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Please join us!
Mothers Day

Please join us at Kolping on Hudson for the annual
Dinner and Mass in honor of all our Mothers.

Our chefs are planning a beautiful meal for us. We’ll start with Starburst of Fruit then move on to the main course of Roast Beef, Potatoes, Green Beans and Gravy. Dessert will be a Lemon Layer Cake and your choice of coffee or tea. There will be a children’s meal available—be sure to indicate when reserving if you need this.

There will be two seatings for dinner—at 12 noon and at 2 pm. After the second seating, our Praeses, Father Richard Bretone will lead us in the celebration of Mass in Assmuth Hall. We will be inducting some new members into our Society—another cause for celebration!

After Mass, we will process to the upper shrine and crown the Blessed Mother with a floral wreath.

Dinner tickets are $30 per member reserved in advance ($35 for nonmembers who reserve in advance) and $15 for children ages 5-12. If there are any spots available the day of the event, the walk-in rate is $5 additional.

And, by the way, “advance” means several days before the meal—so please reserve by Wednesday May 8th at 12 noon.

We expect to sell out, so please plan ahead and let us know you would like to join us.

Email kohmanager95@gmail.com or leave a message at 914-432-2535.

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.
**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.

Last month we announced the passing of **Ernest Wieting** (1936-2024). We thought we would share more information about his fascinating life of service.

**FROM OBITUARY**

Ernie was born in the Bronx on 14th July 1936, the eldest among three sons. Ernie met his beautiful wife and life partner Eleanor (Bauman) Wieting in New York. They were married for thirty-seven glorious years. He was a devoted father, sage, and oracle to his only son Steven and daughter-in-law Magdalena. Opa was especially proud to be a grandfather to Sullivan Charles.

NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT Ernest had a 31-year career retiring as a Detective in the 43rd precinct in 1996. His service included the Bronx Narcotics Unit and briefly as an officer in the 44th precinct. His investigative, law enforcement career began in the 41st precinct in 1965. He honourably served the City behind the scenes, solving cases under their specialized crime investigations bureau for homicide and sex crime special victims unit.

U.S. STATE DEPT | SECRET SERVICE | NYPD INTELLIGENCE Ernest was frequently called upon by the NYPD Intelligence division, assigned with the Secret Service and State Department. He was routinely assigned to guard visiting preeminent world dignitaries that included Pope John Paul II, Official Heads of State, and Government Delegations during their annual United Nations General Assembly.

UNITED STATES ARMY | NATIONAL GUARD As a 29 year-US Military Veteran, Ernest retired as Sergeant First Class with the 133rd Maintenance Unit of the US Army National Guard. He served two active-duty tours overseas: Desert Shield and Desert Storm in 1991. He was based with the US Army in Germany supporting operations in Bosnia. He earned the Army Achievement medal in 1996.

BOY SCOUTS USA Most notably, Ernest was celebrated as the ‘two millionth boy scout’ as featured in the *New York Times*, February 8th, 1951. Ernest served as assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 134 and became Westchester-Putnam Council District Advancement Chairman in the mid 1980s.

BAVARIA CLUB EDELWEISS | GERMAN CLUB OF WESTCHESTER Ernie was a Board Member and 2nd Vice President where he routinely judged traditional German Schuhplattlers of the Gauverband Nordeamerika.

OUR HERO Ernie was our bright light, shining star. His magnificence was dimmed not by his fighting spirit but by physical limitations from a body that couldn’t keep up with his sharp mind. We have lost our hero. He wants us all to live to make a difference. We shall honour him by living and giving (our best) lives. Rest now with our love, Ernie, Dad, Opa. —Steven, Maggie, and Sullivan

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN MAY**


**SPECIAL MAY BIRTHDAYS:**

Special birthday greetings go out to **Mike Groseclose, Peggy Lersch, Scott Manner, and Eileen Marx.**

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.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO...**

Louie Remigio for the gift to the Society
Julie DiLoreto for your gifts to the flowers at Kolping on Hudson and to our Radio Station
THE GERMAN SOCIETY OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
The German Society of the City of New York welcomes new members. We hold quarterly members’ luncheons including a mini-concert, a delicious lunch, singing, and German conversation with friends old and new. We provide assistance and support with German pension applications/trouble-shooting; proof-of-life forms; referrals to professionals; probate matters (wills, estates, inheritance issues); tenant/landlord advice; liaison with nursing homes, assisted living, home health care, hospital social work departments, German Consulate and more.

Please call 212 360 6022 or email bfox@germansocietyny.org.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES
Family: $155 • Individual: $120 • Student: $45 • 50-year members: paid up forever!

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR DUES FOR 2024. Most members have already submitted their dues for this year—thank you for your promptness. Your membership cards are on their way to you. If you didn’t get last year’s dues paid, you should send that along with this year’s payment so that your membership in the Society continues. Our very modest dues payments combined with the savings and contributions of generations of members keeps our Catholic Kolping Society New York operating at all three of our locations—Montrose, the Concourse and 88th Street.

Send your check made out to Catholic Kolping Society and mail it to: Joan Dengler, Kolping, 7 Ganung Dr, Ossining, NY 10562

LOOKING FOR LIFEGUARDS AT THE KOH POOL
If you or a family member is certified (or able to get certified), consider working at our beautiful pool overlooking the Hudson River. Contract Tracie Truncellito if you can do this: kohmanager95@gmail.com

SERVICE PROJECTS 2024
MAY FOOD DRIVE—Be of service to our Vets in this month of Memorial Day! All food collected will go the the VA Hospital Food Pantry in Montrose. Please bring something to share with a veteran. Donations can be placed in the labeled crate in the main house.

FURRY FRIENDS can be made more comfortable with our clean, cast-off towels and bed linens. We’ll be collecting these at KOH for the SPCA.

WINTER COATS are needed! As you switch your closet from Winter to Spring, think about passing on coats that you didn’t use this year. Bring to KOH on the weekends. We’ll deliver them to partners in Westchester who provide them to people in need when the weather turns.

MEMBERSHIP CORNER
If you or someone you know have any questions regarding sponsoring a new member, checking the status of an existing application, application process, dues, membership status, or questions about the Society as a whole, please contact membership@kolpingny.org.

K-88 AND KOLPING-ON-HUDSON FOR PARTY RENTALS
Keep keep our Kolping properties in mind for parties. Our KOH dining room is beautiful and versatile. The K-88 ballroom is spacious, elegant and affordable!

OUR HOLY FATHER’S MAY 2024 INTENTION
FOR THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS
We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.
**KOH CLEAN UP DAYS**

**We're ready to welcome you at Kolping on Hudson as we do our Spring Clean Up.**

This is a good opportunity for teens to make their service hour commitments. Have your teen work alongside you and contribute to the betterment of our Society.

Next week on Saturday 4/27, our master Gardener, Lillian Hiltsley, will be leading a team of helpers beginning at 9am. They'll work to prepare flower beds, refresh the soil and start new plantings. Please bring rakes, gloves and small shovels.

**NOTE—**On Saturday 4/27 we are having some work done on the roadway and all parking will be in the upper lot and we'll be walking down to the main house. If you have to bring in anything large, please drop it off Friday evening.

**Many thanks** go out to all the members who have already pitched in—including Roger Lounsbury, Barbara Maltese, David and Peggy Dougall, the Sinks Family (Jason, Therese, Caroline and Lizzy), Frank Kurcz, Al Vogl and Tracie Truncellito, Jen and Mike Scheuermann, Kathy and Mike Weinborg, Mia Steigerwald, Alex and Gerhard Schmitt, Chuck Smith, Phyllis and Bob Coletti, Heide Bruegger, Christine Weltner, her son Eric, Alina and Stephen Lovasz, Christine and Stephen McGrath, Ted Dengler, Rich Povilionis, Frank Weigand, Joe Szoldatits and Chris Buckley, Lillian & Rick Hiltsley, Linda Ohland, Lou Janny, Jess Louro, Tara Martin, Steve Palmieri, and others. The place will be looking wonderful pretty quickly thanks to all these contributions of time and talent.

RSVPs are not required for the cleanup days, but if you can let me know that you're attending and when, we can make sure we have a nice lunch available when we break.

If I missed your name, please let me know so we can thank you in a future issue. Things move pretty quickly some days. It's very important to us that we recognize our wonderful Society members.
**44th National Kolping Convention**

**Are you planning on attending the 44th National Convention? If not, consider supporting us with an ad donation.**
*See order form on following page.*

The Kolping conventions are always a great time and wonderful opportunity to see members and friends from the other Kolping families. Kolping representatives from across the country meet to elect officers, vote on projects (like the scholarship program) and discuss best practices to support the individual families. And, of course, we try to have some fun while at it.

Unlike in prior years, the National Kolping will be hosting this year’s event in St. Charles, Missouri, close to St. Louis, the location of the first Kolping society in the U.S. We are hoping to have a good turnout, so start making plans today.

If you are not able to attend, our convention program is an excellent way to show your support.

Whether you place a full-page ad on behalf of your family, a quarter-page business card or a few lines with your names, your contributions will be seen and appreciated by members nationwide.

To submit an ad, you can refer to the latest version of the Banner or go to the Kolping website at [www.kolping.org](http://www.kolping.org)

If you have questions, feel free to email the Kolping convention committee at kolpingus@gmail.com

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**St. Charles, Missouri • September 6–8, 2024**

The National Kolping Society is excited to host the 44th National Kolping Convention in St. Charles, Missouri’s first State capital. This location was chosen to honor our first Kolping family, founded in St. Louis in 1856. Unlike former conventions, this one is hosted by our National Kolping Society and is only possible due to the work of Kolping members around the country.

We are fortunate to have booked the Embassy Suites in St. Charles, with room rates of $170/night, with a 2-night minimum stay (taxes not included). This venue is located approximately 10 miles from the St. Louis airport, a quick 15 minute drive. Registration cost will be $200/person and $100/ family member under 16 years of age.

Please make your hotel reservations directly with the Embassy Suites in St. Charles, Missouri by AUGUST 1, 2024 through the hotel website or by phone: Hilton Reservations, 800-774-1500. Use code “92Q” to get the group rate.

Below is a brief overview of the schedule of events:

**Friday, September 6th**
- Board Meeting and Welcome Reception in the evening

**Saturday, September 7th**
- Mass at hotel
- Delegate meeting and presentations (all day)
- Evening dinner and awards banquet

**Sunday, September 8th**
- Mass
- Riverboat lunch cruise on the Mississippi River
- For those wishing to spend more time, this is near the Arch and Busch Brewery

Since this is a National Kolping event, we are encouraging members and Kolping families to consider taking out an ad in our program booklet. It’s a wonderful souvenir and memory. Participating at the convention—as a delegate or non-delegate—helps us ensure the vitality of our Kolping organizations. It is a time to (re)make acquaintances, share ideas and plan future programs, and, of course, have fun!

If you have any questions, feel free to email kolpingus@gmail.com

*We hope you can make it!*
44th National Kolping Convention
Program ADS

One way we all can support the 44th National Kolping Convention is by purchasing an ad in our Convention Program booklet. It's a wonderful way to acknowledge the importance of Kolping in your life, as well as to show the spirit of Kolping in the USA. We have many options for ads and donations and hope one will fit your budget.

All ads and payments will be accepted until July 1, 2024 to be included in the program. Program size will be 5 ½ X 8 ½.

Select your ad size:
- Full-page color ad: $175
- Full-page black and white ad: $150
- Half-page black and white ad: $75
- Quarter-page black and white ad: $50
- Eighth-page black and white ad: $35
- 2-line Patron ad: $20
- 1-line Supporter ad: $10

Contact name: ________________________________
Contact phone: ________________________________
Company name: ________________________________
Email: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
Comments: ________________________________

Ad for Patron/Supporter Section (personal message/memorial): ________________________________

Enclose a business card or camera ready artwork to: kolpingus@gmail.com

Ad space is limited, so please respond quickly. We appreciate your support. Should you have questions, please contact

Mail checks and order forms with your ad to:
Kolping Society of America, c/o 311 Greene Street, Mill Valley, CA 94941