

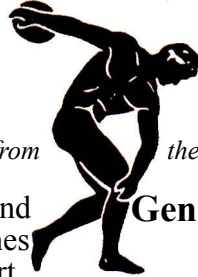


Los Angeles Turners News

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Letter
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Discussions



Short bytes from the discus thrower

The LA Turners Fencers are off and lunging. A dueling dozen convenes Mondays at 7:30 pm in their smart white uniforms brandishing shining sabers. It's exercise, it's togetherness, it's "Turner", and it's fun. Interested? Call (310) 820-3600 M-F 9:00 – 5:00 pm.

The thoroughly modern Turners are now e-Turners as well with the acquisition of a laptop computer for the Society. In six years, we've acquired first a photocopier and fax machine, then a big screen television, then a website, then a newsletter. 131 years young!

On August 31, our 18-month subtenant, German-World.com, hosted the Turners Singers and the Board to a farewell buffet to thank your Society for supporting them with the facilities from which they built California's only German-Swiss-Austrian bilingual news and info website. GW's opening page featured a Turners banner across the top as well as always generous promotion and coverage of our events. Thanks back and good luck German-World!

General Membership Meeting

Be sure to attend our Annual Meeting of the Los Angeles Turners on **Sunday October 20, 2002, at 3:00 pm**. Among the important features will be:

Election of three directors
Property report/bungalow tenancy
Installation of new members
Upcoming events of the Turners and the DAV
Be a part of it all and exercise your vote!

Dennis F. Fredricks

Calendar preview

with participation of Turners

September 15 - Octoberfest has been cancelled!

October 6, 10:30
Christuskirche, Turner Singers

October 20, 3 pm:
General Membership meeting

December 1, 2 pm
Advent Concert
Turner Singers

December 8, 3 pm
Annual Turner Members
Christmas Dinner



Turner Singers host Advent Concert

On December 1, 2002, the Singers will perform their annual Advent concert at 2 pm in the Turner Center, located on the corner of Highland and Wilshire in Los Angeles. During the Singer's summer vacation choir leader Lilly Layton organized a get together for the Singers and friends in the garden of the Turner Building (see photo above). As usual it was a great success and everyone had a wonderful time chatting, joking and enjoying the coffee and the great food. The singers are still looking for new members. If you like to sing German songs and are interested in joining, please call Lilly Layton at: 805.485.2085.

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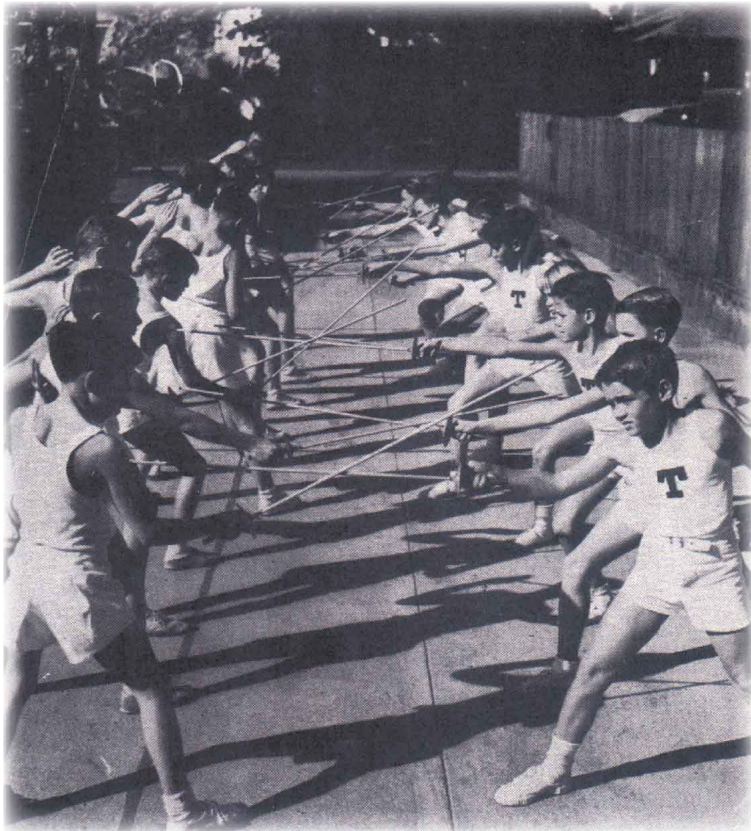
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History: Fencing is a Turner Sport!

Turner's youth crossing sabers in 1935



Our Historian Carl Schaefer surprised us with this picture from 1935. The young Turners crossing their sabers almost 70 years ago are obviously enjoying it as much as our newly founded fencing group which is already in full action. Carl himself used to be a fencer - the 2nd one in the left row. Also Erwin Tuppan, 1st in the right row. If you recognize more fencers, please let us know.

Meet the Board

Most of our members know the board, but not many know the history behind the faces. In this issue we introduce Carl Schaefer, historian and traditional concience of the Board.

Carl Schaefer was "born into the Turners" as he says. And that was 1926. The "Damensektion" of the Los Angeles Turners put him on stage with Knecht Ruprecht when he was four years old. "I was scared to death", Carl remembers, "I had two shoes full and it was still running down my leg. Alma Merbach came right away with a towel."

After this first stage appearance things lightened up for Carl and in his later years



he served - among other positions - four consecutive three-year terms as president of the Los Angeles Turners.

He has been on the board since the early 60's, and has seen a lot happening during these more than 40 years. He has seen bad times when a group "tried to give the store away", but also many good times, and he is a Turner through and through. He has been working for the Turners all his life. In his leisure time he loves to dance Salsa and is a passionate percussionist.

Watch Movies with the Turners

The Los Angeles Turners hold their German language movie afternoon every first Sunday of the month. On this occasion the Turners present the most beautiful German movies.

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Election of Board members

On October 20 the members of the Los Angeles Turners will have to vote on three board members. The terms of Carl Schaefer, Marie Ramsperger and Angie Hegedus are expiring and you will have to decide if they shall remain on the board or be replaced. To make it easier for you to decide, here are two short bios of Marie and Angie.

Marie was born in Chicago, moved to LA when she was 6 years old and joined the Turners in

October 1950. In the past 52 years she was in the actives class, the Belcanto Chorus, and served numerous years on the board of directors. For most of her years on the board she held the position of Membership Secretary. Best of all she cherishes the many wonderful friendships she has made with the Turner family.



Marie (top) and Angie

Angie was born in Fulda, Germany, came to the US in 1948 and is the mother of two sons. She has been a member of the Los Angeles Turners for several years and sings in the Choir. On the board of directors she currently holds the position of Comptroller. She found joy and friendship with the Turner Singers.



Birthdays

October 2002

Chris Pilliczar	Oct.	6
Kuno Gertz	Oct.	7
Guenter Seibold	Oct.	13
Bill Williamson	Oct.	13
Hildegard Winders	Oct.	13
Carl Spahr	Oct.	19

November 2002

Janet Buccwich	Nov.	1
Uwe Russmann	Nov.	4
Richard Imendorf	Nov.	5
John Crongeyer	Nov.	7
Annie Dvorak	Nov.	8
Gerry Woodruff	Nov.	16
Marianne Imendorf	Nov.	22
Walter Nollac	Nov.	26
Mary Giesbret	Nov.	29
Helen Hoehne	Nov.	30