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TOLEDO TURNERS

Happy New Year from your friends at the Turners. Can you believe this weather? Oddly, my family in Arizona had several inches of snow! Mother nature needs to check her hormones!

It's been a while since you've heard from us, but here goes:

TOLEDO TURNER GYMNASTICS was voted the BEST GYMNASTICS PROGRAM in the Toledo area! This is a yearly poll, conducted by TOLEDO PARENT NEWS, a local parent newspaper. We were so excited! Our staff and coaches are all the proof you need to see that we truly DO have the best program around! This year we were also honored to host the 2018 OHIO BOYS' STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS! What an event that was! And Toledo pulled it off like we do every meet we host.

This event was huge: 430 boys were registered to participate. Thanks to all our amazing helpers!

Our Turner Volkstanz Gruppe also had a busy year. Highlights of the year were performing at the "Germanfest" in Ft. Wayne, IN and performing with the Lima Symphony Orchestra. They also performed at the Sandusky, OH "Oktoberfest"....a return visit!

We had beautiful weather for this year's "German-American Festival", drawing quite a crowd over the 3-day event. Our Turner Princess this year was Hannah Schultz, daughter of Guy and Susan Schultz. Hannah is a member of our gymnastics program, a member of our Junior Bowlers and a GAF camper.

This past April, we held our bi-annual "Honoree Banquet". Luncheon consisted of a delicious Roast Pork dinner, catered by the Black Forest Cafe'. Entertainment included a performance by our Turner dancers. This year, we hon-

ored 18 Turners, with memberships ranging from 30-70 years. Our Auxiliary also honored their 35-70 year members.....9 of them. Congratulations and thank you for your continued loyalty to our society.

At this time, be preparing yourselves for the Junior National Bowling Tournament (see Guy Schultz for upcoming info) and the upcoming Turnfest (see the National Turner Topics) this Summer.

We closed last year, 2018, on a sad note: We lost a most-beloved Turner member, David Mohler, a 58-year member, past Toledo Turner President, Vice-President, Financial Secretary and GAF Trustee. David passed away in December. He participated in Volleyball, Bowling, Golf, our Senior Men's Gym Class, Theater, Summer Camp and many Turndays. Our most sincere condolences to the Mohler family.

The Toledo Turners are

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looking for interested Adults and Families who love to trail ride. By working together, our hope is to bring more interest in the Toledo Turners with monthly outings at local trail riding facilities and racing events.

Contact Guy Schultz or Heidi Sickler for more info!

In closing, we'd like to wish all of you a prosperous and healthy 2019.

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