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High Twelve Monthly Update

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Congratulations to our members and ladies, celebrating their Birthday, Anniversary or other Special Event in May. 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 to that Special Person!

International President Jerry Saville, PSP, (CA):

Greetings to All. I extend a personal invitation to join us at the International High Twelve Annual Convention in San Diego next month. It will be a busy, productive and rewarding experience. We have a full agenda and this is your opportunity to elect the 2016-17 International High Twelve Officers to keep us moving forward!! Your voice, and your vote, on many issues facing us next month are extremely important.

If a person named Robby approaches you with a camera, recorder, and a mic please do not run - talk with him - he's the real deal. He has agreed to produce a High Twelve DVD and place on the International Website, www.high12.org, for the world to see. Also copies of the DVD will be available at a later date!

Please take some time and log in to www.high12.org. We have added several new documents to include E. C. Wally Wolcott's Last Will and Testament, Declaration of Trust and Wolcott Foundation Financial Data. This is your International project, started by Brother Wolcott in and under High Twelve, and now you can go back in time to the 1950's to see how we had our start.

Also read the Wolcott Foundation Inc. Bylaws so you understand their operation and process. Wolcott Bylaws do not require them to notify the High Twelve members of Trustee vacancies and the election thereof. It's on you to research their process especially if you are interested in competing for a Trustee position someday.

This is just one of the many topics on the agenda to discuss next month. To be continued at the Convention, please join us! See you in San Diego! Fraternally, Jerry Saville, International President, jsaville@bak.rr.com.

International 1st Vice President Ronald W. Woods, CA (PSP):

This past month I visited the Annual meeting of Michigan High Twelve State Association. Their welcoming was truly warming and I felt at home there. I was very impressed by their business like system with everything in place from the morning meeting to the noon meal and then the Installation Ceremony. I was asked to do the Officer Installation and was pleased to do so with their very formal system which was in place.

They held their entire program at the Masonic Temple at Swartz Creek, Michigan just west of Flint. It is a relatively new building with a large Lodge room and Dining room and great parking. The brothers did their planning well. The location was easy to get to as the interstate system leads there from anywhere in the state and nation.

I have to admit that I got lost on the way home as the section around Lansing I must travel on a place where Interstate 69 and Interstate 96 merges and I was passing a couple of trucks and missed my turn to I-69. Oh well, an extra hour on the road brought some new views.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you in June. Fraternally, Ron.

International 2nd Vice President William Haynes, PSP (PA):

Birthdays! I just returned from a birthday celebration given for two 90 year olds by their Lodge. The event was, of course joyous for them but the camaraderie generated by the estimated 100 attendees was great. It got me thinking that perhaps this would be a great thing to imitate. Everyone likes to be recognized on their birthdays and making a somewhat big deal of decade milestones (30, 40, 50, etc.) might be a good boost in club morale. Having fun events always sparks clubs and this would not be an expensive venture.

Why not try it for a while and alert your club greeter as to whom to acknowledge when they arrive and seat them in a place of honor? It certainly will benefit all club members and could improve attendance.

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

Brother High Twelvian's, the Spring Edition of *The High Twelvian* went into the mail in Phoenix Arizona on April 21, 2016. Generally it takes about 2 weeks to make it to the East Coast. Please look at the address label. If there is any incorrect information that is printed please contact the International office. This issue includes information on the 95th Annual Convention and a paper Registration Form if you do not wish to register online. The usual required notifications are included about elections and a Bylaws Amendment.

By the time you receive this article, the 2016-2017 Per-Capita Statements will have been placed into the mail to Club Secretaries on April 30th. This year any outstanding club fees for new or reinstated members have been included. Statements are due and payable upon receipt.

Delegate Credentials for the 95th Convention will be sent via email to the State Associations, Clubs and Club Masonic Representatives early in May. For the clubs, on the inside back cover of *The High Twelvian* is the Club Delegate Form that can also be used. Your club has a voice at the Convention if you are not physically in attendance! Fill out the Form, send it to your State Association Secretary for validation AND instruct the appointed delegate on how to vote.

A big WELCOME to Son's of Hiram High Twelve Club #778 in Noblesville, Indiana, which was chartered on April 11, 2016.

Summer like weather is upon us in the Valley of the Sun - Has been in the upper 90's already! Have a wonderful spring and see you San Diego! Fraternally, Kevin.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: I would like to apologize to those clubs, who submitted articles for the Monthly Update but were in ADOBE PDF format. I am only able to copy and print limited information from the newsletters. The cost for having the ability to change the articles from ADOBE to normal printing cost \$14.95 a month and I do not receive any reimbursement from International. All expenses for the Monthly Update are provided by me and I do not feel I can afford the additional expenses. Some clubs send me their articles before converting to ADOBE and I can open and copy them with no problems. Photos are best sent as an attachment (.jpg) and not embedded into an article. The bigger the file size the better for reproduction.

Arizona High Twelve Association, East Valley High Twelve Club #765: Meeting every Third Saturday at 8:00 AM at Mimi's Cafe, 1250 S. Alma School Road, Mesa, Arizona. Editor: Frank Alger 480-835-1929, 1022 N. April Street, Mesa, Arizona 85203. E-mail misfit29@q.com.

It's good to see the beautiful weather that we are having. It brings encouragement for good things to come. We had a very good and enjoyable meeting in April. We had two young children Aubree and Mason Clark, who convinced their parents to take them out for Breakfast, so that they could be participants in a Child Identification Program demonstration. The program appeared to be very well received by all in attendance. We always attempt to have an interesting program for all in attendance. Hope you can join with us, and also bring along a fellow Mason and their significant other to join with us. Join with us in spreading the joy and the beauty of the season. Always drive safely and respectfully. Fraternally, Paul Howell, President

International Monthly Update Editor Merv Harris: A few months ago I received an email message intended for the members of the American Legion Honor Guard by mistake. I responded to Gene Wickey, Commander of the Unit and asked him if he would consent to submitting an article for the Update. He agreed and over a few months delay because of time conflicts on both our parts, here is an article from Brother Gene.

Tucson Club Honors Veterans

Sahuaro High Twelve Club No. 523 of Tucson, Arizona held a Veteran's Appreciation Day a few months ago. Each Veteran member of the Club was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for serving in the Armed Forces of the United States by American Legion Past Commander, Ed Davis. Prior to the presentation, Mr. Davis spoke to the group about the ongoing efforts of our service men and woman who put themselves in harm's way every day to protect us. He told true stories of several members who have put the safety of others first, and often times paid the ultimate price. Mr. Davis stated that we should honor Veterans every day and never forget the sacrifices they have made to protect and defend our way of life. The Tucson Club demonstrated there's no doubt that our High Twelve Clubs are very patriotic and that we have the freedoms we have because of our Veterans.

Submitted by Gene Wickey, member of Sahuaro High Twelve Club No. 523; Old Pueblo High Twelve Club No. 773 (Tucson); and Judge Advocate for Oro Valley American Legion Post No. 132.

I must apologize for not sending the photos sent to me by Gene and Nancy but I cannot copy and print them. We have tried several times without success. Rather than wait any longer for the photos, I am printing the article in the May Issue of the Update.

Thank you to Gene, Nancy and all the Honor Guard members. Great job you are all doing!

Rich Kessler, Past International 2nd Vice President Report:

Past International President Sid Leluan was working on the roof of his house and fell off onto the concrete driveway. He broke six (6) ribs and four (4) vertebrae in his back. No surgery is planned for

now, but he will be laid up for a few months. If you desire to send him a card, please send it to me and I will see that he gets all well wishes. My address is Richard A. Kessler - P.O. Box #11526, Tucson, Arizona 85734-1526. You may also send any e-mails to me at krass26@juno.com. His e-mails all go to his work place.

We all wish Sid a speedy recovery and please keep him in your prayers. Thank you to all for your assistance in this matter. Kindest personal regards to all. Yours in Good fellowship! Rich

California High Twelve Association, Fresno High Twelve Club #10:

Brethren, we will not have a program this meeting as Ike will talk about the state of our High Twelve Club. I'm sure that Ike will have some very interesting information for members and guests and we hope that many of you will be able to attend. We did not have a program at the April meeting but I understand that Brother Art Carlson filled in with some interesting information. We thank Art for improvising when no program is provided. We only had 15 members and guests at our April meeting. We hope to increase the attendance and our membership in the future. Fraternally, Jack Farson, Secretary and Editor.

Florida High Twelve Association, Tri County High Twelve Club #674:



We had a busy month in April and had many members involved in the fun. We had Steve Robinson entertain us at the April Stated Meeting, which was enjoyed by all. Then we had the Annual Picnic at Hickory Point Park on April 16th with 44 people in attendance. Finally, those who went on the Paddle Boat Ride out of Sanford had a superb voyage with great entertainment and food. The photo on the left was provided by Marlene Pickett of those joining us for the ride. This is the fourth time we have taken the ride out of Sanford and the best one yet. How about giving Don Graupner and Stew Davis a Thank You for putting the event together! At the June meeting we are asking

every couple to bring in a **wedding picture** of themselves and their Lady. We will have a contest to see who can identify the most members from the photos. June is normally associated with the greatest number of weddings and we think it would be fun to try to see if you can determine who is in each photo. Please don't forget to bring in your Wedding Photo!

Lake Worth High Twelve Club #316:

From the Front page of the Sun-Sentinel, Fort Lauderdale, April 10, 2016.

Retirees lead the charge for students to understand civics!



Bernhard Kainer, Past Club President and now Club Secretary observed people struggle with simple civics questions during a popular segment on the Jay Leno show, then found research showing most Americans don't know the basics of government, he decided to take action. With the help of other members in his Palm Beach County Masonic Temple, he

launched a Government Bee in district schools. (JOE CAVARETTA / southflorida.com)

Bernhard Kainer couldn't believe what he was seeing on his television. Every day Americans, approached by Jay Leno during popular segments of The Tonight Show, couldn't name the vice president or the three branches of government. He was thinking, how can these people not know anything recalled the 89-year-old Boca Raton resident.

The sight sent Kainer and other South Florida retirees on an unlikely mission to make sure students understand civics. They went to the Palm Beach County School District with the idea of starting a tournament that would encourage kids to learn more about the government. Kaiser even made up a list of 50 questions, from Who is the present president? to What is the date of the Declaration of Independence?

School district leaders were sold on the idea. So, from July to March, Kainer and a handful of other white-haired friends, all members of the Masonic High Twelve Lake Worth Club, visited schools, created a gold trophy and raised money for a \$500 cash prize.

Last month, they hosted the first-ever Government Bee, complete with Jeopardy-style buzzers and a bonus round.

It was something they were so passionate and lively about, said Shawn Servos, a District Administrator who helped plan the Bee. It was their everything for a while. The project fit nicely into the Masonic group's mission to support education - especially in government.

And they had a good time with it. One of the questions involved the Magna Carta, a document signed in 1215. When none of the students knew the answer, 84-year old Sidney King piped in. He said, 'You know how I know? Who do you think lent him the pen?' I said, 'I'm that old,' recalled King, president of the High Twelve Club.

With November just months away, Kainer thought the Bee was especially important: The elections are coming on and adults don't know what the heck is going on, who is who, et cetera.

He pointed to a survey of college graduates that found barely half knew the Constitution establishes the separation of powers, 43 percent could not identify the Chief Justice and 62 percent were unaware of the correct length of Congressional Terms of Office.

That convinced him that the quiz segment on The Tonight Show was not a set-up, as he'd originally thought.

But the local students, all seniors at four Lake Worth area high schools, knew quite a bit. School district administrators tossed out Kainer's questions in favor of tougher ones, including, Where are Tax Bills required to originate? Some of them stumped Kainer.

The questions I thought really had the students think hard about the workings of the government, said Santaluces High School Government Teacher Colleen Gleason, whose students won the competition. There were a number of questions where she was like, 'Oh my God, are they going to know this?' But they pulled it off.

On Monday, High Twelve members plan to take the winning team to dinner at the Red Lobster.

They've already begun talking about next year's tournament. The trophy was designed to travel from champion to champion... And the plan is to expand next year's Bee to 10 Palm Beach County Schools. Who knows where it will go from there, Kainer said. But he hopes the Bee will help encourage the next generation of voters and leaders to be more knowledgeable about their country. If they don't know now, he said, when are they going to know?

Illinois High Twelve Association, Moline Area Masonic High Twelve Club #88:

Have you asked a fellow Master Mason to visit our High Twelve Club? This method is the best way to keep your club going. We'll have 3 meetings in MAY. There will not be a scheduled meeting on the 27th as it is the Friday of Memorial Day weekend. All meetings are at DENNY'S RESTAURANT, 2601 52nd Avenue, Moline. Try to come about 11:00 AM and have time to eat and enjoy the fellowship before the program at noon (High Twelve). Ladies and guests are always welcome.

This month's Program Chair is yours truly and I have gathered two speakers for May. The topics are the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE); and a personal view of the Iraq War. Yours truly will give a travel log of trips to Europe.

MAY 6: Allen Marshall will lead off with an insight on how the USACE is supporting America's infrastructure. **MAY 13:** Nick Peschang served as a civilian with the Iraq USACE office supporting the rebuilding of Iraq. **MAY 20:** A travel log on one of the many trips to Europe. **MAY 27:** No meeting.

High Twelve International Annual Convention

Holiday Inn San Diego Bayside
4875 N Harbor Dr
San Diego CA 92106
www.holidayinn.com/san-baysideca

Group Room rate \$139.00/day + tax
Single and Double - Run of the House

June 15, 2016 [Wed.] is the arrival day
7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting

June 16, 2016 [Thur.] is tour day
9:30 AM to 3:30 PM - Personalized H-12 Narrated City Tour with Luncheon in Old Town - cost \$79.00 inclusive per person. **There must be a minimum of 36 reservations to have the tour!** The bus can only accommodate 60 people.
8:00 AM - 10:00 PM - Hospitality Room Open
7:00 PM - Informal Get-Together in the Hospitality Room

June 17-18, 2016 [Fri. & Sat.] is the convention
6/17 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM Convention Meeting
6/17 Noon - Wolcott Foundation Luncheon - all invited
6/17 12:30 PM to 10:00 PM Hospitality Room Open

6/18 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM Convention Meeting
6/18 Noon - Grand Master's Luncheon - all invited
6/18 12:30 PM to 10:00 PM Hospitality Room Open
6/18 5:30 - 10:00 PM Dinner and Installation of Officers'

June 19, 2016 is the departure date

The group rate [\$139 +tax] is available for three days pre and post event based on room availability via the provided link or contact hotel reservations directly at Holiday Inn San Diego Bayside. Call 1(619) 224-3621, ask for reservations (Ext: 701) or call toll free (in USA only) 1(800) 662-8899.

The group code is **IHA** and your group rates are valid for booking through **5/26/16**.

Click here [International High 12 Association room reservations at Holiday Inn Bayside](#) to proceed directly to your reservation desk.

The above link goes to the standard reservations page with the group code pre-loaded. The individual

guests need to input their arrival and departure dates which need to fall with-in the group contract dates (+/- 3 days) and click "Check Availability" to go to the group's specific rate and availability page. From there select a room type that they prefer and input the personal details to complete the reservation (please scroll down to see all available room types). Guests may also use their IHG Rewards number with the group rate.

Parking fee \$5.00 per day (reduced from the normal price!)
WiFi is complimentary throughout the hotel

Illinois High Twelve Association, Mattoon High Twelve Club: Brethren, Our headquarters hotel for the Annual Meeting on August 12 & 13, 2016 in Mattoon will be the Hampton Inn, 1416 Broadway Avenue East, Mattoon, IL 61938. Phone 217-234-4267. Room Rate is \$94 per night plus tax. Please call the hotel directly and ask for the block of rooms under Masonic High 12. We currently have a block of 20 rooms but can add more if needed. Any rooms not reserved by July 29, 2016 will be released for general sale.

All meetings and the banquet will be held at the Mattoon Masonic Lodge, 116 N. 1st, Mattoon, Illinois 61938. More information and registration material will be forth coming soon. Just wanted to give you a heads up on where you can stay while in Mattoon. See you in August if not sooner. Fraternally, Charlie Coffey 1st Vice President, Illinois Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs.

Greetings from Belleville Club #35: We meet regularly at the Olimpika bar and restaurant in Swansea, Illinois. The first Friday of every month at 12:00 noon is our regular stated meeting. We have a social get together every Friday for lunch. The last Friday of the month we have a ladies night at Mascouthah Steak House, 9 West Main St. in Mascouthah at 6:00 p.m. It's great to have all the wives and widows attend the dinners.

The only time we do not have ladies night is when we have the Shriner's Parade; Thanksgiving; and Christmas. Then we have it the Friday before.

We do not have many special events except for ladies night. Our fund raisers consist of a 50/50 on ladies night, but we still have our four food banks we give to every quarter. Also we collect money for the Wolcott foundation so we can give \$200.00 dollars each year.

We do not have many speakers this year. Hopefully we will have some soon. Our club is hurting for membership due to everyone aging and do not attend meetings but we are working on recruiting younger members. Respectively submitted, President Richard Ervin.

Northwest High Twelve Club No. 769: The meeting started on time at the Red Apple Restaurant, 2121 S. Plum Grove Road, Palatine. President George Rogers opened our meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by Brother Marvin Selock's opening prayer.

Don Van Cleave led the discussion on our participation in the Wolcott Foundation. Illinois High Twelve Bylaws recommend that contribution to Wolcott Foundation should be a voluntary two dollars per month. Our 2015-2016 (Our Club) contribution was \$16.48 per member/year which is excellent when compared to the eight Wolcott Zones. The average donation for Zone 4 (Illinois-Missouri) was \$7.08 member/year but the low Zone was only \$0.28 per member/year. A proposal that our Wolcott Foundation donation should be based on membership and not just on members that attend a meeting. Approximately sixty percent of our membership attends monthly meetings for contributions to the Wolcott Foundation. However, a \$210 contribution to the Wolcott Foundation from yearly dues would yield \$10 contribution per member/year and yield more than our current yearly \$95 contribution for our other charity fund. Approximately \$320 is presently available from our membership dues after the required Per Capita is paid to Illinois and International High Twelve. Additional review of Wolcott Foundation covered the Eight Trustees, Scholarship recipients who must be less than 30 years old and the forty credit hours can be used at twelve hours per semester if currently working for a government agency. Trustees are automatically renewed for five years if unchallenged.

Attendance today was ten members with five special guests (Mrs. Cathy Curielli, Mrs. Joan Rogers, Mrs. Ronnie Rund, Mrs. Julie Selock and Mrs. Rosemarie Pegoraro) who added to discussion and appearance. Today, Wolcott Foundation income was \$20 and seven (7) dollars available for our other charity. The funds available in our other charity has \$95.00 now available. At our May and June meetings, a decision will be made on where our charity funds will be applied and how to handle the Wolcott Foundation distribution.

Brother Rogers reviewed our emphasis on a visitation meeting at Cornerstone High Twelve and the Sunshine Club (Rainbow Girls), at Wheaton Temple. A possible June visit with Barrington Lodge's DeMolay Chapter is pending upon completion of Barrington Lodge remodeling.

On the medical front, Brother Gordon Colditz is still feeding by a stomach pump and has a pacemaker appointment but improving in strength and welcomes visitors. Gordon had to cancel their Branson, Missouri military reunion due to his no eating policy. The military still travel on their stomachs.

Our State President, Joe Santisteban and State Secretary, Ed Rund, added valuable information in the Foundation discussion. Don Van Cleave, Secretary/Treasurer.

Wolcott Foundation News: During the events at the Wolcott Fellowship Selection Meeting in March at George Washington University, we were able to contact many Senior Fellows. Many of them agreed to submit articles, so our membership can see what they are doing after graduation and to thank us for our financial support towards their Master's Degree.

You will find two articles, which were submitted and we hope you enjoy reading them. Continued follow up will be taken to obtain more articles for your reading enjoyment.

The first article is from Dr. Phyllis Genter Yoshida, who graduated with her M.A. in 1978 and received her Ph.D. in 1986.



Thank you High Twelve International for granting me a Wolcott Fellowship in 1976. I still remember somewhat nervously being driven by my father (a Master Mason) to be interviewed by the High Twelve Club in Dayton, Ohio during winter break my senior year of college. I was lucky to gain their sponsorship despite coming from the rival city of Cincinnati!

I am part of the generation inspired by President Kennedy's call to ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for your country. Without the fellowship, it would have been difficult if not impossible to pursue the graduate studies that formed the basis for my career. I obtained my master's degree. Later, my George Washington University professors persuaded me to return and obtain a Ph.D. which I did successfully part-time while I worked. I also had an incredible opportunity to study for two years at the University of Tokyo as part of the Fulbright program as I conducted research for my dissertation.

As I near retirement in the next year or so, I will do so as a member of the Senior Executive Service - the highest career rank in the federal government, having most recently served at the U.S. Department of Energy as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Asia, Europe and the Americas. I have worked for the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Department of Energy. I have visited over 60 countries, run a major public-private partnership conducting research for advanced automobiles, negotiated trade and technology agreements, created numerous bilateral and multilateral science and technology partnerships, met six U.S. Presidents, and helped U.S. industry gain access to foreign markets and benefit from technological advances overseas. I plan to continue contributing after I retire by teaching and writing.

My husband and I have also raised two sons who are now in their early twenties. I hope that they also will find the type of support as they set out on their careers as I did from High Twelve International and my professors at George Washington University.

In closing, it is more important than ever to support the development of dedicated competent career public servants. Thanks are too rare for those whose job is essential to effective government, both in providing continuity and in meeting the challenges of change.

Sincerely, Phyllis Genther Yoshida

The second article was provided by Ms. Amanda Conklin, who graduated in 2015.

I graduated in May 2015 with my Master's in International Affairs from George Washington University, with the help of the Wolcott Foundation Fellowship. When I applied to graduate school, I was working as a Fulbright English Teaching Assistant in Macao. My meetings with the U.S. State Department, the Hong Kong America Center, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong during this time had reinforced my desire to pursue a career in public service, and I knew I needed a Master's degree to be able to pursue opportunities to work for the government in the field of international affairs.

Additionally, I knew getting my degree in Washington D.C. would allow me to learn from experienced policy practitioners and the nation's top experts while also getting valuable experience interning or working in the field of international affairs. I gained admission to George Washington University's Elliott School of International Affairs, and the Wolcott Fellowship made attending financially possible and made me even more determined to make the most of the opportunity to go to graduate school in Washington D.C.

While attending the Elliott School of International Affairs, I received opportunities to attend the IMF-World Bank annual meetings as a representative of the Asian Development Bank, host a local TV show on modern China, lead a Congressional Staff Delegation overseas, mentor undergraduate researchers, present my thesis to the Center for Naval Analysis, and publish my writing with respected online news outlets. All of these experiences built on what I was learning in classes at the Elliott School and strengthened my understanding of international affairs.

My expertise in international affairs and connections from the experiences above helped me secure a full-time position at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) while I was finishing up my coursework at the Elliott School in spring 2015. Today, I am a Program Specialist for Southeast Asia, helping to strengthen U.S. engagement with developing nations in the region to advance our mutual prosperity and security. I have a great start to what I hope is a life-long career in public service due to the generous support of the Wolcott Foundation and its trustees.



The picture is at the Great Wall, when I led a dozen Congressional Staffers to China in the fall 2014, while I was attending the Elliott School of International Affairs at George Washington University as a Wolcott Fellow. Sincerely, Amanda Conklin.

International Living Past Presidents

When reviewing the International Website we show that we are going to be attending our 95th Annual Convention. That would mean we have had an International President 94 times with some holding the

office more than once but still it totals 95 Presidents. (Jerry Saville is currently the 95th President!)

At the present time we have 15 living PIP's. The senior living past President is Ross V.N. Bayer from New Jersey! He served the craft in 1984-1985 and has been active up to this date.

The Youngest PIP is Winton E. Hewitt from Pennsylvania and he served during 2014-2015. Our current President and soon to be the youngest PIP is Jerry Saville from California. We have posted his photo as his term in office will soon be over.







The Living PIP's are shown below and listed by name and years as President. We hope you enjoy seeing these Living PIP's who are still active in High Twelve.

Most of the PIP's are still actively participating in High Twelve affairs. Three are Wolcott Trustees; a couple are involved at the International level; and a couple are active in their High Twelve club, as well as other Masonic organizations. Thirteen of the PIP's are involved in other Masonic Bodies. Ross Bayer is also a Past Grand Master and Shrine Potentate and is known world-wide.

They may be Past but are still deeply involved in the Masonic Fraternity. If you ever needed assistance, we are sure you can count on them to assist you at any time.

Without checking with each PIP, we are willing to bet that they have accumulated hundreds of years of experience in Masonry. Many have over fifty years under their belt and others are closing in on that number.

How about thanking them for their years of dedication to High Twelve and let them know you appreciate what they have done for our great organization.

 <p>Ross V. N. Bayer 1984-1985</p>	 <p>Clifton Bingham 1986-1987</p>	 <p>Ralph A. Clemmer 1992-1993</p>
 <p>Stanley A. Gardner 1998-1999</p>	 <p>Armand E. Cote 2001-2002</p>	 <p>William "Willie" W. Mier 2002-2003</p>



Roger H. Hanson
2005-2006



James R. Satterthwaite
2006-2007



Thomas S. Bevington
2007-2008



Mervyn J. Harris
2010-2011



Sidney J. Leluan, III
2011-2012



Donald M. Whistler
2012-2013



James B. Parker, III
2013-2014



Winton E. Hewitt
2014-2015



Jerry L. Saville
2015-2016

Humor:

A social worker from Ohio, who was recently transferred to the mountains of North Georgia, was on the first tour of his new territory when he came upon the tiniest cabin he had ever seen in his life. Intrigued, he went up and knocked on the door. Anybody home? he asked. Yep, came a kid's voice through the door. Is your father there? asked the social worker. Pa? Nope, he left before Ma came in, said the kid. Well, is your mother there? persisted the social worker. 'Ma? Nope, she left just before I got here, said the kid. But what, protested the social worker, are you never together as a family? "Sure, but not here, said the kid through the door. This is the outhouse.

A Pastor goes to the dentist for a set of false teeth. The first Sunday after he gets his new teeth, he talks for only eight minutes. The second Sunday, he talks for only ten minutes. The following Sunday, he talks for 2 hours and 48 minutes. The congregation had to mob him to get him down from the pulpit and they asked him what happened. The Pastor explains the first Sunday his gums hurt so bad he couldn't talk for more than 8 minutes. The second Sunday his gums hurt too much to talk for more than 10 minutes. But, the third Sunday, he put his wife's teeth in by mistake and he couldn't shut up.

Fraternally, Mervyn J. Harris, PIP

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