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MAY

Mother’s Day
May 14, 2017

Please remember to make your reservations for the Mother’s Day lunch at Kolping on Hudson! We look forward to seeing everyone and celebrating this special day. Enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by Kathy Weinborg and Jennifer Ahrens that all your family members and friends will enjoy!!! There will be two seatings—at 12 noon and 2pm. A Waldorf salad will be served, followed by roast beef & gravy, mashed potatoes, and sauteed green beans with cherry tomatoes. To top off this delicious meal, a dessert of cheesecake with raspberry sauce will be served.

The cost of dinner is $20.00 per person and $10.00 for children. Non members’ cost is $22.00 per person. Please make your reservation by contacting Heidi Umland at heidiumland@verizon or 914-736-0117.

Father Richard Bretone will be celebrating mass at 3:30 at Assmuth Hall and Don Simon will be joining us and providing us with his beautiful music.

KOLPING ON HUDSON FOOD DRIVE

In the Spirit of the Catholic Kolping Society, we will begin a Food Drive on Mother’s Day and continue collecting at all of our following events. The donations will be given to a local Food Pantry—Montrose VA Food Pantry, Greymoor and the Franciscan Sisters. Please bring non-perishable food items such as: pasta, canned soup, vegetables, tuna. Also crackers, cookies, peanut butter, jams/jellies, coffee and tea. As always Thank You for your generosity! It will be much appreciated.

—Heidi Umland and Lou Colletti

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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 Jan Kessler (914-462-7649) or email jkessny@aol.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.

Please continue to pray for the speedy recovery of both Violet Nelida Kelly and Julia Winter.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN MAY:**

**SPECIAL MAY BIRTHDAYS:**
Special Birthday wishes to Norbert Dengler, William Murray, and Walter Weigand. Eleanor Mullins, who was a member of Junior Kolping during the early 1940s, will celebrate her 85th birthday on May 7th, 2017. We wish her a very happy birthday! She and her husband George celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on April 11th. Their wedding reception was held at the Kolping House in 1953.

If you know someone celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary, please let us know so we can include it in the Bulletin. Please email either me at editor@kolpingny.org or Jan Kessler at jkessny@aol.com.

**THANK YOU**
Many thanks to Jim Minarik for his generous donation to Kolping on Hudson. This donation will help with the many ongoing repairs and maintenance that are always needed to upkeep our buildings and property.

Thank you to Heide Bruegger for her generous donation to Kolping on Hudson in memory of her husband Hubert Bruegger.

We greatly appreciate the donation from Nick & Lou Colletti to Kolping on Hudson in memory of Doris Petsche.

Donations towards a stained glass window in memory of Doris Petsche should be made payable to “Kolping on Hudson” and mailed directly to Kolping on Hudson, Attn: Heidi Umland at 95 Montrose Point Rd, Montrose, NY 10548.

**KOH SPRING CLEANUP**
The weather cooperated very nicely for the first day of cleanup—we really appreciate all the following members that were there bright and early and accomplished so much: Pat & Claire Tandy, Janet & Dennis McGuire, Tracie & Al Vogl, Muriel Fullam, Linda Ahrens, Helmi Pinner, Christel Scheuermann, Annemarie Urban, Joan Dengler, Don Simons, Walter McDonald, Daria Ebbri, Gino Volpi, Steven Brunner, Phyllis & Bob Coletti, Christine Kern, Dan Benge, Andy, Irena and Jessica Marussich, Peggy & David Dougall, John Barbelet, Mike Tompkins, and Lisa LaQuinta.
News & Notes

KOH SPRING CLEANUP
Weather permitting, we are continuing with spring cleanup for two weekends in May—May 6-7, and May 13th. Lunch will be served for the volunteers. Please let Heidi Umland know what days you can help with the spring cleanup. There are always many chores to be done and we appreciate all those volunteers that come out. Stop by when you have free time to lend a hand. Thanking everyone in advance for all your help! Heidi Umland can be reached at 917-699-6875 or heidiumland@verizon.net.

MEMORIAL DAY BBQ AT KOLPING-ON-HUDSON
Please join us at Kolping on Hudson on Monday, May 29th, starting at 1:00 pm. Plan a great day with family and friends! The BBQ cost is $15 per person—hotdogs, hamburgers, salads and desserts. The pool will open and the pool prices are $7 for members and $10 for non-members. All children under 12 are $5 (please note this is a change from previous years where children under 5 were free). Please contact Heidi Umland for special weekly and summer package rates: 917-699-6875 or heidiumland@verizon.net.

NEW MEMBER MASS AND BRUNCH
Please join us at Kolping on Hudson on June 4th for our Annual Sunday Brunch and help welcome all our new members who will be joining us. Kathy Weinborg and Jennifer Ahrens will be serving all of our favorite breakfast items. Mass and New Member ceremony will be held at 2pm at Assmuth Hall.

THE GERMAN LANGUAGE LEARNING CLUB
The spring semester is January 24 through May 23, but everyone may join during the semester on a pro-rated basis. Classes are held at the Kolping house located at 165 East 88th St. on Tuesdays for 15 weeks (There will be no classes on April 11 and April 18). Kids’ classes will follow the Board of Ed school schedule, and are for toddler’s to teens. Kid’s classes meet 3:45-4:45 and 5PM to 6PM depending on the age. Adult sessions take place 6:30-8:30 and are Intermediate (those who have some knowledge and experience with German) which caters to specific needs in grammar, and conversation. Advanced class is for those who like to keep up their knowledge and improve upon it, with grammar review. www.germanlearn.com

RECEIVE YOUR BULLETIN VIA EMAIL
Call or email Jan Kessler (914.462.7649) or jkessny@aol.com if you are interested. You can also visit our website www.kolpingny.org and find copies of the monthly bulletins, list of upcoming events and so much other information that you may find helpful.

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.

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OUR HOLY FATHER’S MAY 2017 INTENTION
CHRISTIANS IN AFRICA.
That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.
Thirty+ Kolping members and friends gathered at the Mountaineer Inn at the foot of Mount Snow, Vermont for our annual Family Ski Trip from March 9-12. It was a pretty cold weekend, but the sun and snow were plentiful so we had the opportunity to ski and ride and tube lots of trails through the multi-mountain resort.

Our Innkeepers, Ned and Royal Wilson, took care of us with delicious, hearty meals and their traditional hospitality. They keep updating the Inn each year and it looks better than ever. Now there’s a piano in the dining room as well as a brand new one in the upstairs lounge. The hot tub is a popular ticket and I think it was occupied by Kolping folks from the time it opened each day til the time it closed.

Mark your calendar for 2018, we plan to go back on March 9-11, 2018. It’d be great if you could join us.
A MOTHER’S LOVE

Helen Steiner Rice

Submitted by Katherine & Walter Weigand

A Mother’s love is something
That no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion
And of sacrifice and pain...

It is endless and unselfish
And enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it
Or take that love away...

It is patient and forgiving
When all others are forsaking,
And it never falls or falters
Even though the heart is breaking...

It believes beyond believing
When the world around condemns,
And it glows with all its beauty
Of the rarest, brightest gems...

It is far beyond defining,
It defies all explanation,
And it still remains a secret
Like the mystery of creation...

A many splendored miracle
Man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence
Of God’s tender guiding hand.

What’s Cooking?

May 2017

Dinner Schedule

Sunday, May 28
Chicken Marsala, Rice Pilaf and Vegetables,
Dessert & Coffee

Monday, May 29
Memorial Day BBQ
Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and Salads,
Desserts & Coffee

Saturday, June 3
Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, and Vegetables
Dessert & Coffee

Sunday, June 4
New Members Brunch
Kathy Weinborg and Jennifer Ahrens will be
serving all of our favorite breakfast items.

NOTE: The pool will be open weekends
starting Memorial Day and bar will be open
on Friday nights and weekends

**Menu subject to change based on availability and number of reservations.**

Call Heidi for reservations at 914-736-0117

Thanks to Lou Colletti for these photos from Kolping on Hudson—rainbow over the pond, and Kolping logo floor tiles.
Over the weekend of September 5th, 1913, The New York City Police Harbor Patrol made some suspicious sightings: several satchels washed up on the Jersey side of the Hudson River. Further, investigation revealed that each of the six bags contained parts of a female cadaver.

Forensic science was in its infancy, but the detectives were not clueless. The trade marks on the pillow cases identified the manufacturer which ultimately led to the purchaser. The buyer was the St. Joseph’s R.C. Church, 125th Street and Morningside Avenue in Manhattan, a largely German-American parish at the time.

Detectives visited the rectory and interviewed the assistant pastor, Father Hans Schmidt. Taking a cursory look around the rectory, they found dried drops of blood and a satchel like those found on the Jersey shore.

Born in the Bavarian city of Aschaffenburg and ordained in Mainz in 1906, Schmidt had immigrated to the United States in 1909, where he was assigned to St. John’s Parish in Louisville, Kentucky. There, a rift with another priest resulted in Schmidt’s transfer to St. Boniface Church in New York City.

While serving in New York, Schmidt met Anna Aumüller, the attractive housekeeper for the rectory who had recently emigrated from Austria. Despite his subsequent transfer to a church in a distant area of the city, Schmidt and Anna continued a secret sexual relationship. It was later revealed that they were married in a secret ceremony of dubious legality, which Schmidt performed himself.

After discovering that Anna was pregnant, Schmidt slashed her throat on the night of September 2, 1913, dismembered the body, and threw the pieces into the East River. Father Schmidt admitted he had a lover’s quarrel with Fräulein Aumüller and it got out of hand. He was tried for murder—first degree. His first trial was a hung jury. But the second was a conviction. He paid the ultimate penalty, the only priest to be executed in the United States.

Father Schmidt was a renegade priest. He believed in “free love,” insurance scams, counterfeiting, abortion, etc. He should have been defrocked instead of being transferred to another parish with the hope he would reform.

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A Bit of Humor – Cat Commandments submitted by Anita Buchholz

Thou shalt not jump onto the keyboard when thy human is on the computer. Thou shalt not unroll all of the toilet paper off the roll. Thou shalt not sit in front of the television or monitor as if thou art transparent. Thou shall not projectile vomit from the top of the refrigerator. Though shall not walk in on a dinner party and commence licking thy backside. Thou sall not lie down with thy rear end in the human’s face. Thou shall not jump onto thy sleeping human’s bladder at 4 a.m. Fast as thou art, thou cannot run through closed doors. Thou shall not reset thy human’s alarm clock by walking on it.

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