



# Talkin' Tall

Tall Clubs International News



## TCI'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

[WWW.TALL.ORG](http://WWW.TALL.ORG)

MARCH 2025



### THE PREZ SEZ...

Hello Tall Friends,

Spring is here! Although Central New York is still experiencing freezing temperatures, I hope many of you are enjoying the warmer weather.

Today, I want to discuss important details regarding the upcoming TCI 2025 Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan. I am eager to witness the progress and can't wait to see many of you at our tall "Family Reunion."

- **Lifetime Achievement Awards (LAA)**

Each year, we aim to acknowledge individuals who have significantly contributed to Tall Clubs International. There is an award for both a man and a woman. Recipients are selected based on their overall contributions to TCI, the tall movement, and their local clubs throughout their membership, not just for the current year.

Each club may nominate one male and one female. Please find the nomination form on Tall.org and send it to me by APRIL 23, 2025.

- **Merit Awards (MA)**

TCI seeks to honor club members who have excelled within their own clubs. If someone in your club deserves special recognition, this is the opportunity to highlight their achievements. Each club can nominate two candidates each year.

Nomination forms are available on Tall.org, and please submit them to Shirleen Murphy by June 15, 2025.

- **TCI Bylaw and/or Resolution Change Proposals**

If you wish to propose changes to the TCI bylaws and/or Resolutions, forms are available on Tall.org. Be sure to include the current wording, your suggested changes, and the rationale behind them. These proposals will be discussed and voted on at the Delegate Meeting during the Convention. All proposals must be submitted to me by April 23, 2025, to be included in the Delegate Information package.

- **TCI Member Club Delegates**

Every club is entitled to representation and voting rights on TCI matters at the Delegate Meeting during the Convention. I need a form from each club indicating their preferred representative. I encourage all clubs to engage in this process. If you do not have someone attending, you may designate a proxy (preferred) or have the Executive Board cast a vote on your behalf. I would like to receive these forms by June 15, 2025.

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### • TCI Officer Elections

This year, the following board positions will be up for election: Vice President/Membership, Finance Officer, Secretary, Miss TI Coordinator, and Alternate Treasurer. I will provide more details on these positions in a future edition of Talkin' Tall.

### • Future Conventions

If you are planning a convention for 2026 or later, please let me know.

### • Important Dates to Remember

- April 23, 2025 – Deadline for submissions to Bob for Lifetime Achievement Awards and Bylaw Change Proposals
- May 3, 2025 – Date by which member clubs will receive important information for the Delegate Meeting at the Convention
- June 16, 2025 – Deadline for Merit Award nominations to be submitted to Shirleen Murphy at [TCIAltTreas@tall.org](mailto:TCIAltTreas@tall.org)
- June 30, 2025 – First day of the Convention
- July 1, 2025 – 2025 Delegate Meeting
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If you have any questions or need assistance with the forms, please reach out to me or another member of the TCI board.

My inbox is always open, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Warmest Regards,  
Bob Huggett  
TCI President 2022-2026  
[TCIPresident@tall.org](mailto:TCIPresident@tall.org)



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## YOUR TCI EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ELECTED OFFICERS



Bob Huggett, President  
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High Cincinnatians



Shirleen Murphy, Alt Exec Officer  
TCIAEO@tall.org  
Orange County Tall Club





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## COMMUNICATION OFFICER MESSAGE

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

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Dear Fellow TCI Members,

As the Spring season arrives, it's time to step outside and enjoy the fresh air once again. With that in mind, whenever your club promotes an outing, remember to seek assistance to ensure its success. The TCI Communications team is available to help with the publicity of TCI Club events. Simply email [jwalswe@myactv.com](mailto:jwalswe@myactv.com), and we will include your event in the upcoming Talkin Tall issues leading up to the date of your event.

A quick reminder for everyone: if you would like to submit a special tribute page in memory of a member who has passed, please do so. This allows others to share their personal memories of that remarkable individual you encountered during your time with TCI. Talkin Tall does not automatically publish these tributes unless they are emailed to us or we have written them ourselves.

Don't underestimate the willingness of others to travel for a day event hosted by your club. Many members are known to hit the road or fly in for just a single day event. Personally, I have seen several members attend one-day outings organized by various Baltimore Clubs over the years.

You also have the opportunity to sponsor a festival in your area, whether it's a concert or simply a dinner at a club with entertainment. Keep the Talkin Tall team informed about these events to help make them successful. The progress of the TCI Organization relies on everyone stepping up; it's not just the responsibility of the local club President or the TCI President to ensure that clubs have successful weekends or outings. Every member shares in this responsibility. IT IS YOUR CLUB! So, this year, make an effort to kickstart initiatives. Begin with something small, and in the following year, expand it a bit. Eventually, it could evolve into a yearly or biannual event. You won't know until you give it a try.

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Speaking of trying new things, I had no idea what the Communication Officer role entailed until I attended the Louisville Convention as a delegate. There were numerous office positions being vacated with no candidates in sight. Discussions were ongoing about who would be nominated or volunteer for these roles. That year, Bob Huggett and I stepped up to take on the positions of TCI President and Communications. I must admit, I faced challenges in getting the Communications Department off the ground. I had successfully run several businesses, but my communication had always been face-to-face. The initial months were a learning curve, involving information gathering, compiling it into an understandable format, and then disseminating it throughout the TCI network.

My work was undeniably challenging. I was tackling something entirely new, and my limited computer experience was evident in my publications. But progress was being made. Then came my angel, my little sister from the Boston Club, Kristen. She provided invaluable input on how to improve processes and highlighted areas that needed attention. I gratefully accepted her help, recognizing my limitations in this area. With her extensive computer skills, she transformed the information I provided. Today, we function as a well-oiled machine for the Talkin Tall issues.

If the opportunity arises for you to give back to the TCI Organization, please don't hesitate to do so. There's always a past officer or another member who can guide you in your responsibilities along the way.

Until next month,

John L. Waltman  
Communications Officer



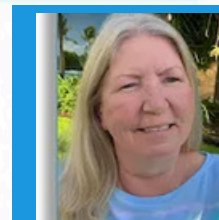
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## MESSAGE FROM TCI ALT EXEC OFFICER

To: All TCI Clubs and Affiliates



Nominations are now open for TCI Merit Awards for 2024/2025. The purpose of the Merit Award is to acknowledge members of your club who have gone the extra mile to support your club and/or TCI. Nominations must be submitted by 6/15/25.

As defined in the TCI Bylaws, Section 8.1H, "Up to twelve (12) Merit Awards shall be presented annually to individuals in TCI. Each Club can submit two (2) nominees from its membership, and the Executive Board may nominate two (2) additional candidates from throughout TCI, including MALs. Nomination forms and instructions should be available for download from the Members section of Tall.org at least four (4) months prior to the annual Convention. A Merit Award recipient can receive additional Merit Awards. However, they shall not be given to the same recipient in consecutive years. The Alternate Executive Officer shall be responsible to purchase the awards.

A fillable copy of the nomination form is included on the next page. Complete the form, either on-line or by hard copy, and include detailed information about the candidate. In order to give fair assessment to each individual, it is essential to include dates and a descriptions of leadership positions held and events credited to the member. In addition, do not reveal the identity of your nominee on this form— as recipients are selected anonymously! Place the name in a separate, sealed envelope with the name of your club on the outside, and staple it to the nomination sheet.

Nominations must be submitted, via e-mail or mailed to the address below, no later than June 15, 2025:

Shirleen Murphy  
TCI Alternative Executive Officer  
8700 Hummingbird Ave.  
Fountain Valley, CA 92708  
e-mail: [smmcnamee@earthlink.net](mailto:smmcnamee@earthlink.net)

If you have any questions, please not hesitate to contact me at 714-608-7780.

Thanks  
Shirleen Murphy  
TCI Alternative Executive Officer





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Please submit this form, either by e-mail or hard copy to Shirleen Murphy, TCI Alternate Executive Officer. E-Mail: [smmcnamee@earthlink.net](mailto:smmcnamee@earthlink.net) or 8700 Hummingbird Ave., Fountain Valley, CA 92708

## Merit Award Nomination Form

Complete and send to TCI Alternate Executive Officer by date indicated on Officer Contact Info & Official TCI Business Forms page of [tall.org](http://tall.org).

*Each club can submit two nominees from its membership. (Use separate forms for each nomination.) A previous Merit Award recipient is eligible to receive additional Merit Awards, however, not in consecutive years. Please include detailed information about the candidate. In order to give fair assessment to each individual, it is essential to include dates and a descriptions of leadership positions held and events credited to the member. This detailed information will help the selection committee better understand and appreciate each individual's contributions to both the local club and to TCI.*

**Do not reveal the identity of your nominee on this form—recipients are selected anonymously! Place the name in a separate, sealed envelope with the name of your club on the outside, and staple it to the nomination sheet.**

Years as a member in local club: \_\_\_\_\_ Years as a member in TCI: \_\_\_\_\_

Offices held in local club:

Accomplishments in local club within the last 2 years:

Accomplishments in previous years:

Offices held in TCI:

Accomplishments in TCI:

Please write a detailed explanation of why your club feels this member should receive a TCI Merit Award on the back of this nomination form.



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Hi All,

At this year's convention in Grand Rapids, the TCI Foundation will return to our tradition of having a scholarship fundraiser auction. There will be a live auction for higher demand items such as bottles of alcohol, club weekend packages, etc. At the same time we will have a silent auction with bidding sheets for the lower demand items such as gift cards.

Individuals or clubs wishing to donate, please provide a description of the item, the retail value, and your suggested minimum bid to Sheila Koster at [bskoster@aol.com](mailto:bskoster@aol.com) by June 1 and bring your items to convention with you. Please provide the item to me, Marie Austin, by Monday, the first day of convention. If you need to ship something please send me an email at [marie.austin999@gmail.com](mailto:marie.austin999@gmail.com) to arrange. I highly recommend items like gift cards, club weekend packages, timeshare trades, etc. that are easily packed in a carryon bag. (Suggested retail value \$50 and up.)

Additionally, the ever popular split the pot raffle will be held once again.

See you at convention!

Marie Austin  
TCI Foundation Chair







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## Sacramento Tall Club Anniversary Gathering May 16 & 17, 2025

### May MAP Merriment!

STC invites you to join us for our Member Appreciation Picnic & Anniversary Gathering.  
Help us celebrate 42 years of fun and friendship with 2 days of events & activities.

Please RSVP on Meetup or contact Carla Munt: ([vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org](mailto:vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org)) no later than May 9, 2025

### Daily Itinerary:

#### Friday May 16, 2025



Friday is National Pizza Party Day, so it's only fitting that we celebrate this important day at **Harry's pizza parlor** – 7918 Mountain Ave, Orangevale. Enjoy a variety of pizzas, salads, non-alcoholic beverages, & dessert. Music & Dancing indoors & out (depending on weather)

**\$20.00 per person**

#### Saturday May 17, 2025



**Membership Appreciation Picnic** – Hagin Community Park, Rancho Cordova. STC will provide BBQ meats, buns, condiments & non-alcoholic beverages. Please bring any "adult beverages" you wish to discreetly consume. STC Members will bring various side dishes – appetizers, salads, and desserts.

Corn hole & other activities will be available (or provide your own) Get lucky with the 50/50

raffle to support our 2025 Scholarship fund. Picnic tables are available or tote your own lawn chairs for more comfort.

**MAP Free for STC Members – \$15.00 for non-members.**

### Accommodations:

STC Members will be offering Guest Rooms for those coming from out of town. Please contact Carla Munt for assistance.  
([vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org](mailto:vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org)) (916-385-5801)

An alternative would be **The La Quinta Inn & Suites by Wyndham Rancho Cordova**

11131 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, CA.

1-855-267-3149 (As of February 2025, Rates Range from \$130 - \$150 per night)



Close to HWY 50 & Light Rail



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## Sacramento Tall Club Anniversary Gathering May 16 & 17, 2025

### REGISTRATION

Please provide the following:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Club Affiliation or MAL

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mobile Phone Number (for weekend group texting & communication purposes)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Food Allergies & Preferred Pizza Toppings

*Please circle which events you plan to attend:*

**Friday Pizza Party**  
**\$20.00 pp**

**STC Member**  
**Appreciation Picnic**

**Non-Member \$15.00**  
**pp**

ALL MONIES ARE PAYABLE TO:  
THE SACRAMENTO TALL CLUB  
C/O CARLA MUNT  
7261 SAGUNTO PLACE  
EL DORADO HILLS, CA

Payment covers food & non-alcoholic drink at both events. Contact Carla for more information: [vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org](mailto:vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org) or 916-365-5601 phone/text.







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## GERMANY

### 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 May 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 Wedau



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## 2025 CONVENTION

### Tall Grand Adventure



2025 TCI Convention  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

**Monday, June 30, 2025 - Sunday, July 6, 2025**

#### OUR CONVENTION HOTEL

Embassy Suites, Grand Rapids Downtown  
710 Monroe Ave, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Call hotel direct to book your suite:  
616-512-5700. Group Code: CESTCI



#### Suite Rates

\$149/night +18% tax, standard view  
\$159./night +18% tax for a water-view  
room. All water-view rooms have a  
balcony

FREE Parking (normally \$20 per day)

#### Suite Rates Include:

- Two room suites
- Refrigerator / Microwave
- Wi-fi
- HOT cooked to order breakfast  
each morning
- Evening reception with two free  
drinks (alcoholic or non) & light  
snacks

#### Airport:

Gerald R. Ford International Airport  
(GRR)

#### FULL PACKAGE PRICE

\$150.00 non-refundable deposit to secure lowest package  
price due by January 31, 2025

\$450.00 with deposit postmarked by January 31, 2025

\$475.00 with deposit postmarked by March 31

\$500.00 with deposit postmarked by May 31

Final Payment due by June 10, 2025

Questions? Email: [TCIRegistration@outlook.com](mailto:TCIRegistration@outlook.com) or

Text: 952-657-9580 (include "TCI" to start text)

For updates and information be sure to join the:

[2025 Convention Facebook Page](#)

#### PACKAGE PRICE INCLUDES

- 5 Dinners; including a plated dinner at  
Awards Banquet/DJ Dance
- 1 Lunch
- Day trip to the Shores of Lake Michigan;  
shopping, beach & more
- Admission to Meijer Gardens & Sculpture  
Park and Tram Tour
- Grand Lady Riverboat Tour
- Admission to Great Lakes Glow Golf for mini-  
golf, mini bowling and video games
- Snacks at "after hours" gathering

Make your check for full payment

or \$150 deposit payable to:  
2025 TCI Convention

Mail to:

Coral Rose - Registration  
11070 Cedar Hills Blvd #127  
Minnetonka, MN 55305

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership status: ☐ Member of \_\_\_\_\_ Tall Club  
☐ Member at Large ☐ Guest

Title/Awards (be specific with year included): \_\_\_\_\_  
ie: Lifetime Achievement, Miss TI, TCI President







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## 2025 CONVENTION

Tall Grand Adventure



June 30, 2025 - July 6, 2025

This year's Tall Clubs International Convention will be a Tall Grand Adventure. The Embassy Suites Grand Rapids Downtown is a perfect fit for our needs. Check out their website at, [Embassy Suites Hotel](#), to see all of the amenities. For those of you that chose to drive in, parking is free. The pool and hot tub are available daily from 7:00AM to 11:30PM. All registered guests will receive a full hot served breakfast every morning and a Manager's Reception every evening that is included with your suite rate. There will be an informal Afterhours Gathering every night for your enjoyment. Snacks and games will supplement your conversations. You are welcome to bring your own adult beverages to be consumed in the afterhours area.

### Monday June 30

- 3:30PM-5:30PM: Registration. See Coral in the main lobby. Catch up with Coral to register at the reception after 5:30PM.
- 5:30PM-7PM: FREE Evening Reception: Meet & Greet at Whitewater Lounge on 2nd floor. Snacks & 2 soft or alcoholic drinks provided.
- 7PM: Dinner will be provided at a nearby restaurant TBD.
- 10:00PM to Midnight: Afterhours in the first-floor breakfast area. Snacks will be provided. Cards and table games will be available. Bring your own beverages.

### Tuesday July 1

- Late Check In: Catch up with Coral to register.
- 6:30AM-10AM: FREE Breakfast in first floor breakfast area.
- 9:00AM-2:00PM: Delegates Meeting. If you are a delegate representing your Club or hold a proxy for another Club, you will need to attend until business is completed. Delegates will have a 1-hour lunch break.
- 9:00AM-2:30PM: Free time for non-Delegates to explore Grand Rapids.
- 3:00PM: Motorcoach leaves for Frederick Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park.
- 4:00PM-4:45PM or 4:30PM-5:15PM: 45-minute group Trolley Rides around the huge park.
- 6:30PM: Picnic in the Park.
- 7:00PM-9:00PM: Concert in the Amphitheatre.
- 9:15pm: Coach leaves for the hotel.
- 10:00PM to Midnight: Afterhours.

### Wednesday July 2

- 6:30AM-10AM: FREE Breakfast in first floor breakfast area.
- 1PM: Motorcoach leaves for Grand Haven on the shore of Lake Michigan.
- 1:30PM-4:45pm: Explore this unique beach town. Shopping and lunch on your own.
- 5:00PM: Motorcoach leaves for the hotel.
- 5:30PM to 6:30PM: FREE Evening Reception
- 6:45PM: Motorcoach leaves for the Score Restaurant & Sports Bar.
- 7:00PM-9:30PM: Dinner, band music and dancing on the shore of the Grand River in a tropical setting. Buffet dinner provided.
- 9:30PM: Motorcoach leaves for the hotel.
- 10:00PM to Midnight: Afterhours.







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## 2025 CONVENTION

Tall Grand Adventure



### Thursday July 3

- 6:30AM-10AM: FREE Breakfast in first floor breakfast area.
- 9:00AM-2:30PM: Free time to explore Grand Rapids on your own.
- 5:00PM-6:30PM: Scheduled Club pictures. Dress for success, formal or informal
- 5:30PM-6:30PM: FREE Evening Reception.
- 6:45PM-9:00PM: Awards Banquet with Plated Dinner and presentations.
- 9:00PM-11:00PM: Dancing to DJ music.
- 11:00PM to Midnight: Afterhours

### Friday July 4

- 6:30AM-10AM: FREE Breakfast in first floor breakfast area.
- 10:30AM: Motorcoach leaves for Great Lakes Glow Golf,
- 10:45AM-2:15PM: Indoor Glow Mini-Golf, Aurora Mini-Bowling, Foosball, Pool & Arcade Games.
- 12:00PM-2PM: Party Room available, Pizza & soft drinks/water will be provided.
- 2:30PM: Motorcoach leaves for the Grand Lady Riverboat
- 3:00PM to 5:00PM: Scenic Riverboat tour on the Grand River
- 5:15 PM: Motorcoach leaves for the hotel.
- 5:30PM-7:00PM: FREE Evening Reception
- 7:00PM-10:00PM: Dinner and dancing on your own.
- 10:00PM to Midnight: Afterhours.

### Saturday July 5

- 6:30AM-10:30AM: FREE Breakfast in first floor breakfast area.
- 10:30AM-5:00PM: Free time to enjoy the Downtown 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities
- 5:30PM-7PM: FREE Evening Reception.
- 8PM-8:30PM: Picnic food provided for dinner TBD.
- 8:30PM-10:15PM: Downtown area for 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities.
- 10:15PM-10:45PM: Downtown area for Gigantic Fireworks Show
- 10:45PM-1:00AM: Afterhours.

### Sunday July 6

- 6:30AM-10:30AM: FREE Breakfast in first floor breakfast area.
- 10:30AM-Noon: Fond farewells until we meet again



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## Tall Club Reunion (10th Annual)

August 23, 2025



### LOCATION:

16912 North Pacific Avenue (between 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Streets)  
Sunset Beach, CA 90742

This is my family's beach cottage built in 1907 and one of the early Tip Toppers' stomping grounds including founder 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 party and honeymooned here too. We recently had the famous artist, Melissa Murals, paint the porch furniture and gates. It's beautiful! A must-see.

### Arrivals begin at 11 AM and BBQ will start at approximately 1 PM

Please bring the normal beach accoutrements (swimsuit, sunblock, hat, sunglasses, boogie board, towels, beach chair, ice chest, change of clothes). We have extras of most of these things, if you can't bring them. We will have pop-up tents set up on the green belt and in front of the house. **NOTE:** There is a 7-11 and a liquor store ½ block away.

This is an **RSVP** event since we will provide hamburgers with the fixin's for the low cost of \$5 per person. We are asking you to bring a dish to share and whatever beverage you want to drink

**Parking:** Don't worry about parking. If necessary, park near Peter's Landing. A volunteer shuttle will take you to and from Peter's Landing to the Beach House.

## IT'S TIME TO GET TOGETHER AGAIN!!!

Please RSVP after JUNE 15<sup>th</sup> and no later than AUGUST 16<sup>th</sup> as we will be travelling.

RSVP required directly to Gail & Levi Swift

Call or Text 415-847-4775

Email: [gail@swifthomes.com](mailto:gail@swifthomes.com)

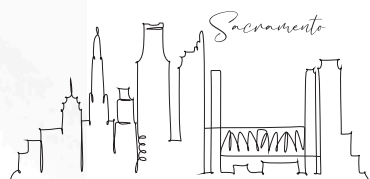






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## Sacramento Tall Club Event

### The Great Reno Balloon Races

Friday, September 5—Sunday, September 7, 2025



**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 for the 66<sup>th</sup> annual International Camel & Ostrich Races. This hilarious and family-favorite tradition started as a prank between two newspaper editors, and 66 years later it remains as silly and fun as its origin.

The Races bring laughs for all as jockeys, both professional and amateur, race their camels, ostriches and zebras around the horseshoe track to the roars of the crowd. It's a comical racing spectacle guaranteed to leave the entire group laughing.

Go early or stay late and explore Virginia City, an historic mining town with shops, restaurants, saloons, and live music on Friday nights.

Here is the link for more information about tickets, transportation, parking, etc.:  
<https://visitvirginiacitynv.com/events/international-camel-ostrich-races-virginia-city/>

**Saturday & Sunday** we will participate in The Great Reno Balloon Race, the world's largest FREE hot-air ballooning event. Be prepared for a very early morning and bring your picnic blanket & basket, lawn chairs, flashlight, and warm clothing, etc. Food vendors are available.

For more information, check out their website - <https://renoballoon.com>.

#### 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  
6:45 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

Rooms are currently available at a rate of \$148 a night + resort fees for either a King Room or Rooms with 2 queen beds. Check your favorite hotel booking site for the best going rate. I would advise that you book rooms ASAP to guarantee availability.

Group meals, events & transportation will be arranged on site. Contact Carla Munt if you are interested in attending at [vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org](mailto:vicepresident@sacramentotallclub.org) or by phone at 916-365-5601.







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## OTHER EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY

### BOSTON BEANSTALKS TALL CLUB (BBTC)

**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.

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