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President's Message



International President Donald M. Whistler:

We started this High Twelve Year with a very aggressive agenda! I would like to review with you how we are progressing with it.

Kevin Hokerk (AZ) became our International Secretary following our International Convention. Kevin is a High Twelve Club secretary and the secretary of the Arizona State Association of High Twelve Clubs. In addition, he worked in banking as a project manager and computer programmer and on the development of data bases. Many of the State Association secretaries and Club secretaries know him through his development and handling of our forms, certificates, etc. for the previous two years.

Kevin has been working hard to get control over the membership names, numbers and Club meeting information. In this regard, he has developed a reporting packet for distribution to the State Associations and Clubs. The key item in this packet is the *Monthly Report* Form. He believes that the only way to get control of the membership number is by having the State Associations encourage their clubs send the Monthly Report to them *monthly*. The State Secretary will then forward them to Kevin by mid-month next. Kevin has also done his best to get on top of the receipt of the per capita dues for the past two billings periods. He is always happy to answer any questions and can be reached five days a week at 623-239-6170 during normal business hours.

One of the major items on our agenda for this year is the membership data base. Kevin Hokerk, Art Walton (CA), 2nd VP, and Don Galway (MI), Treasurer, were appointed as our Technology Committee to review the data base. They have been conducting a review of it and are discussing what is needed in it to best serve the Clubs, State Associations and International. They will be making their report and recommendations at the Mid-Year Meeting.

Another very important issue is tax filing to maintain the tax exempt status for the State Associations and Clubs. A number of Clubs and some State Associations have lost this status because they are no longer under the International blanket filing (group exemption) for this purpose. I believe that we have identified the problem that caused this situation and are now working to fix it. We will keep you updated on this matter as we progress with it.

We are also working on updating the International, State Association and Club Bylaws. Jim Park (OH), 1st VP, is the lead person on redrafting and updating the International Bylaws. Jim has spent many hours on this project and it is now a matter of our coming to agreement on certain items within the Bylaws. Matt Dupee (PA), General Counsel, has been working on Uniform Bylaws for the Clubs and State Associations. Since there are quite a number of variations of Bylaws being used by the State Associations and Clubs, we thought that it makes sense to have Uniform Bylaws for them. They will

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make approving future Bylaws much easier! You will be able to adopt addendums to the Uniform Bylaws for your specific needs, projects, etc. Our goal is to have the three sets of Bylaws in draft form for review at the Mid-Year Meeting.

In order to provide some tools for the Clubs and State Associations in your recruiting and development efforts, we are developing a Membership Development, Membership Retention and Club Expansion Program. This Program will provide some tools which everyone can use, whether it be at the State Association level or Club level and whether it is a large or small club. I am not going to go into the detail about the Program because Art Walton is covering it in his article.

We need to give more attention to the Wolcott Foundation and, more especially, its students and graduates. Malcolm White, Chairman of the Wolcott Trustees, recently said that less than one-half of the Clubs contributed to the Foundation last year and that the total amount contributed was less than one-half of the cost of one Fellowship at George Washington University. If we continue to publicize the background of some of the students and the accomplishments of some of the graduates, as Merv Harris, PIP, has done in the Monthly Updates, we certainly should be able to do much better in raising contributions for the Foundation. I encourage all Clubs to contribute to the Foundation and to mail your contributions at least annually to it.

Finally, we had the mailing of the pocket planners in early September. If you have not contributed to this fundraiser, I encourage you to do it. We will make a profit this year, but, at this time, it is not nearly as much as last year. Since it helps fund our programs, please consider a contribution before the end of the year. Thank you!

International 2nd Vice President



By Art Walton:

One of the agenda items of the Post Convention Meeting at the Annual Convention in June was the introduction of the Membership Development, Membership Retention and Club Expansion Program. Based upon the input which the members of the Executive Committee was hearing from our members, we believed that we needed to provide you with the tools to help you grow your

membership, retain your membership and develop new clubs in your states. We have developed the tools outlined in this article for use by the State Associations and Clubs for these purposes.

1. A DVD about High Twelve has been re-mastered from an original VHS tape and, while it is a period piece, we believe it will have a very positive appeal to our members. After a brief introduction, the late Ernest Borgnine talks about the merits of High Twelve, this is then followed by the showing of and comments about a typical High Twelve meeting. It is a great tool for showing at Masonic Lodge meet-

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- ings and the meetings of other Masonic Bodies to promote High Twelve.
2. For those Clubs which do not have projectors readily available to them, an Info-Board and accompanying Dialogue has been created for your use. The Info-Boards can be purchased at local stores, such as Michaels at a very low price. We will have the pictures and the location of them for you to put on it. The dialogue will explain and be related to the pictures. It will be a good tool for your use when you do not have a projector available to you.
 3. A CD or Loop CD has also been developed for your use in introducing High Twelve. It has been prepared using power point and will be available for use with your PC or laptop. It can be projected on a screen and will have instructions so that you can run it automatically or run it line by line as you speak to its content. It can be run as single presentation or as a loop presentation for viewing at Masonic functions and conventions.
 4. A program called the Ambassador Program is designed to encourage the Members of High Twelve Clubs to go out and visit Lodges and other Masonic Bodies and do a presentation about High Twelve. Each Member will send in a Form, which is available on the High Twelve International web site, documenting his visit and presentation. The program will provide awards, called "Ambassador Awards", for the individuals, Clubs and State Associations which make the most effort in presenting High Twelve to our Masonic Family. At each Annual Convention, awards will be presented to the Individual, Club and State Association which have made the most presentations.
 5. An up-to-date Brochure has been created for the purpose of introducing High Twelve to potential new members and people who are interesting in learning about High Twelve. It is in a threefold foldout format and will be printed on high glossy paper. It can be ordered from the International Secretary, Kevin Hokerk, by emailing him at ***secretary@high12.org*** or by calling him at 623-239-6170. An alternative would be to download it from the web site.
 6. The Traveling Scrolls are a way to recognize a visitor from another Club. They are certificates in three different formats which recognize a visitor's attendance at your club. You may view them under this category on the International web site. They can also be ordered from Kevin Hokerk.
 7. The Membership Retention Call Program has as its objective getting members who not been at meetings for some time to come back to them. It involves creating a Calling Committee. The Committee Members call those members and asking them if there is a reason why they have not been coming to meetings and if the Club can be of assistance to them. Please see the details of establishing the program under this category of the Program on the web site.
 8. Finally, the Club Expansion Program deals with the Development of New Clubs within States with Existing Clubs. It addresses the situation were someone expresses interest in High Twelve and lives in an area where there is not a Club now. It also outlines a tested method of establishing clubs in areas of your state

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where there are no Clubs at this time and no one has contact you about High Twelve. The details of this program can also be found on the web site.

Please review the entire Membership Development, Membership Retention and Club Expansion Program on the High Twelve International web site. We are hopeful that you will use these tools in your development and retention efforts. Any comments and/or suggestions which you may have regarding these tools will be welcomed by the Executive Committee

International 3rd Vice President:



By Winton E. Hewitt

2013 High Twelve International Convention:

The Convention will be held at the Marriot Renaissance Philadelphia Airport Hotel, Philadelphia, PA. At the present time, there are two trips planned for the members who arrive for Thursday, June 13, 2012 events.

Trip one is: after a short bus ride, we will board the Strasburg Railroad, Steam Locomotive at Lancaster County (Dutch country), Pennsylvania for a 45 minute ride on the authentic steam locomotive. There is also a Pennsylvania Railroad Museum which houses information about the Pennsylvania Railroad during its heydays.
www.strasburgrailroad.com

Then on the way home we will be stopping to dine at Shady Maple, for authentic Dutch cooking, it is Lancaster's largest one of the kind Smorgasbord restaurant which also has a large gift shop that the ladies will not want to miss. Visit their website for more information at: **www.shady-maple.com**

There will be a cost of \$60.00 per person for this event.

Trip two is: a guided tour the Grand lodge of Pennsylvania. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is an Architectural Masterpiece which was designed by a 27 year old Architect. Many Masonic Scholars from all over the world have visited our Grand Lodge to view the beautifully decorated Lodge rooms. Beside the seven active lodge rooms it has a Grand Banquet Hall, Library and Museum of Masonic items. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania as well as the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite's Valley of Philadelphia all are residences.

We will be having lunch at Grand Lodge which will consist of Philadelphia hoagies, Philly cheese steaks, soft pretzels, etc.

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Afterward members are encouraged to take a self guided tour other sites of the city. You may want to go to **www.pagrandlodge.org** and go to the tour of the temple and take the self guided tour on the web site.

There will be a cost of \$45.00 per person for this event.

The 2013 Convention Committee would like to remind you, that it is not too early to start thinking about placing an ad in the 2013 convention booklet. Information will be posted on the International website after the Vegas Mid-Year.

International Treasurer:



By Donald L. Galway

This article should be titled EIN's are your friend, but I won't do that. There are a large number of clubs and state associations that are having trouble with their EIN and filing a 990n. There is a laundry list of reasons that the non-profit status was removed from a club or state association, which I will not go into with this article.

High Twelve International is having some troubles filing our 990 because clubs have filed a 990n using Internationals EIN. This creates a problem for us because we cannot file electronically. The one person I wish to keep in good humor is our accountant.

This article was going to point you to the International web site to help you in getting a new EIN should you not have one, but the slides on the site have become out dated. The IRS has revised their web site with a different look, which has made the slides obsolete. I shall create a current set and have them placed on our web site soon as a guide.

I cannot stress enough how important it is that International has your state and club EIN's and IRS contact information. IRS contact information is the person that files the 990n for your club or association. We use this information to file the group information with the IRS to allow you to file the 990n. You will all receive a form from the International Secretary requesting this information, which will have to be returned to the International Secretary by **12/31/12**. We will need the information by this date so we can file the group information with the IRS by their mid-January deadline.

The group information will take the IRS a little time to process after which clubs and state associations will be able to file their 990n. It will be much easier for us to help the clubs that are having trouble filing, as we will have the current information. This information will be the same as the IRS since we gave them the information. Your cooperation with this is deeply appreciated as we know how stressful it has been and how frustrating also.

Association and Club Happenings

CA Association - We recently had our Annual State Convention the officer's were installed by International President, Don Whistler assisted by Merv Harris, PIP. Roy Ackerman, CA Association President.



Bro. John Lowe, MWGM CA and his wife Becky. Wonder what they are looking at!



Donald Whistler, International President, Pat Harris and Mervyn Harris, PIP - enjoying their meals.

Kansas State Association 2013 State Convention will be held on April 27, 2013 at Ben Hur Masonic lodge 3001 Conner Ave., Kansas City KS 66106 - Steve Meyer 1st State VP

Michigan Association:

This past April 12, 2012 the 2012-13 Association Officers were installed by Sid Leluan, International President and James Satterthwaite, PIP who did a fine job and we thank them for traveling the miles to attend and participate in the Michigan Convention.



Terry Baker, PSP — (Standing L to R) James Satterthwaite, PIP; Craig Maison 2nd VP; Robert Cooper 3rd VP; David Dehn, PSP, Chaplain; Louis Stevich, Outgoing President; Armand Cote, PIP, Secretary; Terry Baker, PSP, Treasurer; C. Ray Pollick, PSP, Parliamentarian. (Seated) Sid Leluan, IP; Michael Clark, President; MWB Frederic Kaiser, MWGL of Michigan Masons. Absent Stephen Striggow 1st VP.

North Central Association's 67th Annual Convention will be held on April 26 and 27, 2013 at the Royal Fork Restaurant, Sioux Falls IA - Dale Cowman 1st State VP

Des Moines #4 IA - Dr. Tom Gruis, PSP, Assistant Secretary

Sovereign Grand Chaplain Kenneth Higgins: *Integrity is one of the most important assets we have. It is probably the only thing we have earned that we can take to the grave with us. We don't take our wealth, but we do take our good name if we have earned it. Integrity is an unimpaired condition or soundness. Being honest and meaning what we say. We no longer see a man's word or handshake as being something we can trust. We want a signed contract to that effect. I think if our word or our handshake isn't good enough, a signed document will not stand firm either. Integrity: -work had to keep it as one of the most important attributes in our life and in our fellowship with God and man.*

From the Sovereign Grand Lodge Session in 2009. This excerpt was taken from the 2008 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, IOOF;, Page 25.

Bakersfield Club #95 CA - Malcolm White - has had a busy year with very interesting speakers at each of our two meetings a month. Our most recent meeting speaker was from the Comprehensive Blood and Cancer Center here in Bakersfield who provided us with a current update on the latest news in cancer cures and their successes. It was a presentation that I wish everyone had been able to hear as some of the new medications sound amazing and are saving lives.

We have just elected officers for 2013 and our Installation will be on December 14, 2012, when Ronald Preston and his corps of officers will take over the reins of our club.

Our Twelvettes are again doing their annual service project of providing underwear for the children at our Jameson Center, where children are taken when their parents have a 'run-in with the law'. These children are from infants to 18 years of age and may remain there for several months until they can be placed in a Foster Home or returned to their parents. This is a project that is appreciated greatly by the Jameson Center administrators. We are proud of our ladies with this annual endeavor.

2013 Pocket Planner Fundraiser

Have you made your donation for the 2013 High Twelve Pocket Planner that you received in September? If you have THANK YOU! If you have not, please consider doing so today. Donations should be sent to the International Secretary. *Do it today!*

John A. Rose #210 CA - Merold Nyberg, President

Remember, High Twelve is a SERVICE CLUB for Master Masons only. All MASTER MASONSONS of all LODGES. While we encourage guests to attend and become members, to be a member you need only be a Master Mason in good standing with your Lodge. Membership includes the privilege of voting. Another reason is that our work is supporting the YOUTH of America especially our own Masonic Youth; DeMolay, Jobs Daughters and Rainbow For Girls and of course our own brothers in Freemasonry who are Master Masons by supporting the Ensign Mayo Loan Fund in California as well as the Wolcott Foundation, a graduate program open to anyone. The first is relatively easy to get a loan the second is more difficult because it is competitive and only the top weighted individuals will qualify based on their overall background.

Furniture City Masonic # 236 MI - Honors “Pink Arrow Project”

The Furniture City Masonic High Twelve Club No. 236 presented its annual “Volunteer of the Year” award honoring two individuals who along with many other volunteers have in just five years raised over \$1 million dollars for cancer victims and their families.

The Lowell High School “Pink Arrow Project” was recently featured on NBC’s *Today Show* as an example of what a small community can do to help its residents cope with the challenge of living with cancer. The money raised helps support the local *Gilda’s Club* and gives money directly to families in need of assistance while battling cancer.

Five years ago, Lowell High School Varsity Football Coach Noel Dean wanted to find a way for his players and the students to become aware of the needs of others in the community and promote an atmosphere of giving and helping others.

The nickname of Lowell’s athletic teams is the “Red Arrows”, and Coach Dean changed the color in the team’s uniforms, stadium decorations and even food to pink as a symbol of the fight against cancer. Spectators purchase pink T-shirts as tickets to the annual football game played in Lowell before more than 10,000 spectators each year. Many of the T-shirts have the name of a relative or friend who is a cancer survivor or victim printed on the back.

The events of “Pink Arrow Project Week”, include banners hanging on main street with the names of families and businesses who support the project. There are other high school sporting events held the same day as the football game with a cross country team meet ending in the football stadium, a girls volleyball game played in the stadium prior to the game, and a march of students, parents, cancer survivors and football team members from the high school to the stadium prior to the game.

The Lowell “Pink Arrow Project” and specifically Teresa and Perry Beachum were honored recently by the Furniture City Masonic High Twelve Club No. 236, of Grand Rapids

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for their years of dedication and service to make the “Pink Arrow Project” a success.

The Beachums were honored at a luncheon at the Grand Rapids Masonic Center on October 15, 2012. Also in attendance, were Dee Crowley, Assistant Principal at Lowell Senior High School and Coach Noel Dean, Head Football Coach at Lowell Senior High School.

Following a fine luncheon, former Lowell High School teacher and football coach, Michael Clark, President of the Michigan State Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs, introduced Assistant Principal Crowley to tell about the many projects and activities in which the Beachums have participated since the inception of the “Pink Arrow Project” five years ago. Ms. Crowley explained how they are willing to help in any project and their dedication to the success of the project insures a positive results.

Coach Noel Dean talked about the “Pink Arrow Project” how it originated and how it teaches the players and students of Lowell High School the importance of giving of themselves to help others. Many of the players wear jerseys with the names of relatives touched by cancer, making the project personal and more meaningful to them.

Charles Kramsvogel was a long time Mason and Past President of Furniture City Masonic High Twelve Club No. 236, and Past State President of the Michigan State Association, who volunteered with the Boy Scouts, served on the Board of Directors of the Shriners Hospital for disabled children in Chicago, Illinois, and many other Masonic Charitable Associations.

Michigan State President Michael Clark, stated that the Beachums as a husband and wife team, exemplify all that is good in humankind and their many years of service to the people of Lowell are recognized with this award.

Perry and Teresa were former students of President Clark’s and Perry played football for him in high school and also assisted Clark in coaching Lowell’s Varsity Football teams in the 1970’s.

Perry and Teresa Beachum were next presented with a plaque honoring them as 2012 recipients of the **Charles Kramsvogel, Volunteer of the Year Award** by Michael Clark, Michigan Association State President.



Sun City West #567 AZ - 2012 Annual Rice Fund Drive kick off was November 1st. As in years past, every penny donated is used to purchase rice or beans. There are no funds used for your donations or the club treasury for this project! Everything is again donated by those involved in the solicitation as it has been in the recent past and your donation is tax deductible - if you need a receipt just ask. The Valley View Community Food Bank will again be the recipient of the rice or beans purchased. We should be very pleased to have played an important role in their work and we now have an opportunity to continue to do our part as High Twelvian Masons. Bob Peak , Chairman.

Cochise Masonic #703 AZ - Like every other Masonic organization, High Twelve routinely supports other local organizations. During the past year for example, we have made contributions to such organizations as the Scottish Rite Club's Almoner's Fund in Sierra Vista; The Fort Huachuca Post Chaplains' Outreach Program; the local food bank and Masonic youth groups. As a joint effort with the local Elks Lodge we will donate 31 yellow scarves for the Alzheimer's patients and 24 colored scarves to the Veterans in the Tucson VA Hospital. One turkey will be donated to the Ft. Huachuca Chaplains' Office and one to the Red Cross for the Thanksgiving meal. At least one ham will also be donated to the Red Cross in December. Art Montgomery, President.



East Valley Masonic #765 AZ - Participated in the Mesa Veterans Day Parade. Before it started a sojourner approached and was interested in the club and where the local lodge was. We answered his questions as he had moved here only 2 weeks before. The next day at the store I was approached by 2 sojourners from Maine and they will probably join our club after the holidays. I felt that it was a good day and many people now know masonry is part of this community. Frank Alger, President



Monthly Update By Merv Harris, PIP, Editor:

Brethren, there are three ways to find news in High Twelve International:

1. Go to the International High Twelve Website. Not all information is up to date but you can find Forms, Documents and High Twelvian/Newsletter Archives. It also lists the Associations, Independent Clubs and other Clubs. It is the responsibility of the Association Secretaries or other responsible people and Independent Clubs to provide updates as changes occur. Changes should be mailed directly to the International Secretary at **secretary@high12.org** or **editor@high12.org**. Information concerning Mid-Year Meetings and International High Twelve Annual Convention; plus the Registration Forms can also be found. The Website continues to improve but information is dependent on the organizations submitting information in a timely manner.
2. The High Twelvian is mailed to all members twice a year. Again, Association Secretaries or other responsible people need to submit the changes in their membership to the State Secretaries, who submit the changes to the International Secretary. That way we can ensure everyone receives the publication. Articles for the High Twelvian are provided by the Clubs and Associations submitted directly to the International Secretary. Any member may submit articles and photos. When Submitting photos, make sure you identify the people in the photo(s) starting on the left and working towards the right.
3. The last way is to make sure you receive the Update at the email address you wish the newsletter sent. You will need to send an email to the Update Editor at **mjhhi12@centurylink.net**. If you are not already receiving the Update, request that it be sent to your email address. Additionally, if you change your email provider, please send your new email address to the Editor, along with the old address. **We need your name, club name and number and telephone number, along with the email address.**

We depend on articles and photos being submitted by the International Officers, Associations, Clubs and members. We have been successful for over four years publishing the Update using these guidelines. We will continue to use this procedure until someone recommends a better way to obtain the information. If your organization publishes its own newsletter, please include the Update Editor on the distribution list. If you publish your newsletter as a "Picture Document or as a Flyer," it is very difficult to extract the information for use in the Update. Please submit the article you want included in the Update and it will reach all Associations. You will have International coverage.

If there are subjects you want specific information about and we do not have it in the Update. Send an email message to the person holding the position or to the Chairman of a Specific Committee asking them to provide an article in the Update. Include the Editor as a "cc" on the email message, so follow-up can be taken on your request.

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We are only able to send the Monthly Update to people with computer capabilities unless you make a donation of at least \$10 per year for a paper copy to be mailed to an address of your choice in the US. The check should be mailed to the Update Editor Merv Harris, 743 Palma Drive, Lady Lake, FL 32159, and annotate on the check "Donation for Monthly Update." The Update is published 10 times a year. It is not published the months the High Twelvian is distributed.



International Secretary

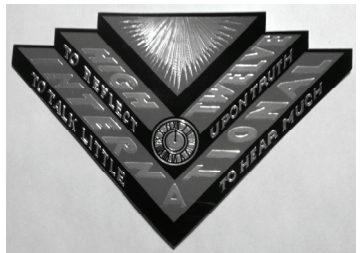
By Kevin L. Hokerk, PSP:

It has been a pleasure to serve as your Secretary the past six months, a lot has been accomplished but much more needs to be done! By the time this publication is received the Association Secretary's will have information on the revised Monthly Report that now includes Masonic Home Members as a separate category. Also added is place for email addresses for the four officers reported on the form. Remember this is a *MONTHLY* report, not quarterly, semi-annual or when I get around to it! This is the one essential document that connects this office to the clubs and is the basis document for determining annual per-capita billings. I really would like to get the 2013-14 billing cycle completed on time and correctly as it benefits all of us.

Paper form orders are still a pleasure to fill, do you have your club Past President, new member and guest speaker certificates? All you have to do is email, USPS or call me to place an order (secretary@high12.org or 623.239.6170).

Two reminders for all Association/Independent Club Presidents, Secretary's and Past International Presidents; nominations for **International Founders Award** and **High Twelvian of the Year** need to be in my hands by December 31, 2012 by email, USPS or fax. Detailed information was emailed out November 8, 2012. Detailed information about these two awards can be found on the International website under Manuals and Forms; International Officer's Manual pages I-34 to I 36.

I have limited quantities of the 5" Vinyl H-12 three color decal - suitable for autos or award plaques cost \$2.00 each. I also have available the 'silver strip' of 12 one inch vinyl three color decals, cost is \$1.00 per sheet. Place your order for these as indicated above while they last - once they are gone that will be it!



Lastly, I am here to help and assist the members of this wonderful organization. All you have to do is just *ask* and you will get an answer promptly.

Wolcott Foundation News

By Malcom S. White, Chairman, The Wolcott Foundation:



WHAT'S UP WITH YOUR WOLCOTT FOUNDATION

Brother High Twelvians, as with many of the aspects of the nation's economy, the contributions to your Wolcott Program are meager, slim, and slight.

In March your Wolcott Trustees will meet to select the Fellows for the Class of 2015. The current level of Club and Personal contributions will make possible about one half of the cost of a Fellowship. Any others that we may be able to grant will be due to the income from the endowment investments.

May I be so bold as to suggest that a Wolcott Heritage Bond, either in Honor of or a Memorial to is a doubly productive recognition. I have found that every Wolcott Heritage Bond that Carol and I have presented have been received most appreciatively by the recipients or their Families. This has been true among our coteries of Masonic as well as Non-Masonic friends. The idea of supporting young people going into (non-political) government service has been most favorably received by those involved. Your Club Wolcott representative or your Zone Trustee will be most willing to help you in the production of one or another (or several) of these especial Bonds. Christmas, birthdays, anniversaries, graduations are certainly appropriate occasions for the presentation of a Wolcott Bond. I do not suggest them as a replacement for other types of gifts, but certainly to be considered as a complementary additional gift.

To familiarize yourself with the Wolcott Program, and the George Washington University please access the Wolcott Web Page, **www.wolcottfoundation.com**. There you will find more information about your Wolcott Foundation, GWU, the fellowship application process and a lot of information of which you may not have been previously aware.

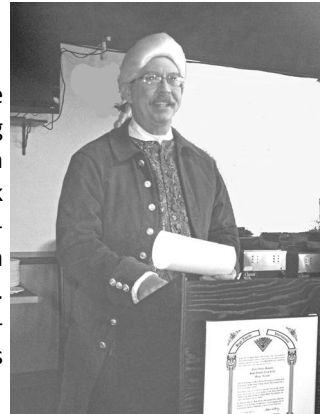
The application window has been changed to be within the month of January of each year. This gives your Trustees a month to make their selection of possible recipients. This is a tedious, but exhilarating, experience. These young people are already quite well accomplished in their education career. To think that we, as High Twelve members, will have an effect upon the nature of the way that government may (should) function by the work that these Fellows will do in the future is an awesome consideration.

International Founders Award International High Twelvian of the Year Award

**Nominations now being accepted!
See International Secretary's Message for details**

President George Washington

Made an appearance at East Valley Masonic High Twelve Club #765 on November 17th to give his Thanksgiving Day Proclamation. It was received very well by those in attendance. Pictured to the right is Brother George Rusk who is a member of East Valley. Brother Rusk is a member of a degree team that had recently participated in a Third Degree that was done in full Colonial costume. Imagine the impression that this occasion left on the candidates mind! Just another example of High Twelvians being involved in their community. The Editor.



How You Can Make A Wolcott Foundation Donation (tax deductible):

1. ***Little Red Schoolhouse*** – all donations (not tax deductible) made when the schoolhouse is passed around the table during a club meeting are forwarded to the foundation. Clubs are recognized annually for giving at *all* levels combined during the Wolcott year (May to April).
2. ***Wolcott Label Pins*** - obtain from club secretary
3. ***Memorials*** - a donation with an acknowledgement mailed as directed.
4. ***Heritage Bonds*** – two types
 - ◆ *In Honor Of* – mailed as directed
 - ◆ *In Memory Of* – mailed as directed
5. ***Century Club*** – two donation methods
 - ◆ *Monthly installment* - \$10 per month donation over a 12 month period will purchase a century club certificate in your name or designee
 - ◆ *One time* donation of \$100, certificate in your name or designee
6. ***Wolcott Club*** - two donation methods
 - ◆ *Installment* – 10 Century Club certificates (#4 above) equal one Wolcott Club certificate. All Century Club certificates must be for the same named person to qualify, and be completed within a ten (10) year period. A Wolcott “sticker” is issued in-lieu of subsequent certificates (2-9). Club certificate. A presentation plaque is presented when the 10th Century Club is attained.
 - ◆ *One time* donation of \$1,000
7. ***Wolcott Patron*** – two donation methods
 - ◆ *Installment* – 10 Wolcott Club certificates (#5 above) equal one Wolcott Patron certificate. All Wolcott Club certificates must be for the same named person to qualify. A Wolcott “sticker” is issued in-lieu of subsequent certificates (2-9). There is no time limit to obtain a Wolcott Patron certificate. A presentation plaque is presented when the 10th Wolcott Club is attained.
 - ◆ *One time* donation of \$10,000



High Twelve International Application for Membership

Date: _____

Full Name: _____

I am a member in good standing of the _____ Masonic
Lodge # _____ Located in _____

I wish to apply for membership in: _____

If accepted for membership in High Twelve, I promise to give my best influence and efforts for its advancement and agree to abide by its Constitution and By-Laws; International, State and Local.

Signature of Applicant
PERSONAL DATA

Recommended by

Email Address

Home Street Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip Code +4 _____

Phone _____ Occupation—title, position, or retired _____

Your Birth Date _____ Your Nickname _____

Spouse's Birth Date _____ Spouse's Name _____ Anniversary Date _____

Member of: _____ Scottish Rite, _____ York Rite, _____ Shrine, _____ OES

_____ Senior DeMolay - _____ Chapter

_____ I am a member of High Twelve Club # _____ in _____

Return application to: _____
Member Name _____ Phone _____

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Each club has by-laws that determine the initiation and dues fees that need to accompany this application. Contact any club officer for required fees for the club you plan on joining.

To locate a club in your area visit: <http://www.high12.org>



High Twelve International Mid-Year Executive Committee And Governing Board Meetings

Harrah's Casino & Hotel

Las Vegas, Nevada

January 20 through January 22, 2013

You must make your own Hotel Reservations at Harrah's Casino & Hotel. Rates are \$30.00 per room, Sunday, January 20th through January 24th, 2013. The rates for the Friday and Saturday prior to the meeting are \$138.00 and \$115.00 respectively. The rates for the Friday and Saturday after the meeting are \$115.00 per night.

High 12 \$30.00 rate cut-off is 12/20/2012!

Please call Perry Albert @ 800-392-9002, extension 4850 for reservations. You will need to provide your name, address, contact phone, email address, date of birth, arrival & departure dates, 1 or 2 beds, smoking/non-smoking and if you have a current Harrah's Casino Player Card.

Complete the registration form on the next page, include the member registration fee of \$25.00 payable to High Twelve International and mail to:

Kevin L. Hokerk, International Secretary
11404 W Olive Dr
Avondale AZ 85392-4210

Official Registration Form

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Harrah's Casino & Hotel
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Date: _____

Member's Name: _____

Lady's Name: _____

Will your lady be attending? Yes _____ No _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Member of _____ High Twelve Club
Number _____

Office's currently held: _____

Hotel Confirmation #: _____

Arriving January _____; Departing January _____

\$25.00 Registration Fee Enclosed, Check # _____



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