

## note the date

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

### september

- 15 Full Board Meeting**  
Kolping 88th Street
- 20 Harvest Celebration Dinner**  
Kolping-on-Hudson. Details to follow, watch your email
- 24 October Bulletin**  
Last day to submit material

### october

- TBD Close Out Dinner**  
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 10-11 Fr. Bretone's Annual Retreat**  
Barryville, NY
- 13 Executive Board Meeting**  
Kolping 88th Street
- 24 Rental Season Ends**  
Kolping-on-Hudson

### november

- 1 Communion Brunch**  
Kolping-on-Concourse
- 17 Full Board Meeting**  
Kolping 88th Street

### postponed until 2021

**Oktoberfest**  
Kolping-on-Hudson

**Steuben Day Parade/Party**  
Kolping 88th Street

# SEPTEMBER

## 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](mailto: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.



**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 let you know that Rita Berge passed away on August 22nd after a short illness. She is survived by her husband Bob and beloved nieces and nephews. Rita spent lots of happy times with many of our Kolping members and she will be sorely missed. Kolping-on-Hudson played a big part in her life, she and her husband Bob met at Kolping-on-Hudson back in the '70s. They lived in Yorkville, just around the corner from the Kolping House and have been parishioners of St. Joseph's. Please keep Rita and Bob and all their family and friends in your prayers during this difficult time.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN SEPTEMBER:

Melissa Aviles, Nick Basso, Alex Beldotti, Rita Berge, Jeff Bernert, Maria Blessing, Michael Bongiovanni, Gudrun Brunhuber, Martina Brunhuber, Steven Brunner, Bruce Capossela, Alida Carey, Sean Carey, Lisa Carruthers, Fred Ciani, Leslie Ciani, Caroline Crowley, Hugo D'Alton, Kathy Davidson, Jack Davis, Nicolina Debenedictis, Andrew Dengler, Joan Dengler, Geoffrey DeSharnais, Christopher Donato, John Donnelly, Wilma Endrich, Francesca Flood, Ingrid Franz, Max Fuchek, Spencer Fuchek, Diane Gale, Jeannine Gale, Connor Geoghegan, Eamon Gormley, Barbara Grimm, Robert Herman, Brian Hickey, Stephanie Keenan, MaryBeth Knecht, Herta Koenig, Joanne Kovar, Elizabeth Lenihan, Roland Link, Mairin Loftus, Charlotte Longworth, Bill Lorenzen, Alina Lovasz, Marie Manner, Michael Marx, Claire Mathey, John Perry McGlew, Valerie Menocal, Mariella Mersits, Anthony Mersits, Mary Migliore, Stephen Mignano, Anthony Mills, Mariella Mills, Julie Montero, George Mullins, Charles Norris, Leanne O'Dell, Susanne Orlowski, Russell Palmer, Alfonse Preisser, Alexander Raouf, Kuni Raouf, Tea Rauch, Catherine Reilly, Patricia Reitter, Christine Reslmaier, Katherine Reslmaier, Barbara Roche, Jerralyn Rodino, Al Sartorius, Jr., Giulia Schiavi, Julia Specht, Robert Stang, Paul Steigerwald, Daryl Stiloski Jr., Alison Ulrich, Anne Marie Urban, William Gerhard Weber, Emily Weinborg, Laurie Weisz, and Robert Weisz.

### SPECIAL SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

Special Birthday wishes to **Nick Basso, Alex Beldotti, Rita Berge, Jeff Bernert, Nicolina Debenedictis, Marie Manner, Olivier Mathey, Julio Montero, and Katherine Reslmaier.**

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.

### WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH

- Jennifer Scheuermann for your gift to our Society.
- Julie DiLoreto for your gift to help the gardens at KOH look even more beautiful.
- John and Diane Gilhooley for your donation to Kolping on Hudson.
- John and June Noonan for your generous gift in memory of Inge Schmitt.

### OUR HOLY FATHER'S SEPTEMBER 2020 INTENTION

#### UNIVERSAL PRAYER INTENTION: RESPECT FOR THE PLANET'S RESOURCES

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered,  
but shared in a just and respectful manner.

# 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

## MEMBERS ONLY

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!

## KOH SNACK BAR 2020

The Snack Bar has wrapped up for this season and we thank all who came out to enjoy a tasty treat with us. We launched with Wings and Fries and BLTs. The menu grew to include Grilled Cheese, Onion Rings, Salads and all sorts of deliciousness on theme nights – like Cheeseburgers in Paradise. This project required a lot of team members. Thank you to Heidi, Jen, Kathy, Christine, Lou, Richie, Ted, Camile, Kevin. Thank you to Helmi and Heide and their helpers for the Brotzeiteller. Thank you to Mike Scheuermann for menu inspirations. Thank you to all the members who pitched in and delivered plates or cleaned up tables. And thank you to all our faithful diners!

## 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](mailto:ingrid22@optonline.net). Please include the date and name of the event.

## GET YOUR KOLPING BULLETIN FASTER – VIA EMAIL!

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## OKTOBERFEST RAFFLE KOLPING ON HUDSON—SEPTEMBER 2020

You should have received your raffle tickets by now. Send them back with your donation and if you'd like more, contact Heidi. You have to enter to win, so be sure to write your check and send back your tickets and payment today.

All proceeds will benefit Kolping on Hudson—please return your tickets to KOH, 95 Montrose Point Rd, Montrose, NY 10548 att: Heidi Umland

The winning tickets will be drawn September 19th. You may be a winner!

## 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](mailto: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 the St. Nikolaus Party in December or at Mothers Day 2021.



# *KOLPING-ON-HUDSON NEWS*

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## **LEGACY DONATION OPPORTUNITY UPDATE**

Many wonderful projects have been undertaken this year as our summer home in Montrose delayed in opening. There's still a bit to be done and supplies to be purchased. The skilled labor and the supporting labor are all donated. If you are able to make a gift to contribute towards this project, please send your check payable to Kolping to Heidi Umland, Kolping, 95 Montrose Point Rd, Montrose, NY 10548. For more information, please contact Heidi or Joan. Mark your legacy with a gift to Kolping. Gifts of every size will help achieve the goal.



## **UPDATE ON OUR KOH DINING ROOM REBUILD AND RENOVATION**

Alfred Vogl and Mike Scheuermann's team of volunteers has made breathtaking progress on the Dining Room at Kolping on Hudson. Thanks to Marlene Bittermann in memory of Willy Bittermann we were able to purchase beautiful new windows. Dozens more members stepped up with gifts big and small to purchase lumber and nails and tar paper and shingles and all the other materials going into this project. We continue to thank Mike and Al for their vision. We thank all who've pitched in on this team – Peter Mersits, Mike Weinborg, Dennis Noll, Artie Kessler, Peter Bruegger, Nick Colletti, Steve Lovasz, John Weigand, Ted Dengler, Roy Sokol and Kevin Bruegger.

We also thank this team and an array of others for the myriad projects undertaken this year: Tracie Truncellito, Lou Colletti, Maria Weigand, Bob Boeschl, Jen Scheuermann, Judy Mersits, Mia Steigerwald, Rob Herman, Alina Lovasz, Izzy Lovasz, Sebastian Hernandez, Kathy Weinborg, Natasha Borodin, Jim Stang, Frank Kurcz, Bob Coletti, Albert Buchholz, Joe Szoldatits, Lou Janny, Brian Weigand. (Author's note – please let me know others who should be on this list so we can thank them next month.)

Special thanks to the angels who have helped cover the expenses: Marlene Bittermann, Kathy and Walter Weigand, Norb and Marilyn Dengler, John and Sharon Weigand, Phyllis and Bob Coletti, Bob and Ann Hemsing, Jim and Maria Stang, Ron Seelbach, Wilma and Ernst Endrich, Gerhard Zoeller, Al Preisser, Herta Koenig, Julie DiLoreto, Alfred Vogl, Tracie Truncellito, Mike and Jen Scheuermann, Natasha and Peter Bruegger, Kim and Jorge Parra, Dennis and Carol Noll, and the Harry Truman Masons brotherhood, Kathy and Mike Weinborg, Joan and Ted Dengler. We thank Richie Povilonis for his generous donation to rent the excavator.

## **THE BLESSED MOTHER IS WATCHING OVER US**

We have many inspirational statues, windows and symbols at all of our Kolping properties. Did you know there is a chapel at Kolping-on-Concourse? The building was originally a convent and the Sisters created a beautiful chapel that is still in use today.

Kolping Member Eric Weltner (son of Christine and Casey; grandson of Heide Bruegger) captured this beautiful image at Kolping-on-Hudson during Labor Day Weekend. It's a good reminder that we are not alone and it is important for us to rely on our Heavenly Father and the Blessed Mother in everything we do. Thank you Eric!





# KOLPING-ON-HUDSON NEWS *photos sent by Heide Bruegger*

The work on the dining room at Kolping on Hudson has been a massive undertaking and our volunteer crew worked through all sorts of weather. On one of the hotter, sunnier days, they rigged up this array of umbrellas to keep a little bit cooler while the work moved forward. Thank you friends!





# *KOH RULES AND GUIDELINES—SEPT 2020*

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*subject to change as needed*

## **SAFETY GUIDELINES**

### **1 – Physical Distancing**

Maintaining 6 feet of distance between ourselves and others helps us fight transmission of disease.

### **2 – Protective Equipment**

Face Masks stop the spread —when with people outside of our immediate household and closer than 6 feet, we should wear facemasks so that we reduce the risk of transmitting germs to others.

### **3 – Process**

**Screening** – employees will be screened each day they work.

**Contact tracing** – we will maintain a log of members and staff on the premises each day.

**Disinfection of common surfaces** – extensive cleaning and sanitizing procedures have been layered on top of our already-strong safety systems.

## **PROCEDURES – Check-in, Members Only, Outdoors only**

### **Entry Procedures**

Members are asked to check in upon arrival. After you park, please look for the sign-in desk. We are piloting an easy three step process: Come up with your masks on, Names in our Visitor Log, Sanitize Hands, Have Temperature Taken. We will adjust the procedures as needed.

### **Bar**

All Seating will be OUTDOORS only. Bar transactions will be conducted through window onto patio. Beverages will be available for sale through a window to the bar area.

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## **Kolping-on-Hudson in the 1960s**

