



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Tall greetings all,

I'm interested in hearing from you if you or your club is interested in submitting a bid for 2025 convention. I can keep it secret if desired and I can also put you in touch with experienced convention organizers who can provide tips and help in getting organized.

Second, as long as you are on TALL.org, please go to the "find-a-tall-club" page and make sure that all your club information is correct. If you need to change something, contact our membership chair Mary Eleman at elemen5555@sbcglobal.net and Webmaster Dave Spencer at Dave@sacautos.com.

Finally, your TCI Communications chair, John Waltman, does NOT distribute Talkin' Tall to your club members. It only goes to the club representative that we have on file. Please make sure that your club members get a copy of Talkin' Tall, so they know what is going on in the world of TCI. We often hear complaints from club members that they do not get this information.

Highest Regards!

Bob Huggett

TCI President 2022-24

TCIpresBob@gmail.com





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TCI Foundation Fundraising News

Thanks to you and your generosity, and the growth of our investments, the TCI Foundation & Tall Clubs International have awarded this year 23 scholarships to well deserving students from across North America.

This year we are trying something a little different as a fundraiser to benefit our scholarship program and we need your assistance. On behalf of the TCI Foundation Board of Directors, I am writing to our Member Clubs, Individual Members and Members At Large... to donate an "item" of value to our first ever **Online Auction!**

- **Gone...** is the limitation of having to be present at convention to participate as either a donor or buyer.
- **Gone...** is the question – "How will I get the donation to convention, if I am not attending?"
- **And finally Gone...** is the worry "How will I get this home on an airplane?"

Please submit two to three clear photos, and a detailed description of the offering* and minimum opening bid. Your offerings can be items of unique value, gift baskets, gift cards, etc. Choose to donate an experience such as a gathering event package, tickets to a concert or sporting event, etc. Let your imagination & creative juices flow.

We will post them on our auction page on the TCI Foundation website. Listings will change daily as added items become available & bids start flowing, so you will have to check often.

We are open NOW for donations, send them by email to nancyjacoby@comcast.net. Please place the word "Auction" in the subject line. We would like to open the auction page for viewing & bids by June 18th [two weeks prior to the start of convention]. There will be opportunities to view them at convention as well. More details coming soon, please direct all questions to Nancy Jacoby, Publicity Coordinator/TCI Foundation.

Sincere thanks go to TCIF Webmaster, Leta Johnson for making this pipe dream a reality, and the entire TCI Foundation Board for their support.



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Calling all potential TCI SCHOLARSHIP COORDINATORS (TCI Club Members and Members-At-Large):

As most of you know, the TCI Foundation gives out multiple ANNUAL scholarships of \$1000 each to very bright high school seniors - so that they can continue their education in a college/university.

Currently, we have all clubs and states covered in the United States - and all 3 clubs covered in Canada. But this year - sitewide - we got **303 applications** for all the various locations (excluding Paramount Tall Club of Chicago)! We expect that number to GROW next year. With that being said, WE NEED YOUR HELP NEXT YEAR! Are there any existing TCI Tall Club Members - or - TCI Members-At-Large who would be interested in reviewing scholarship in 2025?

The scholarship process is well documented. In addition, in November or December of 2024 - we will hold scholarship process training classes for those interested.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be an active member or member-at-large in TCI.
2. Have access to an email account.
3. Be willing to learn the 3 steps of the Scholarship Process. (For Initial Scholarship Requirements - please feel free to go to the this URL: <https://tallclubfoundation.org/scholarship/scholarship/>).
4. Be able to review multiple scholarships and references between January 1st and April 1st, 2025.
5. Be able to choose a 'finalist' to submit to TCI Foundation for consideration!
6. Have FUN helping some really brilliant seniors move their education forward.

If you have any interest in helping us - or - if you have questions prior to signing up - then email us at tcifoundationsscholarships@gmail.com.





MESSAGE FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

TCI Club Presidents,

My job, as communications officer, is to keep the whole organization up to date on ANY AND ALL events, both local and nationwide. There are a lot of members that travel constantly throughout the U.S. as well as our ever-growing Member at Large (MAL) community. It would be to your advantage to advertise your local events in "Talkin' Tall". This would give those who travel in your areas the option to attend your events!

I would like to say that I **love** doing the newsletter; "Talkin' Tall". However, I need YOUR help. I have asked several times in this newsletter for all current TCI clubs to please send in any news and/or events going on in your area. Some clubs have said that their members don't need to know what we're doing in other parts of the country. That is completely wrong! As mentioned above, we have so many members that travel all over this great country and that would love to meet up with other tall's along the way. I have personally met up with numerous members over the years who've been in the Baltimore area including Tall Chick Karen, Wally Narog, Jen Boyce, Barry Umbs, Jim Nelson and so many others. They've either come for a weekend, as so many have, or they've joined us at an event while in this neck of the woods or from traveling through. You just never know who might be in your area at any given time.

With that being said, I would like to see more correspondence from our clubs to add to this newsletter. Any events you plan to host please send me the information so we can get the news out to all TCI members, including MAL's. So many opportunities are being lost by not taking advantage of this simple form of communication. I hope that going forward I will see more input from the local clubs! We, the executive board, are all there to help you grow your events and clubs. Please take advantage of this tool!

Thank you for your support,
John Waltman / jwalswe@myactv.net
Communication Officer



EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY

The heart of TCI is its members and the opportunities to get together. To keep TCI alive, we need more clubs and members to plan events, weekends and even the annual convention. In-person gatherings are essential to moving TCI forward and building our membership. Even the smallest of ideas can bloom into a successful event! The Executive Board is here for you and the support of its clubs and members. Don't hesitate to reach out for help, with questions or suggestions.



TCI CONVENTION, JULY 2024

Tall'phins – Dunedin, FL

Join your tall friends this July 2nd through July 7th in

Rooms are nearly sold out!

Through cancellations there may be a room or two available. There are also a few that may be willing to share or are looking for a roommate.

If you have a room booked and end up needing to cancel,

PLEASE REACH OUT TO THE COMMITTEE BEFORE CANCELING YOUR ROOM!

Your package price includes:

- Sunset/Dolphin Cruise
4th of July baseball game, complete with fireworks!

Dinner and Dancing at The Blur
Towards Night with Dinner and Dancing at HOB Brewing Co.

- Three Day Area Bus Pass

Due to additional vendor considerations, we will be giving ALL FULL-TIME registrations \$30 back during convention for a little more spending money!

New Package Price is now \$300 until June 1st

After June 1st package price increases to \$325

TCI 2024 Convention



Tall'phins
Dunedin, Florida

FULL-PACKAGE PRICES

\$300 With \$100 non-refundable deposit postmarked by 6.1.2024

\$30 Cash Back Bonus for all Full-Time Registrations secured prior to June 1st
\$325 after 6.1.2024

However, we request all attendees to be paid in full by 6.10.2024. Refunds are not guaranteed as deposits are paid on your behalf. After June 1, package price is \$325 to be paid in full No snail mail after 6/10/2024

CONVENTION HOTEL

Holiday Inn Express & Suites
Dunedin
975 Broadway Street
Dunedin, FL 34698
Call for Reservations: 727.450.1200
\$139.00 per night dbl. Occ. (plus tax)
Standard room / \$159 for a suite

Includes breakfast and onsite parking.
Discounted Rate Cut Off Date: June 1st.

Questions? Phone Patty Huggett at 916.753.5424 or email pjh2637@yahoo.com. Stay "in the know" by joining and visiting the TCI 2024 Convention FB page: FB Private Group or the TCI website: TALLORG Events Page

Tall Clubs International™

July 2nd – July 7th, 2024

Tall Summer Fun in Florida!

Your full package price includes:

- Sunset Cruise with dinner
4th of July baseball game, dinner and fireworks
Two group dinners with dancing to a live band
Area wide bus pass for 3 days
\$30 cash back on-site

Additional information and details will be shared primarily on the Facebook group page.

TWO AIRPORT OPTIONS

PIE: St. Pete-Clearwater International (Allegiant only)

TPA: Tampa International

Transportation to and from airport and hotel are on your own. Options will be posted on the Facebook (FB) page



Make your check for full payment or \$100 deposit payable to: TCI 2024 Convention

Mail to:
TCI 2024Convention
C/O Patty Huggett
6061 Kies Way
Sacramento, CA 95842

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

My Address, phone & email can be shared (check one): o Yes o No

Membership status: o Member of _____ Tall Club
o Member at Large o Non-Member/Prospect
o MLAWLA/MissTI & Year (list title / year) _____





WEEKENDS IN AUGUST 2024

Tall Club Reunion (9th Annual)

August 3, 2024



Location:
Sunset Beach, CA 90742

This is my family's beach cottage built in 1907 and one of the early Tip Topper's stomping grounds including Kae Sumner Einfeldt. My Mother, Lucile Poor, one of the original 9 Tip Toppers, met my father, John Q. Long, in the tall club at a Sunset Beach house party and honeymooned here too.

Arrivals begin at 11 a.m. You should bring the normal beach accoutrements, swimsuit, sunblock, hat, sunglasses, boogie board, towels, beach chair, ice chest & change of clothes. There is a 7-11 store and a liquor store 1/2 block away. BBQ will begin approximately at **1 p.m.**

Please RSVP AFTER May 15th – as we will be travelling. We are providing the hamburgers and all the fixins. We are asking you to bring:

- A side dish to share.
- Whatever beverages you want to drink.
- **Cost: \$5.00** for the cost of hamburgers and fixins.

Parking: Don't worry about parking. We will be parking near Peter's Landing. A volunteer shuttle driver will take you from Peter's Landing to the Beach house (and vice versa). More details after May 15, 2024.

It's time to get together again, don't you think!!!!

RSVP required 'directly' to Gail & Levi Swift
Cell or Text 415-847-4775
Email: gail@swifthomes.com

Sunset Beach Tall Club Reunion



Day Event

Sunset Beach, California

August 3, 2024

Sacramento Tall Club Weekend Event

September 6, 7, & 8, 2024



Friday we will attend **The International Camel & Ostrich Races in Historic Virginia City NV.** The camels, ostriches, zebras and good old-fashioned family fun returns this year. This hilarious and family-favorite tradition started as a prank between two newspaper editors more than 60 years ago and remains as silly and fun as its origin.

The Races bring the laughs for all as jockeys, both professional and amateur, race their camels, ostrich, and zebras around the horseshoe track to the roars of the crowd. You never know what might happen! It's a comical racing spectacle guaranteed to leave the entire group laughing.

We will be attending Friday Night, while the actual events last all weekend. Friday night, Sept. 8, enjoy Hot Camel Nights, an evening show with discounted rates. Go up early and enjoy site seeing in this historic mining town.

Here is the link for more information.
<https://visitvirginiacitynv.com/events/international-camel-ostrich-races-virginia-city/>

Saturday & Sunday we will be participating in **The Great Reno Balloon Races.** The Great Reno Balloon Race is **FREE** to spectators thanks to the support of event sponsors. **STC is requesting a \$75.00 pp package fee to cover costs.** (Includes Camel Race entry, Pasta Dinner Saturday Evening, Sunday Brunch & Transportation/ parking for Saturday & Sunday). Partial Packages can be arranged, Contact Patty Huggett.

Be prepared for early mornings and bring your picnic blanket & basket, lawn chairs, and warm clothing, etc. Food vendors are available. For more information, check out their website - <https://renoballoon.com>

Look for us on the edge of the balloon launch area in front of the Peppermill tent.

Saturday, & Sunday Schedule of events 3:30 a.m. – Gates open to Rancho San Rafael Regional Park
5:00 a.m. – Super Glow Show
5:30 a.m. – Dawn Patrol
6:50 a.m. National Anthem
7:00 a.m. – Mass Ascension Launch
4:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.- Shopping along Balloon Boulevard

EVENT LOCATION
Rancho San Rafael Regional Park
1595 N. Sierra St.
Reno, Nevada



Our Home Base will be The J Resort, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno, NV, 89501

Please check with your favorite travel booking site or The J Resort directly for the lowest rates. This weekend will sell out. Please book your rooms as early as possible for the best possible rate.



PLAN YOUR GETAWAY'S NOW!
DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A WEEKEND / GATHERING?
LET'S FILL THE CALENDAR!

