

**December 2011**  
**Florida State Masonic High Twelve Clubs Inc.**

*So what's happening in Florida Masonic High Twelve Clubs – are you having fun yet - if not you may be missing out on some great fellowship / fun / food / activities and events*

**[Convention and Installation of 2012 Officers at Florida's States 49th State convention](#)**

*If you didn't attend you missed one of the best ever – centrally located in Florida at a destination location the Waterfront Inn in the Villages and a first ever one day convention that you all asked for and we heard and responded to - our International Masonic High Twelve President Sid Leluan III flew in from Tucson, Arizona to be part of our convention and install the 2012 officers assisted by PIP, PSP Robert Smith and PSP and PI Sgt at Arms Frank Peregrin – President Sid captured all in attendance with his presence, charisma and vision for the future of HI Twelve – all in attendance have requested that he schedule his presence for next years Convention – We have a leader for the future for sure – Thank You Mr. President Sid – You Da man*



*Another highlight - our Florida Grand Master Most Worshipful Jim J. Harris a High Twelve member himself Of Vero Beach High Twelve Club #655 attended with great presence with others of his Grand Line and a message that was not only informative but with encouragement to all in attendance*



*Another highlight – a servant for many years in Florida HI 12 Charles Kruger was presented the High Twelvian of the year award for 2011 truly a deserving recipient – and not to forget his lady Suzanne*

**Florida High Twelve - are you aware we had been chartered May 2, 1963 – that makes this year 2012 our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary**



**What is our Motto this Year**  
**Back to basics**

**We have sat in the chair of Youth – help us help those who now sit there to be more comfortable – (Ray)**

Already asked is – okay who are these 2012 Florida State officers of HI 12 that have come forward to serve



L to R row - 1st VP William (Bill) Staple – President Raymond (Ray) Trudeau – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Gordon Yahr  
L to R row 2– Chaplain Terry Shook – Secretary Dan Hodson – 3<sup>rd</sup> VP David Neal – Treasurer Stewart Davis – Sgt at Arms W. Lee Frazier

Florida State Masonic High Twelve has 21 Clubs from Key West to Jacksonville, Florida – supporting youth, patriotic events, community and scholarships to George Washington University for students who seek public service careers

**Other plans goals and schedule events for this year**

Do watch your **Florida State HI 12 Web Site** [www.flhi12.org](http://www.flhi12.org) we have a new Web site manager Brother Tim Wilhelm – there you will find pictures of the latest events – schedules for your Florida State Officers – up and coming events, invitations - Newsletters – visitations – announcements and I also encourage you to submit to me your newsletters – events – announcements that I will also include that we all in Florida may see the goings on and appreciate your works and efforts and even glean for others those efforts for growth and purpose– you are now able to see the Presidents Post convention booklet received by all in attendance – the schedule – purpose - appointees – message – etc – do take a look and feedback is welcomed and appreciated - I have already received some interesting articles, newsletters and creative creations and ideas that I will be posting on this WEB site that we may find of interest – this is exciting for sure

Our Immediate PP Graham Fred Neilson has accepted what I believe to be a ground breaker and has accepted a position to continue this year in that effort – WHAT YOU ASK – He visits most of the Grand Masters Official visits in Florida – at which time has the Largest attendance of Blue Lodge members present and is able to spread the word of HI 12 in addition will present donations to the Grand Master for the State Demolay / Jobs Daughter / Rainbow Girls / Masonic Home / etc – all that you have contributed to with your yearly \$40 dollar donation with per capita – thus you all make a difference and have visibility for our purpose

Watch for a regular newsletter (such as this) that will be published by the State President – and do please submit to me your goings on, newsletters etc - that I may include and also pass on to our International for their interest and publication

A full E-mail directory of all officers of HI 12 clubs in Florida has now been created that allow communication to all the Florida Clubs – do feel free to use this – at the end of this newsletter you will find my contact listing and in addition on our State WEB site you will find all The Florida State Officers E-mail and contact listings – we wish to be available and of service to you – please feel free to do so

**In service to youth and community** – this summer you will see a partnership of Blue lodges and WM Larry Duff with HI 12 to attend and support community youth with attendance for Collegiate summer baseball and then again in the fall for High school football in presence and sponsorship that provides visibility for our purpose

Look for Patriotic programs at HI 12 day and Convention

A summer cruise chaired by PP Jack and Lady Olgamarie from the Greater Ocala HI 12 Club through the Homosassa river and dinner to follow at the Riverside restaurant by Monkey Island

Visits to Rainbow / DeMolay / Lodges dinners' breakfast etc

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> VP Dave Neal already is working on plans for some great and enjoyable fundraisers – perhaps picnics and other events – all for you

**SO WHAT ELSE IS COMIN UP**

Hey Hey Hey - 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Gordon Yahr has plans in progress for our 2012 High Twelve day – Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup> at Morrison Methodist Church at 1005 West Main Street, Leesburg, Florida - and 3<sup>rd</sup> VP has stepped up to assist now that's teamwork – this promises to be a fun and great day – do mark your calendar – details will be US mailed to each and every member in Florida with this Newsletter – do plan on attending for those that are working hard to serve you our members

**For your thoughts and consideration**

Have you recognized a member and or his lady this month for something they have done for High Twelve?

**Please remember not only Wolcott but Youth and community is our purpose** – In addition when you make a donation to anything that your club has an interest in do let your State officers especially our State Secretary Dan Hodson know that you might be recognized and given credit for it - as you deserve

DO CALL ON US YOUR STATE OFFICERS – WE ARE HERE FOR YOU – INSTALLATIONS – ACTIVITIES – EVENTS – WHATEVER -

Thank You for your calls - E-mails and feedback – it is encouraging – yes we have heard your concerns, issues and suggestions - and we are trying to make a difference and it is about and for you

***Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail***  
***Ralph Waldo Emerson.***

**[MAY I ASK PLEASE THAT YOU SHARE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH ALL YOUR MEMBERS AT YOUR NEXT MEETING](#)**

**[Call on us we are here to serve that is our purpose and wish for the High Twelve Clubs of Florida](#)**

**Fraternally and with Best Wishes – may this New Year bless you with health, happiness and prosperity**

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*I do the very best I know how - The very best I can: and I mean to keep on doing so until the end - Abraham Lincoln*