

SOCIETY MEETING

Our next Society meeting will be Monday, November 18 at 7:00 pm at the Hall. Dessert, coffee and drinks will be served.

One important piece of business will be electing delegates for the District Convention to be held Sunday, January 19, 2014 at Elgin Turners. Northwest is entitled to 12 delegates this year. Being a delegate is an important responsibility and we are looking for candidates who will keep the interests of the Society, District and our beloved Turner Camp at the center of their hearts and minds. If you are interested in serving as a delegate, please contact me at cbothfeld@hotmail.com or 847-624-0090. Please attend this meeting to vote for delegates best suited to represent our Society at this District Convention.

We will be announcing the slate of officers

for our annual Election on Sunday, February 9, 2014. This year, the officers to be elected are the President, Second Vice President, Corresponding Secretary and Financial Secretary. If you are interested in serving as an officer, or as a member or chair of any committee, please contact a member of our Nominating Committee: Chic Martin, Barb Gebhardt, Nancy Luce, Marc Koehler and Lindy Tibari by November 15, 2013. The Society needs active participation from its members to thrive. Serving in any capacity gives you an opportunity to better understand our purpose and present your ideas to improve the Society.

We hope to induct two new members into our Society. This is always a special event in our Society life and we'd love for you to join us.

CHRISTMAS PARTY



Start your holiday season right at our holly, jolly Christmas Appetizer Party on Friday, December 13, 2013 at the Hall. The fun starts at 6:30 pm. The cost

is \$10 per person.

Lorene and Lorrie Gonzalez are planning a great party for us. The Society will start us off with an appetizer base, to be complemented with your favorite appetizer donations.

Bring two non-perishable food items and

receive a free drink. The food will be donated to a local food pantry to help those in need.

We'll have music (think of some great requests) and group games to get the party rolling.

In this busy holiday season, make time to get together with your Turner family at our Christmas Party. All it takes is \$10 per person, an appetizer, and two non-perishable food items.

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Coming Soon

- Society Meeting Monday November 18 7:00 pm
- Christmas Party Friday December 13 6:30 pm
- Society Meeting Monday January 20 7:00 pm
- District Convention Sunday January 19 Elgin
 9:00 am
- Superbowl Party Sunday February 2 3:00 pm
- Annual Meeting, Election of Officers and Annual Award Dinner
 Sunday February 9 3:00 pm

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ILLINOIS TURNER CAMP 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Save the dates August 1 through 4, 2014!

The Illinois District is celebrating Camp's 100th Anniversary with an epic party weekend!

Friday will feature our Fish Fry with a German cuisine special meal and live entertainment.

Saturday will have a reunion flag football game with former coaches and gymnasts from the Turner National Team and Turner gymnastics camps. A gymnastics meet with Northwest and Aurora will be hold in the afternoon. A beer and BBQ lunch will be available at the shelter.

Saturday night we will party with a great German dinner and awesome German band on the Raths patio.



Sunday morning starts with our traditional parade and program. All Societies and neighborhoods will have floats for the parade. A family Olympics competition will be held on the A

-field. A cultural exhibit will be at the Ladies Clubhouse with photos and memorabilia.

We move down to the Raths for a program at 4:00 pm, a Wiener Schitzel dinner and OomPah band with dancing. Northwest's cornerstone time capsule will be opened and a Turner Camp time capsule will be sealed.

On Monday, we'll host a farewell breakfast to wrap up our epic weekend.

For former Campers, hotel rooms are blocked at the Holiday Inn and we'll have info on available sleeping within Camp.

Stay tuned for more details on this historic event.

MASS DRILL PRACTICE

In our last letter, we announced we were going to form a mass drill and marching team for the Camp's 100th Anniversary.

Barb Zweifel, our PE Chair, has done a wonderful job of organizing this. She has a video of our drill and plans to hold practices at the Hall starting in January for all interested Turners high school age and older. Any age can participate in this activity. We've chosen to go with no younger than high school so our older, less agile adults won't be showed up by the young children. Many of our older Turners performed mass drills at Turnfests for years. We CAN do it and give a great tribute to Turners past for the Anniversary.

Our first practice will be Thursday, January 9, starting at 5:30 pm. Barb

will show the video drill and then we'll learn the drill. Other practices will be



scheduled at the participants convenience through the Spring. We'll also have practices at Camp this summer so we can space the drill properly.

Please join us for this interesting and historic activity.

TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENTS

After only one Texas Hold'em this past Spring due to scheduling problems, we have three Tournaments on our calendar for March 1st, April 19th, and May 17th.

These tournaments are time and labor consuming, but a valuable income source for us. To be successful, we need membership help on any and all of these dates. The work isn't

hard—but long and rather boring. Our Board members will be there, but it would be nice if we all didn't have to be at every event for the full 12 hours.

If you'd be willing to work a shift of 4-6 hours on any of these dates, please contact one of the officers by our Annual Meeting. We need about 12 workers on each shift.

Successful tournaments mean more operating funds for our programs and future plans without dipping into our investment income. Please help us improve the Society by donating a few hours of your time.

Hope to see you on March 1st, April 19th or May 17th. Thanks!