



TCI'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2024 **WWW.TALL.ORG**

THE PREZ SEZ...

Greetings Tall Friends,



Let's kick things off with some exciting news about Convention 2025. It's official: the delegates have made their decision, and we will be heading to Grand Rapids, Michigan, from June 30 to July 5, 2025.

For more details, please visit the official Facebook page for this event: "TCI 2025 Convention | Tall Grand Adventure | Grand Rapids, MI." If you have any questions or comments, or if you'd like to connect with fellow convention attendees, this is the ideal place to do so.

I want to extend my gratitude to the delegates who took the time to review the proposal and present it to their respective TCI clubs. Their votes were crucial in moving this convention forward to Grand Rapids, so mark your calendars and get your deposits ready. Additional information can be found in this edition of Talkin' Tall, as well as online at tall.org and on the Facebook page mentioned earlier.

Another important update is that we have established permanent email addresses for TCI officers. These addresses will primarily serve as initial points of contact and will be listed on TALL.org to protect personal email addresses from being posted online. When you send an email to one of the officers, it will automatically be forwarded to them. This system is essential for maintaining consistency among officers each year. For example, I often receive inquiries about where to send dues and membership rosters. Initial guestions can be directed to these addresses, and you'll receive a reply from the appropriate person. PLEASE NOTE: It is not necessary to use these emails if you are already in contact with the officers through their personal email addresses.

Here are the email addresses:

- TCIPresident@tall.org
- TCIExecutiveVP@tall.org
- TCIMembership@tall.org
- TCIFinanceOfficer@tall.org
- TCISecretary@tall.org
- TCIMissTICoordinator@tall.org
- TCITreasurer@tall.org

- TCIAEO@tall.org
- TCIAltTreas@tall.org
- TCICommunications@tall.org
- TCIArchivist@tall.org
- TCIBylawAdmin@tall.org
- TCIMarfanLiaison@tall.org
- TCIForeignCorrespondent@tall.org







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I would like to express my gratitude to the Boston Beanstalks Tall Club for their warm hospitality during Patty and my attendance at their Anniversary, Halloween Party, and Scholarship Fundraiser on October 19. Now that Patty and I are in the New England area, we are eager to participate in various events with different clubs. Please inform us about any notable events, and we will do our best to incorporate them into our schedule.

Lastly, as I've been emphasizing for the past two years, it's crucial to GET YOUR CLUB ACTIVE. Organize events, invite potential members, and grow your club! Consider joining us in Grand Rapids as well.

Best Regards!

Bob Huggett TCI President 2022-24



Salem, MA Harbor Tour. L to R: George Carrig, Mary Elemen, Patty Huggett, Kristen Carlson Gallagher, Bob Huggett and Hilario Elemen



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COMMUNICATION OFFICER MESSAGE

Questions, Comments, Concerns, Input or Ideas?????

Please email: TCICommunications@tall.org
The email address used to SEND "Talkin' Tall" is **not** monitored for incoming emails and is only used to send the newsletter out.

Dear Fellow TCI Members,

We were fortunate that Mary, from the Timberline Tall Club, chose to keep the dates for our Denver gathering on October 24, 25, 26, and 27. A total of 25 attendees from various locations took advantage of the beautiful fall weather. With sunshine, clear blue skies, and a gentle breeze, daytime temperatures were in the 70s—truly ideal conditions.

The groups came together for a range of exciting excursions, exploring both nearby and distant attractions. The itinerary changed almost daily to allow everyone to connect with different participants.

Among the highlights were visits to Pikes Peak, Rocky Mountain National Park, Garden of the Gods, Manitou Cliff Dwellings, Red Rocks Amphitheater, Canyon Gorge, and a variety of local dining establishments we supported throughout our four-day stay.

Evenings spent in the hotel lounge sparked lively discussions about potential places to explore. With just a few weeks of planning, this gathering was both well-conceived and executed.

This experience demonstrates that anyone can host or organize an event. It underscores the foundation of TCI, which we must continue to uphold to ensure our future. The next page includes several pictures taken during our adventures!

I cannot emphasize enough the significance of utilizing Talkin Tall, tall.org and Facebook for the success of any event. Effective communication is essential for achieving our goals for successful gatherings.

Until next month...

John Waltman

TCI Communications Officer





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80th Anniversary Gathering 1944-2024







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THE MARKENEGOS

80th Anniversary Gathering 1944-2024

















EXECUTIVE VP / PUBLICITY MESSAGE

Publicity is how we grow TCI! If people don't know about us, how can they join us? We need you, the members to help in this effort! Spread the word by "Talkin' Tall" to everyone you meet! If you see someone tall, tell them about us, hand them a business card if you have one. Do you have a contact in the media world? I'd love an introduction and reference. I can be reached by emailing me at TCIExecutiveVP@tall.org.

Below are three Facebook pages everyone should join! Simply search in Facebook for each page. You will be asked several questions. Be sure to answer all so your request is not denied.



Wishing you t'all the best! Kristen Carlson Gallagher Executive VP/Publicity



Tall Clubs International

Tall Clubs International is a social club for men 6'2" tall and over and women 5'10" tall and over, with over 35 chapters in North America and affiliates in Europe. Make new friends that you see eye...





WEEKENDS & GATHERINGS

TCI Weekends & Gatherings

A Facebook page where we can promote a weekend or gathering, and members can chat and make plans together.







TCI 2025 Convention | Tall Grand Adventure | Grand Rapids, MI

The official Facebook Group page for the TCI 2025 Convention. Here you will find information, be able to connect with others to help plan, arrange travel and more!





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2025 EVENTS

Paramount Tall Club of Chicago

1960's Sitcoms: Laughter Guaranteed Feb 20-23, 2025

\$120 Postmarked by Dec 20, 2024

\$130 Postmarked by Jan 20, 2025

\$140 Postmarked after

Jan 20, 2025

Non-refundable deposit of \$70 will hold your package.

Pay before Dec 20, 2024 to

be eligible to win a FREE

weekend package.

79th Anniversary Weekend

Thursday Night Activity to be Advised

Friday Night: Costume Party Open Bar DJ and Dancing

Beverages

Afterhours Food &

Saturday Night: Semi-Formal (Dress to Impress)

Cocktail hour, Photos, Buffet Dinner, Open Bar, DJ and Dancing

> Afterhours Food & Beverages

Hotel Information Marriott SpringHill Suites, Chicago O'Hare 8101 W Higgins Road Chicago, IL 60631 Tel: 773-867-0000

\$119++ per room per night Rate: 1-4 people Includes breakfast

Room block available until Jan 30 www.marriott.com/chico PTCPTCA for a King Room PTCPTCB for 2 Queen Room

Free O'Hare Airport Shuttle Free Parking.

\$\$ Bring Money \$\$ Raffles to be held for both Marfan & Club

Scholarship.

2025 Weekend Chair: Barbara Smith - chicagotallweekend@gmail.com Registration Chair: Jim Nelson - jnelson1225@cs.com-847-421-2049

www.tallclubchicago.org

Registration Details: A non-refundable deposit of \$70 (US funds) is due with each registration to save your package rate. Send this form and the deposit (for each registration) to Jim Nelson at 6959 W Hobart, Chicago, IL 60631. Checks to be made payable to "Paramount Tall Club of Chicago". Full Pkg Dep. \$70

Name(s):	Thurs. Nite Dep. \$30
Email:	Cell Phone:
Do you require a Vegetarian Dinner (y/n)?	Club Name:





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GERMANY

2025 EVENTS

Europatreffen: May 2025

European Meeting in Duisburg/Germany from 25th of May to 1st of June 2025

As part of the European Meeting 2025, we invite you to "experience" Duisburg and the Ruhr area on foot, by bike, by bus and, of course, the largest inland port in the world from a ship. Get an insight with us into past times, into the lifestyle of the upper bourgeoisie and into structural change. Enjoy the many green sides of the "Pott".



Former slag heaps have become artificial mountains, which today offer a view not only of the Rhine, but also of the entire Ruhr area with interesting works of art. Despite the big city flair, a week together with short distances, many joint leisure activities with a wide variety of gastronomy and hotels within walking distance in the centre await you.

The daily get-together in the evening will not be neglected either.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

European meeting Duisburg from 25th of Mai to 1st of June 2025

In addition to the traditional welcome evenings on Sunday and Thursday as well as the ball evening on Saturday, we have put together an extensive and varied sightseeing and action programme for you. On Thursday, there will be a family day in the countryside with an all-day program. On Friday, we will travel by bus along the Route of Industrial Heritage and offer you several different exploration tours.

25-05-2024

Planned programme

The following programme items are currently planned (changes are of course still possible):

Duisburg

Port of Duisburg (largest inland port in the world)

North landscape park Duisburg (natural and cultural landscape)

Downtown Duisburg - Old Town monuments from the 10th-16th centuries

Coal, iron and steel

Steel production plant

Former ironworks with blast furnace

Mining Museum

Former coal mine Zeche Zollverein (UNESCO World heritage)

Art, architecture and culture

Küppersmühle museum (Exhibitions of art)

Landmark Tiger & Turtle (Magic Mountain)

Gasometer, city of Oberhausen (Exhibitions)

Margarethenhöhe, city of Essen (Working-class district and Garden city)

Villa Hügel, city of Essen (Industrial culture and history)

Nature and animals

Botanical Garden

The Six lake district

Duisburg zoological garden

Leisure, sports and food

Leisure and sports facility Töppersee

Bike tour

Brewery (Pilsener beer)

Sports centre Weday







ON GOING EVENTS

Boston Beanstalks Tall Club

When: First Friday of every month 6 pm to 8 pm Where: Boston Newton Marriott 's Riverbend Lounge.

Join fellow Talls to kick off your weekend! This the perfect place to meet new friends and

reconnect with old friends.

Details can be found on the BBTC Facebook Page under events.

Is your club hosting an event or does it have a regular occurring event?

Advertise it in Talkin' Tall. Please send all information or a flyer to John Waltman at jwalswe@myactv.net





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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: 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 - please email us at tcifoundationscholarships@gmail.com.

STAIS IS DEFINITELY one of our FAVORITE volunteer tasks we perform in TCI. Hope you will join us in the FUN!