The View From Above

Newsletter for the Sacramento Tall Club January-March 2015



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From the Editor

Happy Spring, Talls!

The year is looking up. STC has had several meetups and a few of parties, and they've been well received. Look for more events in the upcoming months. And if you have suggestions for events, please send them to your Social Chairperson, or suggest them on Meetup.

Remember to share your Tall pride. Wear your shirts! Hand out club business cards! Tell people about our scholarships, our sponsoring of the giraffes at the Sacramento Zoo and the Fair Oaks Concerts in the Park, and of our work to benefit the Marfan Foundation. If you need business cards, contact Harry L.



Did you know you can contribute to the TCI Scholarship Foundation funds just by surfing the web? Here's how:

- 1. Register at www.goodsearch.com
- 2. Choose Tall Clubs International Foundation as your cause.
- 3. Bookmark the link OR set GoodSearch as your homepage so that every time you search the web, a donation is made to TCI Foundation.

It does add up and costs you nothing. Thank you from the TCIF Board and future scholarship winners.

STC is looking for a delegate to attend the delegates meeting at Convention. Contact Harry L. if you wish to volunteer.

And standard announcement: I am always looking for contributing writers. If you attend or are planning a TCI or STC Event and want to let others know how great it was/will be, send me a short narrative and I'll add it to the next newsletter.

| Cheers! | | | | |
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| Alice Q | | | | |

From the President



Spring is now here and many more events, for the club, are on the horizon. Naturally, there is Pre-convention here in Rancho Cordova and then the national convention in Sparks.

I just can't help think this is going to be such a great time and the experiences of the location, trips, events and memories will be with you for a lifetime. This is not a convention to miss!

In April we will have our anniversary gathering at the Holiday Inn in Rancho Cordova and it should be a great time. Naturally we will have dinner and music.

The twist is that I will be doing my debut of Karaoke. I started saying that there would be Karaoke if we could not find a low cost DJ or entertainment and then people started talking it up and requesting songs.

What was I to do? My bluff was called! So, I have been learning about Karaoke and even practicing a little. I don't want to get too good and set the bar too high! Let's just have a fun time.

Since Sacramento Tall Club is such a special club, we are doing something that has not been done ever in the Tall Club community. We have expanded our scholarship program to include a continuing education scholarship for TCI qualified applicants. Why only work with high school students, when we could actually help students that are qualified to be members of our club and add to the TCI family? Join us for some fundraising activities for the new expanded scholarship program.

Just a reminder, renew your dues if you have not. Reserve your rooms for pre-convention and convention.

If there is an event you want to see on the calendar, suggest the event on Meetup or contact Carla M. We can make it happen!

If you need a flyer with information for events, contact Tonna B. via email.

There is a vacancy on the board, Bob H. had to step down as a club officer because of a conflict with his TCI officer duties. The office of Publicity Chair is available if you feel you have some ideas as to how to spread the word about our great organization. Let me know if you are interested in being our Publicity chair.

Harry L., President Sacramento Tall Club

Officers' Reports

Treasurer – Balances as of the March 2015 meeting:

Club General Fund balance: \$11,721.32 (This may include some funds for Convention and/or Pre-con – Ed.)

Scholarship fund balance: \$934.00

Pre-Con balance: \$3,521.35

Convention fund balance: \$28,107.13

Marketing: MeetUp, Facebook, and Yahoo are the ways to contact us or keep track of events. Barnes & Noble has changed our account to the new # 916-HOW TALL. And we are changing our Entertainment books to: "Zbest Books". Watch for the 2015 books later this summer.

Membership: As of March we had 65 members, and 25 prospects.

Secretary: We sent get-well-soon cards to Barb T. and Harry L. The club wishes them each a speedy recovery.

Webmaster: If you are a paid member and cannot access the members-only page, please contact an officer for the user name and password, or see page 4 of the member roster.

Convention: As of the March meeting there were 134 people registered for Convention.

Pre-Con: As of March 31st only 41 people have signed up for Pre-Con. But we have word that Miss TI will be there!

Scholarship: We received 22 applications and five are being considered.

What's Happening, STC?

Sacramento State vs Portland Stage basketball game

February 7, 2015



The Sacramento Tall Club attended the Sacramento State vs Portland Stage basketball game on Saturday. STC is always looking for new and interesting events in the community to support. One of our members has a vested interest in the team... guess who... We were there to support our college team and just have fun...

Phoenix Phebruary Phiesta Weekend 2/13/15-2/16/15

Submitted by Patty H.

Bob and I flew in to Phoenix on Friday Feb. 13th and were greeted by all our tall club friends who were congregating at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, looking forward to yet again a fun filled fabulous weekend hosted by the Central Arizona Tall Society (CATS).



Friday night started off with a cocktail hour in the hospitality suite, where we made new friends, and renewed



friendships with many others we hadn't seen in a while. Then it was off to the Walleye Fish Fry (the fish being imported from Minnesota) at a local sports bar within walking distance to the hotel. Then back to the hotel to a "Kick Up Your Heels" dance party and karaoke night. Yes, yours truly got up with my sister and sang a few tunes. A little liquid courage was involved. The hilarity continued on to the after-hours party, where once again the famous Phoenix ShotSki made an appearance.

Saturday morning, we arose in time for breakfast before we journeyed out with 15-20 of our Tall Club friends to take a hike through some of the most beautiful desert landscape. With the recent rains, the desert trail was alive with a little greenery & spring wildflowers. Back to the hotel for time spent laying by the pool and soaking up some sun.

Saturday night was the Sweethearts Dance where a live band performed many rock and county classics. This is the 7th year this group has performed at the CATS weekend, and you can see why they are always welcomed back. After-hours consisted of more food and drink, with Sharon E. creating some very flavorful libations. Conversations were lively and laughter was heard down the halls. Then it was off to a peaceful night's sleep.

Sunday, after breakfast, we headed up to a local park for a little volleyball, and a luncheon BBQ and impromptu birthday party for Tim M. It was a great day ending with lots of goodbyes as people left for the airport to catch flights for their return trips home.

Once again a very successful and fabulous weekend hosted by our friends in Phoenix. This weekend is one that everyone should definitely try to make!



Texas Hold'em Poker fundraiser and Flannel Finery/Stone Soup house party

February 28, 2015 Description by Rusty B.

Harry L. was the winner at our Texas Hold'em Poker scholarship fundraiser and Flannel Finery/Stone Soup house party with Barbara K as our wonderful host. We also have a new member Janet, fourth from the left in the photo, who was measured in at the party. Welcome Janet!



Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner and Fundraiser.

March 14, 2015

A larger-than-usual group of green-wearing folks gathered at Bob and Patty H.'s to dine on corned beef, cabbage, and other dishes, and raise money for the Scholarship fund. 30 people partied and \$385 was raised on this unusually temperate evening.









Liver Lovers versus Liver Haters

March 28, 2015 Description by Harry L.

STC had a war of parties on March 28th. There are "Liver Lovers" and "Liver Haters": never the two will meet at the same party! I was too busy eating to take photos during dinner, but here are a couple showing the prep crews at the Liver Lovers party:





Upcoming STC Events

- ♣ Saturday, April 18th: STC Anniversary Dinner, Dance and Karaoke Party. See flyer at the end of this newsletter.
- Friday, May 3rd: Great Western Festival, Elk Grove, CA
- Second Tuesday of every month: STC Business Meeting. The location changes, so keep an eye on Meetup.
- First Friday of every month: TGIF, the Kilt Pub, 4235 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95864
- Third Friday of every month: TGIF, location is up to the host.

These items and more are posted at http://sacramentotallclub.org/

Upcoming TCI Events

STC Anniversary Dinner: Saturday, April 18, 2015, Holiday Inn, Rancho Cordova, CA

TCI Convention 2015: Monday, July 6 to Sunday, July 12, 2015, John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, NV

Pre-Con 2015: Friday, July 3 through Sunday, July 5, 2015, Holiday Inn Rancho Cordova, CA

Flyers for these are at the end of this newsletter.

11th Annual Casino Night & Dance Evening. Saturday, April 25, 2015: 7:30pm - 12:30am. Moose Lodge 1780, 514 W Imperial Ave., El Segundo, CA. Bob and Patty attended this last year and had a great time! Cost: \$35.00 pre-sale with payment prior to event; \$40.00 at the Door. Dress: Costume or Comfortable. Check Meetup for pre-sale payment details and contact information.

Central Jersey Tall Friends "Harvest Moon Weekend": November 6-8, 2015, Swiftwater, PA. Check http://tall.org/Upcoming-Events/ for further information.

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STC Meetup Group: http://www.meetup.com/sacramento-tall-club/

STC Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/sactallclub/

STC Yahoo Group: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SacTallClub

STC Web Page: http://sacramentotallclub.org/

Tall Clubs International Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/8267051046/

Tall Clubs International webpage: http://www.tall.org



Sacramento Tall Club

A social club for Tall people in the Sacramento area.

Membership or Renewal Application 2015

Note: Preferred method of renewal or application is to visit www.SacramentoTallClub.org and complete an application/renewal form and send payment to P.O. Box listed below.

If you do not have Internet access, please send this completed renewal form and payment, made out to STC, to: Sacramento Tall Club, P.O. Box 515, Rancho Cordova, CA. 95741.

Renewal for 2015 is \$30.00 per person.

Name: ______ Nickname: _____

I wish to: (Apply for/Renew) membership in Sacramento Tall Club. (circle one)

| Address: | | | | |
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Sacramento Tall Club Anniversary Dinner

Saturday, April 18, 2015

Location: Holiday Inn - Rancho Cordova

Holiday Inn, 11269 Point East Dr, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

Time: 5:30 PM no-host cocktails/ 6:00 PM Dinner Dancing or Karaoke after dinner

Cost: Tall club members: \$35 if pd by Apr 4 & \$40 after Non-tall club members: \$40 if pd by Apr 4 & \$45 after

Join the Sacramento Tall Club folks for an evening of good food, and lots of tall friends! We welcome all tall club members, prospects and their guests.

Menu: Roast Beef: tender slices of roast beef, gravy, rosemary potatoes, seasonal vegetables, rolls and butter, coffee, decaf, iced tea and dessert. Lasagna Vegetarian or Meat: Delicious three cheese lasagna with either meat or vegetables. Served with garlic bread, garden salad with choice of dressing, coffee, iced tea and chef's choice of dessert.



Questions? Contact Tonna Boyette at 916-202-1666 or tcboyette@yahoo.com

| Please send in this re | gistration with your payment by April 4, 2015 | | |
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| Name: | Tall Club: email: | | |
| Phone #: | | | |
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| Indicate # of selected of | inner choices: | | |
| Roast Beef: L | asagna: Meat Lasagna: Vegetarian | | |
| Amount enclosed: \$ | (Checks should be made payable to Sacramento Tall Clu | ıp) | |

Mail payment to: STC Anniversary Party, P.O. Box 515, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741

The Sacramento Tall Club Presents TCI Pre Convention 2015 July 3-5, 2015



The Sacramento Tall Club proudly presents the 2015 TCI Pre-Convention In beautiful Sacramento, California.

Join us for a few days of fun with your tall friends and gear up for TCI Convention in Reno right after pre-convention. Please plan to arrive by Thursday or early Friday morning to take part in our Gold mine trip.

Total package includes;

Friday: Gold mine trip with lunch, after hours

Saturday: 4th of July rodeo and fireworks show, after hours

Sunday: Dinner and dance, after hours

Optional entertainment (may be additional charge):

River activities

Old town Folsom and old Sacramento

Downtown Sacramento

Hotel amenities

Sacramento museums

And more

PAY WITH PayPal*

\$50 deposit holds your spot \$150.00 if postmarked by 4/1/2015 \$160.00 if after 4/1/2015 Balance due upon arrival.

Fly into Sacramento (SMF) for the nearest airport.

Holiday Inn Rancho Cordova 11269 Point East Drive, Ranch Cordova, CA 95742, USA Click here for the hotel reservation link

Rate: \$84.99 (plus taxes and fees)
Includes hot hotel Breakfast. Rooms are double

queen or king beds. Call 916-635-4040 Reservation code STC



Hotel amenities
Free parking, free hot Breakfast, free wi-fi,
Pool, spa tub, sauna, Fitness facilities

Make your deposit of \$50, or full payment with a check payable to Sacramento Tall Club or pay with PAY PAL*

Mail to: Sacramento Tall Club Pre-Con 2015, P.O. Box 515, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741

Name: ______ Home Tall club: _____ Guest of _____

Address: _____ City: ____ State: ____ Zip: ____ Country: _____

Telephone: _____ e-mail: _____

Please see the flyer for information on the train to Reno, Nevada and answer the following questions.

I will take the train to Reno YES NO I will need transportation to the train station. YES NO

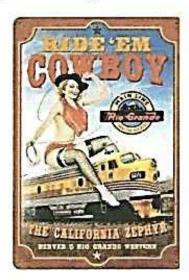
Questions???? E-mail to PreCon@SacramentoTallClub.org or check out www.tallprecon.org

I will take the train to Reno YES NO I will have my own car and I will drive to Reno. YES NO

* To pay with Pay Pal, visit our web site at www.tallprecon.org. Processing fee will apply.

After Pre-Convention, join your fellow tall friends for the scenic trip to Reno/Sparks for the 2015 TCI Convention "Upping the Ante". Travel by train through the majestic Sierra Nevada Mountains.

We will be leaving from the Roseville, CA station on the California Zephyr. The train leaves Roseville, California at 11:35 am and takes about 4 1/2 hours to reach Reno, Nevada. You will need to be at the train station at least 30 minutes early.



This train stop does not provide for checked baggage but you can have two carryon items, just like the airlines. If you register with us that you will be taking the train, and you will need carryon service, Sacramento Tall Club will arrange to take your "checked" baggage to Reno.

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The train ride to Reno is an option and not mandatory.

We will need to know if you are going this route and if you will need transportation to the train station. Please fill out the train information at the bottom of the Pre-Convention flyer. There is only one train per day to Reno. So you don't want to miss it. Rates, at this time, are \$44-20 for seniors (62+) and \$52.00 for adults. There is no group rate for our party.

Click on your selected rate and follow the instructions from there.

34.85 Look for other discounts on the Amtrak web site.

Passenger type/discount rules

The Sparks hotel will provide shuttle service from the train station in Reno. If you checked your luggage with us, your luggage should be waiting for you when you arrive at the hotel.

Sacramento Tall Club will not purchase, hold or handle your train ticket.

If you have any questions, contact PreCon@SacramentoTallClub.org

The Sacramento Tall Club invites you to strike it rich and stake your claim for the Mother Lode of TALL fun next summer!



July 6-12, 2015 · Sparks-Reno, Nevada

Early Bird Full Convention Package Price of \$599
Plus \$65 Room Rate = Best Deal on the Table!

TCI Member Full Convention Package Prices

Minimum \$100 deposit check holds the following price breaks:

\$599 postmarked by 1/31/2015 \$625 postmarked by 3/31/2015 \$650 postmarked by 6/10/2015

\$675,00 after 6/10/2015

Paying with Pay Pal add 3% to the above prices to cover Pay Pal processing fee.

John Ascuaga's Nugget TCI Convention Room Rate

1100 Nugget Ave, Sparks, NV, 89431

\$65 per night + 13.5% room tax and \$9 resort fee

King or Double Queen

(\$10 each for 3rd and 4th person)

To reserve your room online go to: www.janugget.com

- · Click Hotel tab and go to Book Room
- Click Group Code tab
- Enter Group Code GTCI for our TCI price
- · Choose your room dates

Phone Reservations: 800-648-1177

Watch for updates on website: www.tallcon.org

TCI Convention 2015 Schedule/Highlights

| EVENTS | Monday 7/6 | Tuesday 7/7 | Wednesday 7/8 | Thursday 7/9 | Friday 7/10 | Saturday 7/11 | Sunday 7/12 |
|----------------|--|---|--|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
| DAYTIME | Registration | Breakfast* Day in Virginia City | Breakfast* Delegates Meeting On your own | Breakfast* Day at Tahoe City** Lunch | Breakfast* Free morning** | Breakfast* Sports Day TCl Workshop Free Time | Breakfast* Kill the Bottle and Farewells |
| EVENING | Reception Buffet Dinner Marfan and Foundation Fundraiser | Dinner at Cantina Los Tres Hombres Dancing with Live Band | Formal Dinner Miss Tall International Pageant Queen's Ball | Dinner on your own Dancing at Gilley's | Casino Dinner Show | Formal Awards Banquet Farewell Dance | TBA, if you are staying over |
| AFTER HOURS | Wild Wild West | Toga Toga Toga | Comstock Lode – Silver and Gold | It all began with a "K"ae | ABC — Anything But Clothes | Con Zombies | |

^{*}You will receive a "Resort Card" loaded with funds for six breakfasts. You can use the "Resort Card" in any of the eight restaurants in the hotel. There is an all you can eat brunch buffet and even a Starbucks onsite.

You can use the "Resort Card" funds for breakfast meals or any food in the hotel. A typical egg/meat/toast breakfast at Rosie's Café is around \$8.00.

Check the hotel's website for menus, www.janugget.com, click dining to see info about their onsite restaurants.

**We will email you a list of sights/events/area restaurants and transportation with their internet links, so you can easily research what you would like to do.

Free Reno/Tahoe International Airport hotel shuttle.



Questions? Email Jennifer Garets at Registration2015@sacramentotallclub.org

Minimum deposit cash or check \$100 payable to: STC Events, Inc. Minimum deposit with Pay Pal \$103 (3% charged by processor)

Complete this registration form and mail with your deposit to: TCI Convention 2015, c/o Jennifer Garets, 4925 Kenroy Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628

| Name: | | Height: |
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| TCI Club Affiliation: | or Guest of: | |
| Address: | City: | State: Zip: |
| Telephone(s): | | |
| Email address: | | |
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| Prefered snacks: | | |
| Favorite Ice Cream Flavor: | T- Shirt Size (if you are p | aying in full by 1/31/15: |

Watch for updates on website: www.tallcon.org

Details on the 2015 TCI Convention After-Hours Themes:

Monday: Wild Wild West

Let's start the week off with a big "Yee Haw!" Dress in your best Western gear for a wild evening that starts with a Western buffet followed by boot scootin' on the dance floor. Then, at 11:00 PM, belly up to the bar at the Blazing Saddles Saloon for After Hours. And, then enjoy one of the many activities we will have available: swimming, games, dancing or just a quiet chat with a tall friend.

Tuesday: Toga Toga Toga

Let's be party animals! Get out those sheets and be prepared to have some fun! It will make you want to SHOUT! And, of course, join us at the Delta (Tau Chi) Saloon for libations. "Grab a brew. Don't cost nothin'!" And remember, no fizzies in the pool or food fights allowed!

Wednesday: Comstock Lode - Silver and Gold

This is your chance to sparkle and glitter like the silver and gold found by miners in Nevada in 1859. You'll find a bonanza of fun activities to keep you busy. And, there will be a wealth of drinks (both alcoholic and non-alcoholic) throughout the night at the Silver Queen Saloon.

Thursday: It all began with a "K"ae

Let's honor Kae Sumner Einfeldt, the founder and inspiration of Tall Clubs International, by wearing or becoming something that starts with a "K". Kelp, Kardasian, Klingon, Kangaroo, Kitten, Kleenex... keep the ideas flowing! And, the drinks will be flowing all Knight at Miss Kae's Saloon!

Friday: ABC - Anything But Clothes

Anything goes... but clothes! Please do wear something, but it just can't be any clothing! So, put on your thinking cap, get some duct tape, trash bags, shower curtains, cereal boxes, etc. and get creative! Be sure to visit the Red Dog Saloon for liquid refreshments.

Saturday: Con Zombies

After a week of too much eating, too much drinking, too much dancing and too little sleep, don't you kind of feel like the Walking Dead? So, put on your PJs or comfy clothes (don't worry if they are ripped and blood splattered) and stumble on over for one last night of fun with your tall friends. Don't forget to grab a drink at the Bucket of Blood Saloon!