



Los Angeles Turners News

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Letter
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Discussions



My dear fellow Turners,



I hope you are all enjoying the balmy Summer days. A trio of classics were popular pleasers, and a spontaneous and irreverent parody of Lili Marlene by Gisela Chaussee and solos by Inge Crongeyer and Edeltraut Schober brought warm applause.

It was good to get together June 28 for our sneak preview of Turner Center progress as the photos will attest. A tip of the hat to GM Alex Hast and architect Andreas Gritschke who have brought us this far with clear vision and hard work. Welcomed into the Turner bonds were new initiates Walter Lübke and Christian Klugmann. The great traditions of Austrian Day and German Day, held for many decades at Alpine Village, are still suspended there for 2009. A German Day is tentatively planned for August 23, but as of "press time", the location is still not secured. The local German newspapers and your own Turners Board will provide information if the Day is on.

From distant Cologne, Germany, we were greeted by our alpha member of the Board of Trustees, TOP Magazin Köln publisher Rainer Schillings, who with his Anja, made ready friends with the LA Turners present. VP Carole Brennan updated us on community relations in Westchester. Jeff Gin sized up the main hall for a possible fencing tournament.

Our next Turners event will be in late September, more information to follow.

A relaxing Summer to you all!

Yours,

Dennis Fredricks
President

Although singing was not on the agenda, we are Turners, and when we gather, we sing. An unrehearsed

IN LA STEHT EIN TURNERHAUS, 1, 2, G'SUFFA...



Many interested members made the journey to Westchester on June 28th to sneak a peek at our construction progress. All were pleasantly surprised by the progress and awed by the amount of work completed to date.

The cakes for our get together were baked by Inge Crongeyer and Carole Brennan. Carole also brought 100 cups of excellent hot coffee in special containers which was sponsored by "It's a Grind" from Long Beach. Carole Brennan is currently negotiating with this Long Beach based company to become our



Normally Walter and Margitta Lübke or Will Jablonski would get the "man-mile" reward, but Anja Räschke and Rainer Schillings traveled from Cologne, settling this score for June 28.

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LAX COASTAL AREA CHAMBER INITIATES TURNERS INTO MEMBERSHIP

Strengthening our community relations, LAT board members Brennan, Bakos and Scarpidis and GM Hast attended a meeting of the LAX Coastal Chamber of Commerce on June 25th.

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Calendar 2009

July

- 18-19 Santa Monica Club - Skat Tournament
- 26 Tag der Donauschwaben - Phoenix Club

August

- 1 L.A. Soccer Club Berliner Abend - Express Band
- 23 German Day - Location pending

September

- 4-6 Tag der Donauschwaben - USA & Kanada
- 12 Bavarian Club - Oktoberfest - Bluebirds
- 13 Santa Monica Club - Oktoberfest- Bluebirds (2 - 6 PM)
- 19 L.A. Soccer Club - Oktoberfest - Bluebirds
- 26 **Opening Turner Center** (subject to final confirmation)

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official coffee. In addition to providing the coffee, we may be able to offer the serve iced drinks, flavored coffees and the other beverages created by It's A Grind.

Frohsinger Willi Jablonski came

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTMANSHIP

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PINMANSHIP

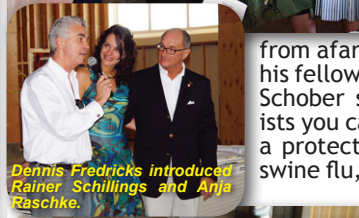
If you are owed a membership pin, please let Alex know. We have ordered a new supply.

SWORDMANSHIP

Fencing resumed July 9 at Lindbergh Park in Culver City.



Frohsinger Willi Jablonski joined fellow Turners Angie Hegedus, Edeltraut Schober, Inge Crongeyer, Dennis Fredricks and Carole Brennan in singing various songs from "In LA steht ein Turnerhaus" bis hin zu "Du kannst nicht freu sein". And - everyone in the Turner Center sang along.



Dennis Fredricks introduced Rainer Schillings and Anja Raschke.



Turners Horst und Ellen Neu brought Gisele Ehlers from the South Bay Club as a welcome visitor.

from afar and sang heartily with his fellow Turners, and Edeltraut Schober sided with many tourists you can see at LAX and wore a protective Mask - not against swine flu, but heeding our warning about dust in the building - against the dirt particles in the air.

Fencing Coach Jeff Gin (left) traded his saber for a fork to lunge at cake.

WELCOME

At the June 28 meeting, Walter Lübke (Picture right) and Christian Klugmann (Picture below) were initiated as new Turners by President Dennis Fredricks.



Walter is familiar and a beloved community stalwart with years of valuable service to the Phoenix Club and GAMGA, the local Karneval organization. The ultimate "Jeck", Walter and his wife Margitta, entered the Turner Center as if on movie cue, the instant that Rainer Schillings said the word "Karneval". Walter will show us there is more life with Alaaf.



Christian comes to us more recently from Chemnitz, Germany. He is a physical trainer, fitness and cycling coach, and adept in renewable energy, sport and healthcare marketing and wellness generally. Any help Christian gives us will put more "Turnen" in the Turners.

LAX COASTAL AREA CHAMBER INITIATES TURNERS..

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Los Angeles Turners were introduced as new members and received a memento of the occasion. As the Hornblower Yacht, site of the meeting, toured around the

- spread throughout our new neighborhood.



The chairman of the board of the LAX Coastal Chamber of Commerce, Tom Filmon (left) and CEO Christina Davis (right) welcomed the Turners as new member. LA Turners VP Carole Kutzer-Brennan introduced our Club and received the Chamber Plaque.

While Los Angeles Turners do not have a political agenda, keeping abreast of current affairs and making ourselves known to council members is important. Having received an invitation to the July 1st swearing in ceremony for Westchester's council member, Bill Rosendahl (photo below), as well as LA's Mayor's, Antonio Villaraigosa (photo left), it was fitting that we be represented. Turner VP Carole Brennan attended the ceremony held on the steps of Los Angeles City Hall. Approximately 1,500 guests were in attendance.



Marina Del Rey harbor "Jack Sparrow" of Pirates of the Caribbean fame kept us all entertained.

Los Angeles Lakers point guard Derek Fisher served as master of ceremonies at the swearing in, and Grammy winner Patti Austin sang the national anthem. Villaraigosa's sister, Superior Court Judge Mary Lou Villar, administered the oath of office. Villaraigosa spoke about the condition and future of Los Angeles. Most inspiring was the swearing in of the new City Attorney, Carmen A. Trutanich, accompanied by a host of judges and an entire third grade class.



It is possible that beginners luck came aboard with us - Brennan, Bakos and Scarpidis all were winners in the raffle, a meeting highlight.

While meeting was fun, more important were the new contacts made, long term relationships formed and our mission statement - *A Sound Mind in a Sound Body*

We are working on supplementing our 1971(!) Turners book and need information from you for the period of 1972 to 1992. Please contact us if you have any anecdotes, documents, photos or other material that will make the finished work more complete.

BIRTHDAYS

July

Lieselotte Cresmer	July 2
Lilian Radulea	July 3
Anton Merle	July 7
Renate Schneider	July 10
Ellen Neu	July 13
Ellen Blankenship	July 14
Eugen Goetz	July 14
Christa Dinsnbacher	July 18
Andreas Gritschke	July 18
Carolyn Mueller	July 21
Eliane Ubassy-Butler	July 30
Christian Klugmann	July 30

August

Lisa Schmitt	Aug. 21
William Dinsnbacher	Aug. 26
Liliana Gritschke	Aug. 30

September

Ditta Garba-Myers	Sept. 1
Karen Imendorf	Sept. 2
Corneliu Radulea	Sept. 12
Wolfgang Sauer	Sept. 23
Marianne Thielemann	Sept. 29

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