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TOLEDO TURNERS

Welcome to SUMMER!

Those of you who wished for warmer weather last Winter.... be careful what you wish for next time!

A lot has happened in the last few months at our Turner Society. Visits from faraway friends, another successful Gymnastics year and National Junior Bowling Tournament surprises!

First, we welcomed our dear friend, Bea Anderson to town! She drove herself all the way from Myrtle Beach to reunite with old friends. We held a reception/get-together at the Black Forest Café to catch up. It was so great to see her...and those who came...again!

Our annual Honoree Luncheon was beautiful! Thanks to the many who worked hard to make this day so special! 18 members were honored, ranging from 30-70 years! 6 members received their Gold Card.

a special congratulations to Lucille Hurm....celebrating 70 years as a Turner member! We also honored 9 Ladies' Auxiliary members with 35-70 years of dedication. 70 years? You guessed it... Lucille Hurm! Thank you ladies!

Wolfinger, Borton, Shadden, Nyman, McGee and O'Niell. Regional qualifiers included Thompson, Diegel, Little and Magnone. At our Gymnastics Award Banquet, our former Turner Princess, Karis Cherko,



Honorees

Our gymnasts have had quite a year, as well! Many of our children moved on to state and regional competitions. A special congrats to State Champions Cherko, Snyder,

received the USA Gymnastics Senior Award. Ben (no last name available) received the Academic All-American Award. "Most Improved" awards went to to Karis and Jarren. The "Hans Wandscher Sportsmanship Award", presented by Regina Wandscher, were awarded to Owen Recker and Camille Gonzalez. Congratulations to all gymnasts, coaches and especially the gym staff for the best gym program around!

We would like to congratulate all of our graduating Seniors, but especially Gracie Siffer, daughter of Gabi and Matt Siffer and granddaughter of Ursula Loewenthal and our 2017 Turner Princess. Gracie received numerous accolades during her Senior year at Whitmer H.S. She has been the student director for the past sevyears...directing many school play productions. She graduated in the top 2% of her class. Her numerous awards included "Excellence" in English Academics, German and Math. She received the Presidential Excellence Award and also the Golden Paper Clip. Her ACT score of 32, placed her in an elite group of students, honoring those with a score of 30 or better...not an easy achievement by any means! Gracie will



Gracie Siffer



Owen Recker and Camille Gonzalez

be attending the University of Toledo, with plans to major in Biochemistry. We wish her the best of luck!

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And now to announce our newest Toledo Turner Princess, Hannah Schultz! She is the daughter of Guy and Susan Schultz and a member of our Youth Bowlers. She is also a member of the Bavarian Dancers. Let's all welcome and march with her at this year's GAF Festival!

Speaking of Youth Bowling, we just received word that 2 of our youth bowlers placed in this year's Junior National Bowling Tournament! Congratulations to Brysen McGee, placing 2nd in the Bumper Division, and Hannah Schultz, placing 2nd in the Handicap Division! Looks like we have some strong contenders here in Toledo! We also just held our Turner Kids Summer Mini-League at Eastern Lanes. Though our numbers were down this year, we still had 7 bowlers. If your child is interested for either event next year, contact Guy Schultz or Sabine Croley for info.

Our Deutsche Volkstanz Gruppe has been busy, as well. Currently they are practicing for their up-coming performances at the GAF Festival and Summer picnics. They most recently performed at the Germanfest in Ft. Wayne, IN....word gets around! If interested in joining, contact Guy Schultz. The more dancers, the merrier!

TURNER sites to visit on Facebook:

Toledo Turner Gymnastics Fans of the Toledo Turners Toledo Turner Trail Riders Deutsche Volkstanz Gruppe

TURNER site to visit on the web:

http://www.TOLEDOTURNERS.com

Future Dates to remember:

Turners National Convention

St. Louis, Missouri August 3-5, 2018

GAF Festival August 24-26, 2018

National Turnfest and Culture Competition July 2019

In closing, we would like to send our DEEPEST and most-sincere condolences to the families of Ed and Deb McGee. Both members lost their mothers in a matter of days. Our prayers for God's Comfort, Peace and Strength, during your time of need.

See you at the Fest!

Sabine Croley

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