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BEANSPROUTS BECOME BEANSTALKS!

BEANSTALKS TALL CLUB (BBTC) SOCIAL CALENDAR

THE BOSTON BEANSTALKS TALL CLUB is a social organization for adult women 5'10" and above, and men 6'2" and above. Our members live, work and host events in MA, ME, NH, RI & VT. Visit our website at www.hubtall.org or call **617-HUB-TALL** for more information.

April 2010

Deadline for the May Newsletter: Tuesday, April 20th



| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|--|-----------|--|--|--|
| | | | | 1 | 2 Riverbend Bar & Grill Newton, MA 6:00 PM | 3 |
| 4 | 5 Business Meeting Panera Needham 6:30 PM | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Central Jersey Tall Friends Marfan Dinner Dance, Spring Lake, NJ |
| 11 BLUES BRUNCH ALCHEMIST LOUNGE JAMAICA PLAIN 12:30 P.M. | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 FREE PARTY FOR BEANSTALKS! 6 TO 10 P.M. SPLASH LOUNGE BOSTON | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Dinner & a Movie Night Burlington, MA Dinner 6:30 PM Movie 7:30 PM <i>BEAN POD DEADLINE</i> | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 TALLZAN OF THE JUNGLE WEEK-END @ THE HILTON GARDEN INN IN DES PLAINES, IL hosted by PARAMOUNT TALL CLUB OF CHICAGO |
| 25 TALLZAN OF THE JUNGLE DES PLAINES, IL | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | MAY 1 MARFAN FUNDRAISER/ DANCE/ AUCTION Winthrop, MA 7 to 11 p.m. |

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| | |
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- 1) Please observe the deadline listed on the centerfold Calendar Page.
- 2) If possible, please submit your contributions electronically to **editor@hubtall.org**
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- 4) Contributions submitted on paper MUST be typed.
- 5) Letters to the editor are welcome, and will be published on a space available basis in the order received.
- 6) We look forward to your submissions!

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- *Women must measure at least 5'10" in height.*
- *Men must be a minimum of 6'2" tall.*
- *Height measurement is in stocking feet.*

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BBTC SECRETARY'S REPORT

By Kay Helberg 2/1/2010

February 2010

Present: Kay Helberg; Marie Austin; Susan Huffman; Jeanne Smith; Craig Scherman; Kathy Lewis; Sue Flynn; Sylvia Martin. Meeting called to order at 6:56 p.m.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President: Absent.

Editor: Jeanne requested that event directions that are submitted to the Bean Pod not be overly complicated and limited to one or two "from" viewpoints (i.e., from the North...and from points west...). She will be getting her own email address for BBTC editor emails so that submissions to editor@hubtall.org are not lost in the SPAM world or other emails in her system. Jeanne also requested that any submissions be emailed to her ASAP so that she can be formatting things throughout the month rather than spending hours upon hours at the end of the month. Finally, rather than emailing ideas for submissions, members and officers are asked to write the articles/notices themselves and submit them for addition to the newsletter. It is not fair to expect our Editor to write submissions in addition to editing and formatting the newsletter.

Vice President: The Anniversary Dinner Dance and Pageant was a big success. Sylvia is exploring a Spring dance. Will be checking out the date of May 22nd with the site in Waltham.

Social: The BBTC Service Auction to raise money to send the Queen to the TCI Convention in New Orleans has been scheduled for May 8th at the Helbergs in Framingham. Kay volunteered to write up some examples to be sent out via email of things they could donate so that we can have a successful and fun event. Discussed dates for a yard sale to raise money for the scholarship fund. The date of May 15th was confirmed. The yard sale will take place in Quincy at Sue's sister's home. She is making space in her basement available for donations to be dropped off any time prior to the event.

The St. Paddy's Parade in South Boston has been scheduled for Sunday, March 14th. Sue (as treasurer) will download the application and send it in with the club donation. We voted to send the same amount of a donation as we did last year (\$100) as it is a good publicity event.

Secretary: Minutes from the January meeting were accepted as written.

Scholarship: Kathy has been receiving inquiries for the scholarship. Deadline for submissions is February 26th. \$95 of the split the pot money from the Anniversary Dance went to the scholarship fund. It was not known at this point if any profit was made from the Anniversary Pageant and Dinner Dance. We scheduled a yard sale in Quincy for May 15th to hopefully raise the rest of the money for the Scholarship Fund.

Treasurer: Sue needs to get the rest of the old records from John to better develop a budget. The bank statements have now been forwarded to her address. Kay will send Sue the letter from TCI regarding the bill for club dues. Susan and Sue were meeting after our business meeting to go over the expenses and receipts for the Anniversary Dance & Pageant event.

Webmaster: Jan not present – sent a report. He has put the new social calendar on the Events page and has requested that the NEATO event notifications include links to event fliers so that they can more easily be added to the Events page as well. A link to our new Facebook page has also been added. Our web presence provider, web.com, changed to a new email system and failed to migrate aliases. This caused our officers

list to be lost for three or four days. Jan has fixed this issue.

Marfan: We need a Marfan Liaison. Central Jersey is hosting a dance on April 10th, and Mass. Marfan Association is hosting a dance on May 1st.

Membership: Marie has been filling the membership duties on a temporary basis and, due to job responsibilities, cannot continue both Membership and Delegate responsibilities. Marie asked that a new Membership chair be identified and appointed. Anyone interested should talk to John as our President.

Database: Craig reported we received two new "out of New England" members (a former Beanstalk now in Florida and a TCI member from Colorado).

Historian: Craig reported that there is no new news.

Delegate's Report: Marie reported that the updates regarding price breaks, etc., for convention continue to be forwarded to club members.

NEATO: Kay reported on the recently updated NEATO events including: Central Jersey Tall Friends Club Marfan Dance, April 10th; Tall Club of Long Island Picnic, June 12th; and the Central Jersey Tall Friends Club Harvest Moon Weekend, November 6th.

Publicity: Not present. Wini sent out a bunch of press releases announcing the **crowning** of our new Miss Tall Boston. Sue received a significant article in the Worcester Telegram & Gazette and also a mention in the Worcester Magazine. Sue is trying to be part of the audience for the upcoming taping of the Martha Stewart show on Tall women and is looking for other opportunities as well.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY: Discussion arose from a recent well-intentioned mistake of information sharing. Please remember that you **MUST** be a member of BBTC to be able to receive club members' contact information. This information needs to be treated as confidential and not shared with folks outside of the Club. Please take this Club policy seriously!

AWARDS: We need to make our nominations for the TCI Man & Woman of the Year Awards (for Lifetime achievement) at the March business meeting since we will need to have the submissions in by the end of March.

We will also need to make our Merit Award nominations (for contributions to the tall movement over the last 2 years) at that time. Officers were asked to come prepared to discuss and vote for our nominees for these important awards.

Additionally, it was noted that we need to assign a club officer nominating committee in March as well.

WEEKEND: We need to decide when we will be holding our Club weekend in order to avoid any scheduling conflicts and to get ahead in terms of publicizing the event.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

BBTC SECRETARY'S REPORT

By Kay Helberg 3/1/2010

March 2010

Present: John Bewick; Kay Helberg; Marie Austin; Susan Huffman; Craig Scherman; Kathy Lewis. Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

President: Looking at weekend in the Fall, perhaps Provincetown again? If we did a Boston weekend we would want it to be in May (due to weather). Discussed various possibilities and discussed the pros and cons of each.

Vice President: Not present, sent a report. Sylvia is exploring a Spring dance, perhaps May 22nd with the site in Waltham.

Social: Not present, sent update that plans are all set for the St. Patrick's Day Parade in South Boston.. Reminded folks of the upcoming Academy Awards party. The BBTC Auction is confirmed for May 8th at the Helbergs in Framingham. May 15th confirmed for the yard sale in Quincy to raise money for the scholarship fund. Reminder that Sue's sister is making space in her basement available for donations to be dropped off any time prior to the event. Looking for ideas for events for April.

Secretary: Minutes from the February meeting were accepted as written.

Editor: Not present, no report.

Scholarship: We have only received 2 scholarship applicants to date although today is the postmark deadline and we may receive more by the end of the week. We scheduled a yard sale in Quincy for May 15th to hopefully raise the rest of the money for the Scholarship Fund.

Treasurer: Not present. Confirmed that the entry fee has been paid for the South Boston Parade. Need to submit dues to TCI.

Membership: NEED someone who likes to talk to people and is interested in being more involved in the club to take over as Membership Director. This is a great way to get to know new and potential members. Marie has been tending to the membership duties on a temporary basis and cannot continue both Membership and Meetup organizer responsibilities. Anyone interested PLEASE talk to John as our President. Marie has gotten some phone inquiries over the past month regarding membership.

Webmaster: Jan not present – sent a report. Website is up to date with all the recent submissions of events.

Marfan: We need a Marfan Liaison! Central Jersey is hosting a dance on April 10th and Mass Marfan Association is hosting a dance on May 1st.

Database: Craig present, no changes over the past month.

Historian: Craig reported that there is no new news.

Delegate's Report: Marie reported that TCI sent out lots of communications regarding the Martha Stewart Show on Tall People – encouraging clubs to be prepared to handle inquiries.

NEATO: Kay reported on the recently updated NEATO events including: Central Jersey Tall Friends Club Marfan Dance April 10th, Tall Club of Long Island Picnic June 12th and the Central Jersey Tall Friends Club Harvest Moon Weekend November 6th.

Publicity: Not present. Wini all set for the Parade.

NEW BUSINESS:

MeetUp update: Marie has been talking with the coordinator of the "35+ Wine Dine & Be Merry" Group and the Boston Tall Singles to coordinate events from March 4th and March 18th at a great new club in Boston. This is a great way to try events with other similar clubs.

AWARDS: Voted on TCI Woman of the Year Award nomination – Susan and Kay agreed to write it up. Will vote on Merit Awards at the April meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

by John Bewick, BBTC President MARCH



Hi, T'all,

It is March, and in Boston that means only one thing, Evacuation Day, which is when we celebrate kicking the British out of the city. Being the stiff upper-lip types and not wanting to boast, we cover this event up with the St. Patrick's Day Parade. You know, maybe I have this reversed, umm. Anyway, if you have not marched in the South Boston parade you have missed quite an experience. Every inch of the parade route has spectators cheering you on, I kid you not. So come and join our hosts Wini and John Peterson on March 14th.

February saw a new kind of event for us. We meet at the Splash Ultra Lounge in Chinatown on a Thursday night. There were about forty-five people from three different meet-up groups. There was free food. It was fun. On Thursday, the club is not crowded, unlike the wall-to-wall people on Friday and Saturday. There was on street parking with a little driving

around and good access by the T. If you missed the first one, there is another night event there on March 18th.

At the recent business meeting we discussed whom we should nominate for TCI merit awards this year. Please let any board member know if you have someone you want to nominate.

We are planning a spring dance date TBD at the Waltham VFW. I am very excited about this because I heard lots of great things about the first dance. I missed the first one due to illness and want to see what all the fuss is about.

Your President,

JOHN

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

by John Bewick, BBTC President APRIL



Hi, T'all,

Having had a taste of the warmer weather I can not wait for summer to start for real. I think we are all looking forward to being able to spend more time out doors. I hope everyone survived the rain. My basement has had an inch of water for the last month. I consider myself lucky not to have had more water.

Speaking of water, the monsoon that happened during the South Boston St. Patrick's day parade did not dampen the spirits of our marchers. Special thanks goes to Sue Flynn and Wini Peterson who held the banner and even managed to give out some business cards.

Next month we are having two fundraisers. The auction will raise money to send our queen, Sue Flynn, to convention, and a yard sale for the scholarship fund. I think I can say that we all enjoyed the pageant tremendously. It took a lot of guts for Sue and the other contestants to compete. We need to all

show our support to Sue as she goes to convention to compete for our club in the Miss TI pageant. We will need everyone to participate in the auction to make it a success. So please think about what would make a good donation. The scholarship is one of the two things we do for the tall community at large. I know we all have things in our houses that we don't use. So please donate those things you don't use to the yard sale. The other thing we do for the tall community at large is support Marfan's research. There is a fundraiser/dance for the Mass Marfan's on May 1st. I am looking forward to going and hope to see many of you T'all there.

Your President,

JOHN

DATABASE OVERVIEW

By Craig Scherman

MARCH



BIRTHDAYS:

| | | | |
|------------------|--------|--------------------|--------|
| Joan Bjornson | Mar 07 | James Wilman | Mar 19 |
| Patrice R. Toole | Mar 20 | Glenn A. Knickrehm | Mar 27 |
| Laurie McGlone | Mar 31 | | |

NEW MEMBERS:

Peter A. Kirsliis (Peter lives in Boulder, CO, is also a member of the Denver Timberline Club and is a self-employed software consultant. He enjoys hiking, biking, travel, concerts, plays, wine and roller coasters. He comes to New England to visit relatives and meet BBTC friends in the Boston area.)

Nancy A. Charest (Nancy lives in Sebastian, FL. She was an active member of the BBTC in the 1990s before moving to Texas. She subsequently moved to Florida and decided to retire there.)

RENEWALS: NONE

MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRING FEBRUARY 28, 2010: Alex Bosse

MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2010: NONE

RECENTLY EXPIRED MEMBERSHIPS: NONE

Boston Beanstalks Membership Statistics

Members In Good Standing **74**

Males: 32
Females: 42

Individual Members: 50
Couples Memberships: 12
Couples Members: 24

DATABASE OVERVIEW

By Craig Scherman

APRIL



BIRTHDAYS:

| | | | |
|--------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| Lynda Appel | Apr 06 | Sherry Ann Nowak | Apr 09 |
| Manny Gani Krawitz | Apr 20 | Linda T. Kamphausen | Apr 24 |

NEW MEMBERS:

Gordon DeWerth (Gordon lives in Framingham, MA, and has attended several BBTC events in recent months. He worked for schools and corporations but is now retired. He enjoys meeting people, travel, movies, theater, and restaurants.)

RENEWALS: NONE

MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2010: NONE

MEMBERSHIPS EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2010: NONE

RECENTLY EXPIRED MEMBERSHIPS: NONE

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FROM OUR MISS TALL BOSTON 2010

Hello, Beanstalks!!!

What a rainy weird month March was, and here we are in the month that's supposed to be rainy and poof... Sunshine and high temp for the weekend! Well, that's New England for you!!

I want to remind you all that, if you are attending the Marfan fundraiser on May 1, you need to send in your checks by April 15th to receive the discounted ticket price. Now I know many counties in Massachusetts got a break today and your taxes won't have to be in until May 11th but the cut off date for this discount is still April 15th!

A Celebration of Marfan Life and History-Winthrop Elks 7PM-11PM May 1st, 2010

Here is a glimpse of what the night will be like:

Come and celebrate the lives and achievements of those who have Marfans now and those who were suspected of having Marfans through history. Featured during the event will be music from classical musicians such as Sergei Rackmaninoff and Nicollo Paginini to blues guitar legend, Robert Johnson, to rock musical selections from the composer/playwright Jonathan Larson's RENT and TICK TICK BOOM, to a variety of music from artists around the globe

There will also be a video presentation featuring biographies of larger-than-life political figures such as Abraham Lincoln and Charles De Gaulle, to matriarchs like Mary Queen of Scots and Egyptian royals, such as Akhenaten (father to King Tut), to literary figures such as Hans Christian Anderson.

There's a DJ to play all of the music, and we will also have some music to dance by as well (later in the night). There's a Chinese raffle, a 50/50 raffle, as well as a silent auction during the event. There will be items ranging from bottles of wine to gift certificates from large retailers to signed memorabilia and photographs from popular athletes and celebrities. (The latter will be in the silent auction.)

There will be a nice variety of lighter fare which will be in a buffet style. Considering the start time of 7pm, we will have plenty of food and desert but more on the side of hors d'ouvres.

To purchase tickets to the event (\$25) and/or donate, make your checks out to the 'MA Chapter of the NMF' and put in the memo section 'CMLH Event' and mail them to:

Jon Rodis
46 Pearl Ave
Winthrop, MA 02152

Feel free to write or call Jon Rodis with any questions.

Jon Rodis, President
MA Chapter of the National Marfan Foundation
46 Pearl Ave
Winthrop, MA 02152

Home phone: 617-846-4975 E-Mail: jrmarfan58@aol.com

I hope you all can come. It is going to be a lot of fun!

Sue



READY FOR THE INFAMOUS BBTC AUCTION??!!

It's never too soon to start brainstorming. The BBTC Service Auction (which is our designated event to raise money to send our beloved Queen to Convention) is being held on May 8th. That MAY seem far away, but with the auction comes some creative planning by our BBTC members!

For those of you who haven't attended a BBTC Auction, let me explain that it is NOT your typical auction! What we do is primarily auction "services" from our members; don't worry, it's not X-rated or anything! We also accept gift cards, movie passes, handmade items etc... just as long as it's not yard sale type stuff because the yard sale is the following weekend!

The best way to explain the BBTC Auction is to give you examples of items that have been auctioned in the past. Feel free to steal these ideas or simply be inspired or enticed by them!!! OK, here are some examples:

- Services of a handyman for a Saturday afternoon.
- Seats at the table of one of our member's homes for a delicious gourmet five-course meal.
- 4 hours of computer consulting.
- A horse riding lesson followed by a ride with your new skills.
- A summer day visiting the Boston Harbor Island.
- Airplane miles from a frequent flyer.
- Tickets to a concert or a sporting event.
- Free car wash and wax (via either a member's elbow grease or a pass to a car wash).
- Make-up consultation.
- A homemade and decorated birthday cake for that special event (with at least one week's notice).
- A handmade birdhouse.
- A day of kayaking for 3 lucky Beanstalks.
- An IOU for 3 Homemade pies (you pick the date/holiday!).
- A day of help organizing that overwhelming room by an organizing guru!
- Seats for up to 6 tall friends for a homemade authentic Italian dinner.
- A certified accountant's services to help with next year's taxes.

You get the idea??? Sounds like fun, huh???!! The beauty of the service side of the event is that you not only get the chance to buy some great service - but also some social time with your fellow Beans... So the seat at the dinner table is NOT only yummy, it's also fun getting to hang out with Beanstalk folks you know or were hoping to get to know! And that day of horseback riding is not only something you've always wanted to do, it's sharing the experience with another Beanstalk!! ... See what I mean? Fun, huh???!! And it's also fun on the donation side to be able to have someone (in addition to our Queen) benefit from your skills and/or generosity!

So start thinking what you have to contribute to this great worthy event. The Auction itself is often times quite hilarious too, so it's definitely worth marking the date on your calendar. We start with a BBQ and schmoozing, and then we get down to the Auction Antics!!! Some of the bidding wars make for memorable conversations for years to come... Please contact me with your donation ideas or items. The sooner you do so, the saner the day will be, so that we can have typed sheets for all attendees so that they know what items they have to choose from and can plan their bidding strategy accordingly!

So, to summarize:

- 1) Mark the afternoon of May 8th on your calendar.
- 2) Think of something you can donate to the cause.
- 3) Email me immediately at kayandkarlh@yahoo.com with your donation item. You can attach the donation form in this Beanpod or just email me the specifics that are requested on the form.
- 4) Encourage your other Tall buddies to attend (You don't have to donate in order to attend, you can simply show up with your checkbook in hand, prepared to do some shopping!)
- 5) Be ready to have a Beanstalk Blast as we raise the bucks needed to send Miss Tall Boston, Sue Flynn, to represent us at the 2010 TCI Convention in New Orleans!

Kay

(Current BBTC Secretary and Miss Tall Boston 1998)

SEE THE ROYALTY BENEFIT AUCTION DONATION FORM
ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE!

HELP SEND OUR QUEEN TO TCI CONVENTION 2010!

ROYALTY BENEFIT AUCTION DONATION FORM

Each year the Boston Beanstalks hold a friendly service auction to raise the money needed to send our royalty to represent us at the annual TCI Convention, and in the Miss TI Pageant. This year Miss Tall Boston 2010, Sue Flynn, will be attending Convention in New Orleans! Members of the club (and other friends) donate goods and services to be auctioned, and bid on these items – some hotly contested! – to raise the funds needed to send Sue to Louisiana.

The Royal Auction is also a wonderful relaxing social event, which will take place again at Kay and Karl Helberg's home in Framingham, on **Saturday May 8th**. So come early, schmooze with everyone, catch up on all the latest happenings (and perhaps a little sun-tan too!) as we picnic and support this great cause. Don't worry if the sun's not out that day – the Helbergs have a great space indoors for us all! See Kay's article in the April Bean Pod for more details.

So that all those eager shoppers have something to buy, we need plenty of donations! So far we have had very few donations submitted, so we need everyone to pitch in and help sooner rather than later. Please use this form (and copy it for additional items) to submit your donations **before May 2nd**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

Items donated (Please describe):

Open to all bidders? _____ Or Male only? _____ Or Female only? _____

For a limited time? _____ If YES, specify time limit or restriction: _____

Starting / opening bid: _____ Will item be at auction? _____

Reserve price: _____ (Item not offered unless this bid is reached – Optional)

Please send or give your forms to:

Kay Helberg

E-mail: kayandkarlh@yahoo.com (You can email this form, or just email Kay the requested info)

Or mail form to Kay at: 2 Spring Lane, Framingham, MA 01701

Phone: 508-788-6320 (H) Feel free to call or email any questions!

P.S. For those that can't make the auction, we are more than happy to accept cash, check or credit card donations or you can get a fellow member to bid for you by proxy!

SHELLED FROM THE BEAN POD

by Jeanne Smith, Bean Pod Editor



Hi, fellow Beanstalks.

I do hope that the long silence is finally over and that the rest of you will be getting your Bean Pods on a more regular basis. I've had an impossibly slow computer (which may need to be put on life support in the near future) and new family responsibilities on the weekends, neither of which excuse the tardiness of your recent newsletter.

I did finally discover that one of the reasons why assembling this newsletter was harder than it should have been is that neither I nor my eyes are as young as they used to be. I had to break down and admit that I just can't lay out the graphics required for a newsletter on a laptop screen, particularly if I'm doing it at night after a long day at work. A kind friend showed me set up partner monitors so I can flip easily from text from your Beanstalk officers to the screen where I'm laying out the 'Pod. Small changes can make a big difference in our lives.

Joining the Beanstalks last year is one of those small changes that has made a big difference in my life. Those of us who are relative newcomers to the BBTC appreciate the events other 'Stalks plan, events where it's easy to join in and get to know the rest of you. I have also enjoyed planning little events for the rest of you folks.

I do want to thank Sue Flynn & Kay Helberg for their write-ups of upcoming fundraisers. Being new to the events myself, I would never have been able to devise the enticing write-ups they've contributed.

If you haven't made time to come to any recent Beanstalk events, hey, we miss you. If you haven't known about recent events because of my sins of omission, I do promise to make more timely newsletters part of my sincere efforts at repentance.

Walk tall!

Jeanne

HAPPENINGS

Friday, Apr. 2
Time: 6:00 -8:00PM
Cost: Optional Drinks

MEET & GREET - RIVERBEND BAR & GRILL

Newton Marriott
2345 Comm. Ave.
Route 30, Newton
617-HUB-TALL

Join your Beanstalk friends for an evening of libations, conversations, great food and a relaxed mood. Mingle with friends old and new in the TGIF crowd. And for all of you new and prospective Beans: DON'T BE SHY! You can't miss us! Just look for the group that stands above the rest.

You may get a chance to meet our Social Director Sylvia Martin and talk to her about events you would like to attend or give us an idea for a new event. Our wonderful members will be sure to make you feel welcome!

DIRECTIONS:

Take 128 to exit 24 (Rt. 30). At the end of the ramp, go right. The Marriott is just ahead on the left. The Riverbend Bar and Grill is to the right when you go in the main hotel entrance.

Monday, Apr. 5
Time: 6:30 PM
Cost: Participation

BUSINESS MEETING & DINNER

Panera Bread
120 Highland Ave.
Needham, MA
(781) 453-4005

It's time for the great minds of the BBTC to come together and make it all happen! From finance to publicity, and social to fund raising, this group gets it done! Come join us and be an essential and active participant in the club. This is a night to express your ideas for and about events and the direction you feel our club should be taking. Or just come by to see how things work with the club officers.

DIRECTIONS:

From Route 95/128: Take Exit 19A (marked Highland Ave.). Go to the first traffic light. Staples is on the left-hand side and Panera is on the right. There is a parking lot behind the restaurant.

MBTA: Take the D train of the Green Line to Newton Highlands. Walk up to Walnut Street and cross to the corner of Walnut and Lincon Streets. There is a bus stop there for the #59 bus to Needham.

Sunday, Apr. 11
12:30 p.m.

BLUES BRUNCH @ THE ALCHEMIST LOUNGE

Host: Sylvia Martin
617-244-6079

RSVP by Friday, Apr. 9

Cost: Participation

Alchemist Lounge & Restaurant
435 S. Huntington Ave
Jamaica Plain, MA
02130-4802
(617) 477-5741

Directions & info:
www.alchemistlounge.com

Casual chic is the word at the Alchemist, a locally owned restaurant and pub in Jamaica Plain. Spend a relaxing hour or two in comfort while enjoying live blues and the terrific menu. Trust me, the food is great-- Sylvia's nephew is the sous chef! There is a full bar to provide the traditional brunch beverages of mimosas or Bloody Marys (or Virgin Marys if you prefer). A reservation is not required, but it's a good idea, so please RSVP to Sylvia so that we can have enough seats. There is free parking in the lot at Centre St. and Spring Park Ave. MBTA: Bus 39 or 41.

Tuesday, April 20th
Time: 6:30 PM Dinner
Movie Starts 7:30 PM
Costs: Dinner Optional \$12-\$20;
Movie \$10

DINNER-AND-A- MOVIE NIGHT

NEW LOCATION!!!

Host: Marie Austin 781-820-6589

Locations:

Dinner @ Chili's Bar & Grille
Burlington, MA 781-273-9303

Movie @ AMC Theaters Burlington 10
Burlington, MA 888-262-4386

WE'VE MOVED!!! Please RSVP to Marie.

Sorry, North Shore folks, but you're not coming so we're moving a little farther south to make it more convenient for those that are coming.

Come join your Beanstalk friends for dinner and a movie. Those that come to dinner get to help pick the movie for the evening. The first to arrive will grab a table at Chili's (which is across the street from the Burlington Mall) around 6:30 p.m. During dinner we will review what movies are playing and have a start time between 7:30 and 8 p.m. Whatever the majority can agree on is what we'll see.

When you RSVP Marie will respond with her cell phone number so if you're running late and can't make dinner, you can find out what movie we've decided to see and when it starts. Please don't come without RSVPing. Recently we ended up canceling dinner and eating in the theater instead because the movie we all wanted to see started too early to eat in the restaurant. Marie needs to know who to contact if plans change.

Address for the restaurant is:

Chili's Bar & Grill 108 Middlesex Turnpike Burlington, MA 01808

Address for the theater is:

AMC Theaters Burlington 10
20 South Avenue Burlington, MA 01803

Directions: Take Rt. 128/95 to the MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE/US-3 N exit, EXIT 32A-B, toward BURLINGTON/LOWELL. Take the MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE exit 32B toward BURLINGTON/ARLINGTON. Keep RIGHT at the fork to go on MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE. Chili's is at the strip mall next to Barnes & Noble, directly across the street from the Burlington Mall. You'll need to make a left at the left.

The theater is right up the side street next to Chili's.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, May 1st, 2010
 "A Celebration of Marfan Life & History" Fundraiser
 7 to 11 p.m Winthrop Elks Club Winthrop, MA

May 2: Founder's Day Coast-to-Coast Toast and Brunch

May 8: Auction at the Helbergs' to Send Miss Tall Boston to New Orleans

May 15: Club Yard Sale to Fund the Scholarship

Awards Night -- TBA

THINK SPRING!!!!

NEATO CALENDAR

(Northeast Alliance of Tall Organizations)

By Kay Helberg

- * Central Jersey Tall Friends Club Marfan Dance 4/10/10 (PUSHED)
- * Hartford Heights Annual Y'all Tall Steak Out 5/29/10 (PROTECTED)
- * Tall Club of Long Island Picnic 6/12/10 (PROTECTED)
- * Central Jersey Tall Friends Club Harvest Moon Weekend 11/6/10 (PROTECTED)

See also: www.njtall.org/neato.htm for links to NEATO clubs



T'allins in N'awlins

June 24-30, 2010

Tall Clubs International Convention New Orleans



Pre-Convention: Mon 6/21 thru Thurs 6/24
 New Orleans Area Habitat for Humanity - Help Build Homes in New Orleans!

| Events | Thurs 6/24 | Friday 6/25 | Sat. 6/26 | Sun. 6/27 | Mon. 6/28 | Tues 6/29 | Wed 6/30 |
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| Daytime | Registration Party and Dinner | Carriage Ride thru the French Quarter | Delegate's Meeting | Plantation Tour ** | Swamp Tour ** | Sports Day & Workshops | Farewells and Kill the Bottle |
| Evening | Welcome Dance | TCI Foundation & Nat'l Marfan Fundraiser Dinner & Dance | Pageant Dinner and Dance | Free Evening to Explore New Orleans | River Boat Cruise & Dinner Onboard | Awards Banquet & Masked Ball | TBA if you're staying with us |

Themed After Hours Every Night! 3-day streetcar/bus pass included in your Full Package. Optional organized daytime tours of The Garden District, World War II Museum, and more, hosted by members of your TCI Convention Committee.

**Only one tour included in package price. Sign up for the other one at your own expense. More details will follow.

Sign up online at www.tciweekends.com Additional info available at www.tciconvention.com

TCI Member Full Package Price

\$574.00 postmark by 12/31/09

\$599.00 postmark by 3/25/10

\$625.00 after 3/25/10

\$100 deposit Check payable to:

TCI Convention, Inc. holds price

Mail to: **Lori Giachino**

8907 Wellington Ave

Oklahoma City, OK 73120

Questions? E-mail Lori at yestono2010@aol.com

Reserve your room now!

DoubleTree Hotel

300 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130

Online Hotel Registration <http://tinyurl.com/y1fw6nm>

Phone Reservations 1-504-581-1300

\$99.00 per night (1-2) \$10 extra each for 3rd & 4th person

TCI rate good thru 5/25/10

Rate good 3 days before & after based on availability

Breakfast included in room price

Name _____ Club _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-Mail _____

Just say YES NO to That's new Orleans!

Paramount Tall Club of Chicago
Proudly presents:

TALL-zan of the Jungle

April 23-25, 2010

Hilton Garden Chicago O'Hare Airport

2930 S River Rd
Des Plaines, IL 60018

847-296-8900 OR 877-STAY-HGI (ask for the Paramount Tall Club group)
or www.hiltongardeninn.com group code "PARA"
King or Double rooms 1-4 people \$95 thru 4/8/10
Free Breakfast ♥Free Parking ♥Free O'Hare pick-up

Full Package includes:

FRI: Costumes & dancing with a live DJ, cash bar, afterhours*
SAT: Pre-dinner reception, Dinner/dance with cash bar, afterhours*
SUN: Kill-the-Bottle
*You must be a hotel guest to attend afterhours

Package Prices: U.S. funds only

\$ 105.00 by 01/15/2010
\$ 115.00 by 02/15/2010
\$ 125.00 by 03/15/2010

A non-refundable deposit of \$ 60 will hold your package price, Pay before 01/15/2010
to be eligible to win a free weekend package.

Weekend co-chairs:

Jennifer Bellis jennifer.bellis75@gmail.com 630-272-8431

Diane Matthisen rainbowdi@aol.com 847-825-7626

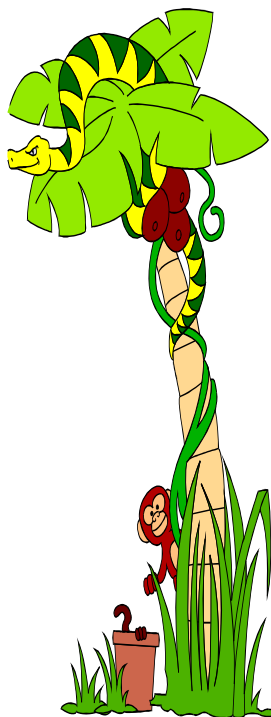
Registration:

Milanne Bancroft tallzan_weekend@yahoo.com 708-848-2956

Register online at www.tciweekends.com or

Send deposit to Milanne Bancroft, 823 S. Home Ave. Oak Park, IL 60304

Checks payable to: Paramount Tall Club of Chicago



____ Yes, I will attend full time &
have included a \$60 deposit.

____ Yes, I will attend Thursday
night pre-weekend at an additional
cost

____ Yes, I am interested in Satur-
day tours and activities

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| Name _____ | Phone _____ |
| Address _____ | |
| City _____ | State _____ Zip _____ |
| E-mail _____ | Club _____ Royalty _____ Year _____ |
| Arrival: Airline _____ | Date _____ Time _____ Flt# _____ |
| Depart: Airline _____ | Date _____ Time _____ Flt# _____ |
| Sat. Dinner Choice: Chicken _____ Fish _____ Pork _____ Vegetarian _____ | |



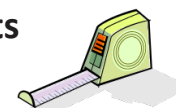
Tall Clubs International Presents

Pre Convention 2010

New Orleans Area - Habitat for Humanity

Just Say Yes To NO, LA

June 21-24, 2010



Here is your chance to make a difference while having fun with your fellow Tall Club friends. We will work with Habitat for Humanity June 22, 23, 24, 2010. Each day we will be on site with Habitat from 7:45am until 3:30pm. The hotel will be waiting with dinner opportunities, an inviting pool and a soft bed before doing it all over again. Transportation and on site lunches will be included. Early after-hour chit chat and goodies will be around the pool but won't last too late. Breakfast at the hotel will be early so we will be ready for the bus to our job site. There is a \$25 Habitat for Humanity registration fee that **will be tax deductible**. We will have all the paperwork available for you to complete process.

TCI Member Full Package Price

\$100.00 full package price plus

\$ 25.00 Habitat registration fee

Postmarked by 3/25/10

\$145.00 total after 3/25/10

\$50 deposit check payable to:

TCI PreConvention - holds price

Mail to: **Lori Giachino**

8907 Wellington Ave

Oklahoma City, OK 73120

Room Reservation Information

Doubletree Hotel

300 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130

Online Hotel Registration <http://tinyurl.com/y1fw6nm>

Phone Reservations 1-504-581-1300

\$99.00 per night (1-2) + \$10 each extra person (3-4)

TCI rate good thru 5/25/10

Rate good 3 days of Pre Con thru Convention.

Breakfast included in room price

Questions? E-mail Ginger at gingerlea@elknet.net

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Send a deposit of \$50.00 payable to "TCI Pre Convention" and mail to:

Lori Giachino, 8907 Wellington Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73120.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

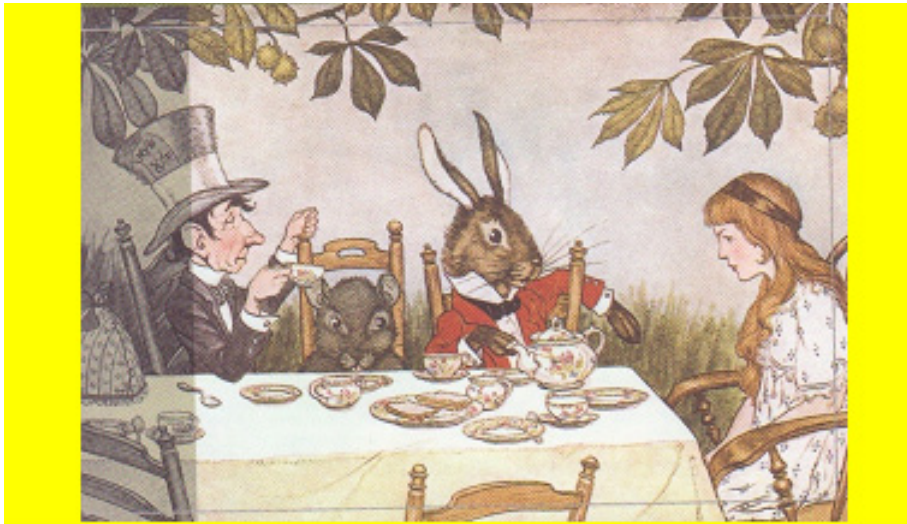
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**SAVE THE DATE - DETAILS TO FOLLOW  
TALL CLUB OF ROCHESTER 2010 WEEKEND  
“ALICE IN TALL WONDERLAND” & A MAD HATTERS BALL  
AUGUST 13TH - 15TH, 2010**

**'Tis that time again.**

Don't be late for this very important date!  
Alice in Tall Wonderland will surely be...  
Another in a long Tall Club of Rochester history  
Of merriment and madness...  
IF you're on time for tea.  
The Hyatt will guarantee...  
Same room rate before and after...  
Days of three.  
Costumes you'll see...  
Caterpillar, Cheshire Cat,  
Tweedledum or Tweedledee...  
Really now, where would you rather be?



**GoodSearch:** Did you know that if you use GoodSearch.com (instead of Google) to snorkel around the Internet, the TCI Foundation can receive a penny for every search you do? And if you shop using GoodShop.com TCI International gets a percentage of your purchase price. It doesn't cost you anything to search through GoodSearch . . . Just enter TALL in the 'Who do you GoodSearch for?' box. Tall Clubs International Foundation is the first one on the list. Once you have that entered, tag GoodSearch in your Favorites file. The number of searches goes up every month... Some of you may have already caught on! Could you make an extra click? Every search yields at least one penny. And you can designate that penny to go to TCI Foundation.

RETURN TO: Boston Beanstalks Tall Club  
P.O. Box 610185  
Newton, MA 02461

☐ \$45 Single membership

☐ \$60 Married couple

## B.B.T.C. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please enclose a check payable to THE BOSTON BEANSTALKS TALL CLUB for annual dues. This application is accepted upon your meeting the club height requirements of 5'10" for women and 6'2" for men. **You must be officially measured (in your stocking feet) by a board member within four months of receipt of this application or your membership will be forfeited.** You must be a minimum of 21 years of age.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Where: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I do not want my address and phone available to my fellow Beanstalks in the membership directory published semi-annually.

How did you hear about the Boston Beanstalks Tall Club? \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us a little about yourself. Do you have any hobbies, interests, pets, family, favorite activities, or other areas of interest?

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