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Dear Talcott Cousins,

As we enter Spring, many things clatter for your attention. I want to take a moment to focus on the Talcott family. As a part of this family, I have many personal stories, and I enjoy hearing the stories of the family around me. The Talcott Family Association produces a biannual newsletter called the Talcott Connection. This newsletter allows family members to share stories and learn about our shared history. Using this annual President's Letter, and editions of the TFA Newsletter *, we hope to raise funds to cover the mailing costs, unfortunately, we often come up short. Would you consider becoming a member of this organization? Your ten dollar annual or two hundred dollar lifetime membership will encourage this leader to know that people care about our family and want to hear and share the stories of the family.

I am thankful for the Reunion planning committee that built a reunion to remember in Rockford/Rockton IL. The members of this committee were Anne Fornari, Linda & Thomas Talcott, Dave & Ruth Talcott, Whitney Talcott, Deb Klein, and Amanda Tallcot. I enjoyed spending time with Talcott cousins and learning more about our rich history in the United States. This reunion took place on August 1-3, 2024 in Rockford, IL. August 3, 2024, was declared by Rockton as Talcott Family Heritage Day.

We are still refining the Talcott Family Association website. I am thankful for the website committee members who made this happen: John Synder, Linda Talcott, Chuck Huffer, and Kaylene Zimmerman. I want to thank Chuck Huffer for graciously sharing his Talcott Ancestry Tree with anyone interested and also for handling the "In Memory" section of the website. The address of this site is www.talcottfamilyassociation.org/

We hope to do most of the Talcott Family Association membership registration at www.talcottfamilyassociation.org/. I am excited about this update! There is a convenience fee of 5.9% to use a credit card on the site. If you prefer a mail-in version, there will still be a paper option; you can print and register that way. There is also a form in the TFA Newsletter.

We are trying to enlarge our e-mail base of Talcott family members. If you know of people that you are related to and would not mind sharing their addresses, please forward them to Thomas Talcott at: talcott54@gmail.com. I want to thank all my Facebook friends for accepting my friend request. I am on a mission to share the Talcott History with the living and honor those Talcotts we have lost from this life.

I want to thank the Talcott Family Association Board: Whitney, Amanda, Marcia, and Thomas for taking the time to have quarterly Zoom board meetings. I have tried to keep meetings to one hour and most of them have been very productive. I do believe they have appreciated me leading the Association.

Throughout 2025, I continue to ask you to pray for me that I find the wisdom to lead this organization. I also want to give credit where credit is due. S. V. Talcott's book "Talcott Pedigree in England and America from 1558 to 1876" has allowed us to trace much of the early Talcott history. Gahrad Harvey for his efforts to have reunions not only in his personal Talcott line but to reach to all Talcotts he could find. I still find much inspiration and wisdom from this man; he has become a friend and mentor as I have tried to develop the association. I want to thank Jesus for the wisdom that I have received. I want to thank my wife for supporting me. I am thankful for all the Board members over the years.

We are considering doing some surveys on what directions you would like to see the association move. I am a firm believer that good ideas are out there, and you are always welcome to share yours with us.

Lastly, we have a birthday card shower for Talcott family members who have reached the age of 90+. There are monthly emails with the address to send a birthday card to our cousins that have achieved this milestone.

Sincerely,
Dexter Talcott

* A condensed version of the Talcott Family Connection is enclosed. The full version is available at: www.talcottfamilyassociation.org/