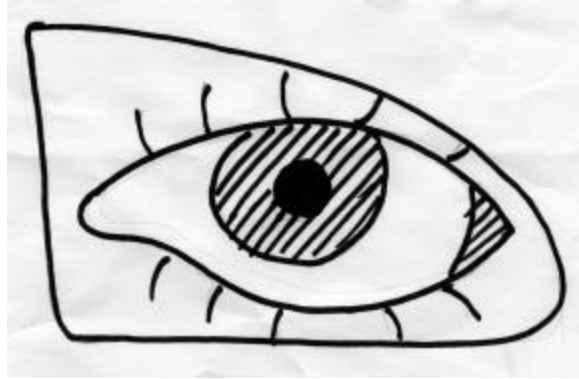


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COVER CAPTION CONTEST

“Never look back. Something might be gaining on you.” Leroy ‘Satchel’ Paige

What did Lorena Bobbitt see as she left?

“Caution: Objects in your rear view mirror may be closer than they appear.” Gary Larson

Greetings. This is my first edition of the Highlites. Next month, I invite you to submit an article or a photo: I even bought a small scanner for photographs. Otherwise, I’ll have to fill a column or 2.

If you have something for the newsletter, please e-mail it to me by the 1st Wed. of the month.

Peter Vorum, Editor

Hi-C's Highlites

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The High Cincinnatians Tall Club, Inc. is a member of Tall Club International®, an organization of more than 4,000 members in 71 member Clubs across the U.S. and Canada. The High C's exists to promote the exchange of friendship, information, and ideas between persons of comparable height. We encourage the comradeship of our members through activities and social programs so as to better instill self confidence and a positive outlook on being TALL.

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

Age: 21 years or older

Height: Men 6'2" or taller Women 5'10" or taller

ANNUAL Dues: Single \$30.00

Married Couple \$40.00 (pro-rated quarterly)

MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

Meetings are held every second Thursday of the month starting at 7:30 PM at the Oakley Community Senior Center. The Center is located at 3882 Paxton Avenue, in the Hyde Park Plaza. The phone number for the Center is (513) 321-9320. If you require further assistance to the Center beyond what is found in this column, please call a board member for help.

DIRECTIONS TO OAKLEY COMMUNITY CENTER:

From Downtown: Take I-71 North, exit at Edwards Road, turn right onto Edmondson, turn right onto Edwards, turn left onto Wasson, bear left onto Paxton. The Oakley Center is in the left rear corner of the plaza, left of Thriftway and Goodyear Tire.

From 275/Blue Ash: Take I-71 South, exit at Smith/Edwards Road, turn left onto Williams, turn right onto Edwards, turn left onto Wasson, bear left onto Paxton. The Oakley center is in the left rear corner of the plaza, left of Thriftway and Goodyear Tire.

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Treasurers Report March 2003

Begin Balance	\$1,356.59
Dues	\$320.00
Newsletter Sub	\$ 15.00
Zone Books	\$ 30.00
Total Income	\$365.00
Cincinnati Bell	\$ 30.73
Newsletter	\$ 27.60
Oakley Room	\$ 20.00
Postage-Stamps	\$ 37.00
Miscellaneous Printing	\$ 75.90
Miscellaneous	\$ 13.50
Total Expenses	\$204.73
Ending Balance	\$1,516.86
Beginning Cash	\$136.06
Split Pot \$	3.00
End Cash	\$139.06
Total Assets	\$1,655.92

Birthdays

April	
7	Mike Ritz/Bebe Wilker/
10	Mike McCullough
12	Lori Lesak
17	Jim Aitken
18	Debbi Brock
22	Joe Lustik
27	Gina Borgatti
30	Jenny Haass
May	
8	Shoena McGhee/Bonnie Moore
14	Gene MacDonald
25	Susan Westendorf
26	Bruce Forrester
27	Christine Leydorf

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TCI Convention 2003 Host Vongruetero@aol.com

WEEKENDS

www.tciweekends.com

A major purpose of Tall Clubs International is to provide activities of mutual interest to our members. This includes travel to visit member Clubs, who host a weekend party or special event; make or renew friendships.

Key West Conch Rebellion	25-27 Apr	Miami 305-947-TALL or 954-978-2860
Whale of a Weekend VIII	2-4 May	Boston 617-527-8849
Spring Dance—New York	17 May	NYC 212-686-2809
Jazz It Up in Sacramento	23-26 May	CA 916-386-1614
Rendez-Vous Montreal IV	1-3 Aug	Canada 450-692-1651
50th Anniversary Solid Gold	15-17 Aug	Cincinnati 513-352-0281
Hauna Wauna Lei	29-31 Aug	Heart of W. Florida 727-787-4666
Vegas 2003	12-14 Sep	Las Vegas 702-566-8228
RETC Annual Salt Point	3-5 Oct	Redwood Empire 707-529-6377
Campout		

HIGH CININNATIANS TALL CLUB
SOLID GOLD
50TH ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND
AUGUST 15-17, 2003

- ?? Friday Costume dance w/DJ-cash bar
- ?? Saturday: Guided tours of Cincinnati; Reds baseball; golf; relaxing at the hotel; Riverboat cruises or gambling; shopping; United States Air Force Museum-Wright-Patterson AFB
- ?? Saturday Semi-formal dinner and dance w/DJ-cash bar
- ?? After-hours Fri/Sat for Hotel registered guests—hot tub til 3AM both nights

Package: \$89 postmarked Apr 15; \$99 by Jun 15; \$119 @ door

Embassy Suites Hotel—Cincinnati—Northeast/Blue Ash
4554 Lake Forest Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45242
513-733-8900 or 1-800-EMBASSY (362-2779)

\$99 suite 1-4 people/\$119 double suite 5-6 people
Room includes breakfast buffet. and complimentary evening cocktails
Tell them you're with the Hi Cincinnatians
Price and Rooms Block Available through August 1

Contact Colette Williams (cwtall@aol.com) & Mayla Ates (mates21@hotmail.com)
Airport pickup arranged based on attendee needs
Register with Dave Byrne (mail@highcincinnatians.com)
Club phone 513-352-0281 or website for additional info (partial prices)
www.highcincinnatians.com
To hold package price, send form and \$25 non-refundable deposit to:
High Cincinnatians, PO Box 1811, Cincinnati, OH 45201

NAME _____ PHONE _____
CLUB _____ OFFICER/ROYALTY _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY/STATE _____
EMAIL _____ DINNER (beef/chicken/veggie) _____
AIRLINE FLT/DAY/TIME _____
AIRLINE DEPART _____

HIGH CINCINNATIANS MONTHLY MEETING BRIEFS – MARCH 2003

Date: Thursday, March 13, 2003 at the Oakley Community Center, Cincinnati
Presiding: Dave Byrne. 7:30 PM – Meeting opened with social time, 7:45 PM – Meeting called to order.

Attendees: Mayla Ates, Ann Brewer, Jonathan Buescher, Dave and Karen Byrne, Janice Clarke, Marilyn Cleary, Doug Ebel, Ray Eckes, Dean Etter, Kevin Fluke, Eric Kahn, Becky Lackman, Bob and Lyn Leary, Bob Lewis, Debbie Newsome, Ken Speer, Dore Tarren, Jayne Utter, Peter C. Vorum, and Joan ?. Also in attendance were Matthew Byrne and Caitlin Newsome.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Secretary: Minutes not available due to Ann W.'s absence.

Membership: One prospect, Ken voted in as full Member. One new prospect, Joan ?, works at P & G, heard about the club from a friend and the website. Business cards and phone lists are available.

Treasurer: Paid phone bill, business cards, newsletter bill. App. balance is \$1750.00.

Social: Mayla reviewed events on the calendar.

Sergeant-At-Arms: No report, due to Jeff's absence.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Election: Jonathan explained and passed out ballots. Results: President-Mayla, VP Membership-Lyn, Secretary-Ann B, Treasurer-Dave, Sergeant-at-Arms-Eric, write in for Marilyn as VP Social, which she accepted.

Editor: Peter has offered to take over as Editor.

Fund Raising: Debbie said it looks as if we won't be back to pour beer at Q102's Party at Sawyer Point due to someone giving away beer last year. Exploring other options, such as working for Coldiron Concessions at various events during the year.

Publicity: Dean is still looking for advertising that is free.

Weekend: April 15 is the last day to submit deposits for the \$89 rate for our Weekend. Mayla explained for the new folks what a Weekend is. We are looking for alumni members from the past 50 years to attend our Weekend. Debbie suggested we invite the Alumni for Saturday night activities instead of the whole weekend since we have seen a lot of participation Alumni at past events. A challenge was made at the Chicago Weekend that if one third of their members come to our Weekend that they could push our current President or Weekend in the pool. We accepted the challenge.

OLD BUSINESS: Tall Stacks: Dean is working out dates for us to volunteer with Tall Stacks. Contact him if interested in participating.

NEW BUSINESS:

Action Auction: WCET fundraiser is April 24 – May 3. Will select a date for volunteers to sign up.

Board Meeting: Mike has requested that both the old and new Board Members attend the next Board Meeting, which will be at Colette's. Also anyone wishing to head a committee should attend.

April 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 Final-4 Party 5:30pm
6	7	8	9	10 7:30 pm Mem- bership Meeting	11	13
13	14	15	16	17 Middle Month Dinner Buffalo W.W.	18	19
20	21	22 Board Meeting @ Dean's 7:30	23	24	25 Key West Weekend	26 Key West
27 Key West	28	29	30			

May 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Action Auction D. Byrne 513 662- 9763	2 Boston Weekend	3 Boston Weekend
4 Founders Day- Southern Living Party	5	6	7	8 7:30 pm Member- ship Meeting	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

April Social Happenings

Saturday, April 5th, Final 4 Party 5:30pm

Hostess Donna Goodman, 513-667-1739, dgoodman@fuse.net
Bring a snack
Cross County Hgwy to Plainfield-Hunt Rd Exit Go N. 2nd intersection N of freeway, Plainfield goes left. 9798 Troon Ct, Troon Village Condos are on the SW corner for Cooper and Plainfield

Thursday, April 10th Dinner before the Business Meeting 6:00 pm

6:00 pm LaSalsa, 3882 Paxton Ave (by the meeting place)
7:30 pm Membership Meeting, Oakley Community Center, 3882 Paxton Ave
9:00 pm After Meeting Drinks, Mooligan's (the Old Blue Moon Saloon)

Thursday, April 17th, Middle-of-the-Month Dinner, 6:30 pm—NOT WEDNESDAY!

Host Dave Byrne, 513-662-9763, byrneout@one.net
Buffalo Wild Wings Grill & Bar, 2178 Anderson Ferry Rd., 513-922-2999 I-75 Harrison Ave Exit 2B to Queen City Ave. L on Quebec Rd. R on Glenway Ave. L on Cleves Warsaw Pike. R on Anderson Ferry Rd to 2178

Tuesday, April 22nd, Board Meeting 7:30 pm

Host: Dean Etter; 513-574-1960 3925 Race Rd
I-74 N Bend Rd Exit 14. S to Boomer Rd. Rt on Boomer to Race Rd. L on Race, past Harrison Ave,
to 3925 Race Rd

May Social Happenings

Thursday, May 1 WCET -TV Action Auction 6-9 pm

Host Dave Byrne, 513-662-9763, byrneout@one.net Please RSVP by April 29
We will be working as Board Markers and Bid Runners. Please arrive 30 min early for sign-in and training. Parking is \$1.50 at studio (or \$5.00 if Music Hall is having a special event that night) WCET -TV, 1223 Central Parkway, Cinti 513-381-4033. LaRosa's will be serve food from 5:15 - 8:15.

Thursday, May 8th, Dinner before the Business Meeting 6:00 pm

6:00 pm LaSalsa, 3882 Paxton Ave (by the meeting place)
7:30 pm Membership Meeting, Oakley Community Center, 3882 Paxton Ave
9:00 pm After Meeting Drinks, Mooligan's (the Old Blue Moon Saloon)

Sunday, May 4th, TCI Founders Day and Southern Living Party 1:30 pm

Hosts Lyn Leary (her house) and Janice Clark
TCI Founders Day Host Lyn Leary, 513-674-7194, lleary@seniorcarellc.com
Southern Living Party Host Janice Clarke, 513-731-6227, goofy@isoc.net

MONTHLY MEETING BRIEFS—MARCH 2003—CONT'D

Cards: Get Well cards were passed out to sign for Colette who recently had surgery and for Frank Winker.

Merit Awards/Scholarships: TCI has sent forms for Merit Awards, TCI Man and Woman of the Year and Scholarships. Will review these at next Board Meeting. Have already received five requests for scholarship forms.

Relocation: Dean mentioned that there is availability at The Grandin House in O'Bryonville that would be free for our monthly meeting



See what I mean? I just installed the photo scanner, and already I have a cute baby shot.: young Master Byrne, with his first case of Tall Club newsletter red-eye!

Retreat: Mayla has arranged for Women's only get away in Gatlinburg the end of April.

Shopping: Casual Male is have a sale on pants and shorts, Luxuriously Tall, located in Beavercreek, is the closest Women Shop for Tall Fashions.

T - Shirts: Lyn suggested we get T-Shirts prior to the Weekend.

Split The Pot: Karen won the drawing, her cut was \$8.50.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by Dave Byrne

A friend slipped away. Former Miss Tall Cincinnati Winnie Heinson died shortly before Convention, of a heart attack and stroke. She may have been an undiagnosed diabetic. Diabetes leads to severe health problems including blindness, circulation problems, and worse. At 75, my college advisor was diagnosed with what is called juvenile diabetes, so it knows no age. The web is a good source of info. Future husband Norman was Winnie's driver at the Dallas Convention, got lost, and made her late for her interviews. She missed being Miss TI®, but I believe she was Miss Congeniality; that title is now given in her memory. I know 3 women who became Miss TI only because Winnie nudged them along with her usual, "oh, come on, it'll be fun!"

Convention 2002—San Francisco and Sacramento, CA

It was a dark and stormy night. A couple of nights before I left home for Pre-Con, anyhow. Of 60-70 web sites in TCI, we were nominated (again) for the Best Site award. We didn't win, Sacramento (hosts) did. This July, Convention will leave port in Miami, FL, on a 7-day Caribbean cruise. Kristen Carlson, Miss Tall Boston, was selected as the new Miss Tall International®

Pre-Con was hosted by Silicon Valley. First destination: go Moroccan! Sit on the floor, eat with your fingers, and watch belly dancers. One could roll a chain belt up from her hips, all the way to her ribs, and back down. Try that the next time you try to figure out how to do one more sit up.

Bus time. Goal: Monterey Aquarium, via Gilmore (world garlic capital) and next town (artichokes). When Monterey (sardine capital—Steinbeck's *Cannery Row*) got cookin', Gilmore started roasting garlic. Beautiful aquarium. A 3-story tall tank has kelp and lotts'a' fish, rocking in the waves. An octopus 'baby' was only 6 feet across. Hand raised orphaned otters were released, then recovered when divers complained that the man-friendly otters would come racing up and nuzzle the diver's face mask, then dart away.

San Fran! Gay Pride Parade! But then, I repeat myself. We had to 'skirt' around the parade to see the sites: the marina, Fisherman's Wharf, Chinatown, Twin Peaks, Coit Tower (looks like a fireman's nozzle), the Presidio, Haight-Ashbury, and on and on. Some went to Alcatraz or Fisherman's Wharf. San Francisco has a wider river than Cincinnati: it's the Pacific Ocean.

Convention: ride the bus (getting to be a familiar tune), and party like the Roman's do: in a torn up sheet. Lake Tahoe; bus. Casino; ride lady luck, with \$20 worth of free tokens. Some lost, some won. The brand new 5000 foot tram ride is beautiful. If you ever go to Tahoe, spend the bucks. Dinner cruise with food that didn't quite meet the scenery, then A BUS RIDE back to the hotel.

I frittered away the next day at Convention shopping while Janet slaved as our Delegate in the official business Add an Eastern-Island club, on Long Island, NY. She was representing Huntsville already, and actually offered to take my place! Queen for the day! I've been the delegate 20 times????

Cal-Expo (California Exposition and State Fair): go carts, video games, and battling cages. And a picnic supper. Booming 4th of July fireworks display next doors. We sat on the race track. Down wind. Damned ash from the fireworks can be hot!

Old Folsom, CA. Hum me a Johnny Cash tune. "Old Town is a tourist enterprise zone". California for "trap". But, I found a copy of the June, 1940, *Life Magazine* that helped introduce TCI to the whole world. A photo shoot at a Tall Club costume party brought founder Kae Sumner Einfeldt letters from all over the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

In two nights, the Marfan Auctions raised \$3 - \$4000. My room mate, George West, of N.J. Moonrakers again donated most of the stuff.

Beware the traveling Tall Hypnosis Show. A dozen volunteers are draped over each other, on the cover of Tall Topix. The MC just said, "sleep." Zonk. One of the premier jocks couldn't budge that 2-ton dollar bill (paper money!). Why not? He grunted, "hernia." "You're naked." Extroverts pranced. Introverts hid. "DANCE!" One Tall, passable Michael Flatley Lord of the Dance performance. Later that evening, he couldn't dance 'cuz his legs were too tired! The kissing bandit ran to the first man she saw, kissed him on the cheek, turned, said, "oh, dear," and went sprinting across the room to the next man she saw, kissed him, whirled, and "SING" brought out Annette Funicello's, "who's the leader of the club that's made for you and me? Mickey Mouse," to which we all yelled back, "Donald Duck!" Yes, folks, it ended one goofy evening. Flight home: 6:40 am. Who figured that schedule out?

Peter Vorum

TALL CLUB OF MONTREAL
RENDEZ-VOUS MONTREAL IV

August 1, 2, 3, 2003

- ?? Friday European-style Bistro dinner and dancing at Funkytown Disco
 - ?? Saturday: jet boating in Lachine rapids, canoe/kayaking on the canal, walking tours, watch the Gay Pride Parade, and many exhibits/museums
 - ?? Saturday Dinner/Dance on Saturday
- Package: \$81US postmarked June 1; \$84US July 1; \$91US after July 1

Holiday Inn Montreal Midtown

420 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal, Quebec

(514) 842 6111 extension 245, 1-800-387-3042

Web: <http://www.rosdevhotels.com> Email: himidtown@rosdevhotels.com

Ask for the Tall Club Booking when reserving

\$90US single/double/\$110US triple/\$112US quad plus tax

Hotel rooms must be reserved by June 23

Contact Ellen Curtis Green 450-692-1651 ellen.green@sympatico.ca

Register with Lisa Finken @ **The Tall Club of Montreal, 4411 St. Dominique, Montreal, Quebec, H2W-2B2 Canada**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____

PROVINCE/STATE and POSTAL/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

RSVP required for dinner on Friday _____

Friday dinner costs whatever you eat/drink; dance \$6CND @ door

RSVP required for Jet Boating Sat. Please include payment (\$36US/2 hrs) in registration fee

Detroit's Weekend in a Nut Shell

Mayla I. Ates

Well, well, well, what can I say about Detroit's Weekend, I had a great time. I was glad to see old faces and greet new ones. Going to Detroit's Weekend allowed me to visit and spend time with family and rest (believe it or not). Friday night was a blast. I danced all night and took my picture with Rod Sterling. Saturday night banquet dinner was great. Bob & Lyn Leary won the best couple costume. They were the vertical lines of a TV. You remember, "DO NOT TRY TO ADJUST THE LINES OF YOUR TV." You know the rest. They finished the costume with bunny ears. Excuse me, rabbit ears. You know, like the rabbit antennae on your TV. Bob also tied for second place with and Canadian for best legs. So, I will sum up by saying we had a good time and brought home two awards. I am ready for my next weekend trip.