

note the date

Below are the currently scheduled events. We will keep you posted on the status of the situation.

october

- 6 German-American Day**
Annual celebration of the German-American heritage
- 10 Close Out Dinner**
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 10- Fr. Bretone's Annual Retreat**
- 11** Barryville, NY
- 13 Executive Board Meeting**
Kolping 88th Street
- 23 November Bulletin**
Last day to submit material
- 24 Rental Season Ends**
Kolping-on-Hudson

november

- 1 Memorial Mass**
St. Philip Neri Church
- 17 Full Board Meeting**
Kolping 88th Street

december

- 6 Mass & St. Nikolaus Party**
Kolping 88th Street

SAVE THE DATE
Kolping Annual Ski Trip
March 12-14, 2021

OCTOBER

Kolping-On-Hudson Close Out Dinner

7:00pm • Saturday, October 10, 2020

Join us for our final event at Kolping-on-Hudson in 2020. Our super chefs Jennifer Scheuermann and Kathy Weinborg will be cooking a delicious dinner for our end of the season closeout party. The menu includes shrimp cocktail, filet mignon, vegetable, stuffed baked potato, dessert & coffee.

Price is \$50 per person which includes dinner at 6:00pm and open bar from 6:00-10:00pm. Reservations are required for this special evening and we have capacity restrictions in place. There will be no walk-ins permitted. As with all events this year, we're limited to members only, make sure your dues are paid.

Call NOW to see if there's space.

Please contact Heidi Umland heidiumland@verizon.net or 914.736.0117.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

Sunday, November 1st at 11:15 am

Kolping Members are invited to join the congregation of St. Philip Neri Church (3025 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10468).

Mass will be held to honor the memory of **William Grimm, Joe Haneman, Jim Zambrano, Horst and Inge Schmitt, Wilfriede Roessler, Miriam Herman, Willy Bittermann, Agnes Tretter, Rita Berge, Julio Montero** and all deceased members of the Catholic Kolping Society New York.

Sadly we will not be able to dine afterwards at Kolping on Concourse but we look forward to being back there in 2021.



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.

We are saddened to announce that our friend and Kolping member **Julio H. Montero** passed away. Following is the obituary from The Journal News. Please keep Julio, his wife Barbara and all their family and friends in your prayers.

Montrose – Julio Humberto Montero passed away on September 18, 2020 at the Hudson Valley Hospital in Cortlandt Manor, NY, the day after his 75th birthday.

Julio was born on September 17, 1945 in Manizales, Colombia to Julio Montero and Zoila Montero Perez. He was the third of nine children and is survived by his siblings Leonor Arbagi, German Eduardo (Ed) Montero, Pilar Webster, Clara Montero, Augusto (Gus) Montero, Carlos (Chuck) Montero, Christina Bradford and Roberto (Bob) Montero. He and his family immigrated to the United States from Colombia in 1954 and settled in Sleepy Hollow, NY. He was later naturalized as a U.S. citizen in 1964. He was a graduate of Sleepy Hollow High School, Columbia University and the Teachers College of Columbia University. He joined the Army in 1967 and was honorably discharged as a Sergeant in 1969.

In 1974 he met his beautiful wife Barbara Lee Montero (nee Treptow). They were wedded the next year and remained happily married for the rest of his life. He was the proud father to two sons and daughters-in-law: Daniel (Jesse) Montero and wife Anne Farmer Montero, and Andrew Lee Montero and wife Gabriele Simmons Montero. Throughout most of his career, Julio worked for various BOCES programs at the intersection of education and technology. He pioneered the introduction of computers and the Internet to local schools and retired as Director of Management Information Systems at Rockland BOCES in 2006. In his retirement he enjoyed extensive travels, wine, fine dining and time with family and friends.

In addition to the aforementioned family members he is survived by his three cherished grandsons, Paul (10), Damon (8) and Andreas (4).

A formal memorial service will be delayed until a further date when COVID-19 precautions can be lifted. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his honor to Partners in Health (www.pih.org). Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Joseph F. Nardone Funeral Home.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN OCTOBER:

Sal Americo, Martin Beirne, Dan Bengé, Father Richard Bretone, Heide Bruegger, Kevin Peter Bruegger, Monica Buckel, Anneli Nicole Cantu, Kathy Carano, Peter Carruthers, Andrea Cicogna, Robin Cooke, Ginny Costa, Cristina Cox, James Crowley, Norma Curtin, Anna Dengler, Anton Dengler, Christina Dengler, Debra

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SPECIAL OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS:

Special Birthday wishes to **Marilyn Dengler, Dot Kreitner** and **Dr. Charles Keller**.

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 Joan Smyth Dengler at kolpingny@gmail.com.

OUR HOLY FATHER'S OCTOBER 2020 INTENTION

PRAYER INTENTION FOR EVANGELISATION: THE LAITY'S MISSION IN THE CHURCH

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

2020 DUES

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: \$105

Individual: \$90

Student: \$45

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

KOLPING AND VOCATIONS

Did you know that our Catholic Kolping Society New York has a project directed to supporting young people who would like to explore a trade? College is only one path among many for our teenagers and it is sometimes difficult to know where to begin to explore other options.

Father Kolping worked as a shoemaker before becoming a priest and he thoroughly understood the challenges and satisfactions of being a craftsman. When he opened his first Kolping House it was to support young people as they moved away from their childhood homes to work in trades and become independent.

Funded by a generous legacy gift, the Kolping Occupational and Vocational Apostolate project contributes to defray the employer's cost of training a young person who is endeavoring to enter a particular vocational training and learn new skills.

A KOVA grant is a one-time payment to help encourage an employer to take the extra time and energy of investing in training the next generation. Applications are considered on a rolling basis. Persons interested in KOVA (employer or trainee) should email kolpingny@gmail.com. Inquiries will be forwarded to the KOVA committee for consideration.

Please consider the young people in your life and whether this might present a good opportunity for them to learn, grow, and secure a non-college-based educational training to support their future and the future of quality businesses!

MEMBERS ONLY AT KOH

Since we are operating at reduced capacity, only members will be allowed at KOH for the foreseeable future—no guests. So make sure your dues are paid up!

ATTENTION PHOTO TAKERS

We are always looking for pictures of our members and friends participating in Kolping events. If you have any photos that you think would be nice for the Bulletin, email them to Ingrid at ingrid22@optonline.net. Please include the date and name of the event.

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 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.

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.

Due to the capacity constraints that we have in place right now, we are pausing the process of interviewing and inducting new members to the Kolping Society. It's been a challenge to serve our members in the way to which they've been accustomed. We're concerned that adding additional members in these months might lead to a decline in the level of service and experience that all expect.

So, if you have sponsored someone for membership, please know that we will revisit the applications in the Fall with the goal of having inductions at Mothers Day 2021.

More News & Notes

HONEY, HONEY

As well as being a place of rest, relaxation and refuge for us humans, our home on the Hudson provides safe space for bees. It was an old tradition at KOH to raise bees and harvest their honey. Members like Albert Buchholz crafted hives and honeycomb frames to encourage the process. In recent years, member Frank Kurcz has poured treasure and time into the bee project. He's fighting colony collapse and various diseases that have been threatening honeybees over the past decade. Frank's team includes Joe Szoldatits, Bob Coletti, Louis Janny, Stephen Szoldatits, Mia Steigerwald, Rich Povilonis, Christina Cox and, of course, Albert Buchholz! KOH Honey has a very dedicated fanbase that anxiously awaits harvest time each year and usually buy up all the honey that is extracted. There might be a jar or two still available by publication date, email kolpingny@gmail.com if you are interested. We thank Frank and friends for all this work that benefits the entire Society by keeping our property green and flourishing. Plants need bees. Thank you Frank for encouraging and tending them.



Stations of the Cross

Our beautiful Stations of the Cross at KOH provide a serene place for quiet prayer. Consider taking some time out of your day and come to KOH to pray the Stations and meditate on Jesus' journey. One way to involve the younger generation is to make it a pray and rake session. Bring rakes from home and clear the open grassy area by raking leaves and moving small branches to the outer perimeter. Or simply find a spot on one of the welcoming benches to quietly meditate. There are many ways to enjoy this holy space and praise the Lord and his creation. Come by soon.



Bonfire Night at KOH

Kolping Members enjoyed a bonfire on the beach. Thanks to Judy Mersits for sending in the photos!



50 Years of Kolping Development Cooperation

Michaela Roemkens of the International Kolping press office sent us an exciting announcement that the anniversary film is available online. The video link is on the homepage of Kolping.Net as well as on our YouTube channel. (Search: youtube kolpinginternational and you can subscribe to the channel.) We will also be posting a link on our Kolping New York website soon. New 13-minute film highlights milestones and achievements in the history of KOLPING work across Latin America, Africa, Asia and Europe. Watch and learn more about the impact that our Society has made throughout the world over 50 years.

Harvest Festival Dinner 2020

Kolping members came together to enjoy a special harvest dinner at KOH on Saturday, September 19th. Heidi Umland's team made our space look beautiful. Christine Kern tended bar with grace and a smile. Jen Ahrens and Kathy Weinborg led the sous chefs Helmi Pinner and Alex Schmitt, servers Kevin Bruegger and Izzy Lovasz and pot washer Ted Dengler. Richie Povilonis saw to the many behind-the-scenes details. Our members enjoyed a scrumptious meal of fresh ham (sourced by Kolping Member Michael Groseclose), sauerkraut and dumplings.

The Oktoberfest raffle was drawn and the lucky winners included Richard Brunhuber, Judy Mersits, Gertie Mohapp and Lou Janny. These members participate in our Society extensively so it's extra-special to see them chosen as our winners.

We surprised Heidi at dessert time with a special cake to celebrate her 20(!) years of service as manager of our Kolping on Hudson home. President Gerhard Schmitt delivered a formal thank you from the Society.

Lou Colletti and Tracie Truncellito put together four baskets of special treasures for a raffle table. The baby basket featured two blankets lovingly crafted by Christel Scheuermann so we enjoyed her presence in spirit. (And we keep her in our prayers for a full and speedy recovery from health challenges.) As they often do for our big Oktoberfest, Christel Scheuermann and Heidi Umland worked on full-size handcrafted blankets throughout the year and these were raffled off. We thank these ladies for their gifts of time, treasure and talent that help to keep our Society afloat.



KOLPING 88TH ST.

2020 Challenges

Our flagship Kolping House—at 165 East 88th Street—has been operating for over 100 years! We have seen both hard times and good times and we have come through them because good people collaborate and work to make Father Kolping's principles and vision a reality in modern times.

Our building is set up for many uses. There are several floors of dormitory-style small bedrooms with shared bathroom on each floor; Ballroom that is used for our Society Masses and celebrations; First floor with Dining Room, Library, NY office and National Kolping Society office and archives; Lower levels with kitchen, storage, staff rooms (and reportedly a bowling alley).

Prior to March, we had over 80 men in residence at 88th Street. Our guests are predominantly foreign students and young professionals from abroad who are working internships in the NYC area. When the Ballroom was not in use for our Society functions it was rented out to a small school teaching computer coding to children in the neighborhood.

Currently, there are very few people traveling to the U.S. and the coding school is not operating in person. Our finances have taken a tremendous hit. Our talented Board of Directors has worked tirelessly to develop new sources of income, cut costs and make use of U.S. government programs set up to support small businesses in 2020.

In preparation for more Board work brainstorming and piloting new programs to keep our Society afloat, we are asking each Kolping member to pray for inspiration and guidance for our family. Please also take a moment to think of new procedures or ideas that could be implemented and grow our revenue or decrease our expenses. Please email your ideas to kolpingny@gmail.com. These will be compiled and reviewed at the board meetings going forward. Thank you for your continued support and participation in our Catholic Kolping Society.

Kolping on Hudson Improvements

Even as the 2020 season comes to a close our craftsmen Alfred Vogl and Michael Scheuermann continue to drive the projects forward. The silvering of the roof over the dining room was one of the recent tasks. Alex and Gerhard Schmitt are finishing the fine woodwork for the dining room windows.

We again thank Marlene Bittermann for her gift in memory of Willy Bittermann. We thank the dozens more members who stepped up to fund the project. We thank the wonderful members who have given greatly of their time and talent to make all the work happen. A full write-up of all projects, donors, and volunteers will be in either the November or December bulletin.

