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# Los Angeles Turners



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## Discussions



My dear fellow Turners,



I hope you are enjoying the Summer with some relaxation and outdoors time.

August 29 saw the annual German Day at the Phoenix Club. DAV President and fellow Turner Ellen Neu had a beautiful program on tap.

Fall will bring a raft of interesting events, both our own as well as larger programs of which we are supporters, such as the October 2 German-American Day festivities at Alpine Village.

Every second Summer brings the convention of the American Turners, of which we are proud members. Congratulations to the new President, Tom Bozonelos, whom you met at our 2008 Christmas party, to First VP John Tozier, and to our own Carole Brennan, who was elected Second VP. Carole capably repped the LA Turners in Chicago. I regret to have missed the convention, but with the final expenses to finish our Turner Center, austerity was the order of the day.

We will have a social gathering at the Turner Center on September 28th, and November 7 will be our annual members meeting.

And this year... we *will* have the 11.11. opening of Karneval - costumes are recommended!

In the meantime, our Turner Center is being constantly refined and is looking ever better. And interest is growing within and outside of our community to rent it. Together, fellow Turners, we weathered the tough years. Our next chapter of LA Turners history looks to be quite bright.

Since our last newsletter and our "test of the dancefloor", we had held two soccer viewing parties at the Turner Center. As word spread for the second game, we had an excellent turnout, watched the action on our like-you-were-there oversized screen, savored sporty Aufschnitt for food, and best of all, gained new members for the LA Turners. Although neither the US nor the German team made it to the final round, the players became our heroes, and we were amazed to see such artistic technique on the field. Thanks, guys.

With fond Turner greetings,

Dennis Fredricks  
President



Turners at the Phoenix Club. Photos: Wilma Wilson



The Los Angeles Turners gathered at the German Day celebration at the Phoenix Club on August 29 and we enjoyed the opportunity to get together again. The next gathering will be on Tuesday, September 28th, at 7 pm at the Turner Center for members, friends and interested guests.

### American Turners elect a new Board

BY Carole Kulzer Brennan



The bi-annual Convention of the American Turners was held in Aurora, IL over the first weekend in August. This convention, as a cost savings measure, only I attended. As

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## Calendar 2010

### September

- 11 Bavarian Club - 1st Oktoberfest - The Connection
- 12 Santa Monica Club - Oktoberfest - Express Band
- 18 L.A. Soccer Club - Oktoberfest - John Borowitz Band
- 28 LA Turner Center - Gemütlicher Abend - 7pm**

### October

- 2 DAV - German American Day - Alpine Village, 4-6pm
- 16 Bavarian Club - 2nd Oktoberfest - John Borowitz Band
- 16 L.A. Soccer Club - Las Vegas Night
- 23 Austrian American Club - Austrian National Day Celeb.

### November

- 7 LA Turners - General Membership Meeting at the Los Angeles Turner Center, 1-3 pm**
- 13 Santa Monica Club - Dinner Dance - Connection
- 14 Damenchor Frohsinn - Fall Concert - Alpine Village
- 20 LA Soccer Club - Anniversary Dance - Express Band
- 27 Santa Monica Club - Thanksgiving Dinner



*It is with sadness that we report the passing of a dear and much loved Turner, Marianne Thielemann. Her death on Sunday, August 29, 2010, while not unexpected, is still a shock to those who knew Marianne well. The loss of one Turner diminishes us all. May you find heaven filled with wonderful singing.*

### American Turners elect a new board

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a member of the National Council I sat on both the credentials and nominating committees and as a delegate to the convention sat on the District and National Affairs Committee. Every two years the convention elects its President and first and second Vice Presidents. The Trustee to the Endowment Fund, Tom O'Hara, was also elected.



Tom and Carole



Tom Bozonelos (who was a Los Angeles Turners guest for Christmas in 2008)

was elected by convention acclamation to serve as American Turners President for the next two years. Tom has been active on the National Council for several years, has held office in Turn Verein Frisch Auf (Aurora) and held the first vice-presidency for the past two years. He



John

will make a good – no, he will make a great president with many ideas for bringing the American Turners up to date.

John Tozier from the River City Turners in Louisville, KY (photo left) was elected First Vice President.

John previously held the second vice-presidency.

Resulting from a nomination from the floor, two candidates were voted upon for the position of Second Vice President. The voting resulted in a tie and the convention chairperson was required to cast the tie breaking vote. This has given Los Angeles Turners an American Turners' board member – me.

I believe working with Tom and John will be good for the Turners in general and Los Angeles in particular. After being out of American Turner business for so

long we've made an impact. I feel privileged to have been nominated, flattered to have been selected and respectful of the responsibilities accompanying this office. Tom, John and I will be sworn into office during the upcoming National Council Meeting in Wilmington, Delaware the first of October.

As two offices cannot be held at the same time, I must vacate the District Representative for the Western United States Region job. This will be filled by Alexander Hast. The next National Council Meeting will be held here, in Los Angeles, in 2011 which will be the first council meeting for Alex.



### “Gemütlicher Abend” Member and Guest Night at the TC!

At long last we are beginning our regular member nights. To start, please come on Tuesday, September 28th opening at 7:00 p.m. Coffee, cake, munchies, beer and wine will be available. There will be music, dancing, maybe a song or two (Turner, auf zum Streite for certain). Time to talk and renew friendships. We are also inviting Turner friends and neighbors to see who and what we are. Several people who might become Turners might drop in. Bring a friend or two with you – we have a lovely new home to show off.



Future Member/Guest Nights will feature movies, lectures, live music and whatever else we decide on together. Bring your suggestions – we need your input as well as your support.

Parking is directly across the street from the Turner Center on the big parking lot. Friends and prospective members, your donation of \$ 5.00 per person will be appreciated. See you on the 28th.

## BIRTHDAYS

### September

Ditta Garba-Myers	Sept. 1
Karen Imendorf	Sept. 2
Corneliu Radulea	Sept. 12
Wolfgang Sauer	Sept. 23

### October

Kuno Gertz	Oct. 7
Bill Williamson	Oct. 13
Hildegard Winders	Oct. 13
Carl Spahr	Oct. 19

### November

Janet Buccowich	Nov. 1
Uwe Russmann	Nov. 4
Richard Imendorf	Nov. 5
John Crongeyer	Nov. 7
Gerry Woodruff	Nov. 16
Walter Nollac	Nov. 26

## Congratulations!

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