

## note the date

### february

- 18 Executive Board Meeting**  
Kolping House 88th Street
- 20 March Bulletin**  
Last day to submit material
- 25 Fastnachtdienstag**  
Feasting and celebration  
preceding the observance of  
the Lenten fast
- 26 Ash Wednesday**  
The first day of Lent

### march

- 1 Annual Elections &  
General Meeting**  
Kolping House 88th Street
- 6- Kolping Ski Trip**  
**8** Annual trip to Mount Snow
- 10 Full Board Meeting**  
Kolping House 88th Street

### april

- 4- KOH Cleanup**  
**5** Kolping-on-Hudson
- 11 KOH Cleanup**  
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 12 Easter Sunday**  
Celebrating the resurrection  
of our Lord Jesus.
- 14 Full Board Meeting**  
Kolping-on-Concourse.
- 18 Fr. Bretone's Annual  
Barn Dance Fundraiser**

# FEBRUARY

## Please Join Us!

### *Mass, Lunch, Annual Elections & General Meeting*

**All members are requested to join together on  
Sunday March 1, 2020**

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**German Mass at 10:00 am:** St. Joseph's Church, 404 East 87th Street, NYC  
**Lunch and meeting 12 noon:** Kolping House, 165 East 88th Street, NYC

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Please come together with your Kolping family for the annual meeting of our general membership.

This is our opportunity to set the course for our Kolping Society in the coming year. Hear reports, pose questions, vote for the members who will serve on our Board of Directors for the coming term. If you're interested in serving on the Board, reach out to one of the Directors listed here in the bulletin.

A scrumptious lunch will be provided by Wolfgang Hahn and Geovanny Ramirez. Sauerbraten, red cabbage and spaetzle will be our main course followed by dessert, coffee and tea. \$16 for adults and \$6 for children under 12.

**Please make your reservation by contacting  
Joan Dengler 914-432-2535 or [kolpingny@gmail.com](mailto:kolpingny@gmail.com).  
We would appreciate your response by February 25 —  
so we can purchase enough food!**



**MISSION STATEMENT:** We, the members of the Catholic Kolping Society of America, extend the vision of our founder, Blessed Adolph Kolping, by promoting the development of the individual and family; we foster a sense of belonging and friendship through our program of spiritual, educational, charitable and social activities.

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# Milestones & Passages



Everyone could use the power of prayer now and again. If you or anyone you know is in need of prayer, please let us know and we will be happy to include them within the "in our prayers" list. Please contact Joan Smyth Dengler (914-432-2535) or email kolpingny@gmail.com when you know of a member who is ill, in the hospital, or has passed away. We want to be sure to remember them.



### In Memoriam—Horst Schmitt 1928-2020

It is with great sadness and deep regret that I inform you, and the rest of my Kolping family, of the passing of my father Horst Erich Schmitt on January 4th, 2020. He was 91 years of age and a lifelong Kolping Brother. Thankfully, he passed peacefully in his sleep and is survived by his wife of 68 years Inge Schmitt, daughters Gabriele, Renate, Barbara, his sons Roland and Gerhard, 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. The Schmitt family would particularly like to thank Kolping Praeses Father Richard Bretone for his inspirational words at Horst's memorial service, and all of the Kolping members that attended.

For those that were unable to attend, a memorial mass for Horst will be held in the spring in Fr. Assmuth Hall at Kolping on Hudson (date to be announced), a place that was very near and dear to my Dad's heart.

— Sincerely, Treu Kolping Gerhard Schmitt



1. Bob & Ann Hemsing and Inge & Horst Schmitt at Horst's 50 year member ceremony.

2. Burt Bruegger and Inge & Horst Schmitt at the KOH Closeout party 1989.

3. Horst Schmitt hard at work in the KOH Kitchen



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN FEBRUARY:

David Allen, Meghan Allen, Michael Beldotti, Betty Boecklen, Bob Boeschl, Carol Guarino Bongiovanni, Karl Buckel, Ivan Cantu, Bernie Dengler, Michael Doyle, Breanne Finnegan, Jerry Fullam, Sarah Gale, Melanie Gilbert, Elizabeth Giordano, Eric Gorski, Bud Gramer, Mario Guarino, Anne Hemsing, Dan Hoek, Anna Keller, Brad Kelly, Violet Kelly, Joseph Kovar, Elisabeth Lersch, Matthes Lersch, Walter McDonald, Stephanie McGill, Johanna McGreevy, Christopher McGuire, Mary McGuire, George McNamara, Chad Mills, Joseph Mulligan, Laura Mulligan, Killian Murphy, Patricia Murphy, Christine O'Dell, Al Park, Carl Pollack, Martin Povilonis, Bernard Preisser, Theresa Rascona, Renee Reichenbach, Ingrid Reslmaier, Edward Schmitt, Kate Seger, Jason Sinks, Ed Specht, Reinhold Stehle, Daryl Stiloski, Joseph Zale, and Gerhard Zoeller.

### SPECIAL FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Special birthday wishes to **Violet Kelly, Joseph Kovar, Johanna McGreevy, and Daryl Stiloski.**

If you know someone celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary, please let us know so we can include it in the Bulletin. Please email Joan Smyth Dengler at kolpingny@gmail.com.

### THANK YOU!

Thanks go out to members and friends who have donated to the Advent Project thus far: **Barbara Grimm, Pamela Newborough, Peggy & David Dougall, Ferdinand Zipprich, Albert & Joan Sartorius, Katrina Dengler, Katherine & Walter Weigand, Lou & Nick Colletti, and Norbert & Marilyn Dengler.**

# 2020 DUES

Pay your membership dues by April 1st to avoid any late charges. Please forward your check made out to **Catholic Kolping Society** and mail it to Catholic Kolping Society, 165 East 88th Street, New York, NY 10128  
**Att: Joan Smyth Dengler, Secretary**


Family: \$100

Individual: \$85


Student: \$40

50-year members: paid up forever!

Please take an extra minute to fill in the bottom of the letter **with your current email address**, any change in address, phone number, birthdays, and other information. Mail it back with your dues to our secretary, Joan Smyth Dengler. She will be updating the files and will include your email address on her email account. She will be sending out notices of new events to you via email this spring.




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# News & Notes

## LENTEN PROJECT 2020

Do You Want to Make a Difference in the World? Can you find \$1 to share with a Kolping brother or sister? Kolping's Lenten Project this year is designed to help some of our Kolping brothers and sisters rise from poverty to self-sufficiency by providing them with goats and the training to care for the animals and use them to help feed their family and provide a small income. If each of us in NY Kolping gives \$1, we could provide two families with goats. If each of us gives \$10, we'd be helping 20 families take a step forward. And if we could each give \$1 for every day in Lent, or \$40 each, that would impact 80 families! Kolping International is coordinating this project with Kolping in Kenya. Please send your gift today in care of our Society Secretary, Joan Dengler, to NY Kolping, 165 East 88th Street, New York, NY 10128. We'll put it together with the gifts from all our members and see how big of a difference we can make when we come together. Treu Kolping!

## ANNUAL KOLPING SKI TRIP IS FILLING UP!

Act now for a few more rooms at The Mountaineer. But don't worry, we have overflow lodging in beautiful West Dover, in view of the Mountain. If you want to join us, act now and send your room payment to Joan Dengler. See the ad in this bulletin for room pricing. Make check payable to Catholic Kolping Society and mail to: Joan Dengler, 7 Ganung Dr, Ossining, NY 10562

## 2020 KOLPING DUES

67 members have already paid their 20 dues! Thank you to all who've taken care of this. If you haven't sent yours in, please do so today.

## GERMAN AMERICAN CLUB OF PEEKSKILL

**Visit [www.gac1936.com](http://www.gac1936.com) for details on the following events:**

March 15: Paint & Sip Party

April 4: Fund Raiser Dinner-Dance

May 1: Wurst Night

May 30 & 31: Mai Fest – featuring Spitzbuam

## FR. BRETONE'S ANNUAL BARN DANCE

Save the date! This year's Barn Dance will be held on Saturday, April 18th at St. Patrick's Academy School Auditorium, 9511 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209 (convenient parking, close to mass transit).

## GET YOUR KOLPING BULLETIN FASTER – VIA EMAIL!

Are you receiving a paper copy of the bulletin? Would you like to receive it via email instead? If so, email Secretary Joan Dengler at [kolpingny@gmail.com](mailto:kolpingny@gmail.com) and she can switch you to digital distribution. You'll receive the news faster and you'll save your Society a little money in the process.



## FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

Use it as a source to get Kolping updates throughout the month or a place to share photos with your Kolping friends.

## GERMAN MASS St. Joseph's in Yorkville, 404 E. 87th St.

Every first Sunday of the month, the Holy sacrifice of the Mass is celebrated in German at 10am. Confessions in German before Mass. For information please call Julia Winter (347-852-3184). For information regarding counseling and sacraments in German, please contact Rev. James Boniface Ramsey, Pastor (212-289-6030).

## **OUR HOLY FATHER'S FEBRUARY 2020 INTENTION**

### **UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION: LISTEN TO THE MIGRANTS' CRIES**

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

# Stories of Interest

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## The World's Fair (1939-40) Mystery *Submitted by Martin A. Kelly*

*[with additional information from [www.history.com](http://www.history.com)]*



The 1939-1940 World's Fair, held in Flushing Meadows Park, Queens, was the scene of an explosion killing two N.Y.P.D. Bomb Squad detectives. World War II had been declared on June 1, 1939 and the management decided to order the aggressor nations (Italy, Germany, and Russia) to close down their pavilions because they did not seem in tune with the theme of the fair.

The first sign of the looming disaster at the World's Fair came on July 1, 1940, when the British Pavilion received a bomb threat. In response, plain-clothes detectives patrolled the site, blending in with visitors who had come to see the Magna Carta. Two days later a worker discovered a canvas bag making a ticking sound. But he ignored the bomb until the day afterward, when he took it to a supervisor. The bag was passed from person to person until the police were finally called. Inside was, literally, a ticking time bomb.

July 4 was a packed day at the fair, and the bomb made its way through a pavilion crowded with spectators. Once British

officials called the police, the detectives on-site decided to move the bag to a less crowded area about 150 feet from dining visitors to the Polish Pavilion. Soon, Bomb and Forgery Squad officers Joseph Lynch and Fred Socha were on the scene. The men turned the bag over and investigated it as the buff-colored bag ticked and ticked.

Finally, one of the detectives suggested cutting a piece off the bag and peering inside. Socha and Lynch did so. But before they could see, the bomb exploded. Both were killed, and other officers were seriously wounded and maimed. The bomb exploded plate glass nearby, blew shrapnel up to 100 feet, and left a large crater in the ground. The tree under which the bomb had been placed had no more leaves or bark. Meanwhile, most fairgoers thought they had heard a fireworks explosion elsewhere at the fair.

The fair had acquired, in the words of the New York Times, a "war atmosphere." Suddenly, it seemed like a miniature battlefield, complete with shrapnel and death. In response, New York's mayor, Fiorello LaGuardia, came to the site, and the city's police were put on 24-hour duty. They were ordered to "pick up any known Bundists, Fascists, members of the 'Christian Front' or other suspects" in an attempt to discover who was responsible for the blast.

Many innocent people were brought in for interrogation in the hope they might come up with a clue. The parents of member Violet Kelly were so interrogated and released.

Despite the massive manhunt, the perpetrator was never found. The bombing remains unsolved.

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## LEAP YEAR *Submitted a few years back by the late Jack McGee*

The Gregorian calendar, which is the calendar that we use throughout the world, has both 365 days (common years) and 366 days every 4th year (leap years).

This is because the earth's complete movement around the sun takes approximately 365 days plus 6 hours every year. These 6 hours over 4 years, equals 24 hours or one day.

So, every 4th year, one extra day is added to the calendar. This extra day is called Leap Day and is added to our calendar as February 29th. This 4th year is called Leap Year.

The chance of being born on leap day is about 1 in 1500.

There are about 187,000 people in the US and 4 million people in the world who are born on Leap Day.

If you are born on a Leap Day, do you get your driver's license on February 28th or March 1st? It is a question that is decided by each state. Most states, however, consider March 1st the official day.



# KOLPING SKI TRIP

## Friday-Sunday, March 6-8, 2020

### Mountaineer Inn at Mount Snow, Vermont

#### LODGING

**Triple:** \$440    **Double:** \$345    **Single:** \$245

Children 12 and under are \$55 in room with adult. They do not count towards the adult count, so the child under 12 and one adult is the single price plus child. **Children 13 or older must pay adult rates.**

#### LIFT TICKETS AND RENTALS

	Lift Tickets		Rental Packages (add \$10 per day for helmet)	
	Adult	Youth (7-18)	Adult	Youth (7-18)
1 day:	\$67	\$57	\$37	\$27
2 day:	\$115	\$93	\$62	\$42

Intro Package, age 13+, 2 hour lesson, equipment rental, lower mountain lift ticket: \$67

Group discounts are available on rentals and lessons. Contact Joan Dengler at [joanandted@gmail.com](mailto:joanandted@gmail.com) for specific configurations.

Mail checks payable to **Kolping** to Joan Dengler at 7 Ganung Drive, Ossining, NY 10562

Your reservation at the Mountaineer will include two hearty country breakfasts, wine, cider and cheese reception, Saturday evening gourmet dinner, tax and gratuity.

# Joseph Sartorius Scholarship Application 2020

◆ TWO SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AWARDED. 1ST AWARD: \$2,000 / 2ND AWARD: \$1,000 ◆

**THEME: HOW CAN YOU MAKE SURE YOU DO NOT TAKE FOR GRANTED THE GIFTS GOD SENDS YOU?**

*Faith is a gift from God. In Luke's Gospel, 10 lepers have faith that Jesus could cure them. All were cured but only one returned to thank Jesus. The others took the divine power display for granted.*

## Scholarship Applicants must:

1. Be a member or the child or grandchild of a member of the Catholic Kolping Society of New York.
2. Provide proof of enrollment in college or post-high vocational program.
3. Submit an essay of no more than 1,000 words. Please follow the standards and format of the New York State English Regents essay. Remember that correct use of grammar and vocabulary will be taken into account.
4. Please double space all lines in your essay.
5. Submit essay on a separate page WITH NO reference to name family, or anything by which the judges would be able to identify you.
6. Not be a previous winner or applicant.
7. Accept the decision of the judges as final.
8. Send application, proof of enrollment, and essay by midnight **SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020**. Please email materials electronically to **bob42@optonline.net** or U.S. mail to Bob Hemsing, 1106 Half Moon Bay Drive, Croton on Hudson, NY 10520.

Please contact the Bob Hemsing at 914-231-5601 with any questions.

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**I hereby apply for the Joseph Sartorius Scholarship and agree to abide by the rules of eligibility.**

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Name of Kolping Member (*Print Clearly*): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Applicant

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