephone number and access code will be furnished in the email being sent to the Associations. We would like both the President or his Representative and the State Secretary join us. We have some basic rules for the Conference calls which will also be included in the announcement.

I would like to thank all the International officers for their ideas, assistance and dedication to High Twelve. I would also like to thank the Associations and their membership for the Invitation to their Convention and the hospitality extended to me when I make the visit.

I have had the opportunity to attend the Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio State Conventions. Each Convention was handled with great professionalism and proficiency. It makes me proud to be the President of High Twelve International.

I will have attended the Colorado, Arizona and California Conventions when you read the news in this issue of the High Twelvian. As you know, we have to have our articles in early, so I will report what has happened at those Conventions in the December Monthly Update.

The Monthly Update will not be published the months the High Twelvian is published. Don't forget your articles for both publications. Submit your articles prior to the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month for the Monthly Update and October 15<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup> for the High Twelvian.

The final subject I would like to discuss is that in addition to the Monthly Update, which is sent to over 1,000 members by email, we are now publishing the High Twelvian twice a year. The High Twelvian will be mailed out before November 1<sup>st</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> each year. If additional funds become available, we are hoping for additional issues. Information on submitting articles, stories and photos are explained elsewhere in this issue of the High Twelvian. Articles for the Monthly Update should be sent to Merv Harris, Editor and International President at [harrishi1205@comcast.net](mailto:harrishi1205@comcast.net). Every member is invited to submit articles of interest, e.g., club happenings, Awards, Fund Raisers, Installations, etc. Articles for the High Twelvian should be sent to Kevin Hokerk, Arizona PSP at [klhokerk@cox.net](mailto:klhokerk@cox.net).

Merv Harris, International President

## Doctor Monty McMinn, PIP, High Twelve International 2009-2010



Brethren and Friends,

It is with great sadness that we report our Junior Past International President, Doctor Monty McMinn, passed away in Hospice care quietly and peacefully on Thursday, October 28, 2010. Doctor McMinn has been fighting cancer for several months and finally lost the battle.

Doctor McMinn wishes his ashes to be scattered in Scotland, his family cemetery in Arkansas and San Antonio, Texas. On November 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM a memorial service will be held in San Antonio, Texas, at the Davy Crockett Masonic Lodge #1225 AF & AM and is open to all who wish to attend.

Monty will be best known for his love of Masonry and the friends he has made over the years. He was credited with starting several High Twelve Clubs in Texas and looked forward to having a group from Italy joining the ranks of High Twelve International in the near future.

He was very proud of his Lady Becky, who helped him in his advancement through the International line and her assistance when accompanying him when traveling through Texas visiting and starting new clubs.

His friends in Masonry will miss his encouragement, assistance and leadership. He will certainly be missed by all and one day we will be able to once again meet a True and Faithful Servant in the Celestial Lodge above.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to The Wolcott Foundation, American Cancer Society for research, The Boy Scouts of America, The Knights Templar Eye Foundation or Castle Menzies near Weem, Aberfeldy Scotland.

## International 2nd Vice President

### Donald M. Whistler



We have once again mailed Pocket Planners to our membership. They were mailed in late September and should have been received by most of our members by the beginning of October. If you did not receive one, please contact me by telephone at 717-854-0161 or by e-mail at [dmwhistler@aol.com](mailto:dmwhistler@aol.com) and I will see that you receive one.

The mailing of the pocket planners is our major fund raising project for High Twelve International for the year. If you have not already mailed a contribution, please consider doing so by mailing a check, large or small, to our International Secretary, Robert Holliday, Bettendorf Masonic Center, 2412 Grant Street, Bettendorf, IA 52722.

You may also obtain addition planners for gifting to your friends at a cost of \$5.00 each, including shipping, by contacting Bob. You should include your name and address, the desired number of planners and a check for the total amount.

I want to thank the members of the Executive Committee of High Twelve International, who assisted on this project. I also want to extend a "Big Thank You" to John Whiteman (a member of High Twelve) of J C Printing & Mailing Service in Lafayette, Indiana, who handled the mailing for us. John's service has been invaluable to us.

Fraternally, Donald M. Whistler, 717-854-0161 or [dmwhistler@aol.com](mailto:dmwhistler@aol.com)

## International Secretary

### Bob “Doc” Holliday



Fraternal Greetings Brothers, my name is Bob (Doc) Holliday and it my privilege to serve as your International Secretary. When assistance or direction is needed, please feel free to contact me and I will do my best to assist you and/or to forward your request to the individual who can. The International Office is located in Bettendorf, Iowa. Please address your correspondence as follows: High Twelve International, c/o Bettendorf Masonic Center, 2412 Grant Street, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722. The phone number of High Twelve International is: (563) 514-3270.

The International Web Site is: [www.high12.org](http://www.high12.org). The web site is an important resource and provides a great deal of information. Please take the opportunity to sign up for the newsletter subscription mentioned on the web site. I would strongly recommend that each club secretary download the Constitution and By Laws of High Twelve International. This will serve as a ready and extremely important reference. Updating the database is currently underway. To ensure that club information matches what High Twelve International has on file, please forward me your updated club roster. I would appreciate club officer email information as well. With regard to per capita payments, if your club has not already submitted payment, please do so as soon as possible. Just as a reminder, in accordance with the International By Laws, Article VI, Section 2(a), per capita fees are based on the number of active members shown on the December 31<sup>st</sup> club membership report, which clubs send to the State Secretary and which the State Secretary sends to me.

Please share the objectives of High Twelve with your club members, one of the more important ones being: To unite Masons in the happy bonds of a fraternal hour. Bob

### Web Site News

by Kelly Seddens, Webmaster

The Internet is primarily a visual medium and your website is often the way in which your organization makes its first impression to potential members. High Twelve International has been developing a fresh, exciting new website over the past year which has improved our Internet presence immensely. The new website is inviting with easy to navigate menus.

You can subscribe to High Twelve’s monthly newsletter right on the website and receive it by email. The newsletter provides important information for members to keep updated on club and state events as well as fund raising ideas. For prospective members it offers insight into High Twelve and its activities and the benefits to becoming a member. Past newsletters can be found on the, “Documents and Newsletter Archives” page.

There is information regarding Annual Conventions and Mid-Year Conferences including registration forms, hotel and agendas. You can also find minutes from previous events. Official publications, Constitution and By-Laws, Convention Manual, International, State and Club Officer’s Manuals are available on the “Manuals and Forms” page. You can also find official High Twelve forms as well as ordering information for forms and certificates not available online.

For prospective members, the “About High 12” page contains the history of High Twelve, its founder and its purpose. Prospective members can be referred to the “How You Can Join High 12” page, which provides information on how to become a member of a High Twelve club or even establish a new club.

You can find information about the Wolcott Foundation and how to contact a representative in your area on the “Wolcott Foundation” page.

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## Expansion and Retention

by Jim Parker, Chairman  
3rd International Vice President

Membership Growth Process: In studying High Twelve International and the challenges offered by any International organization, I find most issues to be as simple as “How to cook an elephant?” Well, how do you cook an elephant? The answer, of course, is to cook it in small manageable pieces. How does this apply? The committee structure

needs to get as close to the action as possible. Once we get close, a simple, unified plan for delivery, we maximize results for the effort.

Getting new membership is a lot like fishing. A good fisherman needs several tools to be successful. Fishing tackle might head the list, but items like a fishing boat, bait, and a good river or lake are also necessary. Relating fishing to member hunting goes like this, Where is our river or lake? Lodges, Eastern Star, Amaranth, York Rite, Grotto and Scottish Rite to name a few. What do they all have in common? This and other like organizations are the places we find Master Masons and their wives. Bait is important, what is our bait? The DVD gives several examples we can develop to inspire potential new members.

An international membership TEAM needs to consist of Chairman (Cheerleader/ Coach) and the State Association Presidents. Each President working independently in their jurisdiction with some common instructions and objectives will inspire the grassroots portion of the TEAM. Each President will communicate progress and any problems (opportunities). The DVD Presentation and script, will be trained by a designated International Officer.

The next logical level is to have the State Presidents gather the Club Presidents in their jurisdiction, and teach them the process. This International officer will serve as a Cheerleader/Coach for his TEAM. About 5 or 6 Jurisdictions per officer. Each Association President, is being supplied with a DVD Power Point presentation and can make use of his Cheerleader/coach as necessary.

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## The Wolcott Foundation

by Malcolm S White, Chairman  
The Wolcott Foundation, Inc.

Brothers of High Twelve—it is regretful, but necessary to remind ourselves that each member of High Twelve is a member of the Wolcott Foundation! Even with that in mind, almost *one half* of our clubs make no contribution to the Wolcott Foundation. Hopefully, this will change and will not be the case in the near future.

Those of us who are honored, and trusted to be Wolcott Trustees have a most exciting experience in the process of selecting the Wolcott Fellows each Spring. We have the opportunity to ‘meet’ a group of marvelous young people who are self-directed and motivated towards a career in public service.

The Wolcott program when started, was directed towards our Masonic Youth. Sad to say this has not always been the case. We have too few applicants who are Masonic Youth organization members; some do have Masonic family connections, and some were or became Masons and High Twelve members later on.

The Wolcott Foundation is highly regarded at the George Washington University, and the University has worked very closely with us in accomplishing the goals of the Wolcott Program. When you have the opportunity to hear one of our Wolcott Fellows - at International or State Conventions - listen to what they say about the impact that the Wolcott program has had on their educational endeavors.

Do not hesitate to contact your Wolcott Trustee for information, materials or perhaps a speaker at your meetings.

Working together, the members of High Twelve, through our Wolcott program, have made, and are making a definite effect upon the level of government services that now exist and will continue on into the future.

Fraternally, Malcolm S. White, Chairman

## **Youth Committee**

by Jim Parker, Chairman  
3rd International Vice President

Brother High Twelvians, last year I gave a great deal of thought to how our youth committee could be effective and what changes were needed to achieve the desired effectiveness. First some questions for the members of the 2010-11 committee I am about to propose:

- \* Does your State (Jurisdiction) have a Rainbow, Job's and DeMolay Annual Meetings?
- \* If yes, does your State Association present a gift (operating funds) to our youth at their Annual Meetings?
- \* If yes, how much? If this is an embarrassing question, you need not answer it!
- \* But, do you believe that is an adequate amount to really show our support for Masonic youth?

After pondering these questions, we can begin to develop a meaningful program to support our youth.

The question as I see it, is how can we develop a TEAM to show an adequate level of support for our Masonic Youth Organizations, and at the same time, gain recognition with our youth?

In attempting to achieve the recognition we desire at the International level, It is clear we have not gotten the desired results. I also believe, to get these results, we must do it jurisdiction by jurisdiction. Analyzing how each jurisdiction operates is best done by the State Association and its officers working directly with their Rainbow Grand Assembly, Job's Daughters Grand Bethel and Jurisdictional DeMolay. Each State President is challenged to attend these Annual Meetings of our Youth.

Now at the grass roots level, our Clubs need to seek out local Assemblies, Bethels and Chapters. Attending their meetings and activities can bring great results for our collective future. Our State Presidents are challenged to develop within their constituent clubs a strong desire to support our Masonic youth.

What you have just read is not just a desire to do an important task, but many of the nuts and bolts necessary to accomplish it. Some concentration and effort is required, but we can do it. With your assistance, we will develop a reward system, such as we have in place for those who donate to the Wolcott Scholarship foundation. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and efforts. Jim

## **International High Twelvian of the Year 2009-2010**

**Gilbert B. Monck**  
**DC High Twelve Club #576**

Brother Monck joined DC High Twelve Club #576 in the early 1990's. When a Past Grand Master of DC and Charter Member of the club asked him to be Second Vice President he accepted. This started Brother Monck's enthusiasm in the local High Twelve program. He became President in 1995 and then became Secretary of the Club in 1996. He was the coordinator for the 1998 International High Twelve Convention held in the Washington, DC Metropolitan area, highlights were the visit to the George Washington University, University Club, for dinner and greetings from the University President, Stephen Trachtenberg. Brother Monck has been instrumental in keeping DC Club #576 in existence despite the health of the members and lack of new members joining. He has interviewed several applicants for the Wolcott Scholarships and prepared the Clubs recommendations for these applicants. Several of the applicants were selected to attend George Washington University by the Wolcott Trustees. Brother Monck and his wife Joy have attended a number of National Conventions starting in Louisville, Kentucky and including Washington DC, Orlando, Florida and several in Evansville, Indiana.

When Brother Monck was in his early teens he joined Robert LeBruce Chapter, Order of DeMolay in Washington,

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## **High Twelvian of the Year** *(Continued from page 7)*

DC. Brother Monck became Master Councilor and received the Degree of Chevalier and the DeMolay Legion of Honor Award. Brother Monck's Masonic Lodge accomplishments started with him submitting his application for the degrees on his 21st birthday, June 5, 1951. He became Master of National Lodge No. 12 F.A.A.M. of Washington, DC in 1968. After leaving the East Brother Monck became secretary of the lodge for several years and then returned to the East in 1983 and 1988. In the 1990's he became secretary again when the Lodge merged with two other Lodges. He was secretary until 2001 when he moved to Pennsylvania. Brother Monck joined the Scottish Rite, Valley of the District of Columbia and Zembo Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. He was a member, Worthy Patron and Treasurer of Prudence Chapter Order of the Eastern Star until that Chapter closed. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home of the District of Columbia and served as President of the Board for 4 years.

Brother Monck has been active in Church activities from an early age. He has taught Sunday school, was a Christian Educational Director, a member of several vestries in three different parishes and Senior Warden of two of these vestries. He has been involved with the search and calling to the ministry of four rectors of three parishes. He has been a delegate to the Episcopal Diocese State Conventions from several parishes. Presently he is coordinator for outreach to the community. He is instrumental in obtaining staple food products from the Church congregation and supplying it to the local Human Services Council. Brother Monck graduated from High School in June of 1948 and started work one week later at the Army Map Service as a blue line draftsman. Thirty-seven years later he retired from the same organization, then called the Defense Mapping Agency. He went from draftsman to stereoscopic mapping operator, to mapping editor and then became a member of the Training and Development Staff. In this position he was an instructor in training new high school and college graduates in the art and science of making maps. He became Chief of their Training Center during the Korean and Vietnam Conflicts. Brother Monck was involved with the advising, counseling and coordinating students to take after hours college courses at George Washington University and Montgomery College, Maryland. Since retiring in 1987 he has been active with the National Active and Retire Federal Employees (NARFE) and is a member of the Board of Directors of two NARFE Chapters. He was President of Chapter 409, in Frederick, Maryland in 1993 to 1995 and 2000 to 2001. He is Presently Chaplain of that chapter and Alzheimer's Chairman of Chapter 1063 in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Shortly after the death of their daughter in the mid 1960's from Cystic Fibrosis Brother Monck became a member of the Board of Directors of the DC Metropolitan Area Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. In this position he helped to make decisions on fund raising, supplying information to the parents and donors and acting as Santa Clause during a Christmas Picture opportunity in Reston, Virginia. He was President of this Board of Directors for 4 years and has continued to be interested in and supporting the Cystic Fibrosis research.

## ***The High Twelvian***

by Kevin L. Hokerk, PSP, Editor

Fellow High Twelvians it is honor to have been appointed as Editor of this publication that has a long history of excellence! After being absent for a couple of years I hope you enjoy this issue and look forward to the Spring issue as well. Hopefully at some point in the future the frequency of publication can be increased.

We live in a electronic world today with almost everything being available instantly. But it is a fact that many of our members are not 'connected' electronically and so our official publication has remained in printed format as well as a downloadable or viewable file through our International Web Site.

Until the next publication in May please continue to provide your timely input for the Monthly Update to International President Merv and I look forward to coming to you in printed format in the Spring. Kevin





## HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL'S MID YEAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Riviera Hotel and Casino, 2901 Las Vegas Blvd. So, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109

**Hotel Reservations: Perry Albert, 702-794-9605, Riviera Hotel.**

Perry is available Tuesday through Saturday, 7:00 am to 3:00 pm, Pacific Time.

**Meetings:** Sunday, January 23 through Monday, January 24, 2011

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Cut Off Date for Reservations, January 10, 2011**

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Club Name and No. \_\_\_\_\_ City & State \_\_\_\_\_

Riviera Hotel Rates for High Twelve Representatives is \$20.00 per night. You must make your own room reservations (2 guests per room.) Contact and Telephone number listed above.

Room Reservations should be made as soon as possible as there is a room limit.

**Registration Fee: \$25.00.** Make Check Out to "High Twelve International. Check No. \_\_\_\_\_

Send check and Reservation Form to Mervyn J. Harris, President, 743 Palma Drive, Lady Lake, FL 32159.

### **SCHEDULE**

Sunday – Arrival, Registration and Check-in. (Dinner together)

Monday – Mid-Winter Meeting. (Meeting Room)

Tuesday – Executive Committee will meet to discuss future plans. (Meeting Room)

**NOTE:** If you desire to stay an additional day or two, check with Perry for room rate.

Meals will be off the menu or Buffet. All meals are the attendees' responsibility.

**Meeting will start promptly at 9:00 am on Monday.**

If you have any questions, please call Merv at 352-753-3505 or 352-817-0707 or email harrishi1205@comcast.net

***"LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN LAS VEGAS!"***

**INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: (Updated/Corrected) 8/30/10.**

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# Association News

## **Illinois State Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs**

By Edward Rund, PSP, State Secretary

The annual Illinois State Convention was held on August 21<sup>st</sup> at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, south of Belleville. We were pleased to have Bro. Mervyn Harris, Int'l President with us for his first convention visit. All



Report from State Treasurer Jack Colvis. International President Harris and new State President, Richard Cummings are seen on the right.



Bros. Nick Weisinger, PSP and Past International Chaplain, Edward Rund, PSP and State Secretary, and State Treasurer Jack Colvis attending the recent Indiana State Convention.

## **Indiana State Association**

by Glenn N. Allen, State President

The 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Indiana State High Twelve Convention was held at the Indiana Masonic Home in Franklin, IN. on Saturday September 18, 2010. President Martin Donahue conducted the Board and General membership meeting. Several visitors and guests were introduced. Election of officers was conducted and the following officers were installed for 2010-2011. Glenn Allen State President, Dan Gates 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, David Nickerson 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Rudell Wilburn 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President. Tom Bevington P.I.P. remained as State Secretary and Gene Lackey P.S.P. as State Treasurer. Also installed were Jacob Wiebers P.S.P. as Sgt. At Arms and John Whiteman as Chaplain. The Presidents Banquet was held in the Main Dining room of the Masonic Home immediately following the installation. The staff at the Masonic Home prepared the food. All who attended enjoyed the food and fellowship.

## **Acacia Santa Rita Masonic High 12 Club #505**

by Richard Snow, President

Planning is underway for our 30th Annual Christmas program benefiting the needy pre-schoolers in Amado AZ. The club works with the teachers and parents to insure the children's needs are met. This year we will be assisting some 20 children. This is something we look forward to each year.

# Club News From All Over!

## FIRST ESSEX MASONIC HIGH TWELVE CLUB #729 - UK

by John James, President

The members of First Essex were pleased to have PIP Monty McMinn and his wife Becky as guests last year. Representatives of Arnold Page Club #298 were also in attendance. Our club is going strong although we have had a couple of bereavements.



John James being presented the first Presidential Award by IMonty McMinn, International President



Member of Essex High Twelve Club with Monty McMinn, International President



Monty & Becky McMinn with Horse Guard in the rear



Front: John James  
Rear: Mrs. James, Becky & Monty McMinn  
touring London in open top bus

## FRANKLIN COUNTY HIGH TWELVE CLUB #728

by Don Parrish

Club President Gary W. Barnes is unable to preside at club meetings during the period of his surgery, treatment, and recovery which is expected to run through the end of this year. Please join the members of the Franklin County High 12 in wishing Gary well and sending him cards of well wishes and encouragement. His mailing address is: Gary W. Barnes, 2960 Roosevelt Drive, Chambersburg, PA 17201-8976

## MOLINE HIGH TWELVE CLUB #88

by H. Burdette (Bud) Workman

Moline Club had a picnic at Buck & Coralie Wendt's home on Rock River in Moline that was well attended. Buck furnished the meat and buns and we all brought a dish to share with others. New Club Officers were installed September 10.

# Club News From All Over!

## ARNOLD PAGE HIGH TWELVE 298 - UK

by Darrell C Russell, Secretary

Twenty of our members and guests enjoyed day out in the coastal city of Cromer, famous for its crab and is located on the North Coast of East Anglia. A lunch of Cromer Crab and desserts were enjoyed by all and this was followed up by an afternoon matinee on the Cromer Pavilion Pier and Theater.



## FLORIDA ASSOCIATION PANCAKE BREAKFAST

by Jim Satterthwaite, PIP

On Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> the Leesburg area High Twelve Clubs got together and held an all you can eat pancake breakfast for the purpose of filling the charities budget for the remainder of this year. Workers from Hawthorne, Tri-County and Mid-Florida Lakes clubs arranged the hall and with outside help created a wonderful breakfast and charged those attending \$5 for their fill. Everything that was planned by 3<sup>rd</sup> State Vice President, William Staple and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ray Trudeau went just as planned, perfect. Well over a hundred people showed up. Over the years the association has made contributions to the three Masonic youth groups and the Florida Masonic Home; to make a worthwhile contribution Bill Staple suggested this course of action, plans were made and the High Twelvians and their ladies made it all work. Who says you have to provide a golden egg to get people to gather for fellowship!



Back: Chef Chris; Ray Trudeau, State 2<sup>nd</sup> VP; Chef Helper; Terry Shook, Hawthorne 1<sup>st</sup> VP; Center: Pat Simpson; Naomi Satterthwaite; Front: Judy Shook



Standing: Robert Rodd, Florida State President; Mervyn Harris, International President; The bearded Brother is Robert Dill and his Lady Priscilla in the white blouse.

# Club News From All Over!

## Mid-Florida Lakes Masonic High Twelve Club #522

Summer is rapidly descending and fall is on its way and the club has taken up the reigns again for an active season. We just received a letter from the principal of an elementary school requesting our club to purchase \$800 worth of classroom books for two different grades. In these times of economic distress schools are reaching out for help in offering their young students an opportunity of a quality education. Although this sounds like a rather large sum of money, we just happen to have budgeted just that much for education. Our Board of Directors will meet the end of September and make a decision that I feel will be helpful to the school, especially the students. Isn't that what High Twelve is all about? We support our Masonic Youth, the Florida Masonic Home and many other worthy groups to some extent.

Since money does not grow on trees, it means a club of some 35 members roll up their sleeves and go to work preparing and serving a spaghetti dinner and a pulled pork dinner all for the purposes of aiding others. This is a lot of work with a wonderful batch of results which make it all worth while. Somewhere I read where giving is rewarding and after belonging to a club that gives freely, I know for a fact that the saying is very correct. It's not how big your club is, it's how big their hearts are. Being proud gives a great boost to any organization.

## Florida State Masonic High Twelve Association

Florida clubs are working hard to earn the honor of holding the Raymond Turner Membership Trophy this coming year. The Masonic Home club is really giving a push in that direction along with several others. This beautiful trophy is presently stored at the Hawthorne Club in Leesburg who won hand over fist last year. Everybody needs something to bring interest and excitement to gaining membership. Without excitement interest usually wanes and either is unsuccessful or dead. A challenge does create this interest with any club that is interested in becoming revitalized with new members.

## Tavares Masonic High Twelve Club

Tavares club is now in a growing mode, it has taken in quite a few new members and has about 5 in the wings waiting for the October meeting. Our president, Tom Mysinger, doesn't let grass grow where action is needed. He goes to the local lodges and talks to those just coming into Masonry and gets them interested in High Twelve. He introduced two Fellowcrafts at our board meeting who will be raised in about a month or so; they are eager to participate in High Twelve. It is always interesting to see just who steps forward to mentor the new members so they remain involved and feel welcome and willing to do what is needed. When the nominations committee went asking for officers they found a President, two Vice Presidents, Directors and a Secretary and Treasurer; don't ask, don't expect anything; ask and be thrilled with the results.

## Florida Wolcott Contributions

You certainly can tell the country is in an economic crunch can't you. Our membership must always think about bringing quality young men and women into government to strengthen our way of life. Contributions are light so far this year although Florida only has a very few clubs that remain open during the summer. Some of our members chose to contribute their gifts monthly or quarterly while others use special days and times for theirs. We don't care how you chose to contribute, but please be sure you don't forget our major philanthropy, The Wolcott Foundation.

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## Florida Annual Convention

Sarasota will be the headquarters for the 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention using the Homewood Suites by Hilton as the Headquarters and Sahib Shrine Center for some of the meetings and meals. Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> will be the starter with the State Vice Presidents preparing a steak fry fresh off the grill by the pool at the Homewood. This is something new and exciting. Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> will be the opening session and the ladies will be taking a tour of the Ringling Brothers Circus museum in Sarasota while the men do their necessary work. Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, Pearl Harbor Day, will be the installation and luncheon. President Bob Rodd is an old auctioneer and he will be auctioning off many items brought in by the membership. We are very happy with the arrangements and know it will be a very successful convention and we welcome any one that wishes to attend from all over the good ole US of A.

### **Expansion and Retention** (Continued from page 6)

The biggest, and really most important job the Club presidents have is in the identification of Masonic organizations in their service area. Once identified, an Advocate to each of the identified organizations will make a list of Advocates. At each club meeting, the President calls the roll of Advocates and candidates for membership will come.

Each Advocate's assignment will be to get an appoint for the membership TEAM to show the DVD, present the script and answer questions. The presenters will be equipped with petitions and directions to meeting places in the area.

I hope you are still with me, for best results a State Officer needs to do the presentation. The reasoning is simple, no matter how good you are, it is almost impossible to be a profit in your own hometown.

### **Web Site News** (Continued from page 5)

If you would like to order Jewelry and Regalia visit the "Store and More" page where you will find a link to the licensed High Twelve vendor.

Forums/Message Boards will be coming online soon and each club will have their own forum where they can share news and ideas.

*Please email your club contact and meeting information as well as your club's charter date to: Kelly.Seddens@High12.org and include in the subject line "Forums and your Club Name and Number".*

We invite you to visit [High12.org](http://High12.org) and take some time to look around! This is **YOUR** website and any and all suggestions are greatly appreciated and encouraged! Please alert us if there are any broken links or typos. This is a large website and we want it to be perfect. Kelly Seddens, Webmaster

## **Arizona State Association by Glenn R. Vogt, PSP, State President**

The Arizona Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs held their 35th Annual Convention on October 23rd at the Sun City Lodge #72 Fellowship Center in Peoria, Arizona. This was the first time a one day format was used and all went well. Retiring State President Harry C. Brown did an excellent job conducting the business meeting and election of officers. We were very fortunate as the Necrology Service was for only one member this year.

The Association was pleased to have in attendance International President, Mervyn Harris, his lady Patricia and International 1st Vice President, Sidney Leluan, III.

# 90th High Twelve International Convention - Dinner Cruise

Wow! We haven't even had our Mid Winter Meeting and here we are looking forward to the 90<sup>th</sup> High Twelve International Convention, in Jacksonville, Florida. The Convention will be held June 17 - 19, 2011, at the Crown Plaza Hotel, 1201 Riverplace Blvd., Jacksonville 32207.

My Lady Pat and I made a trip to Jacksonville in July to find something we felt would be enjoyed by all on the night before the Convention. Then last Saturday, Jim Satterthwaite, PIP, myself and our ladies drove up to co-ordinate the function for the event. At most Conventions around the country, we go out to dinner the night before the Convention. We want to make your trip to Florida to be **"SOMETHING SPECIAL!"** Remember, this is a special event as we are celebrating 90 years of High Twelve History. I bet that E.C. Wolcott never dreamed his idea would still be enjoyed by Masons around the globe 90 years later.

When we talked to the owner of the Cruise Line, he agreed to set up a cruise on the evening before the Convention. It is so convenient, the boat will pick us up at the walkway in front of the hotel. The fee will include the three hour ride, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dessert and hot & cold drinks. They will provide a Disc Jockey, playing our type of music, and a dance floor is available. They will have a bar open, if anyone cares to have refreshments. We will leave before dark and then have a ride through the city after dark, just so everyone can see just how beautiful Jacksonville is with its millions of lights.

When we went to inspect the boat and facilities, a large school of dolphins swam by the boat and what a beautiful sight that is when you are ready to take a boat ride. Jim Satterthwaite took some pictures, so you can see just how nice the boat is and the room available. The boat is wheel chair accessible and the dining area is air conditioned. Our boat, the Annabelle Lee is one of the few real paddle boats still operating in the country.

The total cost for the evening is \$50.00 per person. When compared to the dinner theater and hiring a bus to get us there and back, the Dinner Cruise is more reasonable and you will be picked up and returned to the dock in front of the hotel. Please make sure you arrive on Thursday, so you can enjoy one of the highlights of the Convention and being in Florida. The boat will start loading at 6:30 pm. Dinner will be served after the boat departs the loading area. (See the four photos following this article)

We made reservations for 40 people but the owner says that he can accommodate more if we let him know in advance. He has to have a firm count before ordering the food. We will be the only people on board, so he can accommodate up to a total of 60 people.

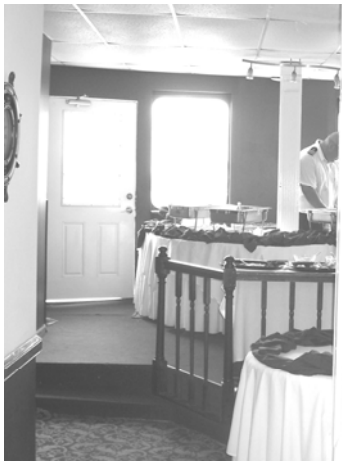


Boat and Dock



Upper Deck





Buffet Area



Bar Area

## High Twelve International – Forms available as of 09/23/10

<u>Form #</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Revision</u>	<u>Description</u>
F-201	Pad	090310	Dues cards per 25
F-202	Pad	02-77	Attendance Slips per 250 pad (old form)
F-207*	Ea	090310	Charter Member Certificate
F-208*	Ea	090310	New Member Certificate
F-209*	Ea	090410	Honorary Membership Certificate
F-214	Ea	04-00	Honorary Membership Wallet Card
F-210+	Ea	090410	Certificate of Appreciation – Guest Speaker
F-211+	Ea	090410	Certificate of Appreciation – Entertainment
F-213+	Ea	090410	Certificate of Acknowledgement, Appreciation and recognition
F-215	Set	Ukn	Get Well Cards with envelopes 25/set
F-216	Set	Ukn	Birthday Cards with envelopes 25/set
F-217*	Ea	090410	Club Past President Certificate
F-218*	Ea	090410	Association Past President Certificate
F-220	Set	Ukn	Informal Note Cards with envelopes 25/set
F-224	Ea	101010	Sympathy Cards with envelopes 25/set
F-228	Ea	10-92	Wall Poster – club meets here day and time
F-229	Ea	Ukn	Printers Logo Sheet
F-231	Ea	090810	Order Form for printed supplies and certificates
F-233+	Ea	05-90	3 Star Certificate – club level
F-234+	Ea	05-90	4 Star Certificate – state level
F-235#	Ea	06-95	5 Star Certificate – international level
F-301	Ea	092310	H-12 Brochure with application

\* Full name, club name/number, effective date, occasion required—"blank" forms not provided

+ Can be customized with recipient information if desired

# Restricted form—approval required

Order form on the next page and is available on the International Web Site



## High Twelve International Forms Supply Order Form

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Form #	Unit	Quantity	Additional Information (Name(s), Date(s), Occasion)

Please note that there is no charge for forms or postage at this time.

Provide recipients name, date for New Member-Past President-Past State President. 3-4 Star Awards can be customized with recipients name, date, and occasion. 5 Star Awards require International President approval.

Orders can be emailed, mailed or called in as indicated at the top of this form, *faxes are not an option*. If item(s) are needed by a specific date please indicate that date clearly.

When ordering Past President & New Member Certificates remember to order lapel pins from the Pin World link on the International Web Site ([www.high12.org](http://www.high12.org)) under Store and More on the left side.

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# High Twelve International

## Application for Membership



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a member in good standing of the \_\_\_\_\_ Masonic Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_

Located in \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to apply for membership in: \_\_\_\_\_ High Twelve Club # \_\_\_\_\_

If accepted for membership in High Twelve, I promise to give my best influence and efforts for its advancement and agree to abide by its Constitution and By-Laws; International, State and Local.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Recommended By  
High Twelve Club # \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL DATA

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

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Home Street Address                      City                      ST                      Zip Code +4

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Home Phone                      Cell Phone                      Occupation—title, position, or retired

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Member of: \_\_\_\_ Scottish Rite, \_\_\_\_ York Rite, \_\_\_\_ Shrine, \_\_\_\_ OES \_\_\_\_\_

Other(s), \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I Am A Senior DeMolay In \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter, Located In \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I am a member of High Twelve Club # \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

**Return** application to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Member Name                      Phone

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Each club has by-laws that determine the initiation and dues fees that need to accompany this application. Contact any club officer for required fees for the club you plan on joining.

To locate a club in your area visit:  
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## Up Coming International Functions

**MID WINTER MEETING:** Will be held at the Riviera Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, NV, January 23-24, 2011. Hotel rate is \$20.00 per night, rooms are limited, sign up early! All rooms are furnished with refrigerators.

**HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL 90TH ANNUAL CONVENTION:** Will be held at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Jacksonville, FL, June 17-19, 2011. Additional information will be published in the near future.

**MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE:** if your official mailing address is a **Post Office Box** that information is needed to have High Twelve mail delivered to you, **not your street address!** Inform your club secretary so an address update can be made on your clubs Monthly Report.