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3:00 to 6:00

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Turner Members,
I hope that everyone is well and mustering the colder winter we are having so far. I would like to remind everyone that the updated list of board members and officers who have been elected or are still completing their terms, who will be leading us through 2025 is noted in the monthly spirit, and if anyone has an idea, thought or concern they can relay it to anyone noted on that list. Our goal is to try to have an event or dinner or a social gathering once a month to help the club be financially sound and to promote the Turner club as a place to stop regularly to have a great time! We truly need membership input and ideas on what we can do to continue to stay financially strong and to help us keep the club going strong for all our membership As a friendly reminder your dues were due by Jan. 31st so please try to get those in as we do need the income to keep paying our monthly expenses.

Speaking of expenses, we are currently up to date on many of our overhead costs and we are current on all our taxes all due to the participation of the membership! We have however recently incurred many new expenses due to the loss of our boiler. We have installed a new furnace for the downstairs bowling alleys and locker rooms that is keeping that area of our building warm, so give a huge thank you to Bob Hess and Gary Bacon for all the time and work they have put in to keep our bowlers warm! Our cost for the new furnace in the alleys is at \$3,600 at this point just for material. We are still waiting to hear from our insurance company about being covered on replacing our boiler which was estimated at a cost of \$81,000. We are also looking into putting an electric furnace in the dining hall so that we can better accommodate Friday dinners and any hall rentals we may have or book in the near future. I am truly thankful to all our members who have weathered the cold in the club as we work through this situation! We are also planning to run another maintenance raffle fund raiser so please be on the lookout for more information as to when you can get your tickets.

As previously stated in many monthly messages, member participation and input at our general meetings (held the fourth Tuesday of the month) is the key to our success! We are in pretty good shape with maintenance. We are still working on what we need to do for the leaks in our roof and hope to have a solution soon. We also have not forgotten about trying to enclose the front stoop of the building at some point down the road. We will also continue to work on getting our cameras hooked up for security as soon as the weather permits.

We will be starting the Master roll-offs on Feb 7th and continue until the roll-offs on Feb 28th. We will also have a sauerbraten dinner on Feb 28th to coincide with the finals. This is a great opportunity to come down and cheer on the bowlers and enjoy a fantastic meal while you're here!

Also, we are continuing to have Friday dinner specials and we offer a tavern menu as well all being made by our new cook Tom Arlotta. I have heard that he is providing some exceptional meals for our members on Fridays and he is also working on Thursdays feeding the woman bowlers or anyone who would like a bite to eat while enjoying refreshments at the bar on these cold winter days.

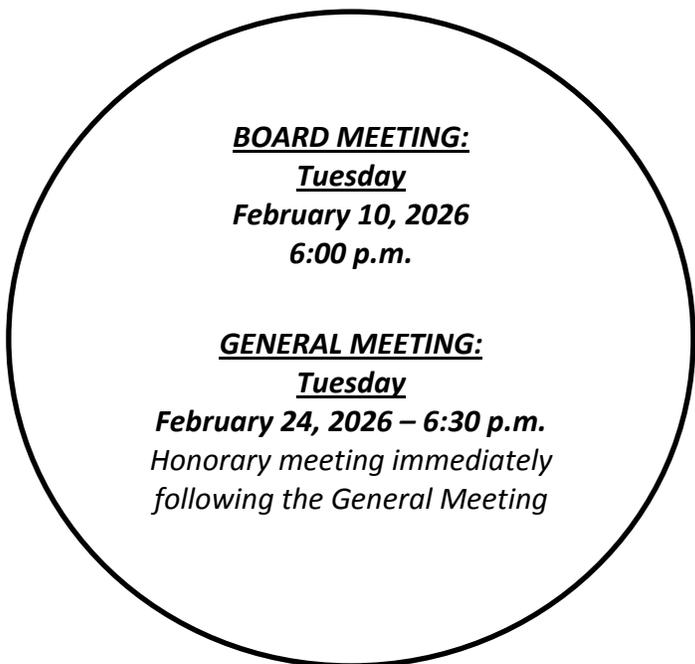
PLEASE! If you can make the regular meeting on the 24th come on down and see what is happening, we really look forward to your thoughts and input. Also please check for the email blast from Judy Bacon for more info. This e-mail is sent weekly and if you do not currently receive this and would like to please get your e-mail to us and we will add you to our list. It can be sent to the club to be forwarded at syracuse.turners@live.com.

I hope to see many of you soon and thank you for the many donations of time and money that have been given to the club. Our continuing goal as always is to increase membership and participation and to grow this great Turner club for the future!

COME ON DOWN AND SUPPORT YOUR CLUB!

With Turner Greetings
David Schmidt
President

P.S. I can be reaches anonymously @ daveandlor@aol.com if there is any comment or suggestion or idea that you would like heard.



BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday
February 10, 2026
6:00 p.m.

GENERAL MEETING:

Tuesday
February 24, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
Honorary meeting immediately following the General Meeting

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Masters Update

The roll-offs for the Stan Sutor Masters tournament will continue Saturdays and Sundays – until the **finals** happen February 28th at 1:00 p.m. Come on down, root for the bowlers and watch what should be an exciting finish and see who gets the crown this year! We still have folks in the Loser and Winner brackets. Who will emerge victoriously?

Sponsors needed

The Masters Bowling Tournament is looking for “Sponsors” to support the Masters Bowling Tournament Prize Fund. Cash or checks for sponsorship can be given the Dot Bisesi or Judy Bacon or left with the bartender on duty in the Lanes or at the main bar. (Checks should be made out to Syracuse Turners). No donations will be considered too small (or too large)! Please include “who” the sponsorship is from and if you’d like, the message you’d like placed on the Sponsorship sign in the bowling lanes.

Thanks, from the master’s Committee!

New England District 2nd Annual Stephen L Shires Memorial Golf Tournament

We will be hosting the tournament this year on Saturday, August 15th, so PLEASE SAVE THE DATE! This is a Captain & Crew format, and we will be holding the tournament at Foxfire Golf Course in Baldwinsville with a 1:00 tee time. If we get enough golfers, we can get a shotgun start. There will be our Turner friends from Adams, Clinton & Holyoke here to golf with us. We would like a LARGE turnout from our club so please save the date! This is open to Turner members only so if you have a friend or relative that would like to golf in the tournament, then get them to join the club NOW!

After golf we’ll return to our club for a great dinner and awards and of course mingle with our friends from the New England District. Hope many of you can make it!



REMINDER: Your dues are due on January 1st of each calendar year. After January 31st, your dues increase by \$5.00. After February 2nd, you are no longer a member in “good standing” so please get them paid!



Have you bought your STL tickets yet? Only \$5.00 a month for a chance to win every day. Talk to the bartender on duty and they’ll be happy to make sure you can get one. Your favorite number might even be available. John and Sue Lengyel would be happy to answer any questions you may have. When you buy these STL tickets, you help the club pay for the City & County property taxes.



THE SYRACUSE TURNERS OLYMPICS ARE BACK!!

Save the date of SATURDAY, MARCH 21st to participate in the Syracuse Turner Olympics.

Opening Ceremonies will be at 4:00 p.m.

The cost will be \$20.00 for a team of 4. Each team should select a Country to represent and feel free to dress for the occasion in your Country's colors. The games will be Bowling, Shuffleboard, Darts, Corn Hole and a game to be announced. A sign up sheet for team name & participants is located on the bar room door.

Please bring a dish from your Country to pass. Medals and Prizes will be awarded to our Gold, Silver and Bronze finalists. Please come down to the club and participate in this exciting & fun filled event. For any questions, please contact Dan & Kim Moran or any board member.

WELCOME TOMMY ARLOTTA

Tom is our new chef and he's been working hard on getting some great menus together for us. Our kitchen is open on Thursdays and Fridays starting at 5:30 to approximately 7:30.

The dinner specials for the month of February are as follows:

- Friday, Feb. 6th: Your choice of Chicken Marsala or Chicken Piccata or Chicken Francaise all served with linguine, salad and Italian Bread
- Friday, Feb. 13th: French Onion Pork Loin or Pork Milanese with rice
- Friday, Feb. 20th: Chicken Riggies or Drunken Meatballs with pasta and a salad
- Friday, Feb. 27th: Pulled pork or chicken or ribs with all the fixings



- Saturday, Feb. 28th: Masters Finals starting at 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb 28th: Sauerbraten or Ham Dinner starting at 4:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 21st: Syracuse Turners Olympics – Opening ceremony at 4:00 p.m.
- April 11th -12th: National Bowling Tournament in Aurora IL
- Sunday, May 10th: Mother's Day pancake breakfast
- Saturday, May 16th: 172nd Anniversary party

- When does a joke become a “dad” joke? When it becomes apparent.
- How come it was called the “Dark Ages”? There were a lot of knights.
- What’s the difference between a poorly dressed man on a unicycle and a well-dressed man on a bicycle? Attire.
- I stayed up one night wondering where the sun was. Finally, it dawned on me.
- What do you call fake fettuccine? Impasta.
- Why did the cowboy get a wiener dog? He wanted to get a long little doggie.
- Why are crabs bad at sharing. They’re shellfish.
- I tried to catch fog. Mist.
- Why did the banana skip school? It wasn’t peeling well.
- Why did the ghost go to rehab? He was addicted to boos.
- How do you find Will Smith in the snow? Look for fresh prints.
- Where do bad rainbows go? Prism where they serve a light sentence.
- What happens when a frog’s car breaks down? It gets toad.



And speaking of the Stan Sutor 52nd Annual Masters Tournament.....

..... **The Calcutta is BACK!!!** Stop down to the club on Friday, February 6th at 7:00 p.m. to bid on your favorite bowler and try to win some money!!! You can bid on the bowler that you think will win the tournament and have some fun doing it! Any questions, please contact Dot Bisesi or Judy Bacon.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Did you buy your February STL Tickets?	Happy Birthday Amy Hunt			Happy Birthday Bette Jane Moss and Tristan Johnson	Chicken Piccata, Marsala or Francaise - Calcutta @ 7:00 Happy Birthday Janet Nolan	Masters Rolloffs begin Happy Birthday Dawn Nolan
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Masters Rolloffs		Board Meeting at 6:00 P.M.			French onion stuffed pork or Pork Milanese	 Masters Rolloffs continue
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Masters Rolloffs continue Happy Birthday Francine Moran, Mike Dineen & Diana Manelly					Chicken Riggies or Drunken Meatballs	Masters Rolloffs continue
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Masters Rolloffs continue Happy Birthday Karen Smorol	 President's Day Happy Birthday Lori Schmidt	General Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. - Honorary Meeting immediately following Happy Birthday Dot Bisesi, Jen Pletting & Darrin O'Hara	Happy Birthday Ryan Gallardo		BBQ Night Pulled Pork or Chicken or Ribs	Masters Finals at 1:00 p.m Sauerbraten dinner 4:00 to 7:00.
1-Mar	2-Mar	3-Mar	4-Mar	5-Mar	6-Mar	7-Mar

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