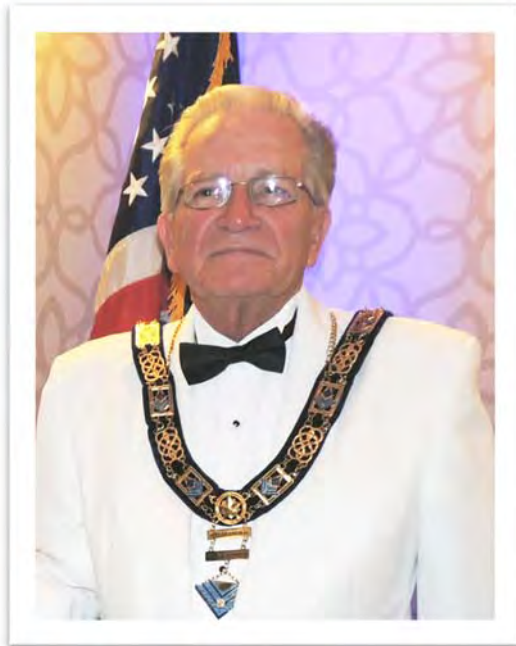


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## President's Message:

### International President Jerry L. Saville



Greetings To All,

This is the last edition of the High Twelvia leading up to the 2016 International High Twelve Convention. My sincere thanks to Kevin, our outstanding International Secretary, for including the registration data in this edition. Hopefully you will register as soon as possible and also consider taking the optional, personalized, tour for our group. We have contracted for a minimum of 25 lodging rooms and already have reservations for 10 rooms. I encourage you to make your reservation as soon as possible. The number to call is on the International website, [www.high.org](http://www.high.org), and the High Twelve Group code is IAH.

In preparation for the 2016 International High Twelve Convention, we had a well attended, and very productive, High Twelve Mid-Year Conference in New Orleans last January. Everyone was pleased with the 2016 Convention San Diego location and the 16-19 June dates.

The California Grand Master, M. David Perry, will join us for lunch on 18 June. I hope you will join us for the Grand Masters Luncheon and, of course, the entire Convention.

The Wolcott luncheon, normally on Saturday at the Convention, has been moved to Friday, 17 June. Now we can meet for lunch on Friday and Saturday. Of course the Installation and Banquet Dinner is scheduled for Saturday night, 18 June. We are always in search for food!

I attended the Grand Masters Conference of North America in Madison, Wisconsin last month. We had several Grand Masters, from States without High Twelve Clubs, visit our High Twelve display table and expressed a lot of interest in our mission and organization. The Grand Master of Hawaii is interested in starting a club on the Big Island. He has a High Twelve start up kit and I am very confident that we will open a new club on the "Big Island" very soon. We are also following up with several other States to continue the growth of High Twelve.

Worshipful Frank Loui, PGM of California and California's SGIG, will also be in San Diego during the June convention and plans to take a break from the International DeMolay Conference to bring us "greetings." Brother Frank is a great supporter of High Twelve and spoke at the California State High Twelve Convention in Bakersfield during his year as our Grand Master.

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In closing, I'm asking you - one and all - to invite a friend and/or a stranger to lunch at your next club luncheon meeting. I know there are many men that would accept your invitation. Try it – it works. Lets continue our High Twelve Masonic journey together as we work to grow Masonry across the land.

See you in San Diego!

## **International 1st Vice President: Dr. Ronald W. Woods**



Well the year is about over and has it been interesting. First there was the learning curve which is almost complete. Then there was the September Indiana State meeting with the election of new officers. Then the continuing effort to gain new Clubs in Indiana. Indiana only had five clubs and during the past four years the State organization did not help clubs that were in trouble. This activity stopped and we now have one new club and

expect to have a second in April. Thus we will have seven clubs and going after number 8 with the positive help of the State Association. In addition to the continued work in Indiana, I have laid out a plan to the executive officers of International High Twelve to work and form new clubs in Kentucky as a group. It is time consuming but with success we can gain from only one club to perhaps four or five by the end of the 2016/2017 year. Also, we will have set an example for High Twelve International to follow in State after State. By the end of April I will have attended Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan High Twelve State Association meetings.

After the turn of the year to January 2016, International had their mid-year meeting in February. President Jerry Saville and I attended the Grand Masters convention in Madison, WI. That was really interesting. Did you know that we met the Grand Master from Russia and Bulgaria as well as Brazil? We also spoke to Grand Masters from states like Georgia and N. Carolina that have no Clubs. We hope that we can ar-

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**International Website: [www.high12.org](http://www.high12.org)**

A place to find out:

- ◆ State officer contacts
- ◆ Club meeting location, times and club officer contacts
- ◆ Events - Association meetings, club/special events
- ◆ Useful information for association and club secretaries
- ◆ Wolcott Foundation information
- ◆ High Twelve merchandise
- ◆ Subscribe to the Monthly Newsletter

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range with the Grand Lodges in several states to allow us to work to form clubs in their States. Then in March I attended the Wolcott meeting in Washington, D.C. at George Washington University. This was very educational for me and some of our problems with Wolcott were discussed. I am pleased to see just how hard the Trustees of Wolcott work to select 5 Wolcott Scholars out of 275 applicants this year.

I would also like to hold a Conference meeting in 2016/2017 of High Twelve State Associations. This would be to lay the ground work for such association activities to help problem clubs survive and to form new clubs in their States. International has information on this and how to use it ,but it needs to be discussed with the State Associations and to encourage them to use the information available. If High Twelve is to survive and grow this needs to be done.

## **International 2nd Vice President: William H. Haynes**

### ***Let's Have Fun***



How many Masonic meetings do you attend that are not either fun or entertaining? After the first few meetings, probably none for that same body since the meetings are not fun nor entertaining and you can vote with your feet.

Do you suppose that High Twelve members do not attend your meetings because they are not fun or entertaining? With the exception of high prices for the meal, what other reason could there be? If attendance is low perhaps you need to look at yourself.

Does your body have a greeter to make everyone attending feel welcome? Does the greeter place new members within a group that will include him in the conversation so he feels at home and knows members are interested in him? And hopefully, he will return.

Is the business of the meeting run in a stiff, dry manner? Do the officers smile when making reports? Hopefully, some humor is introduced (not a lot) during the meeting.

Is the program interesting? Is it on a dry subject or an interesting one? The programs need not be concerned with things Masonic. My club has had a member talk on his hobby of trapping, another member spoke of his experiences in Japan immediately after World War II and another spoke of his work as a volunteer weatherman. As you can imagine,

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## International Secretary: Kevin L. Hokerk-Robinson



Greetings all! As I write this we are in the 90's here in the southwestern desert and it is snowing in the NE. Think I would rather be here!

A reminder to all members: if you have not sent in a donation for the 2016 Label Fundraiser please take a few minutes and do it now and save the expense of a reminder mailing to you.

**Club Secretaries:** On April 30th the 2016-17 HTI Per-Capita Statements will be mailed to you directly. As in past years the membership total as of March 2016 Monthly Report is the basis month (or last received). Statements are due and payable upon receipt. Please use the enclosed addressed envelope to return your payment. If there are outstanding membership fees due there will be a spread sheet with the amount due details.

**EVERYONE:** Please take a moment to review the mailing label of this magazine...turn it over and look...if your name or address is not correct in any way please let me know by email: [secretary@high12.org](mailto:secretary@high12.org) or phone call 623.239.6170 so your membership record can be updated.

We all welcome the members of **Ameek High Twelve Club #723** in Fort Wayne, IN which was re-chartered February 14, 2016 and **Son's of Hiram High Twelve Club #778** in Noblesville, IN chartered on April 11, 2016.

There are Masons showing interest in North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama and Georgia expressing interest in starting clubs there. We are working with them and the respective Grand Lodge's in making this a reality!

**990-N ePostcard Filings:** Those responsible for making the annual filing take note that the IRS has taken the filing process 'in-house' requiring the filer to register with the IRS. This change was effective on 2/29/16. Updated information can be found on the international website under the tab Everyone.

The international office is here to assist the local clubs and state associations with membership questions, dues cards, form orders, merchandise purchases, rosters, expansion, do you remember when...etc. All you have to do is ask!

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**OFFICIAL NOTICE**

Pursuant to the International Bylaws Adopted June 15, 2013; Article IV - Meetings; Section 2 - Notice of the time and place of holding conventions shall be mailed to the Secretary of each Club at least sixty (60) days before the annual convention and at least thirty (30) days before a special convention. Publication of such notice in the official publication of High Twelve International, Inc. within the time prescribed in paragraph "A" above shall be deemed sufficient compliance as to annual conventions.

**The Annual Convention will be held on Friday June 17-18, 2016 at the Holiday Inn San Diego Bayside, San Diego CA 92106. The Governing board shall consider and act upon all business properly brought to the floor.**

The administrative body of High Twelve International shall be the International Governing Board. It shall consist of the officer's of High Twelve International, Inc. together with the President of each State or Multi-State Association or an alternate person, designated by him in writing, who shall serve for the term of such officer.

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these talks were well received and I am sure more appreciated than a talk on the High Priest and his garments or Masonic landmarks. While the latter have their places in other bodies, they may not be the interesting talks that High Twelvian's desire.

One of the newly elected masters of my lodge sent out a postcards asking the members what they desired in programs and was very surprised by the responses. Perhaps your club could some something similar and increase interest in meetings which would hopefully increase attendance.

Remember that leadership is more that just running a meeting according to the ritual or agenda. You should be motivating and educating the members. Then the meetings would have most of the members in attendance enjoying themselves and bringing their friends into our clubs.

The president and the officers cannot improve attendance and increase membership by themselves. All the club members should also be striving toward those goals.

## Wolcott Foundation News: Malcolm S. White, Chairman



Your Wolcott Foundation met in Washington, D.C. this March – without the SNOW of last year! This is the meeting where and when the Wolcott Fellows are selected for the Class of 2016-17. Five Wolcott Fellows were selected for YOUR Wolcott program, to prepare excellent Public Servants! The cost is \$1,695.00 per graduate hour. This times those forty hours is equal to

\$67,850.00! And that times the five Fellowships is equal to \$339,000.00! Not a small sum especially when one considers the number of members in High Twelve. Each High Twelvian is to be congratulated for, and should be proud of, his support of the/our Wolcott Foundation.

I know that you tire of the near constant pleas for contributions to the Wolcott Foundation – please know that whatever the amount that a Brother/Person may contribute is well invested in our Country's, future. And the five Fellowships that you awarded would equal at total for this year of \$339,000.00!

This year there were 275 applicants! – a ponderous number of anything, but a very sizeable and nearly imponderable number when each applicant has or will have, by the time of selection, a Bachelors Degree, has traveled extensively (while employed or studying), is working at some level of Government, usually Federal, speaks or understands several languages, and in general is a most talented individual. To sort through and rate these applicants is a Gordian task to say the least. It is so easy to become enmeshed with the life and experiences of these young people that it is far too easy to get lost, or rather mired, within the varied and manifold biographies that have been presented for consideration. That they all were to be awarded a Fellowship is a wild fantasy, BUT were this to be so, what a vast repository of talent and ability would then be available to and for the functions of our Government – WORKERS for the public good and not the typical self serving type which is all too evident and present in Washington, D.C.

I regret that it is impossible – for various reasons – to share these young people with each one of you; be assured, however, that each Fellow – either in progress or a Senior Fellow – is most appreciative of that which you have made available and possible for them. We have standing offers from Senior Wolcott Fellows – unfortunately mostly located on the East Coast – to make presentations (near their home location) to express their appreciation for the opportunity provided them via YOUR Wolcott Program.

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The 'suggestion' has been made by some that one less applicant be selected and that that money be expended to provide a Wolcott Fellow to speak at various High Twelve Club events. This, for obvious reasons, is not really a practical practice, nor is it fiscally responsible – it may provide speakers for a number of Clubs in the D.C. area – as that is where the greatest number of Fellows are located – but what does it do for the Clubs in the Mid or Far West, the Upper Mid-West or the Deep South – I know that you understand the dilemma that this would present.

Do know that your Wolcott Trustees are well aware of what would 'like to be' and 'what it is' that can REALLY and PRACTICALLY be done.

Another diatribe from 'your obedient servant' (thank you Orson Welles).  
God Bless you and all whom you hold dear.  
God Bless the United States Of America.

Fraternally,  
Malcolm S. White, Chairman, The Wolcott Foundation, Inc.

## **International 3rd Vice President: David L. Neal**



February 27, 2016 was the Florida State High Twelve Day and all of the state officers attended along with many local dignitaries. I reported on the International Mid-Year Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.

On March 4, 2016 I went to Phoenix, Arizona to attend their mid-year association meeting. David Miller, Arizona State President and his lady Georgiana picked me up at the airport and graciously hosted me at their home. Then off to the Kansas City Royals and the San Diego Padres Spring Training baseball game. This was great fun together as High Twelvian's. The next morning, we went to Casa Grande, Arizona for their mid-year meeting. All of their clubs were represented either by the president and/or the secretary, there were discussions on concerns that seem to be the same problems that most clubs are having to deal with. One is getting their per capita paid to the state and international in a timely manner, updating EIN numbers and obtaining new members. The Wolcott Zone 2 Deputy Trustee, Harry Brown, gave a nice presentation.

Back in Florida I attended the Hawthorne Club #547 picnic. This was another great opportunity to have fun with High Twelve members.

# Association and Club Happenings

## **Euclid High Twelve Club #205 - OH**

Our membership is growing after hearing about our quality lunches and interesting speakers. Several of our Masonic widows have also been coming out to enjoy a meal with the brothers that their husbands used to spend so much time with.

Our members were recently informed of some of the Masonic treasures in The Cleveland Masonic Library by Brother Tim Daley. He gave a history through a slide show and had many slides of the rare items in the library.

The Club also had a representative from Ohio Special Olympics talk about the program that is near and dear to our hearts here in Ohio. Many donations were made by the members to sponsor the athletes to the summer games at Ohio State at the end of June.

At another meeting we had a speaker from Camp HO - MITA - KODA. This is a special camp for diabetic children which is held each year so the kids can be just REGULAR kids just like everyone else that go to camp. With the help of volunteers they do everything they do at camp - boating, crafting, camp fires, etc. By the way the name means ALL ARE WELCOME in native Indian language.

Some of our upcoming speakers are from the severe weather organization with information on what to do in case of a hurricane and a representative from the USS COD submarine museum in downtown Cleveland.

President Wayne E. Seaman - [seamanwayne@yahoo.com](mailto:seamanwayne@yahoo.com)

## **Freeport, IL High Twelve #43 - IL**

Freeport High Twelve meets every Thursday from 11:30 – 1:00. The first Thursday is our business meeting, and the other Thursday's we usually have a speaker. Our lunches are great as you can order from the menu, as well as their daily \$5 special. We usually have anywhere from 15 to 20 that attend our meeting. We have a variety of speakers that include the city mayor, individuals from our local community college, a dairy farmer and a bee keeper.

At our business meetings we hold a drawing for a gift that we acquire each month. We are usually entertained with a few jokes as well. Every meeting we are informed of local Masonic events, especially the events

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at the Scottish Rite temple.

We presently have 27 members, but continually work on increasing that number. We have a card of invitation we send to potential members and should they decide to join, their first lunch is on the club. This includes the spouse as well.

The Freeport Club supports the Masonic youth groups and local charities. Every Christmas we purchase grocery products for a needy family dinner. We also support a Grand Lodge program which helps needy brothers and widows.



If you are ever in our area, we meet at a restaurant called Logans on Rt. 26 at the south edge of Freeport, IL. We would love to entertain and feed you.

Roger Carson, 33<sup>o</sup>, PSP  
Secretary

At a recent meeting, a long-time member, Dr. Robert Rockey, was surprised with the presentation of his 50 year Scottish Rite pin and certificate. Presenting is Bro. Dean White, 33<sup>o</sup>, Valley of Freeport Exec. Secretary.

## **Napa Masonic High Twelve Club #238 - CA**

We meet first and third Wednesday's, 11:30 A. M. at Denny's Restaurant, 1000 Soscol Avenue, (Imola and Soscol) Napa, CA 94559-4004. Everyone's welcome.

The formal part of meeting consists of the opening devotion, pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and a closing devotion. Janice Schmutz arranges the meeting area. Susan Sanderson brings in trays of snacks, candy, birthday gift items for those celebrating a birthday, gifts for the women attending and a prize drawing. The rest of meeting consists of telling of jokes, travel and trip stories, birthday greetings, miscellaneous announcements, and information. We had some visitors from Iowa, Ken and Jackie Olson. Was nice meeting them. On a sad note, the last charter member of the club, Lee S. Roberts, has passed away. Jerry and Sally Burch and others provide rides to those who needing transportation. Come join us, land of Wine and

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grapes.

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Milford D. Hodges, Masonic Representative

Thomas M. Knoblauch, Scholarship Representative



Left Ken and Jackie Olson.  
Right Jerry and Sally Burch

## **Ameek High Twelve Club #723 - IN**

After four long years of dormancy, the club is back! It was hard for me to believe that it took nearly two (2) full years to bring the club back from the dead. But on February 14, 2016, Ameek was re-Chartered and its slate of Officers installed by: International 1st Vice President - Dr. Ronald Woods. I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication to bringing this dream to reality.

February 14th was the perfect date for re-Chartering. This is the birth-  
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## **Notice to Amend the High Twelve International, Inc. Bylaws**

By action taken by the High Twelve International Governing Board at the 2016 Mid-Year Conference held on January 26, 2016 in New Orleans, LA it was regularly moved, seconded and passed to amend:

High Twelve International Bylaws, Version June 28, 2015 - 94th Convention

Article 1 - Membership

Section 2 - Local Clubs

Charters

#2 Validation - All Charters granted to Clubs by the...

Be changed to:

#2 Validation - All Charters granted to Clubs or Affiliates by the... At the end of the sentence a note will be added: "*Henceforth the term "Club" will also denote "Or Affiliate" in all High Twelve International documentation.*"

If approved at the 95th Convention this change would become effective immediately.

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day of our Founder (and namesake) Henry "Hank" Edmund La-Hurreau. So it was very fitting to give re-birth to the Ameek Club on the same calendar day that the Grand Architect originally gave us Hank.

As some may not know, Hank was Native American. As a matter of fact, he was the Chief of his tribe. Way back when the initial club was founded, the members had such love and respect for this man, that they wanted to name the club after him. However, the current laws of High Twelve prohibited naming of a club after a person, unless posthumously. So the Brothers did the next best thing, and named the club after Hank, using his Indian name: Ameek.

With this excellent group of current Officers and members, I am very confident that there will not ever again be a time, when the Ameek Club does not proudly represent and support High Twelve in the Fort Wayne area.

Respectfully and Fraternaly,  
Kurt A. Begue  
Ameek High Twelve Club #723



From Left to Right...

Tim Herald, Paul Walter, Roger McNeill, Randy Spalding, James Roth, Wayne Ithier, Brice Herald, Russell Greim, Ron Woods, Jason Miller, Bill Kaiser, Ian McCormick, Paul Barker, Joseph Santisteban, Robert Waldren, Kurt Begue, Jim Gentry

## Northwest High Twelve Club #769 - IL

The March 22, 2016 meeting started on time at the Red Apple Restaurant, 2121 S. Plum Grove Road, Palatine. Our speaker was Michael J. Harkins Professor of History and Chair of the History Department at William Rainey Harper College in Palatine, Illinois. He also serves as the volunteer President of the Barrington History Museum in Barrington, Illinois. His community service includes being a member of the Barrington Area Kiwanis Club. Professor Harkins started his research on WWII at an early age (4<sup>th</sup> grade) by questioning his family members on their experiences during wartime. A research report was given on Captain Jack Illfrey (11.1941), Sgt. William Davidson (11.19 41). Major Donald Willis, and Lt. Robert Laus who parachuted in a French wooded area and how all escaped. How can one summarize personal letters home to parent and wife's without knowing more on their lives? What to do with their insurance money or how a friend (co-pilot) reported a death.



Attendance was twelve members and four special guests (Mrs. Cathy Curielli – birthday celebration, Mrs. Joan Rogers, Mrs. Ronnie Rund, and Mrs. Rosemarie Pegoraro) plus our speaker.



**Wanted:** a book publisher with Masonic ties for an autobiography, *At Times I've Felt Like Job: A Story of Choices*. It's a thought-provoking look at society, and what I think has gone wrong with it in the last 60 years, from my perspective. Along with becoming a best seller, I predict it will revitalize an interest in Masonry.

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### **Illinois Association of High Twelve Clubs:**

Greetings High Twelvian's,

Well, our Mid-Year meeting is in the history books now. It took place on Saturday, 12 March, at Biaggi's Restaurant in beautiful, downtown Bloomington. Our State Secretary, Ed Rund, picked the location, and it turned out to be a very good call. The set-up was very nice, the food was exceptional, and so was the service. I selected Bloomington because it is better located for our club members to get to.

We had 12 of our 13 Clubs represented at the meeting, which is the best turnout we've had in a while. All our elected State Officers were present and each gave a report of his activities since our Annual meeting in August. The Club Presidents, or their representative, also presented interesting reports on how their clubs are doing, and what they're involved in. It's nice to see that our clubs are making a positive impact in their respective communities. It was also good to see so many of our ladies in attendance. Thank you!

In addition to all the information presented, we had a nice presentation by the Grand Lodge Funds Development Officer regarding our Illinois Masonic Charities. (Tom also happens to be the Secretary of one of our clubs.) He also extended the Grand Master's personal 'thank you' for the check I presented him for the Illinois Masonic Outreach Services at our last Annual Communication on behalf of Illinois High Twelve.

Our Mid-Year get-together, including lunch, lasted just a little over four hours. The participants did not have to wake up too early, enjoyed a good meal, benefited from an informative meeting and were able to get home for a late dinner. All in all, the trip was well worth it! This meeting would not have been as successful and productive as it was without the support of all our officers, especially our State Secretary. You should've

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been there!

I'll be attending the High Twelve International Annual Convention in San Diego in June and will report on it upon my return. The report will be delayed because I will be spending two weeks in Tucson after the convention. As always, please visit our website at [www.ilhightwelve.com](http://www.ilhightwelve.com) for more information. I'm looking forward to seeing many of you at our State Annual Convention in Mattoon in August. Until next time, stay safe, have fun and watch out for each other!

Respectfully and Fraternally,  
Joe Santisteban, State President

### **Arizona Association of High Twelve Clubs: David Miller, President**

Arizona Association held the Mid-Year Conference in Casa Grande on Saturday, March 5th. All but one of the State Association Officers were present at the gathering as were the Presidents from each of the six Clubs in Arizona. Also attending was the International High Twelve 3rd Vice President, Dave Neal. In the picture below, Dave addresses the attendees at the mid-year gathering. The afternoon meeting included reports on the State Association activity as well as a review of the International High Twelve Mid-Year Convention held in New Orleans in January. The Casa Grande gathering enjoyed rigorous discussions regarding the Wolcott Foundation, women involvement in High 12 Club activities, and Club involvement with local community and Masonic Youth groups. Zone 2 Wolcott Deputy Trustee, Harry Brown, presented the Zone 2 Award for Highest Club Donations to James Lofquist, President of Sahuaro Masonic High 12 Club #523, located in Tucson.

Arizona High 12 Clubs will meet for the Annual State Convention on Saturday, September 24 2016 at the Sun City Masonic Center.

**Tri County Masonic High Twelve Club #674:** invited The Villages Elementary School of Lady Lake to perform at their March Meeting. It was in celebration of St. Patrick's Day and 45 students in Grades 2 through 5, along with the Chorus Director Rosemary Pilonero, put on a superb Program. They sang a variety of songs from Irish to the latest hits.

The members and guests were overwhelmed with the talent in this group. In addition to memorizing the songs, the chorus also performed hand and body movements to the music. Someone mentioned that they were going home and throw rocks at their grandkids after seeing the

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talent the young singers displayed.

We would recommend that your club visit one of your grade schools or middle schools and talk to the Music Director and see if you could have them sing for your club. The only answers you could receive are "Yes or No!" If No, try another school.

The school you contact may not have a Chorus or choir but they may have a Jazz Band or other program you could invite to perform at the meeting. The kids would certainly enjoy performing for your group and we would encourage you to invite members of the other Masonic Bodies to the club meeting. It will build up goodwill between your Masonic organizations and you may bring in a new member or more.

It works for us and will probably work for your club too. Give it a try, you will love it! Fraternally, Merv Harris, PIP and club President.



## **FATHER FRANCISCO CALVO, PRIEST AND FREEMASON**

This is an interesting story of how and when Freemasonry came to be in Costa Rica by a Roman Catholic Priest who was a true and devoted Freemason.

During a trip to Peru, Father Calvo met with several other priests who happened to be Freemasons. Out of curiosity, he started to question and study the subject of Freemasonry. Liking what little he could learn and observing the mannerisms and devotion of these men, he asked to become a Mason. He was accepted, and he received the degrees while there in Peru.

On his return to his home in Costa Rica, he made himself known among

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## **Robert Morton Wolcott Treasurer and Zone 7 Trustee:**

The Wolcott Trustees met in Washington, DC 10-12-March for the Annual Board Meeting. The main goal of this meeting is to select the Nominees' for the 2016-2017 Wolcott Fellowship Year. This year WE had a record number of 275 Applications submitted for consideration. This was a very taxing task for each Trustee. Each of the eight [8] individual Trustees reviews and rates each application. The Application has a personal narrative section, followed by 3 Questions to be answered in a 750 word essay. Also included are the individual Grade Point Averages [GPA's] and Graduate Record Examination [GRE] scores. This year the Trustees again chose 5 Nominees and 5 Alternates' for the Wolcott Fellowship Award.

I have included for your review a copy of the **Estimated Foundation Expense Budget**. If you exclude the Management Fees from our Financial Advisor [ ~\$9K ]; we will spend just 1% of our Foundation value on Administrative Expenses. This is quite low.

Also; included is Wolcott Foundation Portfolio Summary for 2016 as presented by our Financial Advisor.

The Chart that I have included lists the Office expenses, Accounting firm preparation of our IRS Form 990. Also detailed is the Travel expenses for attending the High Twelve International Conference. The nearest Trustee travels to the Mid-Year High Twelve International Mid-year Conference. And the Annual Wolcott Foundation meeting in Washington, Dc.

A second Chart illustrates the Projected Investment in fellowships required for an Applicant. To support a class of 5 Fellows' requires Income of ~ \$330,000. The Chart also illustrates the Funding sources to reach that goal.

As part of the Washington Selection Meeting the Trustees met on Thursday evening with "Wolcott Alumni Fellows" at a GWU Cocktail reception. Friday morning the Trustees and their wives were guests of an Army Special Forces Colonel and provided with a special Tour of the Pentagon facility. Friday evening 3 GWU College Deans hosted a dinner for the Wolcott Trustees. And on Saturday Morning we attended a Brunch with the current 2015 Wolcott Fellows. As usual The staff of George Washington University were "excellent host of the Wolcott Trustees !!

A very active three days in the Nation's Capital !!

## Wolcott Foundation - 2016

### Project Cash Flow 2016

Fixed income Account	\$260,000
Equity Portfolio Account	\$ 39,000
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$299,000</b>

### Asset Allocation

Cash & Cash Alternatives	\$105,785	3%
Fixed Income	\$3,613,955	73%
Equity	\$1,220,700	24%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$4,940,440</b>	

### Portfolio Performance

Account	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year
Fixed Income	(.03) %	(8.00) %	6.49 %	6.32 %
Moderate Dividend & Growth	(.97) %	(4.13) %	9.29 %	8.43 %
Equity Growth & Income	(5.38) %	(5.20) %	12.57 %	13.04 %
<b>Total:</b>	<b>(.07) %</b>	<b>(6.49) %</b>	<b>7.9 %</b>	<b>7.73 %</b>

### Projected Investment in Fellowships - May 1, 2015 to April 30, 2016

Per Credit Hour \$1,600 x \$40 x 5 Fellows	320,000
Allowable 'Relocation Fees" \$1,800 x 5	9,000
<b>Projected Class of 5 Fellows</b>	<b>\$ 329,000</b>
<b>Income Based on 2014-15 Fiscal Year</b>	
High Twelve Club Contributions	42,000
High Twelve International Contributions per Member	420
High Twelve International 94th Convention Schoolhouse	140
Fixed Income Account	265,000
Equity Portfolio Account	45,000
Posey Trust Income - Feb 2015 Distribution	25,000
Miscellaneous Income	20,000
<b>Total Budgetary Income For the Foundation</b>	<b>\$ 387,560</b>

**The Wolcott Foundation, Inc.**  
 An Internal Revenue Code 501 [c][3] Charitable Organization  
 210 S. Broad Street, Lansdale, PA 19446  
 P O Box 890, Lansdale, PA 19446  
 Phone: 215.368.3121

	Budget	Actual
<b>General Administration</b>		
Administration	\$4,000.00	\$3,000.00
Office / Computer Supplies	\$200.00	\$90.00
Postage and Shipping	\$150.00	\$100.00
> Post Office box rental	\$200.00	\$220.00
Printing	\$2,000.00	
Telephone	\$0.00	
Audit and Bookeeping		
> Preparation of IRS Form 990 [Kimmel, Lorah & Assoc.]	\$3,500.00	\$3,295.00
Miscellaneous	\$700.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$10,750.00</b>	
<b>Zone Administration</b>		
Trustee Office Expense		
> Trustees Expenses [ 8 ] @ \$250	\$2,000.00	\$250.00
<b>Total Zone Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
<b>Travel Expenses</b>		
> Annual Board Meeting - Washington, DC	\$19,000.00	\$16,269.00
> Chairman, Additional travel expenses	\$700.00	\$0.00
> High Twelve International Annual Convention	\$15,000.00	
> High Twelve International Mid-Year Convention		
> Travel expense for closest Trustee to attend	\$1,600.00	\$1,067.00
<b>Total Travel Expenses</b>	<b>\$36,300.00</b>	
<b>Other Expenses</b>		
Investment Fees [-1% of Security portion of Portfolio]	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00
Website Maintenance		
> Webmaster Salary	\$1,500.00	\$1,300.00
> Webmaster - Fees and Licenses	\$250.00	\$67.00
Promotion and Awards	\$750.00	\$125.00
Other licenses and fees [State of Missouri]	\$50.00	\$10.00
Insurance Indemnity Bonding		
> Security Bonding [Evans Houseman]	\$2,000.00	\$1,852.00
> Miscellaneous [Evans Houseman]	\$300.00	\$281.00
<b>Total Other Expense</b>	<b>\$14,850.00</b>	
<b>Total Budgetary For the Foundation **</b>	<b>\$63,900.00</b>	

**Note:** Budgetary Expenses for the "Fiscal Year" : 01-May-2015 through 30-APRIL-2016

Wolcott Foundation\Fiscal 2015-2016 Budget.xls

**Editor Note:**

The actual documents can be viewed from the international website by logging on and going to the Wolcott Tab and then Wolcott Foundation Financials.

**95th International Convention  
International Line Officer  
Intent to Run for Office**

The following have filed the necessary paperwork for the office indicated and will be voted upon at the general session:

President	Dr. Ronald W. Woods (IN)
1st Vice President	William H. Haynes (PA)
2nd Vice President	David L. Neal (FL)
3rd Vice President	Michael Hemphill (FL)
3rd Vice President	Joseph H. Santisteban (IL)
Treasurer	Donald M. Whistler, PIP (PA)
Secretary	Kevin L. Hokerk-Robinson (AZ)

Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the general session provided the nominee has the support of his home club, state association and obtains 10 signatures from voting delegates to the 95th Convention.

**Endowment Fund Trustee**

There will be an open position for a for a three (3) year Trustee. This is an elective office. Anyone interested may make a nomination from the floor using the above criteria and provide a resume at the convention.



This hand made quilt will be raffled off at the Saturday night Installation Banquet. It's name is "America the Beautiful" . . . Tickets will be available at registration and it will be on display throughout the convention.

Proceeds from this raffle will be used to offset convention expenses. Jerry Saville, International President.

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the Masons that were residing there. Desiring to be actively engaged in the craft, he became instrumental in organizing plans with the assistance of other brothers, and starting a Masonic Lodge, Caridad #26. They were granted a Charter on June 18, 1865 from the Grand Orient of Granada.

Thanks to the leadership of Father and Brother Francisco Calvo and the following and close support of the other Masons there, Masonry got off to a good start. He was also instrumental in bringing Scottish Rite Masonic Degrees to Costa Rica.

The Supreme Council of Central America in Costa Rica is located in San Jose. A charter was granted for it to Brother Calvo on November 27, 1870 by the Supreme Council of New Granada. The Council was founded officially on January 9, 1871, and the Supreme Council became fully operational in San Jose. Father Calvo was coroneted with the honorable 33<sup>rd</sup> degree of Scottish Rite. Father and Brother Calvo remained actively devoted to both, the Church and Masonry until his demit to the Celestial Lodge above.

Thanks to the exerted efforts of Father Calvo, the good brothers that followed his lead, and the ones who still follow in their foot steps today, Freemasonry is still surviving in Costa Rica and in the region.

Learn more about religious leaders around the world who were and are contributors to the goodness of this worldwide Fraternal Brotherhood of Freemasonry, through reading of books and computer searches.

Worshipful Brother Paul Weathers, Oasis Lodge #52, Tucson, Arizona



## **NOTICE OF ELECTION OF THE WOLCOTT FOUNDATION TRUSTEES FOR THE TERM OF 2016-2021 FOR ZONE 2 AND 5**

Due to unfortunate and unforeseen circumstances the usual timing of procedure in the election of Zone Trustees, some dates out of necessity have had to be changed.

Each year the Members of High Twelve International have an opportunity to nominate and elect a Trustee to the Board of Trustees of The Wolcott Foundation, Inc., as a representative for a respective Zone with The Foundation. These Trustees are elected for a staggered term of five years commencing at the close of the Annual High Twelve Convention. There are eight Trustees elected, one for each geographical zone. This year Trustees are to be elected for Zones 2 and 5 to serve the term for 2016 to 2021.

The process required to participate in the selection of a Trustee for a Zone for the next ensuing term is set forth in the By-Laws of The Wolcott Foundation. A candidate for election to this office of Trustee for Zone 2 and 5 shall be nominated in writing not later than April 30, 2016, such nomination to be filed with the Secretary for The Foundation, together with a letter of recommendation from the nominee's Constituent Club or the state organization and the nominee's agreement to serve in accordance with the By-Laws of The Wolcott Foundation, if so elected. Thereafter an appropriate ballot shall be prepared on May 1st and circulated to the Constituent Clubs within Zone 2 and 5 for the nominees to the offices of the Trustee who have been proposed for the Zone. In the event only one nomination is received from the Zone, that nominee shall be named the Trustee for the term of the next ensuing five years. If no nomination is received, the remaining members of the Board of Trustees shall name a qualified individual to serve for the five-year term.

Nominations for a Trustee for Zone 2 & 5 shall be prepared in writing and sent by certified mail to:

**The Wolcott Foundation, Inc.,  
c/o William Mier, Secretary  
3106 Duncan Street  
St. Joseph, Missouri, 64507.**



The image to the left is called a QR Code - a matrix barcode readable by QR scanners and smart phones. If you scan this code with your smart phone (a free app is needed) you will be taken to the International web site (yes, we are tracking the number of visits!). Expect to see this 'code' on all promotional materials going forward!

# **WELCOME TO SAN DIEGO AND THE 95TH INTERNATIONAL H-12 CONVENTION AT THE HOLIDAY INN BAYSIDE.**

Come early and enjoy this beautiful old city with all its Charm, Beauty, Missions, History, etc. Check out the bay across the street from the Hotel. This is a major vacation area - check it out, relax and take it all in!

## **HERE ARE SOME THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW UPON ARRIVAL!**

This Holiday Inn Facility has 4 separate buildings - all very close together. It's a very short walk (or ride by cart).

#1. Main Holiday Inn building for registration. Note: The High Twelve Convention, and all meals, will be on the first floor in this building. (For you coffee/tea drinkers: They will not allow a coffee bar in the main building where we meet. Therefore, you will need to bring your refreshments from your room or the cafe.)

#2. Point Loma Cafe and Bayside Bar

#3. Exercise Room, Guest Laundry, Offices, etc.

#4. Lodging Rooms for High Twelve. The High Twelve Hospitality Room is located on the first floor of this building.

**IF YOU ARE FLYING:** The Holiday Inn is less than 2 miles from the Airport so please do not call the Hotel Shuttle (619-224-3621) *until you have your luggage*. Some of the airlines have a short bridge walk to get to the shuttle pickup area. Be sure to check upon arrival and ask for directions and help to the Shuttle area.

**IF YOU ARE DRIVING:** Go to the main Lobby of building #1 but **DO NOT** unload your luggage. When you check in they will direct you to the lodging building and give you a parking card.

**FOR EVERYONE:** If you need assistance, ask for help with luggage and transportation from the registration building to the lodging building. They have carts to get us back/forth if we need. They are ready for our arrival and the High Twelve Convention.

For those taking the tour on Thursday we have arranged for the bus to pick us up at our Lodging building. You will have time to visit the Point Loma Cafe next door if you need/want a breakfast.



# Official Registration Form - Page 1

## High Twelve International ~ 95th Annual Convention

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Lady: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_; Departing: \_\_\_\_\_; Hotel Confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_

Member of \_\_\_\_\_ High Twelve Club

Number \_\_\_\_\_; Current office: \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION FEE (High Twelvian's only, each)                      \$ 35.00**

### **Thursday, June 16, 2015 - Tour** (handicapped accessible van):

Narrated City Tour with luncheon in Old Town. Stops include Mt. Soledad, Veteran's Memorial, Coronado, Balboa Park, Old Town Historic State Park & Carilo Nat'l Monument - lunch at Casa De Guadalajara in Old Town.

Departure Time: 9:30 A.M. from the hotel                      **\$79.00 x** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$** \_\_\_\_\_

### **First Nighter's Get-together:**

In the hospitality room, casual attire

### **Friday, June 26, 2015 - Wolcott Luncheon:**

Croissant Sandwich - Turkey, Bacon, Avocado, Coleslaw, Cheese Cake	<b>\$24.00 x</b> _____	<b>\$</b> _____
Southern Fried Chicken Salad - Mixed Greens, Cranberries, Pecans, Roasted Corn	<b>\$24.00 x</b> _____	<b>\$</b> _____
Vegetarian Sandwich—Avocado, Sprouts, Cucumber, Tomato, Cheese, Fruit	<b>\$24.00 x</b> _____	<b>\$</b> _____

### **Grand Master's Luncheon: Men Business Attire!**

Deli Ham & Cheese Sandwich - Wheat Kaiser Roll, Potato Salad, Cheese Cake	<b>\$26.00 x</b> _____	<b>\$</b> _____
Fried Chicken Wrap - Swiss Cheese, Lettuce , Tomato, Avocado, Honey Mustard, Tortilla	<b>\$26.00 x</b> _____	<b>\$</b> _____
Vegetarian Sandwich—Avocado, Sprouts, Cucumber, Tomato, Cheese, Fruit	<b>\$26.00 x</b> _____	<b>\$</b> _____

# Official Registration Form - Page 2

## High Twelve International ~ 95th Annual Convention

### Installation Dinner: *Officers Formal Attire!*

Beef Bourguignon, sautéed with mushrooms,  
Fettuccine, Asparagus \$39.00 x \_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Macadamia Nut Chicken Breast, sautéed with  
Amaretto Cream Sauce, Potatoes, Asparagus \$39.00 x \_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grilled Vegetable Tower - Eggplant, Squash,  
Zucchini, Tomatoes, Peppers, Mushrooms,  
Basil, Goat Cheese, Parmesan Risotto \$39.00 x \_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Make check payable to: High Twelve International

Enclose this 2 page registration and

Mail to: High Twelve International  
11404 W Olive Dr  
Avondale AZ 85392-4210

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Hotel Reservations: Holiday Inn San Diego Bayside  
4875 N Harbor Dr., San Diego, CA 92106  
Group Rate \$139.00/day + tax single or double  
Rate available 3 days pre and post event if available  
619-224-3621 x701 Group Code is **IHA**  
**Group Rate valid through 5/26/16**

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Hotel and Event Registration can be done via the International Website  
[www.high12.org](http://www.high12.org)

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June 15, 2016 [Wed.] is the arrival day

7:00 PM Executive Board Meeting

June 16, 2016 [Thur.] is the tour day

9:30 AM to 3:30 PM - Personalized H-12 Narrated City Tour

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

**Delegate**

Date Turned In: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Votes: \_\_\_\_\_ State Association: \_\_\_\_\_

**2016 OFFICIAL DELEGATE/PROXY CREDENTIAL**  
95th High Twelve International Convention, San Diego, CA

When registering, the Delegate/Proxy Credential must be presented to the Credentials Table on the Official Form sent out by the International Office.

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENT:**

That \_\_\_\_\_ High Twelve Club No. \_\_\_\_\_ had an active membership of: \_\_\_\_\_ as of **March 31, 2016 Monthly Report**, and for an in behalf of said Club to attend the 95th Annual Convention of High Twelve International, Inc., in San Diego, CA June 17-18, 2016 and all adjournments of said Annual Convention and at every adjournment thereof, to vote for and in behalf of and in the name of said Club, on each and every question coming before said Convention, including the right to so vote at the Election of Officers of High Twelve International. Said Delegate is entitled to cast a percentage of the Club's vote shown by his name below:

Name of Delegate/Proxy	% of Club's Vote
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %
_____	_____ %

IN WITNESS THEREOF:  
The President and Secretary of the aforesaid: \_\_\_\_\_

High Twelve Club of: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print City and State of Your Club)

Have hereunto set their hands this: \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (Club President)

(Signature) \_\_\_\_\_ (Club Secretary)

Association Certification  
Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ (State Secretary)

This Official Form must be signed by the State Secretary. This Credential MUST be presented IN PERSON to the Credentials Committee of High Twelve International at the 95th Annual Convention in San Diego, CA on or before 12:00 P.M., Local Time, Saturday, June 18, 2016.



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