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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    Kolping-on-Hudson
10  Fr. Bretone’s Annual Retreat
    Barryville, NY

Tropical Night
Saturday, July 25

Kolping-on-Hudson presents our annual hot and exciting Tropical Night!

Our DJ will provide great music and there will be lots of dancing under the stars. The dinner begins at 7pm.

DINNER & DANCING: $25 for Members/$30 for Non-Members
DANCING ONLY: $10

Dinner: Choice of Sweet & Sour Chicken or Roast Loin of Pork with Rice Pilaf, Vegetables, Salad, dessert & coffee

For details and reservations, call (914) 736-0117
Milestones & Passages

Everyday 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN JULY:

SPECIAL JULY BIRTHDAYS:
Special Birthday wishes to Catherine Ferrero, Ada Brauweiler and Margarete Kiec.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to members Katie Bergen and Brian Seger who celebrated their wedding and reception at Kolping on Hudson on June 6th.

DONATIONS
Thank you to Ada & John Brauweiler for their generous donation of $1,000 to Kolping on Hudson—this contribution will be used for the many on going projects. This year we have work on the KOH playground, some new windows and the numerous projects at the caretaker house.

A special thank you to Margarete Kiec for her donation of $2,000 toward the scholarship fund. We appreciate Margarete’s generosity to our Kolping Society.

The following members donated extra money toward the scholarship fund and we thank them very much: John & Elizabeth Reitter, Ronald Seelbach, Anna Fitzgerald, Catherine Hickey, Heidi Bruegger, Muriel & Jerry Fullam, Rita & Robert Berge, Katherine Reslmaier, William Grimm, and Betty Boecklen.

Thank you to Richie Povilonis and Willy & Marlene Bittermann for their donations to Kolping on Hudson in memory of Willi Stang.

Much appreciation to the Hiking Club for their donation of $200 to Kolping on Hudson.

JOSEPH SARTORIUS SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE
We really appreciate all those that have purchased raffle tickets and want to thank Bill Heyd and Tony Cianci for selling extra tickets. All the proceeds will benefit our scholarship fund and enable us to continue giving our Kolping Member’s children and grandchildren opportunities to win scholarship toward their future education. The winning tickets were drawn at the Father’s Day celebration at KOH. Thank you to Christine Preisser and John Reitter for drawing the winning tickets!

First prize Yankee tickets went to Ferdinand Zipprich, second prize Mets tickets winner was M. Mastrantino, third prize $100 winner was Margaret Cirincione and fourth prize beer stein winner was Carolyn Specht. Thank you to all that bought tickets and congratulations to all the winners.
**AVAILABLE FOR RENT: KOLPING-ON-HUDSON CARETAKER’S HOUSE**
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**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).

**MESSAGE FROM LOU COLLETTI**
Chairman of the Board of Directors
We are looking for volunteers for both the St. Nicholas & Steuben Day sub-committee’s. If you are interested please email me: LCookie1129@aol.com

Although we at KOH are early in the season I am asking if anyone has baskets, (wicker etc.) that they would like to donate. Myself & Phyllis Coletti will use them for our Oktoberfest prizes.

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**SECURITY AND ALARM SYSTEM INSTALLATION**
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- Residential and Commercial Security Systems, specifically tailored to each client's needs and concerns
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Sadie Longobardi, Kolping member since 2005, is the owner of Amberlands Travel. Her travel agency is a full service agency—she works with individual clients, groups and corporate clients. She has been in the travel business for 31 years and handles travels to everywhere. Call her at when you are planning your next trip. She will do everything she can to get you the best price.

**2015 DUES**
If you haven’t paid your 2015 dues yet, please forward your payment to Catholic Kolping Society, 95 Montrose Point Rd, Montrose, NY 10548
Att: Jan Kessler

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, Jan Kessler. 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.

**STAY TUNED: THIS PROGRAM IS COMING TO YOU FROM KOLPING RADIO!**
Your Kolping radio committee has been making progress toward establishment of a Catholic Kolping radio station broadcasting on FM frequency 102.3 as station WKBR-LP. Kolping has received a Not-for-Profit FM band license for that frequency. We are acquiring an antenna and necessary broadcast equipment to get started.

This will enable us to evangelize-spreading our message and knowledge of Blessed Father Kolping—his work and teachings in the Hudson area. We hope to build our Kolping radio identity and provide opportunities for volunteering (i.e. service hours to maintain broadcast feed, learning in the areas of programming, communications and the technical aspects of broadcasting operations). We look forward to serving the Kolping family as well as the larger community with all a Catholic radio station can offer. If you have radio interest or experience, please email kdengler67@hotmail.com.

**GRANT WRITER NEEDED**
We are looking for a grant writer who has knowledge of a program which searches for foundations who give grants. This is a paid position. If interested please contact Bob Hemsing at bob42@optonline.net or 914-552-7188.

**MURDER MYSTERY DINNER AT KOH**
Saturday July 18, 2015
6pm until the mystery is solved!
Team up with your KOH friends to figure out WHO DONE IT?
Meet the characters during the cocktail hour that includes a variety of hors d’oeuvres and one(1) complimentary drink!
At 7pm, continue the investigation during dinner and the menu is no mystery. Tossed Garden Salad • Chicken Cordon Blue • Baked Stuffed Potato • Green Beans and Carrots • Bananas Foster for dessert
This event is limited to 65pp. The cost is $25 per person, and reservations are required! Call Heidi Umland at 736-0117.

All characters are sworn to secrecy!
Joseph Sartorius Scholarship Winning Essay: Written by Alexa Richardson, daughter of Donna Richardson. She attends Niagara University, studying Early Childhood Special Education. She was awarded $2,000.

Pope Francis and the recently assembled Catholic Bishops released a preliminary document calling for the Church to welcome and accept gay people, unmarried couples and those who have divorced as well as the children of those less traditional families. How would your relationship with the Church change if these modifications were adopted?

What does it mean to be a traditional, practicing Catholic? I believe the definition of a true, practicing Catholic is someone who abides by moral principles and is accepting of anyone. A good Catholic is also someone who practices daily their faith, prays to our loving God, and is kind and giving to all. We should lead in the acceptance of change for the good, as we are the largest Christian-Catholic Church with over 1.2 billion followers worldwide. If the church adopted these principles calling to accept people of different dynamics, sexual orientations, and family structures, I would be even more proud to be a practicing Catholic.

As of now, this document is not a law or any type of rule that the Church must follow. It is being used as a suggestion and should only be used as a reference. If the Church were to adopt these modifications, I would support and encourage their decisions as the world in this day and age is changing. The Bible was written thousands of years ago in a time that resembles our lives today in very few aspects. It could be said the text of the Bible would be different if it were written during any other time period due to the different ideas of ethics, religion, law, and daily life. The same could be said about the U.S. Constitution; without the addition of amendments to compensate for the changing of our country, African Americans would still be slaves and women would still have the inability to vote. People of this faith must realize we are all apart of humankind. So we must be both human and kind. We must love and respect all those around us aside from their decisions as individuals and what makes them different. Instead seek their similarities, praise them for their strength and ability to stand up for their beliefs.

There has been a lot of controversy in regards to people of different sexual orientations entering into the church. I believe that gay people should be accepted into the church because, regardless of what their sexual identity is, they are still people of God. They are Gods children, made just how He wanted. It has been stated that gay people have, “gifts and qualities to offer the Christian community.” Despite sexuality, everyone has opinions and ideas that may benefit the church.

The bible states “May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Jesus Christ, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God”. In short, we must learn to accept one another and live together in harmony; God accepted us into this world as we are so we must accept all of humanity as they are.

As for the divorced, the Church states that marriage is indissoluble and a divorce must be annulled by the Church to be recognized. The assembly of the Bishops and Pope Francis has brought up the idea of “real world problems.” It seems unrealistic to say that divorce will not occur. In our faith, we like to think that divorce is not the end result, but sometimes situations occur that are not foreseen, therefore resulting in a complicated and costly divorce. It may not be either spouse’s wish as a practicing Catholic, however, these situations can be urgent, like domestic abuse situations, and in the best interest of all involved, especially children. Pope Francis even stated that he realizes divorce may be “imposed, not chosen.” If couples believe they are making the right decision, considering all parties involved, then they must be appreciated for their honesty and willingness to try and make it work. They should not be looked down upon for a bad decision. As people, we all will make mistakes in our lifetime. Divorce might be a rut in the road. However, I do believe God’s ultimate test for us is how we honor our mistakes, how we respond and rise above our mistakes, and how we fix them.

The children of these less traditional families should be accepted as well. Their parents, whether married or unmarried, single, divorced, or of another sexuality, are just as much human as anyone else. If someone is working hard and supplying for their family, they should be accepted. Certain circumstances have to be taken into concern when considering children and families of the divorced, unmarried, or gay. This generation has strayed away from “traditional.” We as humans need to consider these changing times and make exceptions where appropriate.

Being active in this faith, we should not only be modeling Catholics, but model citizens. If our world is continuously evolving into a more diverse place, even if it seems less conventional than our ancestors experienced: consisting of people with different sexual orientations, less conventional marriages, and less fortunate families, shouldn’t we then modify our beliefs? At the end of the day, we are all people of God, despite our decisions, despite our beliefs, despite our preferences ... and the list keeps going. God put his son, Jesus, on Earth to save us all, as he loves us all. Alike, Pope Francis wishes to stray away from “condemnation of unconventional family situations and toward understanding, openness, and mercy” and I believe it would be a step in the right direction not only for the Catholic Church but for a better world and better tomorrow.

A big thanks to members of the West Point Military Academy German Language Club who generously helped with the KOH Cleanup on April 19th: Charles Brown, Lucas Heck, Mitchell Parker, Alexander Porter, Arron Lehleitner, Will Pingrey, Hans Sitarz, Thomas Rangitsch, Jacob Pewitt, Lisa DeLacey
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**July 2015 Dinner Schedule**

Saturday, July 4 — **Annual Fourth of July BBQ**
Hamburgers, hot dogs, bratwurst, ribs, assorted salads & dessert

Sunday, July 5
Jaegersshnitzel, spaetzle, creamed spinach, dessert

Saturday, July 11
Meatloaf, potatoes, vegetables & dessert

Sunday, July 12
Yankee pot roast, herbed noodles, vegetables, dessert

Saturday, July 18— **Murder Mystery Dinner**
$25 per person includes 1 cocktail w/hors d’oeuvres chicken cordon bleu (choice of vegetarian dinner), stuffed baked potato and vegetables, dessert (banana foster). Reservations necessary as maximum is 65 people.
Contact Heidi: 914-736-0117

Sunday, July 19
Authentic Italian dinner by guest chefs **Nick & Lou Colletti**

Saturday, July 25 — **Tropical Night**
Choice of sweet & sour chicken or roast loin of pork with rice pilaf, vegetables, salad, dessert & coffee

Sunday, July 26
Roasted 1/2 chicken, potatoes, vegetables and dessert

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Memorial Day at KOH submitted by Jan Kessler; photos by Charles Ruppmann and Muriel Fullam

It was perfect weather for a perfect barbecue on May 25th. Over 130 members gathered at Kolping on Hudson for barbequed ribs, bratwurst, hotdogs and hamburgers and delicious salads. We thank all the Kolping barbeque crew for serving up a great meal: Jennifer Ahrens Scheuermann, Mike Scheuermann, Tracie Truncellito, Al Ahrens, Nick Colletti, Al Vogl, Lou Colletti, Doris Petsche, Gerry Ladenhauf, Rich Povolonis and Heidi Umland. Jennifer and Tracie made some great specialty items—zeppole, fried pickles and French fries. Its always great to meet up with family and friends at KOH. A huge thank you to all those that attended and those who donated items.
Over 240 families attended movie night and watched Lego on our big screen – the weather was perfect and many were able to get there early enough to enjoy the pool and barbecue. A very special thank you to Max Fucheck for all his efforts in coordinating all the details and activities of this event. Max enlisted the help of volunteers Tom & Shannon Walsh, Chris Beloff, Dan & Suann Stewart. The barbecue pit volunteers were Mike Scheuermann, Alfred Vogl, Stephen Lovasz, Nick Colletti, Dennis Noll. Isabelle Lovasz did a great job stuffing all the popcorn bags, Robert & Miriam Herman & Jenna Richardson helped out with all the serving. Rob & Josh were kept busy with many projects. Ted, Joan and Teddy Jr. were all there to help with organizing the event along with cashier, parking assignments and everything else that needed to be done. Beverly Fucheck spent hours at the front gate collecting the entrance fee along with Marie McAndrew.

Thank you to our KOH staff that are always working hard to be sure that everything is running smoothly and getting all the preparations done well in advance—Heidi Urland, Doris Petsche, Rich Povilonis, Christine and Danielle Kern, Dan Benge, and Christel Scheuermann.

Stories of Interest

**Foreign mercenaries have been used in armies from time immemorial. The Romans had their Balearic Islands archers and Julius Caesar had Spanish swordsman as his personal bodyguard. And of course the pope still has his Swiss Guards.**

We recall how King George III of England hired Hessian troops to help suppress resistive colonists in America. This fact is depicted in the painting “Washington Crossing the Delaware,” by the German-American painter Emanuel Leutze, which shows Washington and his soldiers on the way to raid the Hessian encampment.

As time went on, wars became bigger and the use of foreigners as combatants became greater. Take World War II on the Axis side alone. There were, among others,

1. The Blue Division, made up of Spaniards who wanted to repay the Third Reich for their aid in defeating the Loyalists (Reds) in the Spanish Civil War (1936 – 1939).
2. The Charlemagne Division, made up of Vichy Frenchmen (100,000) who sided with the Nazis.
3. The St. George Brigade, composed of fifty pro-fascist Moseley Englishmen who aligned themselves with Germany.

In all, there were 350,000 non-Germans fighting for the Third Reich. The most unlikely combatants were the Muslims whose story is told in David Motadel’s Islam and Nazi Germany’s War. In the Middle Ages the Muslim Turks made inroads into what would become the Soviet Union. Where the pashas led their troops, the star and crescent followed, and conversions were made among the conquered.

The descendants of these converts were basically anti-Stalinist. In June 1941, Germany invaded Russia and found that her armies had captured centers of these Caucasian Muslims. Two years of war had taken its toll on Germany’s manpower reserve. Could they enlist these Muslims in a common cause?

Rhetoric on racial superiority was laid aside. The Nazis portrayed themselves as liberators of these captive, anti-Soviet victims. They also demonized the British, French, and Dutch as exploiters of their co-religionists in their colonies (India, Algeria, Egypt, the East Indies, etc.).

With concessions made with regard to their religious and dietary laws, and with imams assigned as chaplains, Muslims enlisted in large numbers. With their unique uniforms, general issue plus the traditional red fezzes, 54 battalions of these stalwarts served loyally and bravely not only in the East but also in France, Italy and the Balkans.

This phenomenon did not go unnoticed by the Allies. At the Yalta Conferences, February 1945, Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin met. The issue of these foreign fighters came up, and it was decided that in all cases they must be returned to the lands of their nationality. The name given to this repatriation was called “Operation Keelhaul.” The fate of these soldiers of fortune is a mooted question.
On May 20th my wife, Alex, and I had the distinct pleasure of meeting Bishop Chris Cardone from the Auki Diocese, Solomon Islands and Father Tom Cardone of Kellenberg Memorial High School. The brothers took time from their very busy schedules to meet with us and to graciously accept the proceeds from Kolping’s 2015 Lenten Project. Bishop Chris was very grateful and engaging. The proceeds from the Lenten project and from the Kellenberg community will be used to build additional classrooms in the school at the St. Theresa the Little Flower parish. He told us about the challenges that he and his flock face in that remote part of the globe. Unlike here in the States, large scale construction projects are not preceded by a trip to a building supply house to purchase materials. Rather, the workers head into the local forest to cut down trees, which they mill themselves. Also, they use the local sand and gravel to fabricate all the cinderblocks. Continuing construction of the school, additional vocational training, and the desire to build a Marianist High School in the future are some of the goals of this very dedicated man. We ended our meeting with the two very engaging and driven men of God, with the promise that they had a friend in Kolping. Who knows? Maybe someday a Kolping Family will find itself forming in His Excellency’s Diocese.
1:00pm Shotgun start to play 18 holes. Please arrive early to sign-in. Barbeque Dinner & Awards Reception to follow on Pavilion.

“Put your handicap to the test on Doral Arrowwood’s world-class, nine-hole, par-35 golf course designed by Robert Von Hagge, creator of Miami’s famed “Blue Monster”. The resort is located on 114 acres of rolling hills in the serene Westchester enclave of Rye Brook, NY”.

Cost is $84.00 per person for KOLPING MEMBERS or $119.00 per person NON-MEMBERS for 18 holes of golf, greens fees, and cart; BBQ Dinner & Awards Reception. Please send payment and registration by August 30,2015 to:

The Catholic Kolping Society
95 Montrose Point Road
Montrose, NY 10548
Attention: Jan Kessler

Questions, contact Bob Hemsing: 914-552-7188 or Bob42@optonline.net

NAME: __________________________ PHONE: __________________________
EMAIL: __________________________ HANDICAP: __________
PREF. ON FOURSOME(names): ________________________________________

Prior to golfing, Mulligans Outdoor Restaurant is open at 11:30am for lunch. For more hotel information, please contact Donna Richardson at 914-935-6646 or at drichardson@doralarrowwood.com
Family Fun Day
Sunday
August 16, 2015

We have a whole day’s worth of fun activities planned for this year’s **Family Fun Day** and hope that you and your family will join us for all or even part of the day. Sign up for the cruise, or just come and relax poolside at Kolping-on-Hudson for part of the day—either way it’s sure to be a great time!

The day will start with a cruise on the 1966 retired Coast Guard vessel **Evening Star** from 10am-1pm. It will be a guided tour from Peekskill to West Point. The Evening Star only takes 30 people and space is going fast. Please call or email Lou Colletti and reserve your spot ASAP! This is separate pricing: $20 for Adults, $10 for Kids between 5 & 15 years of age. Children under 5 free, however they count as a seat.

Following the cruise, Kolping-on-Hudson will host a **BBQ** from 1pm - 4pm featuring hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage & peppers, assorted salads and dessert. The pool will be **open until 6:00 PM**, as well as a **Jumping Castle**!

We have the following activities planned for after the BBQ, but will only do them if we have volunteers to run the events and of course participants!

- **Tug of War**
- **Water Balloon Toss**
- **Sack Races**
- **Musical Towels**
- **Family Soccer Game** (Kids vs. Parents)
- **Soda Dive**
- **Pie Eating Contest** (Chocolate pudding with whipped cream)

**Fee for Members**
- which includes the pool and BBQ
- $15 per adult
- $5 per child 12 and under

**Fee for Non-Members**
- which includes the pool and BBQ
- $17 per adult
- $7 per child 12 and under

To RSVP or for more information or to volunteer, please contact Lou Colletti at LCookie1129@aol.com or call her at 914-275-7481

Please RSVP by August 12, 2015