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note the date

october

- 6 German-American Day
 Observed since the 19th
 century, this day honors the
 contributions of German
 immigrants to US culture
 and history.
- **11 Close Out Dinner** Kolping-on-Hudson
- 11- Fr. Bretone's Annual Retreat
- 12 Barryville, NY
- **21 Executive Board Meeting** Kolping 88th Street
- **22 November Bulletin**Last day to submit material
- **25** Halloween Party Kolping-on-Hudson
- **26** KOH Rental Season Ends

november

- 1 All Saints' Day
 All of the saints are honored,
 particularly those who do not
 have their own special feast day
- **2 Communion Brunch** Kolping-on-Concourse
- **25** Full Board Meeting Kolping 88th Street

december

7 Mass & Christmas Party Kolping 88th Street



Kolping-On-Hudson Family Halloween Party

7:00pm • Saturday, October 25, 2014

Music by DJ Matt

Join us for our final event at Kolping-On-Hudson for 2014. The cost is \$15 per person (Children 10 and under are Free). Buffet dinner with adult favorites and a special selection of children's favorites, plus dessert and coffee. Prizes for Best Costume—Adult, Best Family in Costume, and Best Costume—Child. So gather your friends and family together and reserve a table. Raffles winners will be picked and announced—50/50 — Games.

Call Heidi Umland for reservations at 718-805-0552 or 914-736-0117

COMMUNION BRUNCH AT KOLPING-ON-CONCOURSE

Sunday, November 2nd at 12 noon

Please join us for the yearly event. Our Kolping On Concourse Communion Luncheon will be held to honor the memory of our deceased Kolping Members—Erich Rosseler, Willi Stang, Agatha Frassman, and Erna Koelbl.

Mass will begin at 12 Noon at St. Philip Neri Church located at 3025 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10468 (718-733-3200)

A luncheon will follow immediately after mass at Kolping on Concourse.

The menu includes Chicken Cutlets, Baked Potatoes,

Asparagus, Salad, dessert & coffee.

The cost is \$12.00 per adult and \$6.00 per child. Call or email

Jan Kessler for reservations: 914.462.7649 or jkessny@aol.com



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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 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.

Please keep Robert & Fran McCarthy's nephew, Nicholas Gardini in our prayers. He is a young fellow that is going through some difficult health issues and needs all the support and prayers from everyone at this time.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN OCTOBER:

Evelyn Ahrens, Sal Americo, Brian Bellett, Danny Benge, Steven Berg, Father Richard Bretone, Heide Bruegger, Kevin Peter Bruegger, Monica Buckel, Anneli Nicole Cantu, Peter Carruthers, Lisa Caruso, Maggie Crilly, James Crowley, Norma Curtin, Anna Dengler, Anton Dengler, Christina Dengler, Debra Dengler, Marilyn Dengler, Carol Dowgiallo, Fiona Doyle, Linda Ferony, Alex Fonseca, Alfred

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SPECIAL OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS: Very special Happy Birthday wishes to **Rosemarie Lambot** who will turn 90 on October 12th!

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.

THANK YOU

from Father Bretone

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Thank you so much for the donations to Kolping on Hudson from Heidi Umland, Wilma & Ernst Endrich, and Doris Petsche in memory of Willi Stang.

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2014 DUES

A reminder to those members that have not yet paid dues to please forward your check made out to *Catholic Kolping Society* and mail it to Kolping on Hudson, 95 Montrose Point Road, Montrose, NY 10548 Att: Jan Kessler

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 new 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 this spring.

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<u>ANNUAL KOLPING SKI TRIP</u>

This year's trip is scheduled to take place the weekend of March 6-8, 2015.

OUR HOLY FATHER'S OCTOBER 2014 INTENTIONS

UNIVERSAL: That the Lord may grant peace to those parts of the world most battered by war and violence.

FOR EVANGELIZATION: That World Mission Day may rekindle in every believer zeal for carrying the Gospel into all the world.

News & Notes

JOSEPH SARTORIUS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We are ready to award \$250 to a member's child or grandchild, which will be presented at our Christmas Party on December 7, 2014. Just send a letter to Jan Kessler about the grade school child that is committed to doing good deeds in school, at home, or in the community. We give the award in memory of Joe Sartorius who was dedicated to working with children and always made sure they had fun things to do when they came to Kolping. Please send your letter to Jan Kessler, Kolping on Hudson, 95 Montrose Point Road, Montrose, NY 10548.

NATIONAL CONVENTION IN NEW YORK: SEPT 2-4, 2016

Our branch will be hosting the National Convention in 2016! It is a wonderful opportunity to meet our Kolping brothers and sisters from all parts of the United States, and a great way to learn what their missions and activities are.

We are calling on all members to help the Convention Committee....party planners, people with organizing skills, and people of good will in general. Email our President, Katrina Dengler, at **kdengler67@hotmail.com** and let her know your thoughts and ideas. It will be here before you know it!

BAVARIAN CLUB EDELWEISS OKTOBERFEST

Sunday, October 12, 2014. Holy Rosary Church Auditorium, 170 Bradhurst Avenue, Hawthorne, NY 10532. Admission \$10 (children 18 and under are free). Doors open at 1:00 pm. Band starts at 2:00 pm. Music by Bernie's Orchestra. Schuhplattler and folk dances performed by the Bavarian Club Edelweiss. German and American food, beer, wine and soda available for purchase. Follow us on Facebook: Bavarian Club Edelweiss, Westchester, NY. bavarianclubedelweiss@yahoo.com. For reservations call: 845-896-2771.

BAVARIAN CLUB EDELWEISS CHRISTKINDLMARKT

German Christmas Market, November 8 from 10 am - 4 pm. Free admission, free parking. Cash raffle prizes! 1st prize \$500; 2nd prize \$300, 3rd prize \$200. Traditional German food, live entertainment, St. Nikolaus, many vendors, homemade desserts. Mt. Pleasant Community Center, 125 Lozza Drive (off Columbus Ave, Valhalla, NY). For more information check our Bavarian Club Edelweiss Facebook page or contact Gloria Mayer McSweeney at 845-240-3227.

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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).

LABOR DAY SHOT SKI

Member Jill La Rocque sent this photo from KOH Labor Day BBQ.



The annual Kolping Golf Outing was held once again at Doral Arrowwood Resort & Golf Club on September 7th. Thank you to all the golfers. members, friends and business associates who contribute money and time to make this golf outing a great success. A special thank you to Bob Hemsing and Dooley Electric Associates who spend many hours organizing this event and personally taking time to contact their many business partners for the generous contributions. Our NY Catholic Kolping Society Scholarship Fund will benefit from all proceeds and we thank everyone and hope all enjoyed a great day of golf. Thank you so much to Donna Richardson, our member and board member who works at Doral Arrowwood for all her efforts in obtaining the discounted rates and arranging all the details of the golf event for us each year.

Thank you to all the Golf Sponsors and Supporters listed to the right. We greatly appreciate all their support and hope that we all might consider them when needing one of their services.



















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Chicago Convention photos by Christine Priesser, Katrina Dengler, and Charles Ruppmann

submitted by Christine Preisser

NY ATTENDEES: Bill & Irene Leili, Katrina Dengler, Ted & Joan Dengler, Sixto & Cecilia Portillo, Christine & Bernie Preisser, Donna Richardson, Charles Ruppman, John & Betty Reitter.

"The second city, the city of broad shoulders, the windy city", Chicago has many names and the spirit to be constantly reinventing itself. The Chicago Kolping Society hosted the 40th National Convention from Aug. 30th to Sept. 1st and introduced many of us to this vibrant city.

As a non-delegate, I was able to participate in the special tours and share the unique experience that the city of Chicago presents. On Saturday morning we boarded a bus for an all day tour. We started out from Rosemont, an outlying suburb, where our convention hotel was located. We learned from our very experienced guide about the many nationalities that make up Chicago's neighborhoods. More people of Polish heritage live in this city than any other in the world except for Warsaw. Chicago is also home to Irish, Italian and of course German American citizens.

The architecture that finds its inspiration here is varied and unique, from Mies van der Rohe and the Bauhaus school to Frank Lloyd Wright and Frank Gehry. Our first stop on the tour was the Millennium Park celebrating its 10th year of existence. The park is a very interesting part of downtown. Once an eye sore and the home of miles of railroad tracks, Chicago's mayor Richard Daly made the idea of an exciting area, alive with concert space, open air restaurants, and art exhibitions, become a reality.

Next stop on the bus tour was the famous Navy Pier, jutting out into Lake Michigan and providing all sorts of shops, food stalls and a first class exhibit of stained glass windows. After all of this excitement we were treated to a visit to "The Hofbrau House" which more than lived up to its Munich namesake with exceptional food, and drink and a very lively band which included an Alpine Horn.

Sunday brought the beautiful convention Mass celebrated at The Queen of All Saints Basilica. Mass was followed by a uniquely local lunch at the Kolping House that gave each of us "a taste of Chicago". The traditional convention banquet was celebrated at the Embassy Suites Hotel with a delicious four course dinner and the presentation of the Distinguished Service Awards. New York members Katrina and Ted Dengler were honored as well as Kathy Weinborg who is well known for her superb culinary offerings at Kolping on Hudson.

Monday, Labor Day sent the delegations off with a farewell Mass. Now, New York is busy getting ready for our own convention in 2016 and we have certainly learned a lot from the spirit and friendly hospitality that we experienced with Chicago Kolping.



Chicago skyline from Lake Shore Drive



The statue in Millennium Park originally called "cloud gate" but popularly referred to as "the bean"















Chicago Convention Photo Gallery photos by Charles Ruppmann



























57th Steuben Day Parade submitted by Lou Colletti

PARADE COMMITTEE: Lou Colletti, Gerhard Schmitt, Donna Richardson, Edward Specht & Jerry Ladenhauf

On Saturday, September 20th about 30 Kolping Members & friends met on 70th St. between Madison & Park avenues. The weather was spectacular! Edward Specht gathered all of us waiting to march. He led us in the Pray to our beloved Fr. Kolping.

We had on our orange & black Kolping sashes, German Flags and we proudly marched up 5th Avenue.

After we marched we headed back to the Kolping House on 88th street for our Steuben Day Celebration. About 100 attended. We ate great food, danced to music by John & Mario.

The following are those we helped to make this Kolping Steuben Day Party Great! Without each of them it would not have been possible & they are:Doris Petsche our Chef who out does herself each time. A special "Thanks" to her assistant Geovanny Ramirez, our house manager. Jen Ahrens-Scheuermann & her sister Evelyn Ryzerski for baking our delicious Plum Cakes. In preparing to make the plum cakes back at KOH Jen had 3 special ladies who pitted the plums for the 4 cakes. Thank you. Edward Specht & his family for picking up at KOH and delivering the Plum Cakes to Kolping House. Jen for ordering the Pretzels & mustard imported from Germany. That is a real treat. Thanks to Edward Specht & Katrina Dengler for selling our tickets at the door. Also Emily Specht (3rd generation Kolping Member) for collecting the meal tickets.

Our delicious meal & desert was served by: Donna Richardson, Jerry Ladenhauf & Stefan Schmitt. Stefan also sold & served the Pretzels.

Thanks to both Emily Specht & Kristin Szoldatits who sold our 50/50 Tickets. The winning ticket was drawn by Doris Petsche & the winner was Mrs. Muldoon. Thanks to all who participated.

Our Bartenders: Kenny Rose, Gilberto Perez & Gerhard Schmitt served our guests fast and with a smile.

The Management at Kolping House: Geovanny Ramirez, Kenny Rose & staff: Miguel Ramirez, Gilberto Perez & our new employee Maximo. We thank them for all their hard work. Also making sure the ballroom was all setup, neat & clean. Enough food was at the serving tables, tables were reserved, tickets and flyers printed. All of us as members should be proud to say that Kolping NY has such fine employees!

Once again this year a very special "Thanks" to Julia Specht she has been making our Steuben Day flyer for 7 years. Julia is now away at college we wish her all of God and Fr. Kolping blessings. Thanks to Karen Staub, who is a Kolping member and our delegate at the Steuben Day Parade Committee. She provides us all year long with valuable and up to date information.

Last but not least "Thanks" to all who those who marched with us. And thanks for their patience as we lined up waiting to march.

Mark your calendar-Steuben Day Parade is on Saturday, September 19, 2015 see you then.

STEUBEN PARADE PLUM CAKE submitted by Jennifer Scheuermann

Jennifer Scheuermann, her sister Evelyn Ryzerski and their dad Al Ahrens volunteered and made the plum cake for the Steuben Day Parade at K88. The ladies at KOH pitted the plums for the plum cake.

















Steuben Day Parade Gallery submitted by Lou Colletti



Family Fun Day submitted by Lou Colletti and Jan Kessler

All the kids in attendance had a chance to enjoy many fun filled games and activities. Thanks to all the members and families that came to enjoy the day. And a big thanks to all the volunteers. Many of them stayed all day. They assisted with the children's activities, music, selling Kolping tee shirts, BBQ, serving food & cupcakes, kitchen & clean up.

The following are their names:

Ted, Joan & Teddy Jr. Dengler (Teddy provided the music) Gerhard, Alex, Carina & Stefan Schmitt Robert Herman & Elizabith Muniz

Lisa, Chuck & Timothy Smith
Cathy, Jim & Fiona Reilly
Christine Krupa
Jerry Ladenhauf
Doris Petsche
Nick & Lou Colletti
Cecilia Portilla
Margaret Halvey (a guest)
Bill & Irene Leili
Phyllis Coletti
Johanna McGreevy
Debbie Plunket
Mary Feeny
Mike Scheuermann
Alfred Vogel

Nancy Whalen

Thank You from the Colletti's

Family Fun Day was the first at KOH that the 3 of us were running. And we sure did run fast—in an ambulance! We want to take this opportunity to "Thank" each you who prayed for me. Your prayers, cards, hospital visits & phone cards truly helped my healing & lifted my spirits. We heard the Kolping Members referred to as "Family". That is true & what the three of us experienced.

In The Spirit of our Beloved Fr. Kolping, Nick, Lou & Nick, Jr. Colletti



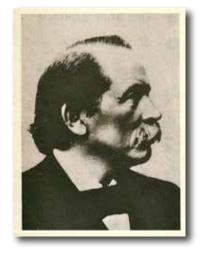






Stories of Interest

Peter Paul Cahensly (1838-1923) "Father of the Emigrants" submitted by Martin A. Kelly



The American poetess, Emma Lazarus (1849-1887) described Europe's emigrant population, in the late 18 hundreds, as: "tired, poor, huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the teeming refuge of their crowded shores." (Sonnet to Liberty)

At first glance, the solution to this social problem would be "lebensraum", a new homeland. To Germans as well as other nationals, however, Amerika was not the dreamed of wonderland.

In many cases, the "green horns", as they were called after young oxen who had just sprouted horns: were naive and inexperienced: perfect champs for schemer and swindlers, such as, "buying the Brooklyn Bridge."

Every challenge attracts its own hero; and it came in the person of Peter Paul Cahensly. He was born in Limburg an der Lahn, Germany on Oct. 28, 1838. The youngest of 4 children in a wealthy, Catholic family. In preparing to play his role in the family's foreign trade business, he had to visit the world's major ports to see how commerce was carried on. On this mission, he was overwhelmed by the plight of the immigrants. He made an intensive study of the treatment of the emigrants and initiated social action programs including establishing missions and chapels in each port. He, also, appealed to the governments to wipe out the conspiracies to cheat these newcomers.

In 1871, he helped to establish the St. Raphael (patron of travelers) Society for protection of German Catholics; it was, later expanded to include other nationalities. He also founded, with private funds the "Leo House", in lower Manhattan, to serve as a haven and transition point for German arrivals. It was named after the reigning Pope Leo XIII who was one of its benefactors.

Government moves slowly; and, it was not until three years later (1893) that the federal government opened the immigration reception center on Ellis Island for all nationalities. Relieved of its original purposes; Leo House assumed a new role in the service of travelers to New York City.

In 1826, it relocated to 332 W 23rd Street in Manhattan where it serves as a quiet and not for profit Catholic guest house with old world charm. It provides Christian hospitality to travelers of all races and religions, both foreign and domestic. The Chelsea neighborhood offers a wide variety of entertainment, reasonably priced restaurants etc. Leo House is at the epic center of cultural, ethnic, and theater districts in Manhattan. The house is a living legacy to its founder Peter Paul Cahensly, a German Catholic Humanitarian who went the "extra mile" to serve his fellow man.

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FREEDOM submitted by Kathy Weigand

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence? Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured. Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War. They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

What kind of men were they? Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated, but they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.

Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Ruttledge, and Middleton.

At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months.

John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished.

So, take a few minutes and silently thank these patriots. It's not much to ask for the price they paid. Remember: freedom is never free!