note the date

july

4 Independence Day
The day of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. The observance began in Philadelphia.
AT KOLPING-ON-HUDSON: Pool is open, no meal will be served.

22 Tropical Night at KOH
Dinner and Dance

24 Last day to submit materials for August Bulletin

august

20 Oktoberfest at KOH
Picnic, raffles, prizes and more...

22 Last day to submit materials for September Bulletin

26 Kinder Olympics at KOH
-27 And family campout

september

2 Labor Day BBQ & Rock n' Roll Night
at KOH

12 Full Board Meeting
K-88th Street

16 Steuben Day Parade
Join Kolping and march!

24 Fall Harvest Schlachtfest
Mass and dinner at KOH

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.

Happy Birthday to those born in July:

Special Milestone Birthdays:
Richard Brunhuber, Dennis DeMarchis, Danny Loftus, Roger R. Lounsbury, Antonia Rehrl, and Katherine Slocum.

THANKS

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Maria Reuber – in memory of Steve Yehl and Vincent Lambot
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2006 DUES

Please send in your dues as soon as possible. These funds are needed for the Society to meet its financial obligations.

Individual: $80
Family: $95
Student: $40

Please make check payable to:
The Catholic Kolping Society.

Mail to: The Catholic Kolping Society, Attention: Ann Horan, 165 East 88th St., New York, NY 10128 and mark “Dues” in the left-hand corner.

HANDY WITH A BRUSH?
July 2nd and/or July 3rd

Please come to KOH to help stain our children’s playground set under the leadership of Gerhard Schmitt.

Have a chainsaw? Like to hike?
Join us July 22 to clear the hiking trails at KOH. We need volunteers to cut down felled trees across the trails. We have some saws or you could bring your own. We also need help carrying and sorting the wood. Watch for our future announcement for replacing the trees.

This is our society—be a part of it!

SAVE THE DATE

OKTOBERFEST AT KOH
Sunday, August 20

Food, Music by BUD GRAMER, Games, Chance Booths, and Raffles. Enjoy a “gemütlich” day with friends and family. The fun begins at noon until sundown.

German-Affiliated Events

Swim & Sports Club—Flanders, NJ

Soccer Over 50 Family Day
July 16th, Game Time: 9am. Admission Fee $5 per person, $3 per child. Also, German Heritage Day at noon, featuring: Bernie Bungers German Band, D’Heimatsgruppe Dancers, Traditional Wooden Keg Tapping, German Beer on Tap, and German Specialties from the kitchen.

Plattdeutsche Park—Franklin Square, Long Island

123rd Volksfest / German-American Festival
Park opens Saturday at 2pm, Sunday: German Church Service at 9:30am. Free Breakfast 11am-12:30pm with PAID admission. Activities for the children include free rides, free balloons, and ice cream parade. German food and beer, game stands, imported specialties and shooting in the rifle range for prizes. Admission $7, children under 12 free. Plenty of free parking.

Carnegie Hall – NYC

50 years Ernst Mosch: His music lives on
Monday, September 18th at Carnegie Hall, 57th Street and 7th Avenue—a spectacular concert with The Original Ernst Hutter and Die Egerlander from Germany and Fifteen Time Grammy Award Winner Jimmy Sturr & His Orchestra from America. Ernst Hutter took over the succession of the legendary orchestra from founder Ernst Mosch in 2003. Tickets priced at $35 and $25 per person at Carnegie Hall Box Office, or Carnegie Charge at 212-247-7800, or online at Carnegiehall.org (fees apply). Tickets go on sale July 15th. Reserve your group now — call 1-800-724-0727.

PNC Bank Arts Center, Holmdel, NJ

The 33rd Annual German Heritage Festival

Submit your classified ad (free for members!):

The classified advertisement section can be found on both the KolpingNY web site and printed in the Bulletin. All members are invited to submit advertisements for items that they want to sell, give away or own. The ads will expire after one month unless other arrangements are made. We reserve the right to charge a fee in the future, if needed, to cover expenses. Email your classified ads (or any questions) to: classifieds@kolpingny.org

You can also mail them to: Ingrid Reslmaier, Kolping Classifieds, 6 Green Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563.

Or Ads can be posted directly on the web site: www.kolpingny.org.

Please include a description, contact name, phone number, and/or email address.

September Rental available in Saxtons River, Vermont.
Close to historic Grafton and Brattleboro. Visit Vermont Country Store, Yankee Candle, Shop for antiques or shop tax free in nearby Keene, NH. Near hiking, kayaking.
1 Bedroom house $300 per week.

Contact Peggy Dougall
914-739-8996 for more details.
Father’s Day at KOH
dawned bright and beautiful for all our fathers and grandfathers. We served 150 dinners which were ably prepared by the Scheuermann and Ahrens families and Gerhard Schmitt. The pool was alive with children and parents looking for a way to cool off. Father Bretone said our Mass for Vincent Lambot and Steve Yehl. After Mass our president, Katrina Dengler presented scholarships to four boys from St. Ignatius School and four boys from The Nativity Mission School. This has become a significant part of our ongoing educational goal to promote Catholic education to our youth and we look forward to seeing these boys each year. This was our first year at trying a salute to Kolping artists. We thank our artists who brought their work for display. Next year we will try for better organization and we hope more of you will participate!
Stories of Interest

Cinco de Mayo (The rest of the story)
submitted by Martin A. Kelly

Cinco de Mayo (fifth of May) was celebrated in Mexican-American communities with singing, dancing, speech-making, etc., much as the Fourth of July is. Both are dates of national independence. The Mexicans threw out the French in 1847; and we threw out the British in 1877, while “South of the Border” there was celebration, Austria-Hungary was in mourning—a member of the royal house of Hapsburg had been killed.

Archduke Maximilian, brother of Emperor Franz Joseph, had been executed by a Mexican firing squad. His crime was trying to be “Mr. Nice Guy” in a vitriolic situation. Emperor Napoleon III of France wanted to win back for his country some of its lost glory. When Mexico defaulted on a loan, the French emperor used the occasion as a pretext to invade the land.

Napoleon wanted to govern the country as a republic with an emperor as a titular head, or “fader-figure”. Maximilian was offered the “honor”, and, evidently, seeing himself in a dead-end job as archduke, accepted the French offer. He would regret his choice.

No sooner had Maximilian and his wife Carlota landed in Mexican soil, this became evident. The country was divided by factions which were uncompromising. Furthermore, the French army was tied up in military operations against an embittered enemy. In spite of Maximilian’s generosity and paternalism, the Mexicans would not relent, and France decided to withdraw and write off the whole operation.

But, there was no provision made for the safety of Maximilian and his wife. Captured by Mexican nationalists, Maximilian stood accused of war crimes. In spite of pleas for clemency the world over, the kangaroo court found him guilty and ordered him shot. The nationalist leader, Benito Juarez, had been schooled in the philosophy of the French fanatics who overthrew the monarchs Louis XIV and Marie Antoinette in 1789.

Maximilian went to his death serenely. He gave his pocket money (5 gold coins) to the firing squad as a “tip” and died with a prayer on his lips that Mexico should not have to endure further bloodshed.

The remains of his bullet-riddled body was shipped to Vienna where it was entombed in the Capuchin Convent.

Maximilian was at the wrong place at the wrong time – his only crime.

A Yorkville Relic
submitted by Jack McGee

Built in 1864-1870, this small hotel at 86th Street and Third Avenue is perhaps the oldest commercial building to survive in the Yorkville area.

A surveyor named John Miller enlarged an existing building in 1864, which resulted in a three-story structure, who's tenants were a blacksmith, a plumber and a grocer.

In 1870, Mr. Miller enlarged 200 East 86th Street to its present appearance. This was apparently a family endeavor: his architect was listed as James S. Miller, and the carpenter was George S. Miller.

The building most likely operated as a hotel or lodging house. The 1880 census listed 14 boarders, including three waiters, a milkman and an upholsterer. The proprietor was 46-year-old François Evernat.

200 East 86th Street was listed as the Hotel Astoria in a 1915 directory. The 1920 census listed 26 residents, including five who were German-born.

The 1930 census recorded 33 occupants in all, 19 from Puerto Rico, Cuba or Florida, many of them cigar makers. By the 1940’s the Hotel Astoria was still mostly intact, but sometime later it was nearly suffocated under a slush of fake brick.

A consortium including the Related Companies now owns the Hotel Astoria site and is planning to build a condominium there designed by Robert A. M. Stern. May P. Wong, Related’s vice president for marketing, said work would begin this summer. So demolition seems to be fate for the Astoria, a fragile little shadow of Yorkville’s history.

A Mistaken Door
submitted by Martin A. Kelly

On a particular street corner stood a dry goods store. Next door was the entrance to a “lokal” (bar) which had an “L” shape and ran to the adjacent street with a second entrance there.

One of the bar patrons became disorderly and the manager decided he would have to order him out. The patron, who was slightly inebriated, wandered around outside and turned the corner. The patron, not knowing he was facing the second entrance to the bar he was just in, entered. Of course the manager immediately recognized him and ordered him to leave. The bewildered patron blurted out, “What, do you own every bar in town?”
What's Happening in New York This Month?

By Jack McGee (718-478-0573)

SACRED MUSIC AT THE CHURCHES

ST. BARTHOLOMEW’S – 50th Street and Park Avenue
Sunday mornings at 11am. Offering at collections.
July 9 • Mass in G Major by Ralph Vaughan Williams
July 16 • Missa Criolla – Latin music incorporated into Mass
July 23 • Missa in Simplicitate – For women’s voices
July 30 • Missa Pange Lingua – from the Renaissance

St. Bartholomew's Church is combining the Latin Roman Catholic Mass with its traditional Episcopal Communion Service for this July-August Church Music Festival.

ZION ST. MARK’S, 339 East 84th St., Manhattan
(between 2nd & 1st Aves.)
Friday, July 21, 2006 at 7:00 PM. Zion St. Mark’s invites you to a piano concert performance by Tilman Loeser, well known German concert pianist from Leipzig. Enjoy works by Johann Sebastian Bach, Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, Clara Schumann, Robert Schumann and Bernd Franke. There will be a reception in the Parish Hall after the concert.
Contribution $10.

FREE FILM FESTIVAL – Bryant Park
42nd Street and 6th Avenue. Films start at sunset (about 8:15). Get there early for a seat. A Monday night must for July and August (rain day, Tuesday nights).

July 3 • M*A*S*H / Donald Sutherland
July 10 • BILL & T / Steve McQueen
July 17 • THE BAND WAGON / Fred Astaire
July 24 • HIGH NOON / Gary Cooper
July 31 • A SHOT IN THE DARK / Humphrey Bogart
Aug 7 • THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE / Frank Sinatra
Aug 14 • CHARADE / Cary Grant
Aug 21 • ROCKY / Sylvester Stallone

CIRQUE DU SOLEIL
In spite of not having any animals, the N.Y. Times says that it’s worth the pilgrimage to Randalls Island.

SUMMER BLOCKBUSTERS FROM HOLLYWOOD

The Break-up. Couple buy a condo. Then, they fall out of love. Which one is going to move out of the condo?
Cars. With the voices of Paul Newman and Owen Wilson, this release is predicted to be one of the big buck takers, appealing to all of the general public.
Click. Adam Sandler acquires a universal remote with the power to rewind, fast-forward and pause moments of his life.
The Devil Wears Prada. The story of a successful business woman in the world of fashion and all of the sacrifices that one has to suffer to be a success.
Garfield: A Tale of Two Kitties. The cat is back.
The Heart of the Game. Rough, tough and rowdy girls on a basketball team.
The Lake House. An exchange of love letters. Sandra Bullock and Keanu Reeves are together again. But no run-away bus this time.
The Most Unfabulous Social Life of Ethan Green. A romantic romp about the big-city dating scene.
The Motel. A different view of teenage life, about a Chinese-American boy who works in a seedy joint.
Nacho Libre. A wrestler puts on public exhibitions to raise money for an orphanage. Starring Jack Black.
The Omen. Parents believe that their son is the Antichrist. He has become completely diabolical.
Peaceful Warrior. A college gymnast is wounded in an accident and must re-adjust his life.
The Prairie Home Companion. It is the last broadcast of a fictional radio broadcaster–he brings together a huge assortment of guests for this memorable finale.
The Puffy Chair. A man, a van and a La-Z-Boy take a road trip, indie-rock style.
Shadowboxer. Complicated drama about two contract killers. Helen Mirren and Cuba Gooding, Jr.
Strangers with Candy. Hollywood calls it “like” an after-school special, crossed with laughing gas.
Superman Returns. The producers are releasing this film in regular wide screen presentation as well as in IMAX with parts in 3-D and special stereophonic sound.
X-Men: The Last Stand. Keep your eye on this one, with a huge cast: Hugh Jackman, Halle Berry, Ian McKellen, Anna Paquin, Kelsey Grammer, Patrick Stewart and more.