

Summer is here! Now is the time to bring a friend to the High Twelve meeting, so they can see why you belong! **Think membership!**



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Congratulations to our members and ladies, celebrating their Birthday, Anniversary or other Special Event in June. Don't forget to make a contribution to the Wolcott Foundation, celebrating your happy event or occasion! Some members donate \$1.00 or more for every year they have been married. Seems like a very nice gesture on their part and a great tribute to a Happy Marriage with that Special Person!



The **3rd United States Infantry Regiment** is a regiment of the [United States Army](#). It currently has three active [battalions](#), and is readily identified by its nickname, The Old Guard, as well as Escort to the President. The regimental motto is *Noli Me Tangere* (from [Latin](#): – Touch Me Not). The regiment is a major unit of the [Military District of Washington](#) (MDW). The regiment is the oldest active duty regiment in the US Army, having been first organized as the [First American Regiment](#) in 1784.

International President: William H. Haynes, PSP, (PA)

I want to really thank all the members of High Twelve International. This has been a very elating experience. I made many State Association Meetings but unfortunately not all and was always warmly greeted. Ours is a unique body in that there is virtually no ritual except in installations (personal, Club and Association). The food is always good. I understand that it is a custom at few Clubs to always add one green bean to plate regardless of the vegetable to ensure that it is truly a Masonic meal.

I hope that your Club is enjoying peace and harmony in its meetings. I know there are a few where that is not the case. I would hope that those members causing dissent would remember and take to heart their Masonic vows so that peace and harmony would prevail.

So, again, I bid you Adieu and as Bob Hope sang...Thanks' for the Memories. Fraternaly, Bill.

International 1st Vice President: Joseph Santisteban, PSP (IL)

Greetings fellow High Twelvians and Brethren...hope everyone had an enjoyable May. By the time this newsletter is out, our HTI Annual Convention should be on-going. This year should be interesting and informative. I don't know about y'all but I'm getting excited...and looking forward to our Convention. It looks as though I will still be residing in Illinois. All I can do is press on and trust in Him who does all things well.



In May, I attended the NCA Annual Convention in Pleasant Hill, Iowa, along with our President, Bill Haynes. The Convention kicked off with a banquet Friday evening at Home Lodge. The Order of the Eastern Star provided the excellent food and the fellowship was outstanding -- what you would expect from High Twelve gatherings. Saturday started with a very nice Necrology Service. The rest of the Convention was

very professional. The luncheon was provided by the OES and the President-elect, Gary Shaulis, shared some words of wisdom with everyone. Bill was the Installing Officer and I was the Installing Marshal. What a nice way to spend a day!

I want to comment that our last newsletter was one of the best ones I've seen. Thank you to all who submitted articles. I would love to see this trend continue and hope more Clubs and Associations submit to our newsletters and the High Twelvian Magazine. Remember – anyone can submit an article. I usually forward a copy of the newsletter to our Grand Lodge and the York Rite bodies. I'm trying to cut down the number of people who ask, what High Twelve is. It puts us out there in a positive note. Thanks to High Twelvians like our Editor, Merv Harris, our International Secretary, Kevin Hokerk, and others!

Assuming I get elected President, I've started reviewing our Bylaws so I'm better versed. A couple of Brothers chuckled when I mentioned this and asked why? I said that it's the right thing to do before going into a new office. Then I was asked if I was planning on changing anything. I had to answer 'yes'. Although I don't believe in fixing anything that's not broke — and High Twelve is not broke -- it looks like it can use some minor tweaking. More to come on this – I'm still reading.

For those of you attending our Convention, make sure you thank the Officers that have served our organization this past year. If you replaced yourself with one this year, thank you! I think you'll like how things went this year. If anyone has an idea for an innovative program, please share it with us. Also, suggestions and recommendations are welcomed. Thinking out of the box is okay...and encouraged.

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When trying to recruit a new member, compare us to the *Rotary* or the *Kiwanis*, except that our membership requirement is different, and our cost is a lot less. I've used these comparisons in the past and it has worked. Don't forget to have a High Twelve Application with you. Hope to see many of you at our Convention in Philadelphia. Until next time, stay safe, have fun, and watch out for each other! Fraternally, Joe Santisteban.

P.S. Something I read and thought you would enjoy: They walked in tandem, each of the

ninety-two students filing into the already crowded auditorium. With their rich maroon gowns flowing and the traditional caps, they looked almost as grown up as they felt. Dads swallowed hard behind broad smiles, and Moms freely brushed away tears. This class would NOT pray during the commencements, not by choice, but because of a recent court ruling prohibiting it.

The principal and several students were careful to stay within the guidelines allowed by the ruling. They gave inspirational and challenging speeches, but no one mentioned divine guidance and no one asked for blessings on the graduates or their families. The speeches were nice, but they were routine until the final speech received a standing ovation. A solitary student walked proudly to the microphone. He stood still and silent for just a moment, and then, it happened.

All 92 students, every single one of them, suddenly SNEEZED!!! The student on stage simply looked at the audience and said, 'GOD BLESS YOU' and he walked off the stage...The audience exploded into applause. This graduating class had found a unique way to invoke God's blessing on their future with or without the court's approval.

International 3rd Vice President: Jerry Hamilton, PSP, (PA)

It's good to Volunteer - When Bill Haynes asked for a volunteer to edit and publish his Program Book for our Annual Convention, I was not afraid to raise my hand. I had been assigned this duty for Don Whistler when he was President and for Winton Hewitt just a few years ago. I know what the duty entails and have published a number of booklets for my many Masonic organizations.

This one was especially pleasant. I received E-mails and letters from State Associations and local Clubs from all across our country. I spoke on the phone with Association Secretaries, Club Presidents and High Twelvians and hopefully made new friends. Everyone was assured that their copy would fit just fine and for many the copy was for them. All I asked for was a check to pay for the copy.

The checks were received from individuals, Clubs, associations and many of the Masonic organizations to which Bill Haynes has been paying dues for most of his adult life. The project was inspiring to see the gratitude expressed and the friendliness of our members.

Do not hesitate to volunteer in your Club, in your Lodge or other organization to which you belong. When you work for others, the greatest benefits may come home to you. Fraternaly, Jerry Hamilton.

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International Secretary: Kevin Hokerk-Robinson, PSP (AZ)

In Tuesday I will be flying out to Philadelphia, Wednesday is copy the report packets, put the registrations envelopes together etc. day, Thursday is tour day and yes I will be going! Friday & Saturday are my really busy days, gee I wonder why?! LOL Will recover on Sunday and fly back home Sunday afternoon. **In the mean time** getting all the reporting, meal tickets, necrology, agendas, certificates, credentials, items for presentation to get done by Monday evening and publishing this document. This is definitely my busiest time of the year.

Look forward to see you at the convention!

In case you have not read, heard, emailed about the convention click on event.

97th Annual Convention EVENT

OH Association, Downtown Columbus High 12 Club #453:



Above are two photos associated with two separate presentations to our Club. The first presentation with photo (L) was on May 14, 2018. Two Officers with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Wildlife Division, spoke about Urban Wildlife. Individuals in the photo from left are Brad Kiger, ODNR Wildlife Officer, John Spoff, Club 2nd Vice - President and ODNR Supervisor William Bullard on the right.

The second presentation with photo (R) was on May 21, 2018 was by Marjorie Snow, wife of Club Chaplain/Historian/Wolcott Representative Richard Snow. Marjorie spoke to us as the raconteur of anecdotal tales. In the photo, Club Secretary Frank Wright II is on the left, Marjorie Snow in the middle, and Club President Joseph Fodor on the right. Marjorie was presented with a certificate to recognize her dedication to our Club. Fraternaly, George Kirsch

IL Association, North West High Twelve Club #769:

Our attendance consisted of 8 High Twelve members and 5 special guests, namely Mrs. Cheryl Aronson, Mrs. Rosemary Pegoraro, Mrs. Joan Rogers, Mrs. Cathy Curielli, and Mrs. Julie Selock.

The meeting was called to order at noon by our 1st Vice President, Brother Joseph Pegoraro. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and Prayer was offered by our Chaplain, Brother Marv Selock. The members introduced their guests. Lunch was served and the meeting resumed at 12:15 PM.

Brother Secretary passed around the High Twelvian Booklet that he had received highlighting the 97th Annual Convention in Philadelphia. The Secretary also gave a Financial Report and announced that the International Annual Per Capita Dues of \$190 is due and as it is payable upon receipt, he will be sending it.

Brother Joe Santisteban spoke about the importance of making sure Clubs Dues structure is in balance with its financial needs. He also requested and received a Voting

Proxy from the Club for the International Convention.

Brother Joe Pegoraro, entertained the Club with sayings, asking us to identify who had said them. This was very interesting and enjoyable.

Brother John Peter Curielli informed the Club that Brother Joe Pegoraro has been chosen Volunteer of the Year by the Chicago Valley of Scottish Rite. This is a well-deserved honor. We were also informed by Brother George Rogers that Brother John Chapman will be having a reception as Supreme Worthy Guard for White Shrine. Following is the information you will need if you would like to attend.

I believe this is an open event, please correct me if I am wrong. The Banquet and Reception honoring Supreme Worthy Guide Barb Eccles and Supreme Worthy Guard John Chapman will be Saturday, August 11th, with Social Hour at 6:00 PM. Dinner at 7:00 PM. \$35 a person at the Holiday Inn Chicago SW Countryside Conference Center, 6201 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois.

To reserve a place send your remittance by July 28 to Rogene Rogers, PSWHP, at 528 Hill St, Lanark Illinois 61046 (815- 493 - 8769 or 815 – 291 - 2075).

Our Chaplain, Brother Marv Selock offered a closing Prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM. Fraternally, Lou Aronson.

Freeport High Twelve Club #43:



Spring has finally arrived in Northwest Illinois, and summer is not far behind. Over the winter, our attendance was not as good because of inclement weather. However, at the first meeting in May we had 19 members and guests. It was a record amount for a while. At that meeting we were finally able to initiate Brother Roy Grobe (see picture left). We officially welcome Brother Grobe. Shaking his hand is President Calvin Barklow, to the left

is Treasurer. Stan Slachetka, and to the right is 1st Vice President Mike Barr.

We have lost one long-time member, Gus Petrakis, with a Memorial Service planned for the end of June. He is sadly missed, since he was a faithful member.

Our speakers have been varied and interesting. We recently had two social workers from the hospital who spoke on Living Wills and how to prepare them. Very interesting, considering the age of some of our members!

Several speakers are in place for the upcoming weeks. We did have a visit, earlier, from Steve Hermanson, State High Twelve 2nd Vice President. He plans to come back in June.

We still meet at Logan's Restaurant, 1805 South West Street (Rt. 26) from about 11:30 to 1:00 PM every Thursday. Our invitation is always open to visit us here at Freeport High Twelve #43. Fraternally, Calvin Barklow, President.

FL High Twelve Association:

The State President and Lady Barb visited Triangle Commandery #38 on May 5 for the Second Annual 100 Knights Conclave held at Leesburg Masonic Lodge # 58, Leesburg, Florida. Eric Klienbach, 3rd State VP and Florida Grand Commandery Sentinel was also in attendance. Approximately 25 Sir Knights took part in the final ceremony after a delicious catered dinner. There were fifty Sir Knights, their ladies, DeMolay Boys and a Rainbow Girl at the dinner.

On May 10th, the State President and Lady Barb drove to the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Ft. Myers, Florida to attend the informal opening of Florida Amaranth Grand Court. I was one of the honored guest speakers and in that capacity, gave a talk about Florida High Twelve History, the many good reasons for joining High Twelve and Florida High Twelve's full support, both financially and personally, of the Masonic youth groups - DeMolay, Rainbow for Girls and Job's Daughters.

The State Officers convened a Governing Board meeting at the Lake County Shrine Club on May 15th at 11:00 AM. Some of the topics addressed were: the on-going gift card fund raiser, the upcoming Florida Grand Communication May 27th-30th, and Wolcott Zones being reduced from eight to six.

On May 26th, the State Officers attended the Winter Haven #782 Luncheon at the Golden Corral Restaurant in Winter Haven. The purpose of the visit was to assist the new Club Officers in setting an Agenda for a Club meeting and getting the Club's finances on a solid footing by raising Club Dues and Fundraising Activities.

The State President and Lady Barb attended the Florida Grand Communication held at the Rosen Plaza in Orlando from May 27th through May 30th. In addition to attending some of the Convention Sessions, he also assisted the other State Officers in sitting at the Florida State High Twelve Information Table and handing out Petitions and Club Starter Kits to interested Convention attendees. Due to the lack of available parking spots at the Rosen Plaza, Lady Barb performed chauffeuring duties driving the State President and Florida Grand Commander from the Rosen Center to the Plaza.

The Florida State Association had a High Twelve Membership Table at the Florida Grand Lodge Communication. We accepted two Petitions with accompanying Dues.

Fourteen Petitions were passed out and five Starter Kits issued. We collected their name, phone number and e-mail addresses. Our State Secretary will contact each and hopefully we will welcome them into High Twelve. Needed a tram from the parking lot; it was a long walk. No tram running. All had an enjoyable time talking up High Twelve.

Thanks to Worshipful Michael Hemphill for getting us an excellent location. A Special Thank You to the Brothers who assisted in manning the Table: Brother Don Robinson, President Florida High Twelve; Worshipful Michael Hemphill, State Secretary; RW Bob Cunningham, 1st VP; Brother Eric Klienbach, 3rd Vice President; Worshipful Tom Clark, Orlando Club #435; Worshipful Jim Davis, Orlando Club #435; and Worshipful Chris Davis, Orlando Club #435 President. A very special thank you to Lady Cecilia Hemphill.

Fraternally, Bob Cunningham.

The Villages High Twelve Club #674:

The month of June Meeting was great! In addition to celebrating our Annual Member

Wedding Anniversaries of the members, we inducted our sixteenth new members in the past few months.

As we have mentioned in previous issues of the Monthly Update, our Club hosts Prime Rib Dinners on a quarterly basis. Unfortunately, the April Dinner had to be cancelled as the Ocala Shrine Club has had problems with the ovens in the kitchen and was unable to have the dinner. The problem continues and our President Merv Harris, who is the Past President of the Lake County Shrine Club contacted the current President of the Shrine Club to see if they would be interested in having our dinners. He was more than happy and agreed to have the dinners quarterly.



While we were working out the details, the discussion of High Twelve came up and the current Shrine Club President seemed more than interested and when asked if he would like to join the Club, he said it sounded like a great idea and now **HE IS A MEMBER OF OUR CLUB**

(Photo) President Harris inducted Brother Les Morgenstein, former New York Detective and now President of the Lake County Shrine Club.

Like our International 1st Vice President Joseph Santisteban keeps telling you, **carry an Application with you as you never know when you will need one.**

Also, we just added another member to the International President's ***Replaced Myself With 1 Program!***

PA High Twelve Association, First Capital High Twelve Club #668:



The Maryland & Pennsylvania Railroad, affectionately known as the Ma & Pa was a small railroad with a big impact in the area it served. Craig's talk will focus on the history of the Ma & Pa and its economic and cultural impact for communities in York, Harford, and Baltimore Counties. He will also give a brief introduction to the Ma & Pa Railroad Heritage Village, a museum that preserves the heritage of the Ma & Pa in the context of an early 20th century community.

Craig Sansonetti is president and archivist of the Maryland & Pennsylvania Railroad Preservation Society. He has studied the Ma & Pa and its predecessor railroads for more than 40 years, serves regularly as a historical interpreter at the Ma & Pa Railroad Heritage Village, and oversees the museum's docent training program. Before his retirement in 2014, he worked for 33 years as a research physicist for the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

HIGH TWELVE NEWS: The election of Officers for 2018/2019 year took place at the May meeting. We would like to thank Past President C. James Wilson for his service to our Club this past year.

Our Officers for 2018/2019 are President Earl Shaffer Jr., 1st Vice President Jack Hynd; 2nd Vice President; Joe Brillhart; Secretary/ Newsletter Editor Carl Belcher; Treasurer Richard Graybill; Masonic Representative Don Whistler (PIP); Chaplin H. Vernon Tyson; and Sergeant-at-Arms Robert Casbeer.

The High Twelvians of the year for 2017/2018 were awarded to past President C. James Wilson and John C. Allison.

REMINDER THIS WILL BE OUR LAST MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER. HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER.

Donegal Area High Twelve Club #686 - Chartered August 5, 1991:

The Club meets at 12 Noon on the first Monday of each month, except July, August, and September for fellowship, inspiration and nourishment, at the Masonic Village Elizabethtown Patton Campus.

At our June meeting we honored our ladies and our Past President, Bruce Howorth. We presented a Certificate of Appreciation to past President Bruce Howorth for his successful year of service. Additionally, we took the opportunity to install Officers for the next term.

The Officers installed were: President, Herbert Ridyard; 1st Vice President, Robert Kyler; 2nd Vice President; David Whitenack, 3rd Vice President; Gerald Kemmerer, Treasurer; Terry DiGruttolo; and Secretary-William Pearson.

We wish to congratulate all of the Pennsylvania State Officers for the steady hand they have in guiding our Clubs.

We also thank the International Officers and staff on a well done year and know that their example will be carried forward by the Officers that will be elected for the future terms.

The Philadelphia Annual Convention of High Twelve will be a very productive and rewarding experience for all who attend. Article submitted by Bill Pearson, Secretary.

THE WOLCOTT FOUNDATION INC.

Monthly News

High Twelve International's Philanthropic Success Story

As members of High Twelve International, we are all very proud of the charitable contributions made to Youth Organizations in our communities by our High Twelve Clubs. Many of us have had or do have, children or grandchildren who participate in

Masonic Youth Programs and we are especially proud when we can present those organizations with funds to enable our Masonic Youth Groups to instill and encourage principled, ethical behavior in our youth.

Brother Wallie Wolcott had the same vision and purpose when he helped provide the first funds for what has become one of the most respected Masonic Educational Foundations in all of Masonry, The Wolcott Foundation.

As High Twelvians we can be duly proud of the accomplishments of our Philanthropy and the positive affects it has on the lives of young people seeking to keep our country safe, and at the forefront of international affairs. The Wolcott Foundation is now approaching its 500th Fellowship Awarded to outstanding individuals who will represent our country both abroad and at home.

The long list of public service accomplishments of Wolcott Fellows continues to grow every year, with Senior Wolcott Fellows serving our country as Ambassadors, Assistant Directors, Senior Advisers and Analysts in our most important government departments.

Our country's political and non-political leaders rely on Senior Wolcott Fellows as personal staff advisers and assistants, providing them with the information needed to make important decisions and policies to help our country's citizens in all types of scenarios. These career public service employees are the backbone of our country's foreign and domestic policies.

So while many other Masonic organizations have trouble finding a worthwhile, successful and respected philanthropy to call their own, we as High Twelve International and Wolcott Foundation Members can hold our heads high and sing the praises of the successful work done by the Wolcott Foundation in the name of High Twelve International and Masonry.

Please continue to contribute as liberally as possible to your Foundation!

Michael E. Clark, Chairman
The Wolcott Foundation Inc.

Your Wolcott Contributions at Work

Wolcott Fellow Helps U.S. Citizens Recovery Abducted Children

David Okun graduated with bachelor's degrees in Spanish and International Affairs from the University of Georgia in 2012. He first entered public service as a bilingual elementary school teacher in Fort Worth, TX through Teach For America.

Following his teaching commitment and in no small part thanks to the help of the Wolcott Foundation Fellowship, David earned a Master of Arts degree in Latin American & Hemispheric Studies at George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs. During his Master's Degree, David focused on the nexus of security and economic development in Latin America and Colombia in particular. While completing his degree, David interned for non-governmental organizations, inter-governmental groups, and the U.S. Department of State.

Following his graduation, David was hired full-time at the U.S. Department of State as a Country Officer in the Office of Children's Issues, where he assists families in the aftermath of international child abductions.

Outside of work, David sings in a Washington, D.C.-based men's *cappella* group. David credits the Wolcott Foundation for enabling him to concentrate fully on his graduate studies and research, engage with the DC community, and pursue a career in public service.

Upcoming HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL 97th Annual Convention June 14-16, 2018 - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- **Clubs** don't forget to complete the **proxy form** and have your club represented. It covers all business for High Twelve International AND the Wolcott Foundation, see page 35 of the spring edition of The High Twelvian.
- **State Association President's** your attendance is required - if you cannot attend

there is a proxy form for you to utilize.

- ***Club Masonic Representatives*** you have a vote at the convention but you must attend in person! Credential Form is located on the High Twelve International Website event page.

All Members: Be involved! Get involved! Have your voice heard! This is your organization and you are needed.





BETWEEN
friends

SPRING 2018



Jim and Naomi Satterthwaite are the epitome of the American Way, working hard their whole lives. Jim was a plant shift operating supervisor for Consumers Energy and Naomi, a stay at home mom who worked a variety of odd jobs. They moved many times and lived all over Michigan, brought up two children, and because other children came into their lives that needed a helping hand, they took in four foster children. Eventually they retired to Florida.

They believed in giving back to Masonry, their church and community. Jim is a member of Grand Haven Lodge #139 and Alma Lodge #244. He is a Past Master of the Grand Haven Lodge, is a Past President of the International High Twelve and is currently his local High Twelve Club secretary. Jim is a member of the Shrine and also current High Priest of the Royal Arch Masons, Chapter #123. Naomi has been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for many years and is a current member of Alma Chapter #43. They have always been active in the United Methodist Church, with both of them in the choir, plus Jim as a past Sunday School teacher. Jim volunteered for the Red Cross and was a CPR instructor for many years, and Naomi always seemed



to end up in a kitchen, helping with special events and meals.

In his retirement years, Jim's health began to decline. He started to weaken and needed dialysis treatments. It was then that they decided to move to Masonic Pathways Village Estates. They thought they would get established early, make friends and enjoy all that the home had to offer. Recently, the couple has moved into the Masonic Pathways main building, where Jim receives the ongoing care he needs. Jim states, "This is like living in a big beautiful home with family all around you."

Now, Jim plans to live each day to the fullest and knows that if something happens to him, his children will not have to carry a burden, and his beloved Naomi will be taken care of in every way, including financially. Because Jim has been a loyal Mason for 62 years, and Naomi, a loyal Order of the Eastern Star member, the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation, through the generous support of its donors, is there to ensure that they don't have to worry about finances or needing dialysis treatments. They shared that, "If we had stayed in our home, we would have been lost without all this help at our fingertips."

Because of your generous donations, the Masonic Assistance program offers comfort, relief and most importantly, hope!

The above article appeared as the front page of the Michigan Masonic Charitable Foundation Newsletter in June. Brother Jim has single handedly built the Alma-Pathways High Twelve Club into one of the best and largest Clubs in Michigan. I have received permission from the Executive Director MWB Walt Wheeler PGM to use it in our HTI Newsletter.

Note received from Wolcott Fellow Alex Sproveri to Bob Morton, Wolcott

Trustee & Treasurer:

Hello Bob and Carol,

I hope you both are well and enjoyed your Memorial Day weekend.

I am writing to inform you that I have completed my Master of Public Policy Degree this May. I am currently employed as a government contractor at IRS, where I am helping to implement tax policy legislation. I am also currently interviewing with the Federal Reserve, so fingers crossed!

Again, thank you both so much for everything you have done for me these past couple of years. My education was an unbelievable experience, and being able to pursue it without taking on substantial debt is a kindness and a privilege that I am thankful for every day.

Please keep in touch and let me know if I can ever be of service.

Best to you and the Wolcott Members, Alex Sproveri

That's all for now. Hope to see you at the International Convention.

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Humor:

For Men Only! Story sent to me by my friendly contributor in Arizona. Last Friday I had an appointment to see the urologist for a prostate exam. Of course, I was a bit on edge because all my friends have either gone under the knife or had those pellets implanted. The waiting room was filled with patients. As I approached the receptionist's desk, I noticed that she was a large unfriendly woman who looked like a Sumo wrestler. I gave her my name, and in a very loud voice, she said, YES, I HAVE YOUR NAME HERE. YOU WANT TO SEE THE DOCTOR ABOUT IMPOTENCE, RIGHT? All the patients in the waiting room snapped their heads around to look at me, a now very embarrassed man. But as usual, I recovered quickly, and in an equally loud voice replied, NO, I'VE COME TO INQUIRE ABOUT A SEX CHANGE OPERATION, BUT I DON'T WANT THE SAME DOCTOR THAT DID YOURS. The room erupted in applause. DON'T MESS WITH OLD RETIRED GUYS.WE'LL ALWAYS WIN!

A new celebrity restaurant chain is opening up nationwide.It is a partnership between Kareem Abdul Jabarr, Ryan Coffee, and Sugar Ray Leonard. They're going to call it: Coffee with Kareem and Sugar.

I was asked if I wanted to be an Organ Donor. I told them if you can get it out of my basement it's yours!

As the bus pulled away, a woman realized she had left her purse under the seat. Later she called the company and was relieved to find out the driver had found it. When she

went to pick it up, several off-duty bus drivers greeted her. One of the men handed over her handbag and a box. We're required to inventory found wallets and purses, he explained. I think you'll find everything here. As she started to put her belongings back into the purse, the man continued, I hope you don't mind if we watch. Even though we all tried, none of us could fit everything into your purse... and we'd like to see just HOW you do it.

A man walks into a bar and says, Give me a beer before the problems start! He drinks the beer and then orders another saying, Give me a beer before the problems start! The bartender looks confused but gives him another beer. This goes on for a while, and after the fifth beer the bartender is totally confused and asks the man, When are you going to pay for these beers? The man answers, Now the problems start!

A counselor was helping his kids put their stuff away on their first morning in summer camp. He was surprised to see one of the youngsters had an umbrella. The counselor asked, Why did you bring an umbrella to camp? The kid answered, Did you ever have a mother?

In my haste I ran into the screen door and strained myself!

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