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My dear fellow Turners,



I hope that you are enjoying this start of Summer, and if you are planning a vacation in the next weeks, that you have a most relaxing and fun holiday.

From the feedback of all of you who were there, our recent "test of the dancefloor" was a great success. So much dancing, so many fun stories. The hall is beautiful, and the acoustics are remarkable. A debt of thanks goes to Andreas and Lily Gritschke for the design, and to Alex Hast and Carole Brennan for the project management, to Petra Schürmann for finding sponsors, to Monica Schober for agreeing to perform - and how beautifully - that evening, and to the entire board for putting the evening together, and most important, to all of you for being there.

The 2010 World Cup is in full gear, and after the 4:1 win against England, Germany is a viable contender. As our team advances, the existing viewing lo-

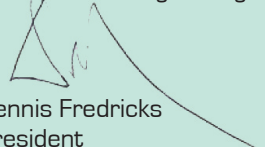
cations from the 2006 World Cup will not be enough, as we saw that year. In time for the Quarter-Finals, the Turner Center is ready to enable us to share a beer and Würstchen - or for the early morning events, breakfast - together as we cheer on the teams with a super-big screen.

Welcome our newest family member - our Western District of the American Turners may expand this Summer, as the New Ulm Turners join Denver and Los Angeles.

On August 29 the annual DAV German Day will once again bring us all together at the Phoenix Club, and after Labor Day, as everyone returns from Summer breaks, we will have more Turners events and the opening of the 2010-2011 Karneval Session.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Turner Center, on the 50 meter line (in team colors if you have them!).

With fond Turner greetings,


Dennis Fredricks
President

Turners test their Timber



The long-awaited testing of the new Los Angeles Turner Center took place on May 22, 2010, among members and their personally invited guests, to work out any lighting, sound, or practical performance problems before a Grand Opening and rentals to the public. The many permitting and construction delays were a running theme but increased the anticipation in recent months. Only a marathon hands-on push from Vice President Carole Kulzer Brennan and General Manager Alexander Hast got the hall ready in the 11th hour.

"Münster-born architect Andreas Gritschke and his wife and colleague, Lilliana, designed a gem of Los Angeles architecture" said Turners president Dennis Fredricks in his welcome address. "From the moment one enters, there is a feeling of modern elegance that could be in Berlin, Vienna, New York... or Los Angeles".

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Calendar 2010

July

- 3 LATurner Center Soccer Breakfast 6:30 AM GER-ARG
- 24 Santa Monica Club - Dinner Dance - Renate & Frank
- 25 Tag der Donauschwaben - Phoenix Club
- 31 L.A. Soccer Club - Berliner Abend - Express Band

August

- 6-8 American Turners Convention in Chicago
- 15 L.A. Soccer Club - picnic
- 21 Phoenix Club - 50th Anniversary Dinner Dance
- 22 Phoenix Club - 50th Anniversary Celebration in tent
- 29 German Day - Phoenix Club

September

- 11 Bavarian Club - 1st Oktoberfest - Bluebirds
- 12 Santa Monica Club - Oktoberfest - Bluebirds
- 18 L.A. Soccer Club - Oktoberfest - John Borowitz Band

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Turners test Their Timber

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The center is equipped with a state-of-the-art sound system and its excellent acoustics will also make recordings possible. The guests enjoyed performances by Turner member and musician Alexander Hast as well as Fellow-Turner and acclaimed soprano Monica Schober who demonstrated — without a microphone — that there is no bad seat in the house.

The floorboards, imported from Germany, also passed the test, as members continued applying pressure until midnight with dancing and more dancing. Food was catered by Dolce Vita Gourmet and German wines had been ordered from Truly Fine Wines.



The mood was good til late in the night, as these photos will attest (top left to right) Horst and Ellen Neu, Andreas Gritschke, Carole Brennan, Christian Klugmann.



Photo left: Margitta & Walter Lübke.

Below: the board took a pause when the Turner Center passed the "test".



Monica Schober, her fiancee James and her mother Edeltraut.

The Los Angeles Turners plan to offer several activities such as German movie nights, fencing, ballroom dancing, and much more. Christian Klugmann, one of the youngest LA Turner members and former German National Champion

in cycling, outlined plans for sports and fitness programs so that the Los Angeles Turners will soon reconnect with their athletic past.



The new LA-Westchester Turner Center is only the sixth home of LA's oldest German-American organization in its 139 year history, and the initial words that opened those first five Turners homes were most likely in German. President Fredricks wanted to preserve this legacy, and delivered the first half of his opening address in German to pay tribute to those founders and to maintain a reminder for the future.



Marianne Williamson, Christa and Bill Dinsbacher (upper picture, l-r) enjoy the evening side by side with their fellow Turners at the neighboring table (bottom picture, l-r), John and Inge Crongeyer and Edelgard and Floyd Pedersen.



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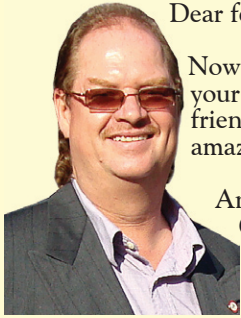


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We will be offering a limited number of tickets so that the odds of winning will astound you. As the odds of winning are so good, the price of each ticket will be well above that usual \$1.00. Single? Split the cost of the ticket with your favorite travel companion. That cost will, of course, be a tax deduction should you not be the winner.

Yours, Carole Brennan
Vice President

Manager's Report



Dear fellow Turners,

Now that the Turner Center is open for business, we really need your help. Please come to the Center and bring some guests, friends and business partners who might be interested to rent our amazing location for their functions and events.

Anything from Corporate Parties to Presentations, Concerts, Church services, Seminars, Weddings, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, Quinceañeras, Movie Screenings, Mixers and Tradeshows is possible in our new location and our Turner Center is well equipped to accommodate any of those events with ease and elegance. We have contacts to caterers, bands, decorators, DJs and other supporting businesses that will help you make any event a resounding success.

We hope to welcome you and your guests soon!

Sincerely

Alexander Hast
Alexander Hast, General Manager

Board News

The board is pleased to announce a new appointment. Andreas Gritschke will fill the vacancy left by the retirement from the board by Eliane Ubassy-Butler. Eliane, our sincerest thanks for the years of service to the board and to the Los Angeles Turners. Andreas, welcome.



Andreas was born in Münster, studied in Aachen and Delft, worked for award-winning architect Rem Koolhaas and joined local Austrian architect Mark Mack to work on a mansion for Siegfried

& Roy. Andreas has not only designed the now remodeled Turner Center, he has also been in the trenches and on the front line with Alexander Hast to get the permits for the Building from the City as well as being on location with Carole Brennan and Alexander when it came to negotiations, final touches, or delays that had to be overcome. He is hands on and also shops for appliances or shelves when it is necessary. With his knowledge, wits and good spirits he was instrumental in helping to finish the Turner Center against many odds. His wife Liliana, also an architect and a Turner, contributed to the Turner Center as well with her designs.

New Sports Programs at the Turner Center

"Wer nicht weiß, woher er kommt, der weiß auch nicht, wohin er geht!" (If you don't know where you come from, you don't know where to go). For this reason I would like to dedicate my time and abilities to helping the Turners in fostering German Turner traditions and culture in Los Angeles.

In the beginning, I will offer a senior fitness day once or twice a week. In those sessions I will apply a workout especially for the older generation. I will offer insights about senior sports and more importantly, encourage to be more active. The Hall in the Turner Center is a great place to work out and with a few sport tools (i.e. mats, weights and Gym Balls) we have everything we need.

To be a Turner means to have passion for Sports. "Mens Sana in Corpore Sano." A healthy, active lifestyle is necessary to keep both mind and body healthy. For me, as a former German national cycling champion, that means to contribute by building bike riding groups. I would like to teach people of every age new techniques in understanding the bicycle better. I'm also interested in promoting biking in partnership with the City of Los Angeles and their Bike Safety Program.

Currently I volunteer at school events teaching kids how to safely ride their bikes school. I'm also connected to bike enthusiasts and experts in other areas sports, who could easily be engaged in our new programs.



This could lead to new Turner members as well as greater exposure in the Los Angeles community. I am both happy and honored to be a Turner.

The Turner Center would be the perfect venue to offer many of these courses, and in doing so, expand the outreach abilities of the Turners. With that in mind: "Sport frei!"

Christian Klugmann

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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 Dinsenbacher	July 18
Andreas Gritschke	July 18
Carolyn Mueller	July 21
Eliane Ubassy-Butler	July 30

August

Lisa Schmitt	Aug. 21
Erwin Tuppan	Aug. 23
William Dinsenbacher	Aug. 26
Liliana Gritschke	Aug. 30

September

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

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