

American Turners

A Sound Mind in a Sound Body

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FROM THE NATIONAL OFFICE

Welcome to the first issue of our monthly bulletin — a single place to see what is happening across all eleven districts and forty-seven societies. Convention week is upon us, a national pickleball tournament is taking shape in Louisville, and New Ulm is already preparing to host us in 2027. Read on, and please send us your society’s news so the next issue can carry it.

THIS MONTH’S HEADLINE

2026 National Convention at Clinton

August 7-8, 2026 • Clinton Turn Verein, 60 Branch St, Clinton, MA

Under the theme “*Pondering Our Past while Planning Our Future*,” the convention is the most important gathering in the American Turners calendar. Delegates sign up through their societies. A **National Council Meeting** follows on **Sunday, August 9 (8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)** at the Clinton Turn Verein for Executive Team members, committee representatives, and district council representatives.

Please note: the 2026 Young Adult Leadership Conference has been **canceled**.

CONVENTION DETAILS →

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

OCT
10-
11

1st Annual National Pickleball Tournament

Louisville Turners • 3125 River Road, Louisville, KY

Hosted alongside Louisville’s Oktoberfest weekend.

Standard registration closes August 31 (late registration through September 15 with a fee). **Register →**

JUL
27-31
2027

2027 National Festival — Save the Date

New Ulm Turners • 102 S State St, New Ulm, MN

Our next National Festival heads to historic New Ulm, home to Minnesota’s oldest Turner Hall (1856). Begin planning your society’s trip now.

AROUND THE SOCIETIES

Louisville • CENTRAL STATES

The city’s oldest sports and social club is busy this fall — the national pickleball tournament, Oktoberfest, plus an outdoor pool, bowling lanes, and a renowned aerial circus program. **[louisvilleturners.org](#)**

New Ulm • UPPER MIDWEST

This fall the hall’s two biggest events join forces — Rib’n and Dodgeball on the same day in Turner Park — and the Turner Talks series continues. Check the hall calendar for dates. **[newulmturnerhall.org](#)**

Denver • WESTERN U.S.

With 1,100+ members and a dozen classes a week, the Denver Turnverein remains the metro’s premier dance hall — ballroom, Argentine tango, salsa, and Lindy hop, with at least two Saturday dances every month. Lessons at every dance. **[denverturnverein.com](#)**

Delaware • MID-ATLANTIC

Wilmington’s club keeps a full week: volleyball Monday, Thursday, and Friday; shuffleboard Tuesdays at 6:00; plus a community garden and its annual Irish Festival. **[turnersde.org](#)**

Milwaukee • UPPER MIDWEST

Milwaukee’s oldest civic organization (1853) continues its civic-education and social-justice programming, carrying forward the Turner principles of liberty, tolerance, reason, and justice.

[milwaukeeeturners.org](#)

Syracuse • NEW ENGLAND

Congratulations to the Syracuse Turners, marking **172 years** of community this year. **[syracuseturners.com](#)**

GET YOUR SOCIETY IN THE NEXT ISSUE

This bulletin is only as complete as the news you send us. Festivals, anniversaries, tournaments, dances, fundraisers, milestones — if it’s happening at your hall, we want to print it. Send the **date, time, location, a sentence or two, and a link** by the **25th of the month** for the following issue.

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