## 76th National Turner Convention

# "Building a Bridge from Yesterday to Tomorrow"

Time is once again approaching for the American Turners National Convention. The 2016 National Convention will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> and August 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 at the Clinton Turnverein in Clinton, Massachusetts. New England is a wonderful place to visit so we encourage all Turner Members, delegates and non-delegates alike, to take the opportunity to attend the convention and enjoy the many historic sites in the area. If you plan on attending as a non-delegate visitor you will still be required to register in advance so we can plan on the number of attendees.

Growing the American Turners is a major focus of the Executive Committee and there are many exciting things that the Marketing Committee have to report on that will move our Organization further into the age of Social Media.

Many events are being planned for the Convention including Motivational Speakers on Friday evening. Speakers will include National Honor Key Members as well as speakers from the Jahn Fund, Endowment Trust Fund, National Scholarship Fund, National Bowling, National Golf, and National Softball.

Registration for the Convention will take place in the upper lobby of the building in front of the gymnasium.

If your District and/or Society would like to donate any monies towards the purchase of door prizes, you may do so by sending a check to the National Office made out the American Turners. The address is: 1127 E. Kentucky St., PO Box 4216, Louisville, KY 40204. Any amount is greatly appreciated! And remember, your donation is tax deductible.

After the meetings we hope you will stay around for the fantastic food and entertainment the Clinton Turners are planning for after Convention activities. We hope all members will begin making their plans now to attend this most important event and look forward to seeing you soon.

During the convention the Clinton Turners will be open during the following hours to accommodate attendees:

- Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> 2:30 PM until 12:00 PM
- Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM until 12:00 PM
- Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM

The Clinton Turners will be serving dinner on Friday and Saturday evening at a cost of \$10.00 per person. Lunch will be served Saturday off a pub menu. All meals will be served in the Ratskeller.

As for travel information, Clinton, MA is located in the central part of Massachusetts and it is served by 3 local airports, all conveniently located. Airports are Boston Logan Airport (49 miles from Clinton Turners), TF Green/Providence RI Airport (69 miles from Clinton), and Manchester Regional Airport in Manchester, NH (51 miles from Clinton).

Host hotel information follows. Hotel is located in Leominster, MA, 14 miles north of Clinton. When making hotel reservations at the Host Hotel reference "Turner National Convention" to insure you receive the special room rate. A block of 100 rooms is being held for the convention. Deadline for guaranteed rooms and rates expires on July 6, 2016 at 5:00 PM.

**HOST HOTEL INFORMATION** 

**Double Tree by Hilton Hotels** 

99 Erdman Way

#### Leominster, MA 01453

# 978-534-9000, Ext 2515, ask for Colleen

Rate: \$119.00/night + tax

# Cutoff date for special rate is July 6, 2016

Rooms at the Host Hotel can be booked on line using the following instructions:

- 1) You will go to our website: www.leominster.doubletree.com
- 2) Enter your arrival and departure dates.
- 3) Enter the amount of rooms you will need and the amount of people that will be occupying each room.
- 4) Below, in small blue lettering, you will see "Add Special Rate Codes" --- Click on that link.
- 5) In the box where it says "Group Code" --- Enter TNC
- 6) Click on Check Rooms & Rates.
- 7) Proceed with choosing your room type and booking your reservation.

## ALTERNATE HOTELS IN AREA (No block of rooms reserved at these hotels)

| Holiday Inn Express | Residence Inn         | Best Western Royal Plaza |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 121 Coolidge St.    | 112 Donald Lynch Blvd | 181 Boston Post Rd       |
| Hudson, MA 01749    | Marlborough, MA 01752 | Marlborough, MA 01752    |
| 978-562-1001        | 508-481-1500          | 888-543-9500             |