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**President's Desk**



Dear Turners:

I certainly hope each of you enjoyed a very safe and blessed Holiday Season! As we enter into 2014, you should be aware of some notable changes starting with this issue of Turner Topics. The National Council has awarded Thrift-Remsen, a family owned and operated publishing company originating in 1938, located in Rockford, IL the opportunity to provide us with a quality product while saving our organization some expense. This first edition has a new look which we hope you'll enjoy reading. Your feedback is welcome.

Our new **Bylaws** and **Operational** formerly referred to as "An Extension of our Principles & Statutes" and the "Informational Brochure," will be submitted during the 2014 National Convention to be ratified as the governing documents of American Turners. Our Bylaws were structured by an attorney to insure that we're compliant in all local, state and federal laws and that it doesn't contain any verbiage that would put in jeopardy our non-for-profit and / or 501 C 3 statuses. Both of these documents have been completed although the Operational & Procedural Manual should be considered a 'living' document allowing for changes to be made as needed with approval of the National Council.

Another item of business will be to change the term of the National President from two 2-year consecutive terms to three 2-year consecutive terms. A resolution will be submitted requiring a 2/3 majority of the Federal votes cast to adopt.

The National Officers and Committee Chairs now have new business email addresses to use. We'd appreciate you using these new email addresses when communicating or requesting anything related to American Turners. The reasons for doing so are: 1) we appear professional in the way we correspond

internally between one another as Turners and more importantly, externally to our business partners and others outside our organization. And 2) those using these email addresses create a history of correspondence which can be invaluable to a new or incoming National Officer, Committee Chair or other elected or appointed individual. A list of the new email addresses and to whom they are presently assigned to can be found on this page. And since we're a non-for-profit organization, Microsoft has graciously waived any associated costs for using Office 365; a cloud-based email solution. Again saving our organization some expenses since this is a service that we once paid for. Your cooperation in using these new email addresses is greatly appreciated.

And, it's not too early to start making your plans to attend the next National Festival hosted by Aurora Turners in either the latter part of June or second week of July, 2015. Discussions have already taken place hoping to procure the same primary sites of Mooseheart (gymnastics & track& field competitions and possibly Cultural) and the Vaughan Center (swimming, volleyball). For those of you that were unable to attend the 2011 National Festival, you missed being part of one of the finest National Festivals held at the best facilities in the Fox Valley area. Together, let's make this next 2015 National Festival even better than the one held in 2011!

With Turner Greetings,

**Thomas R (Tom) Bozonelos**  
**National President**  
**American Turners**

# District & Society News



## Ft. Wayne Turners

One of our Fort Wayne Turner members is currently deployed in Afghanistan. We were hoping to send a box of needed items for him and his platoon but because of the nature of Turner members, the response was so huge that we were able to send 37 boxes. Needless to say, our member and his buddies were delighted to receive much needed food, socks, toothbrushes and toothpaste, and other items to make their lives a little easier.

In other news, we have had a busy fall. Our annual "parking of the cars" for the Johnny Appleseed festival was a huge success, partly because of the good weather. With fall comes the ending of another successful season of men's and women's softball leagues and the resumption of kids' bowling, gymnastics and basketball, men's basketball, women's volleyball, corn hole leagues, monthly euchre, and bowling leagues. Our retirees' luncheons have



resumed on the first Wednesday of each month; fish fry's have resumed each Friday night. Our entertainment committee is doing a good job bringing in bands for us to enjoy.

Five men's and three women's teams from Fort Wayne attended the district bowling tournament held this year in South Bend at the Michiana club.

In December the Fort Wayne Turner family met together for holiday celebrations several times, including the annual Christmas Eve Party.

Currently we are preparing for our annual Awards Banquet where we recognize the "Man of the Year", "Woman of the Year", "Youth of the Year", "Vorwärts Award" winner, and 40-year members.

## Los Angeles Turners

### DINING:

Early in 2013, the Los Angeles Turners began a dining club, established to keep alive the memory of our Turner Inn Hofbräu. Acquired in the mid-60s by the City of Los Angeles to make way for the Convention Center, the restaurant nonetheless remains strong in the memory of Turners and those enjoying a variety of ethnic based meals. Pictures of a very young current member dining at the Turner Inn Hofbräu are featured on our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/Los Angeles Turners](http://www.facebook.com/LosAngelesTurners)).

We opened our Dining Club with German food and each succeeding month featured a different ethnicity that included Ethiopian, Romania, Creole, Chinese and Jamaican. We began adding some film, travel log or other information about the country whose food we were sampling.

December's Club included our traditional Christmas party (with once again German Food). It also included the induction of two new members who came to know us through this monthly event (Paul Coony) and through our partnership with a feed the needy non-profit, California Outreach (Harald Niehenke).

January's Club honors the memory of Nelson Mandela and features the food of South Africa. A film about Mr. Mandela, whose passing was noted worldwide, will also be shown.

### MEMBERS HONORED:

Named Los Angeles Turner of the Year, Jerry Stafford receives his well-deserved honor from President Carole Kulzer Brennan. Jerry has earned his award by being there when needed, proposing and establishing a group of volunteers who provide much needed support and most of all for exemplifying what it means to have a Sound mind in a Sound Body. This award, created in 2012, was previously given to Mesfin Felleke, our Director of Health and Fitness.



### NEW MEMBERS:

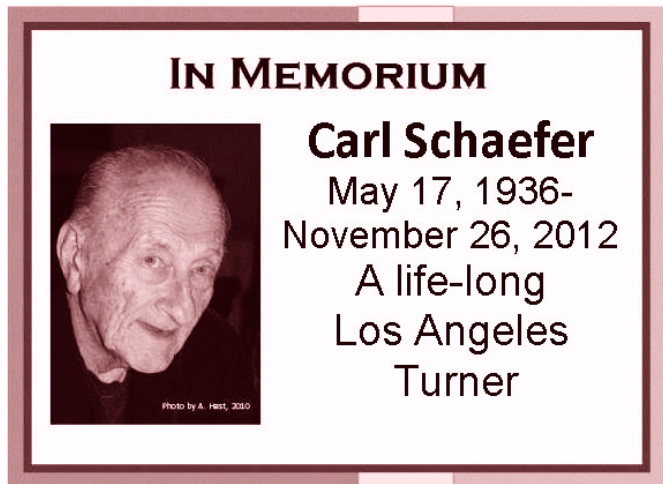
Former L A Turner President Dennis Fredricks (left) and current President, Carole Kulzer Brennan welcome Paul Coony(second from the right) and Harald Niehenke (right) into our Turner Family



## District & Society News

### MEMBERS DEPARTED:

We mourn the loss of our Turner Dean, Carl Schaefer, whose first hand knowledge of our history is irreplaceable.



### MEMBERS RETURNED:

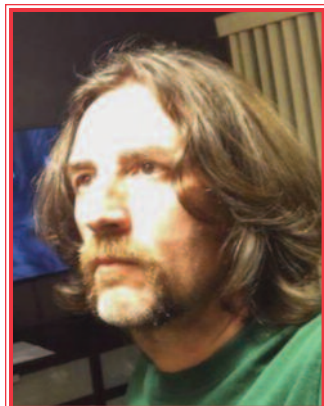
Welcome back Irma Hast whose absence these many long months (about 4 years in total) is now filling not only the heart of Turner Alexander Hast, but of all of us. Now home in California is Alexa Celeste Hast – our youngest member. Tri-lingual Alexa has already charmed many of us via Skype and is sure to capture the hearts of everyone.



*Alexa Celeste Hast – our youngest member.*

### MEMBERS ON THE MEND:

Corneliu Radulea is fighting his way back to health and to a return to duty as a Member of the Board. We're all in there fighting with you, dear friend.



## National Competition

### 2014 American Turners Girls National Gymnastics Championship

Aurora Turners will host the 2014 Girls National Gymnastics competition on the weekend of June 1, 2014. We invite all societies to participate in the USAG level 3-9 competition. We will follow the National Festival rules and host a one or two session meet depending upon the number of entries received.

Hotel information will be finalized as we get an idea of how many societies and participants are interested in competing. There are several local hotels with nice amenities to offer at reasonable prices.

A social event will be planned around the competition for the Turner gymnasts, their families and guests to enjoy.

We look forward to hearing from you soon and hosting this most important American Turners event! Please let us know if we can answer any questions you may have!

With Turner Greetings,

Kim Swann

Aurora Turners Gymnastics Coach & Program Director  
Email: [ksswann@prodigy.net](mailto:ksswann@prodigy.net) Phone: 630-892-3616 x18.

### Corrections

The October-November-December issue contained an error in the Editor's Corner wherein it stated that Rochester Turners was the second largest society in the American Turners. Please note that Monaca Turners is the second largest society in the American Turners. My sincere apology for the error.

## National Committee News

### National Bowling Committee



The 2014 National Tournament is being held in Elgin and the 2015 National Tournament will be held in Syracuse.

We are looking for a Society to host the 2016 Tournament. Your District National Bowling Committee member or the National Bowling Committee Chairman can answer any questions you may have. For a set of forms to bid on the 2016 Tournament please contact:

Terry Bodine  
National Bowling Committee Chairman  
12726 Schooner Dr.  
Fort Wayne, IN 46845

PH: 260-341-4385  
Email: bodinetj@gmail.com

Bids for the 2016 Tournament must be postmarked by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014.

### National Health & Physical Education Report

It's a new year and now is the time to start getting ready and making plans to compete at one of our Turner National Championships in 2014. If you don't find the information you need in Turner Topics regarding any of these events, please contact the event coordinator directly.

National Jr. Gymnastics Championship – Aurora Turners, May 31, 2014

Kim Swann: ksswann@prodigy.net, phone # 630-649-3129

National Softball Tournament – Aurora Turners, June 28-29, 2014

Kevin Glock: sports.auroraturners@comcast.net, phone # 630-201-8963

National Golf Tournament – Monaca Turners, July 9-11, 2014

Sherl Cochran: monacaturners@Verizon.net, phone # 724-774-7007

Also, this summer is our National Convention, to be held at the Illinois Turner Camp in Algonquin, August 15-17, 2014. There will be important topics to discuss and vote on, so let's spread the word and plan on making the trip to Illinois. You are important to the American Turners, so take an active role and be a part of the decision making for our great organization.

The annual NHPEC meeting will be the weekend of April 4, 2014. If you have any suggestions or concerns regarding the National Festival or any other matters, please relay them to your district representative so they can present it at the meeting. Not sure who your district representative is for the NHPEC? Here is the list:

Jim Markland – *Central States District & Nat. Softball Chair* – jim@pyromation.com

Nick Barts – *Illinois District* – nbarts5@yahoo.com

Paul Schneider – *Lake Erie District* – therunt1@hotmail.com

Phil Klabunde – *Mid-Atlantic District & Volleyball Coordinator* – philklabyb@comcast.net

Jessica Hansen – *New England District & Past Festival Chair* – icelady80@comcast.net

Mary Jo Bursig – *New York District & Asst. NHPE Chair* – mjsbursig@aol.com

Jeri Inman – *St. Louis District* – jjinman2@swbell.net

George Petrik – *Western Pennsylvania District* – pappygeo1@verizon.net

Mesfin Felleke – *Western US District* – mesfnye2@yahoo.com

Michelle Lesperance – *Wisconsin District & NHPE Chair* – nhpechair@amturners.org

Fred Sontag – *Computer Programmer* – blgst@comcast.net

Chris Groger – *Nat. Golf Chair* – chrisgroger2@gmail.com



Please note that I have a new e-mail address. You can now reach me at: nhpechair@amturners.org.

This e-mail address will be used from now on by whomever the current Nat. Health and Phy. Ed. Chairperson is.

Stay active in Turners and continue living our motto of a Sound Mind in a Sound Body.

**Michelle Lesperance**  
NHPEC Chairperson

The cost for a small 8" x 4" brick is \$35, and \$50 for a larger 8" x 8" brick. Checks should be made out to Illinois Turner Camp and sent to Pam Lau at 740 Harper Ave., Cary, IL 60013.



# BUY A BRICK PROGRAM

In Celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of Illinois Turner Camp we are putting in an Engraved Brick Walkway. Bricks may be bought to commemorate your cottage ownership, in Memory or Honor of a Turner or to simply show your best wishes for the past, present, and future of Turner Camp.

Yes, we'd like to reserve a permanent brick. Please engrave our brick as follows:

ANY SYMBOL IS CONSIDERED ONE SPACE (PERIOD, COMMA, DASH)  
ALL TEXT IS CENTERED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

4 x 8 Brick


8 x 8 Brick


EXAMPLE

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PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AND YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:

Illinois Turner Camp  
C/O Pam Lau  
740 Harper Avenue  
Cary, IL

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions, please call Pam Lau at 847-875-4951 or plauquilts@sbcglobal.net

YOU CAN ALSO ORDER ON OUR ON-LINE ORDERING WEBSITE:  
WWW.BRICKSRUS.COM/ORDER/ILLINOISTURNERCAMP

# ENDOWMENT TRUST

Effective January 1, 2014, the Endowment Trust of American Turners is happy to announce there are a total of 7 new and/or revised Grant Programs being offered to American Turners.

These programs include the *REVISED*:

“Physical Education Equipment Grant”

“Computer Equipment Grant”

“William R. Meyer Honorary Scholarship Award”

“Loans” (& checklist of requirements)

*NEW*:

“Startup Physical Education Grant”

“Instructors Safety Certification Grant”

“Society Reimbursement Grant”

There will also be a “Universal Application Form” available for use in applying for any one of these programs.

In each issue of Turner Topics this year we will detail some of these Grant Programs, how they function, their benefits and requirements for receiving such Grants. In this issue we cover the revised 50/50 Physical Education Grant and the 50/50 Computer Grant programs.

Both of these Grant Programs have been offered in past years. The format remains the same but the financial benefits have increased! The 50/50 Physical Education Grant now has a limit of \$8,000 that the Endowment Trust will share equally with qualified Societies. Any total amount exceeding \$8,000 will be the Society’s obligation to pay. The purpose of this grant is to enable Societies to purchase new apparatus, training aides and other gym items to maintain certified up-to-date equipment on behalf of students and instructors alike. The 50/50 Computer Grant remains the same except that the total the Endowment Trust will share has been raised to \$1,500 and anything exceeding that total is the Society’s obligation. The purpose of this grant is to give Societies the ability to have the latest in computer equipment that will be compatible with current programs in use by the National Organization.

Complete details on all the programs being offered by the Endowment Trust of American Turners can be found in the newly printed “Operating Manual” found on the American Turner website [www.amturners.org](http://www.amturners.org).

ALL grants and programs are renewable each calendar year and will be subject to change. You will note that much of the financial efforts being made by the Endowment Trust have been directed towards the Physical Education portion of American Turners. The Endowment Trust feels this is the very foundation upon which American Turners are based and directly supports our National motto of “A Sound Mind in A Sound Body.”

In the next issue of Turner Topics, we will detail the new “Physical Education Startup Grant” that is of importance to many Societies that have no current physical education program.

Please keep in mind that without your financial support, the Endowment Trust would not be able to provide these programs to American Turners. Your contributions are tax deductible.

On behalf of all the officers and trustees of the Endowment Trust we send best wishes for much progress, good health and good Turning throughout all of 2014.

With Turner greetings, Ed Colton, President American Turner Endowment Trust.

**Donations since last issue**

Central States in memory of Linda Beha

**American Turners 50<sup>th</sup>  
National Golf Tournament  
July 9, 10, & 11, 2014  
Hosted by Monaca Turners**

Monaca Turners will be hosting the National Golf Tournament in July of 2014. The last time Monaca hosted the tournament was in 1983; that was three years after moving into the new building at 1700 Old Brodhead Road in Monaca. We are looking forward to making new friends and reuniting old ones.

The tournament will be held at Blackhawk Golf Course in Chippewa, Pennsylvania. The course has thirty-six holes so that everyone will be at the same location.

The event will be one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) for men, senior men, and women; for super senior men and senior women it is ninety dollars (\$90).

Registration will be at Monaca Turners in the banquet hall on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, from 5p.m. to p.m.. The following day: Wednesday 7/9 golf at Blackhawk Golf Course, free pasta dinner at Monaca Turners that evening; Thursday 7/10 golf at Blackhawk GC , dinner available for purchase at the Monaca Turners; Friday 7/11 golf at Blackhawk GC ,full banquet dinner and awards at the Monaca Turners that evening.

**Lodging:**

As of now, we have blocked rooms from July 8<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> at three local hotels which are less than five minutes from Monaca Turners and twenty minutes from the golf course.

Comfort Suites  
1523 Old Brodhead Rd.  
Monaca, Pa 15061  
724-728-9480

\*15 Rooms  
\$94 +9% tax  
Or  
\$104+9% tax

Holiday Inn Express  
105 Stone Quarry Rd.  
Monaca, Pa 15061  
724-728-5121

\*15 Rooms  
\$114 +9% tax

Hampton Inn  
202 Fairview Dr.  
Monaca, Pa 15061  
724-774-5580

\*15 Rooms  
2 Queen Beds  
\$122+9% tax

There is a Fairfield Inn being built in the area and hopefully it will be completed before the tournament. More information will be forth coming.

Any Questions or Concerns:  
Tim Pettibon—724-480-8011  
Shirley Cochran—724-601-3213 (cell) after 6pm  
Monaca Turners 1-6pm --724-774-7007



**American Turners 50th Annual  
National Golf Tournament Entry Form  
Must be submitted by June 1, 2014**

**Date:** July 9, 10, and 11

**Fees:** \$150.00 (18 holes daily) for Men, Women and Senior Men

\$90.00 (9 holes daily) for Senior Women and Super Senior Men

**Makes check or Money Order payable to:** Monaca Turners

**Send Form with Payment to:** Monaca Turners 1700 Old Brodhead Rd. Monaca, Pa 15061

**Entry Regulations:**

1. I hereby enter the names in events indicated and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the American Turners and the U. S. G. A. Violations will result in the loss of prizes and awards.
2. Only National Turner Members in good standing with the National American Turners, local districts and societies are permitted to participate in this tournament. At Large members may participate in the tournament; however their scores cannot be used for a society's score in a team event.
3. Participants must be members of a society of the American Turners at least three months prior to the tournament. Membership card must be available for presentation at registration.
4. Societies who do not permit members until age 21 are permitted to enter golf member(s) from age 18 by certification of the president of the society. The entry must state the age of the golfer(s) under the provision.
5. Any applications received after the deadline of June 1, 2014 may be accepted by the host society only if there is space available and the application is accompanied by an additional \$10.00 processing fee. All applications sent to the host society must be filled out completely and the full entry fee accompanying the application.

Full Name, Address, Phone and Email	Society Name	Turner Card No.	Avg. Score for 18 holes	Division M, W, SrM, SSM, SrW

**Division Information:**

**M**=Men; **W**=Women; **SrM**=Senior Men (55+); **SSM**=Super Senior Men (65+); **SrW**=Senior Women (55+)

Any Questions or Concerns: Tim Pettibon—724-480-8011

Shirley Cochran—724-774-7007—Monaca Turners 1-6pm

724-601-3213 (cell)

## **75th Annual National Turner Convention** **“Changing with the Times”**

As many of you know it is time once again for our National Convention. This will be our 75th National Convention. This year it will be held on August 15th through the 17th at the beautiful Illinois Turner Camp along the banks of the Fox River in Algonquin, Illinois. We have chosen a theme for this year’s convention of “Changing with the Times”. Moving forward, the national convention will see many changes in terms of layout and some committees have been restructured to better suit our needs. This is an important time for the American Turners and these changes are essential for our continued survival and hopeful re-emergence as Leaders in Physical Education.

Along with our normal committees of Bowling, Cultural, and Health and Physical Education, we will have a few new committee meetings as well. Our new committees will include “Marketing of the American Turners” which will focus on getting our name and message out on a local, district, and national level. Growing membership is the key to our future success and we need to learn to use all forms of media to interest potential new members. Also new for this year is “What can American Turners do for you?” This new committee will focus on what our national organization is doing for the societies and districts.

Speakers will include members of the Jahn Fund, the Endowment Trust Fund and the National Scholarship Chair sharing all of the wonderful grants we currently offer. But also we will discuss what you the members feel we can do differently to help meet the needs of your local club. Additionally the committee formerly known as Principles and Statutes has been renamed to the Bylaws Committee.

After four(4) great years with Tom Bozonelos at the helm it is time to elect a new National President along with new First and Second Vice Presidents. If you know someone at your local society you feel would be a good candidate to help bring the Turners into a new age of prosperity please submit their name(s) to the national office at [nationaloffice@amturners.org](mailto:nationaloffice@amturners.org) by March 1st 2014.

Additionally we hope to include various demonstrations and many other fun activities as well. After the meetings are over we hope you will stay for a wonderful meal and entertainment. And, after all what is a Turner event without a healthy dose of Gemütlichkeit? We hope you all will start making your plans now to attend this important and fun event.

### **Hotel Info:**

Country Inn & Suites  
600 Tracy Trail, Crystal Lake, IL 60014  
815-477-3500

Holiday Inn  
800 S. IL Route 31, Crystal Lake, IL 60014  
815-477-7000

Group ID #0814TURNER  
\$95/night plus tax

\$118/night plus tax (11%)

**Turner contact for hotels: Pam Lau-847-875-4951**

Friday		Saturday			Sunday	
3:00-4:30pm	Nominating Committee	9:00-10:30am	Bowling	Website Development	9:00-12:00pm	2nd Session, 50/50 Raffle & Installation of Officers
5:00-7:00pm	Dinner	10:30-12:00pm	Cultural	Marketing American Turners	12:00pm	Lunch
7:00-9:00pm	Opening Session & Motivational Speaker	11:30-1:30pm	Lunch and Camp Tour			
		1:30-3:00pm	NHPEC	Bylaws		
		3:00-4:30pm		What American Turners can do for you - Jahn Fund, ETF, Scholarship Fund & Nat. Historian		
		5:00-6:30pm	Happy Hour			
		6:30pm	Dinner and Dance			



**75th American Turners National Convention  
August 15, 16 & 17, 2014**

## 46th ANNUAL ALL TURNER PICNIC IN FLORIDA

We will be hosting the Annual Turner Picnic for the tenth year. The date has been set for Sunday, April 27, 2014. It will be held at the same location as last year, the Chatham Recreation Center, located in The Villages, Florida.

We will again be attempting to follow somewhat of an agenda, so we are able to fit in all the “fun” we have planned for the day! We will begin the day at 10:00 AM; and will have greeters and name tags available at that time.

We will be serving lunch at 12:00 Noon. You will be able to place your order for lunch by contacting Joan Wiseman at (352) 750-6885-home, (352) 430-5448 (cell) or email your order to JWise7498@aol.com. Please place your order for lunch by April 18th. Please bring your beverage of choice, and we will have ice available. Lunch will be at a cost of approximately \$6.50.

We plan a group photo at 1:13 PM. So please plan to arrive prior to this time, so we may include everyone attending in the picture.

After lunch we will have a Bocci Ball Tournament. Teams for Bocci will be drawn from a hat. If you prefer, you can just spend time catching up with old friends!

We would love to have everyone share in this “fun” day with us, so why not plan on a vacation in Florida in April in 2014.

Why not spend the night. We have three Town Squares, with entertainment and fine restaurants, allowing “partying longer”!!!

Lodging in the Villages: Holiday Inn Express (352) 750-3888

La Hacienda (352) 750-6853

Comfort Suites (352)751-5788 or

The new.....Waterfront Inn at Lake Sumpter Landing 800-528-3132

and down the road Microtel Motel (352)259-0184

Note ,You can obtain a 25% discount at the Waterfront Inn if a Villager makes your reservation!

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### 2014 Turner National Softball Tournament

Hosted by Aurora Turners

Games Played on June 28 & 29

Holiday Inn

2424 West Sullivan Rd.

Aurora Ill. 630-896-0898

The Holiday Inn is locate nearby and offers a fresh cooked buffet breakfast option. Rooms are 1st come 1st serve! If you need additional help with hotels please feel free to contact me.

You Must Call Kevin Glock {work 630-859-2267 ext. 22} or e-mail sports@auroraturners.com to Verify Your Spot (By June 5th) in the Tournament, just in case I do not receive your entry form. Entry fees of \$100.00 and Turner Member roster must be turned by Your First Game. If you prefer, you can mail your check to Aurora Turners c/o Kevin Glock 1335 Mitchell Rd Aurora, IL 60505.

The tournament will be a double elimination and will follow USSSA Rules. There will be a three-homerun rule with the one up rule. Rules and roster forms may be downloaded from our web-site at www.auroraturners.com Aurora Turners should have at least 3 or more teams in the tournament so we challenge other societies to send a team or teams to compete in this tournament. This is a huge family event. Bring your family and enjoy the weekend.

We have many events planned for this weekend. We will be serving food off the grill nonstop while ballgames are being played, Saturday Night will have some type of steak fry with entertainment in the club room. Sunday morning all you can eat buffet breakfast including omelets made to order.

Tents and Motor homes are welcome although no showers or hook-ups are available on the property. You must call ahead for approval on tents as space is limited.

We hope to see you in July,

Kevin Glock

Athletic Director

Aurora Turners Club

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# AMERICAN TURNERS

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Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

## SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS FOR MEMBERS OF AMERICAN TURNERS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The American Turners National Organization is offering a Scholarship Grant annually to its members that are working in a degree program at a fully accredited College or University. Only applicants who are planning to major in a Physical Education, Sports Medicine, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, or Recreational Therapy curriculum will be considered. Exceptions, however, are possible for students who have been involved over a number of years in Turner programs and pledge to continue service to the American Turners.
2. The By-laws of the American Turners provides the authority and purposes for the granting of Scholarship Awards by the American Turners. This By-law also provides that **“The Scholarship Committee of the American Turners shall develop a scholarship plan containing rules and regulations to determine the eligibility of the applicants seeking an award and a system of priorities to select the best possible candidates”**.
3. Scholarship recipients may apply for subsequent scholarships. However, they must submit a new application each year and meet all requirements to receive an additional scholarship.
4. A Scholarship Grant will be offered for the **Junior year** and **Senior year** only
5. Scholarships will only be awarded for Undergraduate College or University programs. No scholarships will be awarded for Post graduate programs, Professional or Trade Schools or for Community or Junior Colleges.
6. Majors are limited to: **Physical Education, Sports Medicine, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy or Recreational Therapy** only. Exceptions however, are possible, with other majors for students who have been involved over a number of years in American Turner programs and pledge to continue service to the American Turners.
7. Electronic courses pertaining to one of the five (5) majors listed in #6 must be offered by an accredited college or university.
8. Scholarship recipients may receive a maximum of two (2) scholarships. You may first apply going into your Junior year of study. If for some reason your application was denied going into your Junior year, you may then re-apply going into your Senior year.
9. The completed Application for an American Turner Scholarship must be received by the National Office of the American Turners postmarked no later than July 1st of any given year. Any applications received after July 1st will be returned to the applicant and will have to be resubmitted for consideration the following year.
10. All applications postmarked by July 1<sup>st</sup>, and qualified by membership, will be screened by the American Turners National Office and then forwarded to the National Scholarship Committee (NSC). The NSC will then review each application to determine if the applicant meets all the requirements as stated in these rules. The NSC has the final decision in the awarding of scholarships.
11. The National Scholarship Committee shall determine the number and amounts of Scholarships to be awarded each year.
12. After an application for an American Turners Scholarship Grant has been approved, the National office will make payment of ½ of the total amount of the Scholarship Grant paid directly to the College’s or University’s Admissions Office, Registrar’s Office or Financial Aid Office as indicated on the Application For American Turner Scholarship form chosen in the name of the applicant. The second ½ of the total amount of the Scholarship Grant will then be paid at the beginning of the second semester to the respective College or University upon notification from the school that the applicant is still enrolled as a full time student in good standing, and the submission of a transcript of grades for the completed semester along with a schedule of classes for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.
13. If the applicant’s Major or accredited College or University changes after the application was approved, the American Turner’s National Office and/or the National Scholarship Committee must be notified.

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### REQUIREMENTS OF APPLICANTS

#### Check List

1. The applicant must be a member for a minimum of twelve (12) months prior to July 1<sup>st</sup> of any given year and be in good standing with his or her Society; Memberships at Large included. The official membership anniversary date is the date printed by the National Office on the annual membership card.
2. A scholastic recipient may receive a maximum of two (2) scholastic awards. If you are entering your Junior year, you may apply for a scholarship. You may apply for a scholarship award going into your Senior year whether you received a previous award or not, or if this is your first time applying for an award.
3. The applicant's Major must be in one of the five (5) fields: Physical Education, Sports Medicine, Physical Therapy, Occupational, or Recreational Therapy. Alternatively, the scholarship committee may consider other majors for candidates who have been involved in American Turner programs over a number of years and pledge to continue service to the American Turners.
4. The applicant must submit a transcript of completed grades from the prior year of the College or University he or she has Attended as in the case of a transfer, or is currently attending. Additionally, the student must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 grade point scale or a 3.5 on a 5.0 grade point scale for each semester. A minimum of twelve (12) credit hours or its equivalent must be maintained for the duration of the scholarship.
5. Applicants must secure endorsement from both their respective Turner Society President and their District President. These signatures must appear on the application form before the application is submitted to the American Turners National Office for consideration of the National Scholarship Committee.
6. The applicant must submit with the application form, a Fall registration schedule for the selected College or University (such College or University must be recognized and located in the United States); the school within the College or University. The same is expected for the Spring semester.
7. The applicant must also submit with the application form an estimated cost for tuition & books for the year. And, please submit the address and phone number of the institution's Admission's, Registrar's or Financial Aid's Office of the selected College or University where the Scholarship Grant is to be remitted.
8. The applicant must submit a written essay of at least one typewritten page titled "How I Am Involved in the American Turners Today and What My Plans are for Involvement in the American Turners in the Future."
9. The applicant must submit a letter of recommendation from a society officer noting how the student has been involved in their society.
10. The applicant must complete a minimum of twelve (12) hours of volunteered service within his or her Society. If a Turner Hall is not available, a minimum of twelve (12) hours of community service must be performed in the name of American Turners in the same calendar year when the application is submitted. The minimum hours of service must be completed by July 1<sup>st</sup> of any given year. The completed number of service hours must be approved by either the Turner Society President or the community representative.
11. ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS must be sent to the American Turners National Office and post marked no later than July 1<sup>st</sup> of any given year.

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## APPLICATION FOR AN AMERICAN TURNER SCHOLARSHIP GRANT

I, \_\_\_\_\_, am applying for a 1 year American Turner Scholarship Grant.  
**PRINT** Applicant's Name

It is my understanding that American Turners will contribute an amount, to be determined (if) when this application is approved, toward the total cost of tuition and books and that I am responsible for the balance. I agree to fulfill all of the requirements as stated in the **Requirements Covering the Granting of Scholarships** attached to this application.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

American Turner Membership: Date Joined \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Official Membership Card # \_\_\_\_\_

The **applicant** must be a **member** of American Turners for a **minimum of twelve (12) months prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>** of any given year and be in **good standing** with his or her Society. The **official membership anniversary date** is the date printed by the National Office on the annual **Membership card**. Scholarships are awarded to full-time students beginning in their Junior year. A scholastic recipient may only receive a maximum of two (2) scholastic awards.

Parent or Legal Guardian's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Only needed if the applicant is under 21 years of age)

College or University \_\_\_\_\_ Declared Major \_\_\_\_\_

Remit Scholarship Payment to the Address of:

Admissions Office / Registrar's Office / Financial Aid Office / Other

### Certification and Endorsement of Society, District and National Office

I have reviewed this application for a Scholarship Grant submitted by the above named applicant and find, to the best of my knowledge, that he or she meets all of the requirements. Therefore, I recommend that he or she receives an American Turner Scholarship Grant.

Name of Society \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
**Society President**

Name of District \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
**District President**

### Endorsement of the National Scholarship Committee

The American Turners agree to contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as a Scholarship for \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Name  
while a student at \_\_\_\_\_ for a period of one year provided that he or she fulfills  
Name of College or University  
all of the requirements as stated in the **Requirements of Applicants (Rev. 2014)** of the American Turners.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chair - National Scholarship Committee** **President/Secretary - American Turners**



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### NATIONAL CALENDAR

#### 2014 Events

Bowling-Elgin - March 28/29 thru May 3/4

Jr. Gymnastics-Aurora - May 31

Softball-Aurora - June 27-29

Golf-Monaca - July 9-11

75th National Convention

Ill. Turner Camp - August 15-17

#### 2015 Events

National Festival-Aurora TBA

Society \_\_\_\_\_ Year Joined \_\_\_\_\_

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