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President's Message

International President Sid Leluan, III:



The most difficult article for a President to write is always his last. How to express the emotions of the past months leading and guiding this organization is perplexing. The insights expressed and shared with your International Executive and Governing



bodies. Casting us into the 21st century with communication upgrades. Expanding our membership by expanding our Club base and the fervent promotion of International expansion. Grieving the loss of Past International Presidents while celebrating many new State Association Presidents. All this while the International Officers maintain their strong alliance and friendships with unified stalwart efforts for the betterment of High Twelve International.

For the sake of brevity and to not disclose my entire year-end report, I shall touch on some important matters that shall be more uplifting and forward thinking.

In the past 3 months I have travelled over 19,000 miles on American Airlines! I have been to Washington DC twice; once for Masonic Week and thence for the Annual meeting of the Wolcott Foundation. I am very pleased to say that every time I go to the Board meetings of the Wolcott Foundation I learn more. I meet more fellows. I enjoy, with great pride, their stories of how we, as High Twelvians, have made a significant difference in their lives. With a swollen tearful eye learn how they serve our great Country in many facets to make our lives, and those who surround us...better. I am so proud of them.

I was very proud to have my wife, Debbie with me as we travelled in April for the State Association of the great State of Michigan. President Mike and his lovely lady, Gayle were most gracious hosts while the entire time we were comfortably attended to by every member of their State Association. What a great time!

Fewer events in a President's career will equal the tremendous pride we have as we add a child to our family of Clubs. We have been very, very fortunate to add clubs in Arizona, Texas, Pennsylvania, Illinois and now we have re-chartered a club in Honolulu Hawaii. In the mid 1990's the Hui Awakea Club

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#464 was on the Island of Kona. They became so successful that they actually formed KONA Lodge! As a consequence of the success of the Lodge, the Club surrendered. We are very grateful to MWB Monty Glover and Cletus Ching who spearheaded the effort and put it all together with 21 new members.

We still are hopeful that the groundwork laid out for the Philippines, Mexico and the Bahamas will net us even more expansion to our International flag collection!! Our Past International President, Jim Satterthwaite is working diligently to establish legitimacy for the Bahamas and we await the paperwork for our Brothers south of the border. As they say “manana!”

If any opportunity presents itself by which you can address a Lodge or group of Masons, please do so. I know that there are many opportunities we are missing to establish a new club. Find the leaders in a Lodge, ask them to join. There is no shame in it. Ask to speak in front of the Lodge at a Stated Meeting for “enlightenment.” I recall that I was a Mason for more than 10 years before I knew that High Twelve was associated with Masonry! Don’t let this be the case in your neighborhood. Make a difference, make your brothers realize that there are “Service Organizations” like Rotary, Lions, Elks, Civitan and many others in this world and we can call High Twelve the Service Organization to Freemasonry.

The unity of fraternalism of our International officers has grown by leaps and bounds. Barring some small issues we have collectively and spiritedly discuss matters fiscally important to High Twelve. Our several Conference Calls have cleared the way to better understanding on issues that affect each of our clubs and State Associations. Brother Jim Parker has worked hard to make sure matters that are important to several of our State Associations are brought to our table and be offered for adoption at our International Convention being held in Tucson Arizona this June. (Please check the web site for the latest forms to attend). The teaching intelligence of our 3rd VP, Art Walton brings a new and refreshing light to our Board. And I could not be prouder to have a man the character of Don Whistler succeed me and the vision for High Twelve at our Convention. I am so proud of him and you will be too.

Please make plans to attend the International Convention June 24th through the 27th. A full list of events is available NOW on the International web site and I highly encourage you to take the time to visit beautiful Tucson and our surrounding areas for fun, food and fellowship. There is so much to do and we have negotiated extremely favorable rates with the Doubletree Hotel that include amenities not available otherwise! Your attendance and participation

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are what makes this all worthwhile. Refreshing old friendships and making new ones is only part of the benefits of attending. Meals have been negotiated to rates competitive with eating out, and in some cases, I would venture to say LESS! Besides any convention can only enjoy reduced and free rates on meeting rooms when we meet certain minimums on food and rooms.

By the time this message is distributed I will have had the honor and pleasure of raising my 19 year old son to the sublime degree of Master Mason. I hope that you will take an opportunity to join with me in welcoming the potential member of High Twelve when you visit in June. He will be raised on the 30th of April in Marion McDaniel Lodge No. 56 and stand in the very same place that John Wayne did when he was raised in 1970. I will take the liberty of posting pictures on the International web site after the event.

I wish to thank our good friend and ever-dedicated worker, Kevin Hokerk PSP for working so hard for the High Twelve forms and working closely with the Executive Board to find the money to put out this issue of the *High Twelvian* for your benefit.

A formal thanks to everyone else will be made in my allocution at Convention. I look forward to seeing you there. You won't regret it.

Blessings to all, Sid Leluan, International President

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International Web Site:
<http://high12.org/convention.html>

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Don't Wait Make Your Reservations NOW

International 1st Vice President



By Donald M. Whistler: The annual convention of High Twelve International is only a couple of months from now. I have been thinking for some time about my plans for my year as your President, should I be fortunate enough to be elected to the position at the annual convention in June. I would like to share those plans with you. They cover two major areas, fundraising and club expansion/membership development.

In the area of fundraising, after going two years of not mailing the pocket planners on a timely basis or not mailing them at all, we resumed mailing them two years ago. The first year, we had a loss of approximately \$300.00. This past year, we realized a profit in excess of \$1,800.00, excluding some miscellaneous expenses. I know that there are some of our members who believe that the time of the hard cover pocket planners has passed us by. To some extent, I believe that is true but, given the average age of our members, I also believe that the majority of them still use them. I plan, therefore, to recommend to the Executive Committee that we do the pocket planner project again this year and have a target date of the end of August for mailing them.

In addition to the pocket planners, I would like to do a project of mailing name and address labels with the High Twelve logo on them to our members. These are the labels most of us use for our return address when we mail letters. They have not been mailed to our members for sometime. Our President, Sid Leluan, introduced me to the vendor, who prints and mails them, at the Conference of Grand Masters. He is the same vendor who produced them previously for High Twelve International. If the Executive Committee agrees to it, I would like to do a mailing of the labels in February or early March 2013. We will need to have our data base in good shape for this project because the vendor will be using it for the printing and mailing of the labels for and to our members.

Now, I am going to cover club expansion and membership development. I am planning on dividing these objectives into three areas of responsibility. Our President, Sid, has made good progress in International Club development with his efforts in Mexico and the Philippines. He has also made excellent progress with Hawaii but that is one of our states. I am going to ask Sid to continue these efforts as he travels and has the opportunities to discuss High Twelve in other countries.

Another area is opening dialogue with the Grand Lodges of those states, which do not have any High Twelve Clubs at this time, about High Twelve. There are 30 of them! I do not know how long it has been since there was a concentrated effort with these states so I want to put forth an effort of doing it. At the Conference of Grand Masters, Sid and I had opportunities to talk with Grand Officers and Brothers from a number of these states. We both felt that there was definite interest in High Twelve. We need to

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work at it and I plan to take on this effort as your President. The timeframe will be to make initial contact with the Grand Lodges by September 30th of this year with follow up as appropriate depending on the response of each Grand Lodge.

The third area of responsibility is club expansion and membership development. Each state in which we currently have clubs has lots of opportunity for the expansion of clubs. In addition, there is more information and material which we can be providing our existing clubs to help them increase their membership. Ask yourself these questions:

1. What are we doing for our members?
2. Do they know what High Twelve International has available for them?
3. What are we doing to help them grow their memberships?
4. Are we encouraging them to reach out and help open new clubs in neighboring towns or cities?

I am going to ask our three Vice Presidents to collectively develop a plan to address these objectives. The timeframe will be to have a plan developed by December 31st of this year for implementation in early 2013.

Finally, in an effort to establish better communication with our state associations and local clubs, I plan to establish regions or zones similar to those established for the Wolcott Trustees. One of our International Officers will be responsible for each zone. The configuration of states within a zone will have to be a little different than those for the Wolcott Trustees since we will not have as many officers to cover them but you get the idea.

International 2nd Vice President



By James Parker, IV: As we go to press, there is still much to be accomplished toward the goal of recreating High Twelve International into an organization that delivers great service and leadership for our collective future. A great deal of TEAMWORK is required to accomplish much of anything.

Also, in my roll as a State Secretary, I am amazed at just how much cooperation I get from Club Secretaries just for the asking. As you know, a current and correct membership “Data Base” is as important a tool as any in our toolbox. Just how many members do we actually have remains a haunting question. Our GOAL of course needs to be making sure each and every member gets the High Twelvian, Pocket Planner and other correspondence mailed to their residence. This communication is essen-

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International 3rd Vice President:

By Art Walton: ***High Twelve is a Privilege!*** As I sat during an evening service this Easter week, my mind wondered a bit. It landed on the word privilege. We are indeed privileged in this country to worship in the manner and place we choose. We are also privileged to work, to live and to play as we chose. We are also privileged to join as we choose. Finally, having joined we have the privilege of participating as we choose.

After the service, as I returned to our home, in my golf cart, and considered the many privileges that had just crossed my mind during the Church service, I focused on joining. It is indeed a privilege to join a Masonic Lodge. But, the privilege does not stop there. Once a Mason it is our privilege as Masons to join Scottish Rite, York Rite, Shrine and a number of other concordant bodies. And yes, it is also our privilege to join High Twelve.

Having secured this privilege by becoming a Mason what can we do, and maybe more important, what should we do? I would like to suggest that we share this privilege with others who are members of the craft. So the bottom line of this short article is to challenge all of us to share High Twelve. What does this mean? It means we need to get outside of our Clubs and talk to other Masons. Visit their lodges. Visit their Valleys. Visit their Chapters, Councils and Commandery. What do we say when we visit? At least two states that I am aware of, Ohio and California, have CDs that you can get. You can project them if you choose to prospective members or you can use to content to prepare a short speech to give to prospective members. The privilege is real. Take it to heart and share it with the Craft. If you need a California CD please contact me at **arthurwalton@sbcglobal.net**.

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tial to our success and very survival. I am looking forward to being able to call up a particular Club's membership roster, make changes and see instant updates. Distribution of materials for the Mid-year and Annual Conventions will be made quickly and accurately.

I am looking forward to seeing each and every High Twelvian that ventures to the 2012 Convention.

There will be several pieces of important legislation up for your consideration. Work on these changes has been an interesting assignment. Streamlining High Twelve is one way to improve service to you. Your thoughts at the convention will be heard and appreciated. Please take time to inform your representatives of your opinions on the issues. Also, vetting at the annual caucuses will give all attendees the opportunity to see exactly where your elected officers will be taking High Twelve International.

International Secretary



By Bob "Doc" Holliday: Working together as a team, that is what we should be doing, and that is what we are doing. State Association and Independent State Secretaries, your continued help is needed to ensure that past and present per capita dues are brought up to date and remain that way. In accordance with the International Bylaws, State Association Secretaries are to send, to the International Secretary, on a monthly basis, the number of club members they have, and break it down to identify the ACTIVE versus those in a Masonic Home, because they are charged at a different per capita amount. In addition, the membership listing of each club, as currently shown on the International database, has been provided to each State Association Secretary. These individual club listings need to be reviewed and updated as necessary so that accurate information is currently reflected. These updated membership club listings are to be sent to the State Association Secretary and from him to me. A reminder, current per capita dues, for the 2012/2013 year, are figured on the FEBRUARY 2012 number of club members NOT the December 2011 monthly membership club report! It is important to note that, in accordance with the International Bylaws, Article IV, Section 9A(2), "Any club delinquent in payment of per capita dues for any billing cycle to International shall NOT be entitled to vote on any matter coming before the International Convention and its proxies are void." Please be sure to pay whatever per capita dues are owed prior to the June 2012 International Convention.

International First Vice President



By Donald M. Whistler: The more I learn about the Wolcott Foundation, the students it supports for graduate degrees and the George Washington University, the more pride I feel in High Twelve's support of it.

Recently, our President, Sid Leluan, and I were fortunate enough to be invited to attend the annual meeting of the Wolcott Foundation Trustees Selection Meeting in Washington, D.C. First, I want to compliment the Trustees for their hard work during their two days of meetings. They had 142 applications for Wolcott Fellowships, which they each reviewed and prioritized before coming to the annual meeting. They then collectively worked during the sessions to narrow the applicants down to the top 25 applicants. The top 10 of the applicants will be mailed letters informing them of their selection for Wolcott scholarships. The remaining applicants will be held in reserve but will be informed of their status. The objective of the Trustees is to receive the acceptance of the Fellowships from seven or eight applicants.

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During the three evenings and two days of the annual meeting, George Washington University hosted several events, which gave us the opportunity to meet graduates of the program, current students and faculty, including the Deans of the Trachtenberg School and the Elliot School. They all are very appreciative of the financial support provided to the Wolcott Fellows by the Wolcott Foundation. One of the graduates even drove Sid and me to a meeting of the D. C. Club where he was the speaker for their meeting. We certainly can feel pride in the graduates of this program.

Finally, I had been previously asked about the areas of study which are available a student once he or she is selected for a scholarship and I now have a much better answer to that question. There are three areas of study available to them. These are, as follows:

1. School of Business – “is cognizant of the deep ties between business and society and the intricate relationship between business and politics.” “It emphasizes and incorporates ethics, sustainability, corporate social responsibility and a global outlook at every level.”
2. Columbian College’s Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration – “boasts top-ranked graduate programs that are educating tomorrow’s analysts, leaders, managers and researchers in the public and nonprofit sectors.”
3. Elliot School of International Affairs – provides “the study of international affairs” and an “understanding of the world’s challenges and opportunities.” “More than three-quarters of the graduate students go on to careers in public service or the nonprofit world.”

It is my understanding that the majority of the Wolcott Fellows attend either the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration or the Elliot School of International Affairs. They are committed, after graduation, to four years of employment in governmental service, in international affairs or in selected international business in the private sector before pursuing a different career. Many of them continue in these types of services.

Wolcott Foundation News By Malcom S. White, Chairman, The Wolcott Foundation, Inc.: Brother High Twelvians, Wolcott Foundation Members; your Foundation Trustees met recently in Washington, D.C. to select the Wolcott Fellows, Class of 2014. The Trustees were able to fund five Fellowships this year, due to the return on the Endowment Investment Fund, and not, sad to say, due to the donations from High Twelve members.

The contributions for the Wolcott Year were only enough to fund about one half of a Fellowship. It is a fact that the economy is not what we would want it to be, but the fact remains that High Twelve has made a commitment to make available well trained

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individuals to enter into government service. We seem not to be doing that very well. True, demands are made upon our personal finances, but the price of a cup of coffee, even high priced Starbucks coffee, is not too much to toss into the Little Red School House at your next High Twelve meeting.

Sorry to talk of money in this article, but the reality is, that money is the name of the game, and as the song in the musical, Cabaret goes, "MONEY MAKES THE WORLD GO AROUND," and money certainly is what makes your/our WOLCOTT (please, Brothers notice the two (2) O's in WOLCOTT) Foundation go around.

Each Fellowship of 40 graduate hours, each at \$1,340.00 represents \$53,600.00! The cost of education is indeed high, but the cost of ignorance is beyond belief. God Bless each one of you and all whom you hold dear.

Monthly Update By Merv Harris, PIP: Brethren, I once again want to thank each of you, who have sent in articles for the Monthly Update. Without your input, we would not have an electronic newsletter. Those of you, who have been thinking about sending in an article, please do so, as members all over the country, including Japan and UK, read what you have submitted. I have been informed that many clubs pass on the newsletter to their members and use information from it for ideas and fund raisers.

I have asked before and am asking again, please include me on your mailing list for your Club and/or Association newsletter, so I can extract articles from them to share with all High Twelve members, clubs and Associations. My email address is **mjhhi12@centurylink.net**. If you prefer to mail the newsletter, my address is 743 Palma Drive, Lady Lake, FL 32159. Please put me on your mailing list now...before you forget to do it.

I received a request from one of the clubs for someone, who makes the "Alter Box," which many clubs have on their own Alter. The box usually has a place for candle or lights and they are looking for one that has electric lights with a switch to turn them on or off. If you know of anyone, who makes the box, as described, please contact me by email or call me at 352-753-3505. If we have someone, who makes the Alter Box, either with candles or electric lights, I will run an article about the person and hopefully, they can receive orders for more boxes.

When we attended the Mid-Year Meeting in Las Vegas in January, I was rather disappointed that we didn't have more Associations represented. We had a good turnout, however just a few short years ago, we would have maximum or near maximum atten-

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dance from all 14 Associations. My Brothers, this is your organization and we need your input and your vote on decisions that affect all of High Twelve. Please encourage your Associations to send a representative; clubs are also invited to send representatives. We have been fortunate to have rooms at the finest Casinos/Hotels in Las Vegas for around \$20 a night. These prices cannot be matched anywhere in the country.

I have a question for the Associations, Clubs and membership. Have you someone in mind that you would like to see as an Officer in High Twelve International? We have a great organization and we need new blood with new ideas on how to guide us in the future. Each year we need an International 3rd Vice President but any member in good standing can make application for any position in the International line. Check the International By-Laws for the requirements for filing your intent. If you do not have a copy of the By-Laws, they can be found on the International website: www.high12.org.

Brethren, we need your continued support for the Wolcott Foundation. This year we had 143 applications for admission to George Washington University and donations have dropped over the past two years. Please give to this worthwhile cause as it is our major philanthropy.

Reminder: Please send in your articles by the 20th of each month to the Editor of the Monthly Update!

Welcome to our Newly Chartered Clubs!

- East Valley Masonic #765** - Mesa Arizona on 11/5/11
- Republic of the Rio Grande Masonic #766** - Laredo, Texas on 1/17/12
- New Castle #767** - New Castle , Pennsylvania on 4/4/12
- Hui Awakea #464** - Honolulu, Hawaii on 4/20/12
- Illini #768** - Urbana, Illinois on 5/17/12



Gerhart Walsh



Sid Leluan, III , International President
Presenting Club Banner

Sid Leluan, III, International President installing the officers for Hui Awakea #464.

2012 Principle officers are: Cletus Ching, President; Diamond M. Robinson, VP; George W. Sumner, III, VP; Monty J. Glover; Donovan Young, Chaplain



Debbie and Sid Leluan, Inter. Pres. Attending the Michigan Association Annual Convention



Michigan Association of High Twelve Clubs Officers for 2012-2013 after installation conducted by Sid Leluan, III, Inter. Pres.

Republic of the Rio Grand High 12 Club #766

By Paul Buitron: The club was Chartered on January 17th, in the picture from left to right: Chuy Perez; Raul Coss; Ricardo Ramos; Raymond Le-wallen; Hector Soliz, Secy; Joe Trevino, Chaplain; Tom Sanchez, 2nd VP; Texas Association Representative Richard Raymond; Paul-Raymond Buitron, III, President; Dr. Paul R. Buitron John Bruce; Mike Arce, Treasurer.



Tehachapi High Twelve Club #698 - By Stan Beckham

Tehachapi High 12 Club officers for 2012 were installed on December 7th at Kelcy's.

From left to right, back row, George Rafeedie, Stan Beckham, Ron Jones, George Roberts, Jerry Saville, Rual Vinson and Aaron (Butch) Shepard. Standing in the front is Allen Cloud.



Arnold Page High Twelve Club #298 UK - By Darrell Russell

This has been a very productive year for the Arnold Page High Twelve Club #298. Finishing up in 2010 with 5 new members we continued through 2011 with our annual summer BBQ, which was again hosted by our PP Peter Kerley and his good lady, Susan. We were blessed by fine warm weather, I think someone was looking out for us, as we were able to relax and enjoy the fine companionship amongst the High Twelvians in sunshine. A bonus was the recruitment of one new member on the day, so it just goes to show that inviting brother masons along to the events do produce results. We continue with having our meetings at the Santon Downham Village Hall, as it is well situated for those who travel some distance each month. Our committee Chairman, Peter Walker, has managed to enlist the services of an excellent catering company who provide a fine meal each month for a very reasonable price.

Each month we collect for the Wolcott Foundation by passing the "Little Red School House" and holding raffles at each meeting and social events. Between passing the Little Red School House and the raffles held at meetings social events (all prizes are donated by members) we are able to donate to local charities plus the Wolcott Foundation each year. These events bring all the members and their ladies out for an evening of fellowship, excellent dining and some business.

Organizations that received donations for 2012 were the "Norfolk & Norwich Association for the Blind"; "Highfield School at Ely", "Guide Dogs for the Blind," "Jeffery Dicker House at Cornwallis Court," and The Wolcott Foundation. A check was presented by President Michael Chapman and each representative gave a short talk on how the money would benefit their organization. A tremendous achievement to all of our members, especially those who make the effort to travel a considerable distance to

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attend the meetings each month.

Already for the year 2012 in March, we have planned social outings to the "United Grand Lodge of England" in London which is open daily year round for free guided tours and then in April to the "Pensthorpe Bird Sanctuary" followed by a lunch. In addition we have invited the "First Essex High Twelve Club #729" to a Sunday Lunch at Santon Downham. At this point we are making plans for our annual summer BBQ and hope to give an update on this soon.



Arnold Page 2012 Officers:

Left to Right; David Friend, Treas; Ken Fox, VP; Les LeBeau, Chaplain; David Hedges-Pres; Darrell Russell, Secretary



Passing the Gavel

Michael Chapman to David Hedges
2011 2012



Check Presentation to "High Field School at Ely." L to R – Charity Stw Duncan Greenwood, Pupil "Josh" Head Master Simon Bainbridge, H12 Pres. Michael Chapman



Presentation of Check to Guide Dogs for the Blind L to R, Duncan Greenwood, Representative-Michael Clarke & Pepper (retired Guide Dog) H-12 Club President Michael Chapman

Yucaipa High Twelve Club #405 - By Bob Snyder, President

Installation of officers for the year 2012 were conducted by State Vice Pres. Roy Acreman. PSP Irwin Lieber and John Bowley members of the Yucaipa club, were present. There were a total of 25 people present. The names in the photo from left to right are: Charles Strohl, Wolcott Rep., Don Morlan, Chaplain, Steve Denton, Vice Pres., Irwin Lieber PP PSP, John Nelson, Secretary, Jim Carroll, Seargent-at-Arms, Bob Snyder PM, Pres., John Bowley, PP PSP, Marvin Hutchinson, Treasurer



San Antonio High 12 Club #656 - By Donald Garrido

San Antonio High 12 Club #656 at their January 2012 monthly meeting awarded Wolcott Century Club Certificates to six of their Past Presidents. Brother Donald P. Garrido, Vice Chairman and Wolcott Trustee for Zone 6, presented the Century Club certificates to: (L to R) William J. Viner, William B. Sessums, John H. Lorch, Samuel W. Green, Jr., Ernest A. Sessums, Jr., Daniel B. Mason, and to Brother Roger N. Hopkins for making a five hundred dollar donation to our Wolcott Foundation.



Bakersfield High Twelve Club #95 - By Malcolm White

The Bakersfield High Twelve Club #95 held its 2012 Installation of Officers on January 13th. The Officers are: President - O. Paul Mettle, PP, 1st Vice-President - John Hoffman, Secretary - Lawrence Liascos, Recording Secretary - Robert Slater, PP, Treasurer - Malcolm White, PP, PSP, Chaplain - John Reichel, Sgt.-at-Arms - Ronald Preston, Wolcott & Masonic Representative - Malcolm White, PP, PSP, Ensign Mayo Student Loan Fund - Charles Cunningham, PP, Directors: 3 yrs. - Charles Zwartendyk, 2 yrs. - William Siener, 3 yrs. - William Cross, PP.

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Our membership has grown by 4 new members since December. We invite any of our High Twelvians who may be traveling our way to join us at our meetings. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month, except November and December when we meet on just the 2nd Friday. Our meeting place is John's Incredible Pizza, 3709 Rose-dale Highway, just west of Hwy 99. At this time we have excellent speakers lined up for each meeting through September. Our ladies are always welcome and are encouraged to attend.

Speaking of our ladies, they again have had almost \$1,000 donated to purchase underwear for the Jameson Center. This Center is where children from infant to age 18 are taken by law enforcement when their parents or guardians are taken into custody due to drugs, abuse, etc. This is the 8th year that this project has been undertaken by our Twelvettes, an informal group of wives of our members. Our Bakersfield Club is very proud of our ladies and with what they do!!

Franklin County High Twelve Club #726 - By Donald Parrish

Two members of the Franklin County High 12 Club were recently awarded The Scottish Rite Medal for Masonic Service. S. Eugene Herritt received the medal during a meeting of the Shippensburg Scottish Rite Club and Tom Stenejhem, who served ten years as the Secretary and Treasurer of the Franklin County High 12 Club, received the medal along with Certificates of Service from High Twelve International and Pennsylvania High Twelve, during a club meeting in Chambersburg, PA. Brother Herritt became the R.W. Junior Grand Warden, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in January. Another Franklin County High 12 Club member, John D. Cook, Past President, became a District Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and was presented on February 1, 2012 at George Washington Lodge #143, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.



International President Sid Leluan, III and his Lady Debbie did a little site seeing while in Washington DC for the Wolcott Meeting - left is Capitol, right is White House

Temple on the Hill #720 - By Winnie Hill

Temple on the Hill #720 was honored with a visit from the Ohio Association of High Twelve Clubs. They included Rollin A. Furnas, State President; Kenneth E. Hershberger, 1st State VP and his lady Becky Verker; Howard F. Cook, State Treasurer; Robert A. Barnhart, PSP; Jim Francis, President and Sidney Gateway Dayton #69; Ross Strong, Sidney Gateway #482. These distinguished guests were welcomed by our Club President James B. Parker, IV, PSP, State Secretary and International 2 VP.

All Masons honored by their fraternity were invited to stand and be recognized.. Ladies were also invited to stand and be recognized. A delightful and dynamic musical program was given by Carol Bovee. Carol has been invited to sing in places like New York and Las Vegas. Two new members were welcomed with a round of applause at this meeting .

Bill Weems and the Acacia Breakfast Club served a delicious luncheon and everyone enjoyed an hour of visiting followed by a tour of our beautiful Masonic Temple.

High Twelve Authorized Forms - By Kevin Hokerk

It is a pleasure to provide the Associations and Clubs with quality produced presentation items. With the exception of three forms the rest are 'print on demand' which provides the ability to customize form. If you club is not presenting new members with a membership certificate or a guest speaker with a certificate please consider doing this! If you are having a special occasion at the Association or Club I can work with you to tailor a form to meet your needs. A full list of documents available can be found online at: <http://high12.org/manuals.html> just look for the link "Forms Sample Book." My contact information can be found on the inside cover of this edition. Ordering can be done by email, phone or snail mail. This is a service that International is happy to provide its members!

High Twelve Banners - By Kevin Hokerk

At the 90th Convention in Jacksonville, FL an Association or Club banner was approved for use. This banner is a 'photo' printed on a special cloth material that is fire resistant and wrinkle free. It normally takes 3 weeks from order to delivery. The banner can be ordered with or without the square and compasses in the sun burst (if allowed by your Grand Lodge). Cost is \$85 for a full sized banner or \$70 for a half sized version. Included is the banner, cord and tassel, finials, top dowel, postage will be billed separately. Ordering information can be found at: <http://high12.org/manuals.html> just look for the link "New High Twelve Club Banner" or call/email me. My contact information can be found on the inside cover of this edition.

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: _____

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
PERSONAL DATA

Recommended by

Email Address

Home Street Address City ST Zip Code +4

Phone Occupation—title, position, or retired

Your Birth Date Your Nickname

Spouse's Birth Date Spouse's Name Anniversary Date

Member of: ____ Scottish Rite, ____ York Rite, ____ Shrine, ____ OES

____ Senior DeMolay - _____ Chapter

____ 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: <http://www.high12.org>

A Silent Sermon - Author Unknown

A member of a certain Masonic lodge, who previously had been attending meetings regularly, stopped going. After a few months, the Worshipful Master decided to visit him. It was a chilly evening. The Worshipful Master found the man at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for his Master's visit, the man welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace and waited. The Worshipful Master made himself at home but said nothing.

In the grave silence he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After some minutes, the Worshipful Master took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a bright burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent. The host watched all of this in quiet contemplation.

As the one lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow and then its fire was no more. Soon it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The Worshipful Master glanced at his watch and realized it was time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately it began to glow once more with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the Worshipful Master reached the door to leave, his host said with a tear running down his cheek, "Thank you so much for your visit and especially for the fiery lesson. I shall be back in lodge next month."

2012—2013 International Officer Nominations

NOTICE: By-Laws, 8-2004, Article 2, Officer Nominations:

The following nominees have filed the appropriate documents with the International Secretary and are available upon request for all candidates eligible for election at the 91st Convention:

International Executive Officers:

- Donald M. Whistler - International President
- James Parker, IV - 1st Vice President
- Arthur Walton - 2nd Vice President
- — — — — - 3rd Vice President
- Don Galway - International Treasurer

Wolcott Foundation Trustee:

- William H. Haynes

Resolutions

As approved at the 2012 Mid-Winter Conference to be voted upon at the 91st Annual Convention June 24-27, 2012.

RESOLUTION: ONE 2011-2012

AUTHORITY and RESPONSIBILITY of STATE ASSOCIATIONS

Whereas: our State Associations were created to improve the interaction and inter-communication of Clubs within a well populated Jurisdiction, and

Whereas: there is no authority granted or Responsibility given to the State Association by High Twelve International for the development of High Twelve in that Jurisdiction, and

Whereas: the worldwide growth of High Twelve International is creating an ever increasing need for more local nurturing than can be reasonable expected of its International Officers, and

Whereas: there is no authority to actually assist Clubs in their State Association and

Whereas: there being no authority to ask a club to do anything and

Whereas: a more local authority (State Associations) would be better enabled to work more closely with the growth and retention of High Twelve in the local area, and

Whereas: the International Secretary has an ever increasingly difficult challenge for creating/providing records for dues collection and membership fluctuation

Whereas: High Twelve International has no provisions for State Association to perform or assist in performing any such duties as:

1. International Per-Capita collection
2. Other duties as may evolve

Therefore be it resolved: that under the current rules for forming State Associations, once formed they be granted full authority to:

1. Be an interface between High Twelve International and their Jurisdiction's respective Clubs.
2. Be an interface for communications to and from Clubs, normally passing through the State Association Secretary.
3. Create officer positions as necessary to develop High Twelve in their Jurisdictions.
4. Divide the Jurisdiction into manageable Regions, under the direction of Regional Vice Presidents, for a closer working relationship within that Jurisdiction.

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5. To create new Clubs in their Jurisdiction.
6. Charters for new Clubs would still be generated by High Twelve International
7. Collection of Per-Capita dues for both their State Association and High Twelve International would be a function of the State Secretaries, working closely with the International Secretary.
8. If necessary, request assistance from High Twelve International in assessing corrective action in matters of a Club's non-conformance to High Twelve International's Constitution and By-Laws and/or the Association's By-Laws.

RESOLUTION: TWO

DIVISION of HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL INTO WORKABLE REGIONS

In looking at the potential workload of International Officers, there is a strong need to spread the work around so the President does not feel the need to do it all.

One potential project to accomplish this end would be dividing the State Associations into REGIONS. Each International Vice President would be assigned the assistance of Associations in his assigned Region. The following support is offered:

Whereas: The complexity of a growing organization creates a need to change the way we do business, and

Whereas: There are currently 15 Association as well as several independent Clubs in existence, and

Whereas: A consistent level of services is not seen at all Jurisdictions, and

Whereas: More than one International Officer many visit the Annual meeting of a specific Association, not knowing the others were also attending, and

Whereas: While in the performance of his duties, the International President is free to travel anywhere in the world to develop High Twelve International.

Therefore be it resolved: That the International President be changed with dividing the Associations into workable Regions. This division should be designed to reduce necessary travel to accomplish better service to our clubs, and

Further be it resolved: That the International President be charged to assign the International Officers as Regional Directors of one of these Regions:

- Regional Directors would be responsible for travel within his Region, attending Annual Meetings, and other special events

RESOLUTION: THREE
CLUB MERGERS, CONSOLIDATIONS and CESSATIONS

The only language found in our documentation regarding clubs who go out of business is found in the "Club Officers Manual" page C5. (C – Termination of Membership of Clubs in High Twelve International, SECTION 4, 5, and 7) states the surrender of everything back to High Twelve International.

That is: Charter; Banner; Bell; Records; MONEY

Support for the need to amend the Club Officers Manual is:

Whereas: Our past practice for handling, Mergers and Consolidations is inconsistent with our practices found in the Club Officer Manual.

Whereas: In Mergers and Consolidations, the Charter, Bell and possibly Banner are no longer of any use to the Clubs, the money would be useful and should rightfully stay with the Merger and Consolidation. And

Whereas: our past practice is the allow the money and possibly Banner to stay with the surviving Club, And

Therefore be it resolved: A process needs to be developed for the International Club Manual outlining the steps necessary to Merge or Consolidate. These steps may include:

1. A formal contact (letter, phone call, e-mail) sent to the State Association. Understand this step is not completed until a response is received from the State Association. A phone message or blind e-mail will need follow-up to establish contact.
2. The State Association officers then engage in discovering a root cause and possible aversion of loosing a Club and/or its members.
3. The Charter, Bell and Banner are to be returned to High Twelve International upon completion of the Merger /Consolidation, unless for cause other arrangements are made.

RESOLUTION: FOUR 2011-2012
UNIFORM BY-LAWS FOR CLUBS and ASSOCIATIONS

This Legislation is provided to eliminate the sometimes voluminous and unnecessary Constitutions and By-Laws each Club and Association currently have on file. Also, and more importantly, the elimination of the possibility for having conflicts with the operation rules of High Twelve International. This is in no way intended to prohibit Clubs and Associations from establishing resolutions for their specific Club/Association. (ie Scholarships etc.). Toward this end we offer the following support:

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Whereas: our constituent Clubs and State Associations are created and Chartered by High Twelve International, and

Whereas: High Twelve International provides its Constitution and By-Laws designed to provide the governing structure for our operation, and

Whereas: ample manuals are provided for Clubs and Associations to operate their Club/Association, and

Whereas: due to their subordinate attachment to High Twelve International, our Clubs and Associations need only supply a small amount of information to establish this attachment, and that information be:

1. Name of the Club/Association
2. Mailing address for the Club/Association
3. Place (establishment name and address) where the Club regularly meets
4. Establish Stated Meeting dates, including provisions for alternate dates when said Stated Meeting falls on a holiday, inclement weather or other unavoidable situation.
5. Establish the dates for officer nomination, election and installation

Therefore be it resolved: That a Uniform set of By-Laws be created. Also, that each Club and Association complete and return a copy of this fill-in-the-blank form.

RESOLUTION: FIVE 2011-2012 **ELECTION of INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY**

This Legislation is provided to convert the office of International Secretary from an annual appointment by the President to an elected position. Also, and more importantly, the reduction of a potential for “conflict of interest” made by the close association of the President and Secretary. This is in no way intended to speak poorly of any International Secretary past, present or future. Toward this end we offer the following support:

Whereas: to promote a position that is consistent with other Grand Bodies and especially International Officers (Treasurer), and

Whereas: all Elected Officers have the opportunity to participate in an exchange of questions and answers during the Annual Caucus meeting, and

Whereas: a potential “conflict of interest” can exist when ever an appointed position is to closely tied by his appointing officer, and

Therefore be it resolved: That election of the International Secretary is preferable, there will be an annual election for the office of International Secretary at each Annual Meeting of High Twelve International.

High Twelve International, Inc.

91st Annual Convention

Sunday, June 24 to Wednesday June 27, 2012

OFFICAL REGISTRATION FORM (page 1)

Registration fee: **H-12 Members Only** \$ **35.00**

Sunday June 24th:

Welcome cocktail party hosted by hotel 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Tickets will be in your registration packet

Monday June 25th:

Breakfast on your own

Buffet Luncheon: \$25.00 x _____ = \$ _____

VIP Dinner Banquet: South of the Border Buffet (formal or dark suit)

\$36.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Tuesday June 26th:

Breakfast on your own (included in your hotel/registration package)

Wolcott Luncheon 11:30 (business attire)

Tortilla Wrap \$27.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Doubletree Club \$27.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Chef's Salad \$27.00 x _____ = \$ _____

President's Dinner Banquet (formal dress for officers, business suits):

6:00 pm No Host cocktail hour

7:00 pm Dinner is served

Chicken Picatta \$36.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Top Sirloin \$36.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Grilled Salmon \$36.00 x _____ = \$ _____

Make check payable to 91st High 12 Convention for: TOTAL \$ _____

Mail Registration Form and Check to:

W. E. Lofquist

2540 W Crown King Dr

Tucson AZ 85741

Phone: (520) 2967-5392

Email: Tucson@high12.org

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OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM (page 2)

Doubletree Hotel at Reid Park, 4454 S. Alvernon Way, Tucson AZ 85711

Mention that your reservation is for the H-12 International Convention

Reservations must be made before **May 25, 2012!**

Your room reservation includes a **daily** breakfast!

Rates for this convention are: Standard \$77.00/night plus taxes

Reservations: 800-222-8733 or 520-881-4200.

Check in time is 3:00 pm

Check out time is 12:00 pm

Members Name: _____

Lady's First Name (if attending): _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Club Name & Number: _____

City & State: _____

Office Currently Held: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Amount from registration (page 1): \$_____ Check number: _____

Arriving by: Auto _____ or Airline _____

Date of arrival: ____/____/____ Flight # _____ Carrier _____ Time _____

Departure: ____/____/____ Flight # _____ Carrier _____ Time _____

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