



**Dear Midstates Housemovers Association member:**

2 months have passed since the 2012 Midstates Housemovers Association Convention. Thank you to our Past-President Billy Bell, and Secretary/Treasurer Sue Morrow for all their great work in 2011 and the fantastic convention this year. If you attended the convention this year you experienced some great educational opportunities, fantastic fellowship, good food, and wonderful weather. Thank you also to all the vendors that spent their money and time to attend the Convention this year and to Dakota Fluid Power for opening their doors for a tour of their facility.

It was a mere 17 years ago (1995) that as a young 23 year old I attended my first Midstates Housemovers Convention at the Marina Inn in Sioux City. Everyone made me feel right at home and I met many people that I am proud call my friends. I am proud and humbled to be the President of the Midstates Housemovers Association this year and I will do everything that I can to serve the industry that has meant so much to me for the past 18 years. Thank you for entrusting this position to me.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank the 2012 directors for the work they will be undertaking this year:

Vice-President: Billy Bell, Billy Bell House Moving, LLC

Sec/Treasurer: Sue Morrow, Morrow's Inc.

Director: Justin Otting, Otting House Movers, LLC.

Director: Bob Childs, Child Contract Movers

Director: Tim Thein, John J. Thein Moving Company, Inc.

Since I started working with Structural Movers I have been in awe of what you are able to get done. The last couple of years have been a challenge for everyone in the Structural Moving Industry. The thing to remember is that Housemovers provide a vital service, you help people get their lives started, and help them put their lives back together by giving them the most important thing . . . a home to call their own. Never forget that.

I am hoping that this letter finds your spring off to a great start from a business perspective. I have spoken to many of in the past 2 months and most seem to have an optimistic outlook on 2012. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if there is anything that I can do for you or if you simply need someone to talk with. You might be surprised at how discussing an opportunity/issue with another person can shed a different perspective on a situation.

Please plan on joining us next year in Mason City Iowa. The 2013 Midstates Housemovers Convention will be held on March 7-9 and will be hosted by Ron Holland Housemoving and Holland Moving and Rigging Supplies.

God Bless, and I hope you and your family have a great 2012.