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Our goals/plans for the coming year:

- Increase membership to 2,000 by January 1st, 2015
- Save enough to break ground in 2015, hire an architect, begin building, etc.
- Incorporate Global Tea Hut in Taiwan so that we can offer visas to volunteers

Ways in which Global Tea Hut will continue to improve as we get closer to our goal of 2,000 members:

- At 1,000 members, we will start traveling more in order to research articles on tea, teaware and also source new and different organic teas. This will also allow us to connect organic farmers to each other.
- At 1,500 members, we will start translating modern and ancient Chinese and Japanese tea wisdom to English.

Ways in which you can help:

- Follow us on Facebook and Twitter.
- Use social media to help promote our videos, links and membership to Global Tea Hut. Help us by making more of an effort to share it online!
- Share each month's tea with friends. Show them the newsletter and tell them that the magazine and the teas are improving as the membership increases. Tell them we need 2,000 members this year to begin construction on the world's best free tea center.
- Discuss Global Tea Hut with people you know, and try your best to get one member a month to join. If everyone does that, we can achieve our goals quickly and together!



- Colin "the Hudonator" Hudon took precepts on 1/9! His tea name is *Qing Yu* (清愚), which means "Clear Fool". On the surface, it means "clearing away foolishness"; deeper still it expresses the essential Daoist ideal of a wise, but simple life; and finally, for those of us who know *Qing*, he is sometimes "clearly a fool". Still, we can call him "*Qing*" most days...
- Wu De will be in LA from 3/18 to 4/3 doing workshops and some larger events. All the proceeds will go to the new tea center that is opening there! For event details, contact us.
- From now on, we will be posting videos every month with each new magazine! We hope to include some more info about the teas, as well as some brewing tips. Please feel free to contact us at **globalteahut@gmail.com** with any questions we can answer for you.
- We are offering a free month of GTH to new subscribers! Older members will also get the chance to give away a free month in the coming year in the anniversary month of when you signed up.
- As you can see, GTH is going through lots of changes in an effort to reach a larger audience, and thereby raise the necessary funds to build our new center. We absolutely need and adore your feedback!