

# Elgin Turners

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## A Message from Theresa Ernst, President

Hello Fellow Turners

The future of the Haunted House was discussed at the June Board meeting it was determined that if a volunteer does not come forward by the July meeting to be responsible for all areas of operating the Haunted House there will not be one this year. If you are interested please send an email to [elginturnersnews@hotmail.com](mailto:elginturnersnews@hotmail.com)

Volunteers are needed for various events that will be coming up so please watch your newsletter, email or Facebook for the upcoming events and offer to volunteer if you are available or just come down and enjoy some Turner fun.

Aside from coming to events we need members to show up for dinner or lunch. If every member came down with their family or friends once a month we would be in a better financial position then we are. If you can't come down on a regular basis, consider a donation that can be earmarked for items needing to be taken care of in the building or to support the kids parties.

July 17th is the annual luau so come down and enjoy some excellent food and libations. Luau dinner is \$10 per person and starts at 6:00 pm. We will also be having a meat raffle that evening which will start around 7:00 pm.

With Turner Regards  
Theresa Ernst  
President

**Copies of membership meeting notes are available at [www.elgin-turners.org](http://www.elgin-turners.org)**

## A Message from Bill Genz, Vice President

Hello Turner Members,

Summer is finally here in full, and that is awesome! I wanted to send out a big thank you to Joe Leroy, Seth Thomas and Theresa Ernst for their help in putting together the Chicago White Sox Bus Trip that was held June 1st. We had 50 tickets sold and I have heard nothing but great responses from all that attended. This is something that should be an annual trip and we will look to put this in our plans for next year.

June 12th we had our Father's Day Steak Dinner, thanks again to Joe Leroy for bartending and Seth Thomas for cooking. July 17th is our Luau, questions about dinner can be addressed to Seth Thomas, but as always it should be a wonderful time. September 6th and 7th will be the Annual Randy Drews 16 inch softball tournament held at Turner Camp. If you are interested in putting together a team, please let me know. As always volunteers are needed for the time leading up to the tournament and that weekend. This is a much needed volunteer event, as well as all of our events are, this is something I can't stress enough. If you are interested, please let me know.

Thanks and Gut Heil!  
Bill Genz, Vice President

## Illinois District News

On July 26th the Illinois District will host the District Golf Outing at Bonnie Dundee Golf Course in Dundee. Please contact Robert Haderlein at 773-859-2398 to sign up or for additional information

Illinois Turner Camp will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary during Founders Day weekend. The festivities will be held at the camp located in Algonquin from August 1st – 4th. Please see the itinerary included with this newsletter for a list of activities and times or at [www.illinoisturners.org](http://www.illinoisturners.org)

## June 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	30  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	1  Spin the Wheel Night!  \$.50 Wings!	2  Burger Specials  \$1 Eggrolls	3  Open  Grill	4  Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> of July!  <b>CLUB</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	5  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>
6  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	7  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	8  Spin the Wheel Night!  \$.50 Wings!	9  Burger Specials  \$1 Eggrolls	10 Family Dinner Chicken or Shrimp Fettuccini Alfredo	11 FISH FRY 5 – 8 pm  LIGHTNING 8 pm	12  Club Open 2 – 9pm
13  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	14  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	15  Spin the Wheel Night!  \$.50 Wings!	16  Burger Specials  \$1 Eggrolls	17  <b>LUAU DINNER</b> 5 pm - ??	18 FISH FRY 5 – 8 pm  LIGHTNING 8 pm	19  Club Open 2 – 9pm Community Dinner
20  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	21 Board Meeting 6 PM Membership Meeting 8 PM	22  Spin the Wheel Night!  \$.50 Wings!	23  Burger Specials  \$1 Eggrolls	24  Open  Grill	25 FISH FRY <i>Walleye Special</i> 5 – 8 pm LIGHTNING & Meat Raffle 8:00	26  Club Open 2 – 9pm
27  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	28  <b>CLUB</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>	29  Spin the Wheel Night!  \$.50 Wings!	30  Burger Specials  \$1 Eggrolls	31 Steak Dinner <i>July Birthday Celebrants eat free with one paid dinner</i>	1 FISH FRY 5 – 8 pm  LIGHTNING 8 pm	2  Club Open 2 – 9pm



### Happy Birthday Elgin Turners!



Michael Holmes 7/1, Denise Prehm 7/1, Roxanne Payne 7/2, John Schartow 7/2, Donna Wickstrom 7/4, Hayley Klimczak 7/5, Paul Cumpata 7/7, Louise Koenig 7/8, Jerry Roller 7/9, Kaley Boress 7/10, Marianne Kinkley 7/10, Frank Dorn 7/11, Brenda Klimczak 7/12, Richard Cook 7/13, Ryan Graham 7/14, Dave Williams Jr 7/14, Tracy Odena 7/16, Tabitha Gibson 7/17, Daniel Becker 7/18, James Palisin 7/18, Joe Armintrout 7/21, Suzanne Moga 7/21, Dennis Eder 7/23, Anthony Garelli 7/23, Steven Garrett 7/23, Dale Wiback 7/23, Allison Benthusen 7/24, Robert O'Connor 7/28, Scott Odachowski 7/28, Vicent Hodor 7/29, Adam Koester 7/29

## 2014 ELGIN TURNERS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>May</b>	11	Mother's Day Brunch 10am - 1pm
	18	Beer Sausage 9am - Noon
	19	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting 8pm - ??
<b>June</b>	1	White Sox Outing
	7	Elgin Hosted Lasagna Dinner at Illinois Turner Camp
	12	Father's Day Steak Dinner 6pm - 8:30pm
	16	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting 8pm - ??
<b>July</b>	17	Luau at Elgin Turners 5pm - ??
	21	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting 8pm - ??
<b>August</b>	7	Rouladen Dinner 6pm - 8:30pm
	18	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting 8pm - ??
<b>September</b>	6 & 7	Softball Tournament @ Turner Camp
	15	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting 8pm - ??
	21	Beer Sausage 9am - Noon
	28	Family Breakfast 9am - Noon Meat Raffle 1pm - ??
<b>October</b>	19	Beer Sausage 9am - Noon
	19	Kid's Halloween Party 1pm - 3pm
	20	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting 8pm - ??
	26	Family Breakfast 9am - Noon Meat Raffle 1pm - ??
<b>November</b>	1	1450 Dinner/Dance
	8	Turkey Raffle
	16	Beer Sausage 9am - Noon
	17	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting 8pm - ??
	27	Tom & Jerry's 9am - Noon
	30	Family Breakfast 9am - Noon Meat Raffle 1pm - ??
<b>December</b>	7 or 14	Chili Cook Off & Football
	7 or 14	Kid's Christmas Party 1:00 - 3:00
	15	Board Meeting 6pm - 8pm Membership Meeting/Elections 8pm - ??
	21	Beer Sausage 9am - Noon
	27	Family Breakfast 9am - Noon



# FOUNDERS DAY 2014



*Alfred Wild had a dream in 1914... and we are living it today!*

## TURNER CAMP CELEBRATES 100 YEARS

### FOUNDER'S DAY AUGUST 1 - 4

In 1914, Alfred Wild first took a group of young Turners to a little piece of farmland in Cary, Illinois called Dunbar Cattle Ranch. Alfred wanted a place where Turners from all over Illinois could come and get out of the heat and still continue their fitness lessons while outside in the open air. He chose this location for many reasons; it was along the banks of the Fox River for swimming lessons, and also it was close enough to the Cary train station so that those Turners

without cars would be able to walk to the Camp ground.

The Cary camp ground served its purpose well for 5 years until in 1919 the Illinois District had the opportunity to purchase 36 acres of farmland across the river. This land would later be called Illinois Turner Camp. Over the years our land has increased and changed several times to a total of 102 acres.

**But the basic principles are still the same . . .**

One hundred years later, we are still mainly operated by a volunteer base of campers.

**Thanks to the  
Cottage Owners and  
Campers whose spirit of  
volunteerism keeps  
Turner Camp alive!**

Each cottage owner has 3 duties to perform each summer, and we still continue to gather at the dining hall to share meals!

**For more information on lodging accommodations visit [illinoisturners.org](http://illinoisturners.org) or email Nick Barts at [nbarts5@yahoo.com](mailto:nbarts5@yahoo.com) for activities detail**

***Here's What's Planned***

***Friday, August 1st***

5:00 p.m.

Fish Fry with German Cuisine Special at the Rathskeller

7:00 p.m.

Friday night program on the Rathskeller patio, including a brief welcome by the District Council, kids awards, special youth activity and live entertainment

***Saturday, August 2nd***

9:00 a.m.

Reunion flag football game at the A-field for all former coaches, gymnasts, members of the old Turner National Team and Turner Gymnastic Camps and anyone else who would like to play! And, basketball, volleyball and pickle ball, too.

11:00 a.m.

Beer and BBQ lunch at the shelter

1:00 p.m.

Friendly invitational gymnastics meet between Aurora and Northwest Turners at the A-Field shelter

3:00 p.m. (Saturday Cont'd)

Free time to walk the campgrounds or go to the pool

5:00 p.m.

Rathskeller opens for cocktails and German dinner at 6:00

Some call it Home, others call it The Cottage, but many of us call it

***"A Little Slice of Heaven."*** Nick Barts



*Over the years our land has increased and changed several times to reach a total of 102 acres, including 270 cabins, 3 volleyball courts, a basketball court, 3 tennis courts, a track, multiple fields for football, soccer and lacrosse, 1 softball diamond, a swimming pool with diving boards, and a shelter for gymnastics.*

8:00 p.m.

Live entertainment by Sugar High

***Sunday, August 3rd***

9:00 a.m.

Program, parade and activities start at front gate and go to the A-Field. Special awards for float competition and cottage decorating – Most Humorous, Most Original and Most German

11:45 a.m.

Turner Centennial Olympics Competition on the A-Field

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Cultural Exhibit at the Ladies Auxiliary Clubhouse and McHenry County History bus

4:00 p.m.

Program at the Rathskeller

5:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wiener Schnitzel dinner, OomPah band and dancing

7:00 p.m.

Open Northwest Turner 62-year-old time capsule and seal new Turner Camp time capsule to be opened at our 150th Founder's Day!

***Monday, August 4th***

9:00 a.m.

Farewell breakfast in the Dining Hall hosted by the Youth Staff

