November

Kolping 88th Street
CHRISTMAS PARTY & ST. NIKOLAUS DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday, December 5, 2021

Fr. Kolping was born on Dec. 8, 1813. Every year we celebrate his birthday and anticipate Christmas at our St. Nikolaus party, the first Sunday of December. (St. Nick’s feast day is December 6th).

We join together at the German Mass at St Joseph’s Church on 87th Street, have a bit of a coffee klatsch with the parish community, then head over to our Kolping House on 88th Street for a big luncheon. We’ve been fortunate to have our members provide musical entertainment.

In the old days, the children would perform a Christmas carol for St. Nick and he’d give them a surprise gift. This is also a day to celebrate our long term members. Those who’ve made the 25 year or 50 year membership milestones are recognized and honored.

Contact Joan Dengler at kolpingny@gmail.com to learn more about this wonderful tradition that we want to preserve at the same time as we keep it fresh for our newer members.

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.
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.

In Memoriam – Jorge Paris
We’ve just learned that Jorge Paris has passed away. Jorge served for many years as the manager of our Kolping House on the Grand Concourse. Jorge made this a beautiful, comfortable, clean and welcoming home for our residents. As more details are announced we will share them via email. Please remember Jorge and his friends and family in your prayers.

Please pray for the speedy recovery of Albert Sartorius, Sr. He is currently at a rehab facility recovering from a fractured back.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN NOVEMBER

SPECIAL NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS:
Special Birthday wishes go out to Marlene Bittermann, Ladislav Korcek, Asta Ondracek and Laura Trusler.

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.

KOLPING AND VOCATIONS
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 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.

OUR HOLY FATHER’S NOVEMBER 2021 INTENTION

UNIVERSAL INTENTION: PEOPLE WHO SUFFER FROM DEPRESSION
We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.
**Kolping Classifieds**

**SECURITY AND ALARM SYSTEM INSTALLATION**
Kolping Member John Tripaldi / 914-332-7874  
- Residential and commercial security systems, specifically tailored to client’s needs  
- Fire protection as well as carbon monoxide protection, flood protection, low temperature protection etc.  
- Camera systems for home and business  
- Apps available for remote viewing for alarm systems and cameras

**News & Notes**

**KOLPING DUES**
Family: $130 • Individual: $100 • Student: $50  
50-year members: paid up forever!

If you haven’t already, please send your check made out to Catholic Kolping Society and mail it to: Catholic Kolping Society, 165 East 88th St., New York, NY 10128 (Attn: Joan Smyth Dengler, Secretary)

You can include 2020 dues if you missed them too. Please include your current email address, any change in address, phone number, birthdays, and other information with your dues.

**“I’M NOT GETTING KOLPING EMAILS!”**
Every so often we hear this statement and we want to make sure you know what’s going on at Kolping. If you’re not getting the emails and you’d like to, please send an email to KolpingNY@gmail.com with this message in the subject line. In the body of the message, tell us your name so we can update our list. Be sure to check your spam folders and to add us to your address book (kolpingny@gmail.com).

**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.

**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.

**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

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS 2020

The National Catholic Kolping Society designates individuals for the Distinguished Service Awards at every biennial convention. Like many things due to Covid, the 2020 convention was delayed. But, happily we were able to make these special awards. As mentioned in an earlier Bulletin, the NY chapter awardees were: Al Ahrens, Lou Colletti and Frank Kurcz. Lou and Frank were awarded at our Fathers Day Mass. Here’s a photo from our good friend Al Ahrens thanking NY Kolping for the recognition of his longtime, valuable and very distinguished service. We love you Al! You make our Society stronger and better all the time.

SKI TRIP 2022

The Kolping Family Ski Trip is back for 2022 – pending all the stuff we have to do to keep us healthy and safe.

DATES: Friday to Sunday, March 11-13 (that’s the week after our Annual Meeting). Option to add on to the trip and arrive early (Wednesday or Thursday) or stay overnight into Monday.

WHERE: The Mountaineer and Mount Snow, Vermont

RESERVE YOUR SPOT WITH $100 DEPOSIT
MAILED TO: Joan Dengler, 7 Ganung Drive, Ossining, NY 10562. Check should be payable to Catholic Kolping Society NY.

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.
Many Thanks!

Thank you!

Our Bookkeeper Gail Gleason reported in on the impressive fundraising results this year to help keep our flagship operation at 88th Street on an even keel.

Donations from a variety of members totalled $4,670. An additional $1,680 was raised via the Subway Series raffle (game tickets donated by Karen Staub).

Thank you for your generosity of time, talent and treasure.

Note from Linda Ahrens

A note of many thanks to the kitchen crew for all the time, preparation and cleanup they do, cheerfully I might add, to ensure we are all well served and fed through our KOH season. For the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday, may you all have a Happy and Healthy season. — Linda Ahrens

Oktoberfest Special Thanks!

We thank Linda Ahrens for partnering with Muriel Fullam to welcome our Oktoberfest guests at the gate—and collect their payments. My proofreading error last month omitted Linda from our list.

Special thanks go to Lisa Giaquinto and Christine Kern for the many, many hours of service they have put in this summer behind the bar—including at the very busy Oktoberfest when many attendees took refuge from the rain showers. Thank you for your smiles and your professionalism!

Thank you Gardeners!

Lillian and Rick Hiltsley took on the task of putting our gardens to bed for their winter hibernation. An impressive group of Kolping members stepped up to help in the work and all was accomplished efficiently and effectively. Thank you Lillian, Barbara, Mary Beth, Jeanne, Cathy, Barbara, Roger, Brian, Rick and Gerry for proving that “many hands make light work”. We look forward to Springtime and viewing the beautiful outcome of your efforts.
Troop 36 has been quite active since coming back from Summer Break. Aside from our regular Troop Meetings which occur every Wednesday evening at St. Christopher's Church, we have been involved in the following:

Canoeing at Lake Meahaugh Park in Verplanck. A great time was had by all with excellent weather.

Town of Cortlandt YC Clean-up Program, Cortlandt Riverfront. The Scouts participated in a clean up of all trash at the riverfront in Verplanck.

St. Christopher’s Church Food & Talent Show - Sunday September 26th: We had a table set up with both scouts and adult leaders to not only actively participate in the event, but also to recruit new scouts and to sell handmade wreaths as part of our fundraising initiatives. We actually recruited a new scout at this event and we sold 8 wreaths at $20 a piece! The Scouts also helped in the after-event clean-up.

The Scouts lent their canoes to Pack 36 for a canoe event also on Lake Meahaugh in Verplanck, and both scouts and cub scouts had a great time.

The Troop engaged in a campout at Camp Bullowa to be part of the When Pigs Fly Camporee, which took place over the weekend of October 23 and 24.

World Series 2021 Fundraising Event which is in progress.

Upcoming Events:
1. November 11 - Fall Clean Up at Kolping on Hudson;
2. November 12-14 - Weekend Trip to Boston which will include a guided tour of the Freedom Trail; visiting the USS Constitution (“Old Ironsides”) and an excursion to Minute Man National Historic Park, which connects Lexington and Concord and is the site where the Revolutionary War began.
3. Kolping Campout and Court of Honor Celebration - Date to be determined
4. December 4, 2021 - Campout at Alpine
5/ Setting Up the Nativity at St. Christopher’s - Early December (Date TBD).

Perhaps the Biggest News is that we are in the process of chartering a new Girls Scout Troop which will be part of Troop 36. Paperwork is in the pipeline. At this point, we are looking at around 7 girls joining the Troop!

Don’t just dream the adventure, LIVE IT at Scouts BSA Troop 36 Montrose

Grades 6-12 (11-17 years old)

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Boy Scout Troop 36 Submitted by Bob Hemsing
Harvest Dinner at KOH

We inducted the following special people as Kolping Members at the Mass before our Schlachtfest/Harvest dinner.

PLEASE WELCOME: Brian and Colleen Kelly, Jerry and Barbara Knapp, Jeanne McCooey, Bob and Rita Picarelli, Robert and Mary Beth Soucy, Laura Trusler, and Cathy Windrum.

We thank Father Bretone for making it possible for us to celebrate Mass together at Kolping on Hudson on this beautiful Fall day. Jennifer Ahrens and Kathy Weinborg led their team and prepared a wonderful Sauerbraten dinner for those assembled. Tracie Truncellito made sure our space was set up and looking great. Al Vogl orchestrated our beverage offerings and worked with Lisa Giaquinto and Christine Kern to keep everyone served and smiling.
Closeout at KOH

The 2021 KOH Season was closed out in style with a big crowd coming together to dine and dance.

Our President, Gerhard Schmitt, welcomed us all to the final event and paid special tribute to Tracie Truncellito and Al Vogl who led our team of volunteers (Jen & Mike Scheuermann, Kathy & Mike Weinborg, Alex & Gerhard Schmitt, Joan & Ted Dengler) who managed KOH in this transitional year after Heidi Umland’s retirement after 20 terrific years.

Kathy Weinborg announced the new Potato Pancake Project. The KOH kitchen team would like to treat us to potato pancakes on a more regular basis and special equipment is required. A fundraising drive was kicked off and the members present contributed generously. If you’d like to participate, you can make a check payable to Catholic Kolping Society and mail to any of our addresses—just be sure to note it’s for the Potato Pancake Grill.

We thank our kitchen team—Jen Scheuermann and Kathy Weinborg, ably assisted by Mia Steigerwald, Alex Schmitt, Helmi Pinner, Gerti Mohapp and Heidi Umland. Kevin Bruegger and Emily McGrath comprised our wait staff and they were kept busy by our sell-out crowd.

Our Tropical Night DJ team were back and we danced for hours after the delicious meal. **A great time was had by all!**
Edelweiss Passaic has been selected to host the 2022 Gaufest of the Gauverband Nordamerika, which will be held at Harrah's Resort and Waterfront Conference Center in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on July 7 to 10, 2022. (This event was rescheduled from 2021 due to Covid-19.)

This 4-day event features Bavarian dance exhibitions, folk music, dances, ethnic costumes, workshops and cultural exchange. The biennial event brings families together from 72 member organizations of the Gauverband Nordamerika from 5 provinces of Canada and 21 U.S. states. Over 1,500 adults and children from across the United States and Canada and from Germany will attend this cultural event.

Edelweiss Passaic is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, whose mission is to promote and foster the heritage and culture of Germany and Austria through dancing, music and folklore in traditional costumes.

We are looking for your support of this important biennial event. The following opportunities are available:

1. **Sponsorships** – We are a nonprofit volunteer organization, and sponsorships provide funds to help us offset the large cost of this event. Please review our Sponsorship Packages for details. [https://www.gaufest2022.com](https://www.gaufest2022.com)

2. **Advertisements** – Our Festbook ad journal in full color will be distributed to all attendees and will be published electronically on our Website. Please see the Festbook ad journal order form for details. [https://www.gaufest2022.com](https://www.gaufest2022.com)


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