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The Toledo Germany Sister City Committee met Thurs., November 16. We decided to once again give the top level UT German students a final exam survival kit consisting of snacks and a healthful drink. They would be delivered to the Foreign Language Dept. office on Mon., December 4 in order to allow time to distribute them before finals week that starts December 11.

In order to strengthen our ties with our Friendship City of Coburg, Germany in northern Bayern, Tim Greenwood offered to contact Stadtrat Jürgen Heeb who oversees partner cities to identify the kinds of contacts they would be interested in. Their reply to his suggestions were quite positive and included sponsoring sports events, musical performances, visits to important area businesses, etc. Rogene Kohler tweaked an agreement we had created in German and English

some time ago and sent that off to Herr Heeb for input from Coburg. Our goal is to have the final agreement in Mayor Hicks-Hudson's hands for her signature before the end of the year. Coburg would also like to have a Skype meeting between teachers in Coburg and Toledo to get an idea of what types of combined projects they could work on. That will take place after the Christmas holidays. We also plan to get them information about TSCI and UT's International Youth Academy that invites students from our 11 different sister cities to participate during the end of July and beginning of August.

We'd like to grow our membership, especially with beginning connections with a new sister city. We briefly discussed whether we should have several small events – German dinners, movies, ball games, etc. or just 1 or 2 big events during the year. No decision was reached, but will be contemplated by our members for the January 18, 2018 meet-

ing.

Dues of \$25 for an individual and \$30 for a family will be due by the end of January. Treasurer Dave Kohler will send out notices by the beginning of January.

Plans are in the making for an early summer trip to Coburg, perhaps about the same time as one of Toledo's youth orchestras is thinking of traveling there with stops in a couple of other towns to perform.

We're looking forward to participating in the Toledo Sister Cities INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL on Sat., Apr. 14 at the SeaGate Centre. This time each sister city will have an activity for the young and young-at-heart. We will have materials for making Faschingsmasken. So far the following German groups have signed up to perform: the Bavarian Sports Club Schuhplattler Gruppe, the Oak Shade Grove Schuhplattler Gruppe and the Swiss Singers. Danke schön im voraus for your participation.

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ler at:
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with any questions or for further
interest.

Rogene Kohler



UNITED
SWISS

At the Christmas party held
on December 12, we honored

Alois Amstutz for his many
years of serving as president
of the Swiss Men's Society.
He is stepping down as presi-
dent this coming year. Kevin
Reudy was elected president
of the Swiss Men's Society
and he will also serve as the
United Swiss president for
2018. The Swiss Ladies and
Men's Societies meet at Oak
Shade Grove on the second
Tuesday of each month.

Below is the information on

the Swiss Singers February
murder mystery.

Barb Carr

ARTICLES FOR THE NEXT
ISSUE

NEED TO BE
SUBMITTED BY

February
15th!

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LADIES & GENTLEMEN, GIRLS & BOYS

STEP RIGHT THIS WAY

TO BE A PART OF

MURDER! UNDER THE BIG TOP

ENTER THE WORLD OF FABULOUS ACTS, EXOTIC PERFORMERS & MYSTERIOUS
MANAGEMENT

Anxious to bolster his small, dog-and-pony show-like circus to a spectacle rivaling Ringling Brothers, Harold Hargrove's desperate attempts to lure audiences with jaw-dropping attractions have created rivalries that extend beyond the big ring!

As the pressure builds for everyone – performers, guests, and managers – a murder is committed that steals the show! You are left to uncover the culprit before the final act.

Was it the raging ringmaster in an attempt to clean up the spectacle? The talented tightrope walker whose fall took them out of the limelight? A revolting roustabout with a revenge in his veins? Or possibly a possessive performer whose death-defying demeanor went a bit too far?

IN AN INTENSE WORLD OF ILLUSION AND INTRIGUE, YOU MUST RELY ON YOUR WIT AND INTUITION
TO FIND THE KILLER BEFORE THE GRAND FINALE!

The Toledo Swiss Singers present: Murder! Under the Big Top on Saturday February 24 at 6:30 pm; and
on Sunday February 25 at 3:30 pm at the Chalet Oak Shade Grove Seaman Street in Oregon, Ohio

Tickets are \$25.00 for adults and \$20.00 for children under 13. Call Elaine at 419-206-0975.

Tickets will be going on sale in January until February 19th.

Admission includes a fun play and dinner by Tasty Endeavor and dessert.

Cash bar featuring specialty coffees from Flying Rhino.

Circus treats too!

Come one come all! And help solve the mystery!



TOLEDO TURNERS

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your friends at the American Turners-Toledo! We hope all of you had a joyful and relaxing (and WARM!!) holiday season.

It's been a while since we've posted any news, so I apologize for my tardiness. Belatedly, we'd like to introduce our 2017 GAF Festival Princess, Gracie Siffer, daughter of

Gabriela and Matt Siffer and granddaughter of Ursula Loewenthal. Gracie was so proud to represent us this year and even wore the same Dirndl her mother wore when she represented us years ago. Gracie is one very busy person! She has been very active in her school's Drama Department these past few years and just completed her 5th school production.

The gymnastics teams have been busy travelling almost every weekend to one meet or another. A HUGE CONGRATS to our Level 3 girls team who placed 3rd place at the Cowtown Classic in Columbus! Great job Emma, Addison K,

McKenna, and Addison W and Coach Rachel too!! The Level 6 boys competed and made some improvements from last meet. Good job boys! Congratulations to our Level 4 boys team. On Dec. 9th, they had their very first meet and they placed 4th as a team. Karis, last year's Toledo Turner Princess, participated in her 1ST XCEL DIAMOND meet.

On February 3rd, we will be holding our Junior Bowling Tournament for our young Turner members. Hold the date and keep posted for more move info. Scores will be sent to the National Bowling Chairman at the end of March. We've increased our numbers and hope to see more Turner children and grandchildren participate this year. For more info, contact Guy Schultz or Sabine Croley.

For our adult bowlers, the national Office has announced the dates for this year's Adult Bowling Tournament. Check out the national American Turners website.

And, it's that time again....time to start the search for this year's Turner Princess! If you are between the ages of 16 and 21, for details contact Sabine Croley at:

419-973-6652

In closing, we would like to offer our condolences to those members who have lost loved ones in recent months, especially Susan Keifer (loss of her husband) and Regina Wandscher (loss of her granddaughter). Prayers for warmth and healing to all those in need of prayers. Have a blessed New Year.

Sabine Croley



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