

February 2021

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Note from the Editor

We know that all of you are tiring of all of the Kolping events being cancelled, but as we progress through the year, we are continually evaluating which events cannot be held safely, which ones can be postponed, and which ones can be adapted to current COVID-19 protocols. You can see on the right which events have been cancelled, although the King's Ball and the Valentine's Dance have just been postponed until further notice at this point in time. We will be holding our Lenten Fish Fries this year, but they will be Drive-Through only. (See p. 6 for details.) We will evaluate some of the March events and let you know their status in next month's *Bulletin*. Stay safe – there is light at the end of the tunnel!

Nancy Pelzel

Important Phone Numbers

President – Ted Hoerstmann, 513-404-3139

Vice President – Anna Stukenborg, 859-221-8334

Membership (New Members) – Rita Musbach, 513-793-1148

Membership (Current) – Karen Wienkamp, 513-922-2677

Sick Committee – Christa Olding, 513-385-1476

Sub Group Presidents:

Sängerchor – Dale Sunderhaus, 513-604-6074

Schützen Club – Steve Lawson, 513-578-7873

Seniors – OPEN

Sports Club – Walter Dewar, 513-312-8551

Young Families – Paul Ahrnsen, 513-542-8554

The Journeymen Group – Anna Stukenborg, 859-221-8334

House & Grounds – Walt Gerbus, 513-543-9877

Kolping Center

Clubhouse Rentals – 513-851-7951 then press 1

Business Office – 513-851-7951 then press 1

Clubhouse – 513-851-7951 then press 5

Hall – 513-851-7951 then press 4

February Events

~~February 5, 7:30 P.M.~~ General Meeting

~~February 9, 11:30 A.M.~~ Seniors Meeting

~~February 13, 8:00 P.M.~~ Valentines Dance

~~February 19, 5:30 P.M.~~ Society Fish Fry

~~February 19, 6:00 P.M.~~ Schützen Nacht

~~February 21, 2:00 P.M.~~ Genealogy Meeting

~~February 26, 5:30 P.M.~~ Sports Club Fish Fry

~~February 28, 2:00 P.M.~~ Schlachtfest

March Events

~~March 5, 5:30 P.M.~~ Shooting Club Fish Fry

~~March 5, 7:30 P.M.~~ General Meeting

~~March 9, 11:30 A.M.~~ Seniors Meeting

~~March 12, 5:30 P.M.~~ FDHF Fish Fry

~~March 19, 5:30 P.M.~~ Journeymen Fish Fry

~~March 19, 6:00 P.M.~~ Schützen Nacht

~~March 20, 7:30 P.M.~~ King's Ball

~~March 21, 2:00 P.M.~~ Genealogy Meeting

~~March 26, 5:30 P.M.~~ Endowment Fish Fry

~~March 28, 11:00 A.M.~~ St. Joseph's Day Mass

All events crossed out above have been cancelled.

Membership Dues Notices

The notices for membership dues went out in November and are now past due. The annual dues amounts are as follows:

Life Membership \$25.00

Single Membership \$42.00

Family Membership \$63.00

If you have not paid yet, you will be receiving a second notice either via email or the regular mail.

Karen Wienkamp, Membership Secretary



Congratulations to all our members celebrating birthdays in the month of February !



| First Name | Last Name | Birthday | First Name | Last Name | Birthday |
|------------------|---------------|----------|------------|------------|----------|
| Barbara | Macke | Feb 1 | Channon | Smith | Feb 14 |
| Robert | Helmle | Feb 2 | Barbara | Adelmann | Feb 15 |
| Amber | Muench | Feb 2 | Greg | Freudiger | Feb 15 |
| Erika | Muench | Feb 2 | Robert | Findley | Feb 16 |
| Sylvia Ostendorf | Smith | Feb 2 | Brian | Sunderman | Feb 16 |
| Ron | Dowers | Feb 6 | Catherine | Weissmann | Feb 16 |
| Susan | Drees | Feb 6 | Valerie | Zoladz | Feb 16 |
| Ashley | Schnetzer | Feb 6 | Ann Marie | Burwinkel | Feb 17 |
| Walter | Dewar | Feb 7 | Brent | Daniels | Feb 17 |
| Paul | Rolfes | Feb 7 | Walter P. | Gerbus | Feb 17 |
| Doug | Stegman | Feb 7 | Steve | Lawson | Feb 17 |
| Janet Ostendorf | Tripathy | Feb 7 | Marc | Schnetzer | Feb 17 |
| Brian | Brunsmann | Feb 8 | Robert | Mattingly | Feb 18 |
| Maureen | Waldman | Feb 8 | Kim | Corbett | Feb 19 |
| Susan | Barker | Feb 9 | Erika | Stark | Feb 19 |
| Donna | Sunderhaus | Feb 9 | Bill | DePrie | Feb 21 |
| Robert | Koeninger | Feb 10 | Daniel | Mueller II | Feb 21 |
| Ben | Kreischer | Feb 11 | Max | Keck | Feb 22 |
| Ellen Burke- | Montgomery | Feb 11 | Matthew | Sprague | Feb 22 |
| Pamela | Schweinefuss | Feb 11 | Christy | Westendorf | Feb 22 |
| Richard J. | Merz, Jr. | Feb 12 | Lois | Gutzwiller | Feb 24 |
| Br. Marcel | Groth, O.F.M. | Feb 13 | Jason | Schlake | Feb 25 |
| Peter | Hoffman | Feb 13 | Bob | Fehrenbach | Feb 27 |
| C. Michael | Brakers | Feb 14 | Bill | Maly | Feb 27 |
| Diane | Menzer | Feb 14 | Sunni | Willmann | Feb 27 |
| Vincent | Reinhold | Feb 14 | | | |

Good News for Elaine Wilke

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!!! I am happy to say that I received a new kidney on Sunday, December 27, 2020. My new kidney and I are at home recuperating nicely. Thank you if you called the hospital inquiring about becoming a donor. Thank you if you placed a sign in your yard. Thank you for keeping me in your prayers.

My new kidney was from a deceased donor, so please say a prayer for the family who lost a loved one, but so generously made the decision to change my life and many others through their organ donation.

Gratefully,

Elaine Wilke



Sports Club News

As we begin our 90th spring season, we are excited for what's to come. We will have our field-set day on March 13th. We will be rearranging some of the fields to give them the proper rest they need. Fields are set to open on March 27th.

We are also gearing up for the Kolping Memorial Tournament from April 9-11. Registration is open now on our website. Please help spread the word.

This is a reminder that our Valentine/Celebration Dance has been postponed, tentatively rescheduled for June 26th. More details to follow as we get them.

Walt Dewar, Kolping SC President
Kolping SC Tournament Director
walt.kolpingsoccer@gmail.com
(513) 312-8551



Schützen Club News

Hello Shooting Club Members,

We are still waiting to hear from the government to let us know when we can come together as a large group and shoot again. I will let everyone know when we get the Okay. As of today, it sounds like February shooting will be cancelled.

Respectfully,

Steve Lawson,
Schützen Club President
(513) 578-7873
slawson@mthealthy.org

Fr. David Hiller Fund Report

Just a final reminder that the Father David Hiller Fund is offering two (2) \$3,000 grants for children of active Kolping parents who will be attending Catholic high schools in the Tri-State area. **Deadline is February 28, 2021.** A complete description of the program is on the Kolping website:

www.Kolpingcincinnati.com.

Additional questions should be sent to Paul Ahrnsen at 513-542-8554 or pahrnsen@fuse.net.

Also, the Father David Hiller Fund received the following donations since last month:

Donation in Memory of Hubert Mohs

Robert and Elizabeth Pohlabein

Donations in Memory of Ben Albers

Gerry Kreutzjans

Donations in Memory of Bill Lunnemann

Beverly Snider, Dilip and Janet Tripathy, Ben and Agnes Wessels, Helen Burger, Chuck and Lin Merk, Janet Burger, Joan Rehling, Ann Gerbus, Jeff and Gertrude Ralenkotter, Dorothy Decker, Helen Mueller, George and Clara Ostendorf, Dan and Nancy Finke, Helene Schrand, Margaret Eismann.

Donations in Memory of Carol Yoder

Manfred and Regina Schnetzer, Otto and Celeste Hermes, Vince and Bev Meyer, Dorothy Decker, Dilip and Janet Tripathy, Werner and Doris Wilke, Carl and Dottie Nissen, Chuck and Lin Merk, Gerry Kreutzjans, Helene Schrand, Tom and Rita Musbach, Sonja Ann Wilson, Vicki Rees, Ruslyn Case-Compton, Heddy Freese, George and Clara Ostendorf.

Donation in Memory of Alberta Seibel

Ann Gerbus

Donation in memory of George Rapping

Vince and Bev Meyer

A reminder to please make your checks payable to Father David Hiller Fund and not to the Kolping Society. We are grateful for the many donations that have been sent in memory of our Kolping members and will use them to continue the work of Fr. Kolping. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Paul A. Ahrnsen, FDHF Chairman



Deaths

Gerhard Deddens, husband of the late Frances Deddens and Kolping member for 72 years, passed away on January 20, 2021 at the age of 89. We extend our sympathies to his children, Rose Linton, Dave and Lynn Deddens, and his son-in-law, Steve Weigel, as well as the entire Deddens family.

Richard Rademacher, father of Kolping member Mike Rademacher, passed away on January 4, 2021 at the age of 84. Our condolences go out to Mike and his wife Kathy and the whole Rademacher family.

Mary Ann Kroger, sister-in-law of Fr. Dan Kroger, our Praeses, passed away on January 9, 2021 at the age of 83. We extend our sympathies to her husband, Gerald Kroger, to Fr. Dan and to the entire Kroger family.

Kevin Arents, son of Kolping member Henry Arents and his wife Helga, passed away on January 23, 2021 at the age of 52. Our prayers go out to Henry and Helga and to the whole Arents family.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Thank you!

We would like to thank Bob and Sue Koeninger for their donation to get the LED sign working by the entrance of Kolping. We will now be able to post events and activities on the sign for the public to see again. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.

We would also like to give a big THANK YOU to all the Tuesday Workers for continuing to work on projects and to keep the buildings and grounds in shape, even with all of the pandemic restrictions. You all are a treasure!

NOTICE

Upon the death of a MEMBER, please call the President of the Kolping Society or one of the Bereavement Committee members. In order that the membership can be aware that a member has died, the family of the decedent should be willing to place in the Death Notice that the decedent is a member of the Kolping Society and at what time Kolping members should assemble for prayers. (This should be mutually agreed upon by the family and the Kolping representatives.)

The members of the Bereavement Committee are:

Christa Olding, 513-385-1476
Marilee Uhlhorn, 513-661-0414
Helene Schrand, 513-741-9780
Doris Wilke, 513-521-5019

Sick & Shut-Ins

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| Regina Albers | Margaret Gerdes |
| Bernie Brunsman | Herm Koehling |
| Vince Meyer | Tom Resing |
| Linda Knizner | Rosie Dechering |
| Joe Thompson | Maria Dechering |

Also please say prayers for Kate Callahan, granddaughter of Mike and Manette Callahan and daughter of Ben Callahan, as well as all members of the Kolping family who are in need of prayers, especially those who are suffering from the Coronavirus and those who are without their family around them.

Please take time out of your busy schedule for these folks. Send a card or give them a call. It is always nice to hear from friends when you are not feeling well. Please pray for all members to be safe from the Corona virus.

Deadline for articles to be submitted for the March *Bulletin* is Thursday, February 25 at 5:00 P.M. Please submit articles to Nancy Pelzel at: nancypelzel@aol.com

Message from Fr. Dan, Our Praeses

Members of Kolping,

I hope and pray all of you are doing well during these Kolping days. Last week I received word that one staff member of Franciscan Media and their whole family got the COVID-19 infection. Thanks be to God, they are all recovering.

So I raise this topic in the *Bulletin*. I want to encourage all of you to take all the recommended precautions—mask-up, avoid large gatherings and remember that all Catholics are encouraged even to avoid going to Mass on Sunday. (Never thought I would have to say that.)

Take advantage of the live-streaming of Mass that is offered by a lot of the parish churches—Catholic and Protestant. Doing so is a smart choice. There are even televised Masses on various channels. So now I just advised everyone to take the necessary, prudent precautions.

However, my one worry is that folks will get used to live-streamed and televised Masses, instead of going to church regularly. Even if we so love to see each other at Kolping meetings and events, we really need to take precautions and stay home.

Our Kolping board members meet online to conduct necessary business and to offer advice, support and encouragement to our officers, staff members and volunteers. If there is some matter or issue that you are concerned about, please call. Remember, telephone calls comply with social distancing guidelines.

Above all else, we need to pray for each other and for the needs of those who are affected by COVID-19, even if they are perfectly healthy. God bless and stay safe.

Fr. Dan Kroger, OFM

Kolping Genealogy

The NEW Genealogy: DNA Research

What is Genetic Genealogy? Genealogy is simply the study of one's family tree or ancestry. *Genetic* genealogy uses DNA testing to determine the genetic relationship between individuals.

Why would someone want to use DNA for genealogy? There are many reasons but here are a few of the most common:

- To learn more about one's ancestry
- To confirm that one's family tree reflects one's actual ancestry
- To confirm the relationship between two people
- To validate a theory of where people came from
- To break down a brick wall in one's genealogy research
- To find relatives for those that were adopted, gave up a child for adoption, or otherwise do not know their ancestry
- To learn from which ancestor(s) certain traits were inherited

We will look at the results of genetic testing and the new contacts and leads these tests can provide us on Sunday, February 21 at 2:00 pm. "Cousin Charts" will also be provided. Also, be prepared to offer your own DNA results. I have had three DNA tests.

We are now using *Microsoft Teams* for our virtual delivery system. To participate, send your email address to:

David Lahrman, dlahrman@columbus.rr.com, to receive an invitation and link to the session. His number is 614-719-9896. We will "meet" Sunday, February 21, at 2:00 pm.

Tom Montgomery, montgota@fuse.net,
montgota@miamioh.edu, 513-969-5383

**DRIVE-
THRU
ONLY!**

FOOD SERVED

5:30-7:30PM

**February
19 & 26
March
5,12,19,26**

KOLPING LENTEN FISH FRY

**Fried or Baked Fish Dinners - \$10
Shrimp Dinners - \$11**

**German Biers to-go - \$4/Bottle
Hofbrau Original & Dunkel
Warsteiner Pilsner & Dunkel
Paulaner**

Weekly Split the Pot - \$5

Kolping Cincinnati - 10235 Mill Road - Cincinnati, OH 45231



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Financial Fund Drive Starting in February

Dear Fellow Kolping Members –

As was mentioned in the January Bulletin, our Kolping Society of Cincinnati will be conducting a very important financial fund drive starting in February. As you will see in an upcoming letter, we are asking for contributions from each Kolping member who is in a position to help. We realize not every member will be able to provide support given the challenges many are facing. Any financial support will be truly appreciated.

The letter will spell out in more detail why we are asking for a contribution from each member. Simply put, our revenue sources have been severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, while the majority of our expenses (utilities, insurance, property taxes, and other expenses) continued. Furthermore, there are major maintenance and improvement projects to be addressed. Our facilities (main building, pavilion, outdoor bathroom, garage, and sports complex) and infrastructure are nearing 30 years of age, or older, and we also have larger equipment components that need replacing.

Our Kolping Society of Cincinnati has a great future ahead with a growing membership (we have had 40+ members being initiated recently) and these funds will help us meet many of our current financial needs and position us to thrive for the next 100 years!

We truly look forward to the future and all the great plans and initiatives the Kolping Cincinnati leadership team has in store. Let's get past this challenge together and focus on opportunities to see each other again and enjoy continued fellowship with our Kolping family and friends.

Thank you so much for your wonderful support.

Treu Kolping,

Ted Hoerstmann, President and Anna Stukenborg, Vice President
Walt Gerbus, President, Kolping House & Grounds
Kolping Board of Directors



Schützenfest 2021 Update

Dear Fellow Kolping Members –

I want to provide an important update regarding our *Schützenfest 2021* plans to let you know we are committed to hosting *America's Oldest German Fest - Seit 1866* this year! With that said, we must continue to monitor the impact of COVID-19 and its possible effect on when we can safely host our special celebration.

As announced in Kolping's August Bulletin, the official date of *Schützenfest* is moving to the 3rd weekend in June! However, it is very possible we may have to adjust our 2021 date to later in the year. One of the important factors we are taking into consideration is celebrating the current reign of König Randy & Königin Katrina Brunsman and Jr. König Leo Hull & Jr. Königin Katherine Faust and their ability to host the *King's Ball!*

As I say, we are committed to *Schützenfest 2021*, but want to prepare you for the possibility we may have to seek a unique, one-off date this year, as we adapt to the impact of this worldwide pandemic. We will continue to keep you updated in future Bulletins.

I do want to leave you with a happy note to highlight that 2021 is a special year, as we celebrate the 155th Anniversary of Cincinnati's First *Schützenfest!!!*

Stay safe and healthy – we look forward to seeing everyone soon!!!

Treu Kolping,

- Jim Stukenborg
Schützenfest Chairperson
Cincinnati Kolping Bulletin

Kolping Sangerchor News

Our Cincinnati Sangerchor Board President, Dale Sunderhaus, recently announced the appointment of John Wegener as Director. John has been with the Kolping Sangerchor since 1999 and assumed the position from founder, Carolann Slouffman, who recently retired. Rose Abt, Associate Director, will continue to assist John.

John would like to hear from Kolping members and members of other local German clubs who have an interest in singing traditional German songs to consider joining the Sangerchor.

Rehearsals are at the Kolping Klubhaus, September through Spring, Tuesdays from 7:30-9:00, once safe indoor meetings resume. The Sangerchor performs annual Weihnachts Konzerts, at Oktoberfests, church concerts, and Spring Konzerts, along with travel to annual district Sangertag events and National Sangerfests.

For more information, please contact John Wegener at: satbmusic1@gmail.com or 859-652-3511.

Singen macht Freude!





KOLPING HISTORY BOOK ORDER FORM

The book is 8 ½" x 11", hard-bound, 746 pages, with over 1350 photos and documents included throughout. There are 35 chapters on Schützenfest Kings and Queens, Father Adolph Kolping, Kolping awards, each one of the subgroups, personal Kolping memories, the founders of the Society, the presidents, the Praesides, the 90th Anniversary Celebration, 2014-2015 activities, as well as the general chronological history of the Society and other topics. The cost of the book is **\$35.00**. If you live outside of Cincinnati or wish the book to be mailed to you, then there will be an additional charge of **\$9.50** per book for postage and shipping materials. **Please note: Because the Kolping Board of Directors decided to order a substantial number of extra books, the book is still available for \$35.00 until the supply is depleted. It is not likely that a reprinting will be done.**

I wish to order:

_____ X \$35.00 = amount enclosed: _____
of copies cost/book

_____ X \$9.50 = amount enclosed: _____
of copies shipping costs

Total enclosed: _____

Please check one option below for the method of distribution of your book(s):

Option #1 _____ I or my representative will pick up my book(s) and make arrangements with Mike and Nancy Pelzel for pickup time and location.

Name of representative _____

Option #2 _____ I will not be able to pick up my book. Please mail to the address at the bottom of this page. (Include amount for shipping costs.)

Option #3 _____ Please mail a copy of the book to a third party with the following name and address:

Information for the person placing this order:

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Please return this form and your check made payable to Cincinnati Kolping Society to:

Mike and Nancy Pelzel, 5780 Opengate Ct., Cincinnati, OH 45247.

E-mail: pelzefest@aol.com Phone: 513-385-3120

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who have contributed information and who have supported us in this endeavor. It has been a life-changing experience for us! THANK YOU!

Mike and Nancy

2021 Calendar of Events

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| <p>JANUARY NO GENERAL MEETING IN JANUARY 15 Schützen Nacht 30 Stube Nacht</p> <p>FEBRUARY 1 Board Meeting 5 General Meeting 13 Valentine's Dance 19 Schützen Nacht 19 Fish Fry (Society) 26 Fish Fry (Sports Club) 28 Schlachtfest</p> <p>MARCH 1 Board Meeting 5 Fish Fry (Schützen Club) 5 General Meeting 12 Fish Fry (Fr. David Hiller Fund) 19 Fish Fry (Journeymen) 19 Schützen Nacht 20 King's Ball 26 Fish Fry (Endowment) 28 St. Joseph's Day Mass 29 Board Meeting (April)</p> <p>APRIL NO GENERAL MEETING IN APRIL 9 Kolping Memorial Tournament 10 Kolping Memorial Tournament 11 Kolping Memorial Tournament 16 Schützen Nacht 18 Awards Banquet 25 Sängchor Spring Konzert</p> <p>MAY 3 Board Meeting 7 General Meeting 21 Schützen Nacht 21 Schützen End Party</p> | <p>JUNE 1 Board Meeting 4 General Meeting 13 Father's Day/Anniversary Mass 18, 19, 20 Schützenfest 19 Schützenfest Tournament 28 Board Meeting (July)</p> <p>JULY NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY 16 Appreciation Party 16 Captains' Meeting Schützen Club 31 5v5 Soccer Tournament</p> <p>AUGUST 2 Board Meeting 6 General Meeting 30 Board Meeting (September)</p> <p>SEPTEMBER NO GENERAL MEETING IN SEPT. 10, 11, 12 Kolping Nat'l. Convention 10, 11, 12 Fill the Net Tournament 17 Schützen Nacht 27 Board Meeting (October)</p> <p>OCTOBER 1 General Meeting 15 Schützen Nacht 31 Memorial Mass/Goettafest</p> <p>NOVEMBER 1 Board Meeting 5 General Meeting/Elections 5, 6, 7 Harvest Fest 5, 6, 7 Fall Fest Tournament 19 Schützen Nacht 28 Weihnachts Konzert 29 Board Meeting (Dec)</p> <p>DECEMBER 5 Christmas Party/New Member Ind. 12 Children's Christmas Party 17 Schützen Nacht</p> |
| <p>MEETINGS:</p> <p>Board of Directors Monday prior to the first Friday of the month - 7:00 pm</p> <p>General Membership First Friday - 7:30 pm</p> <p>Senior Citizens Second Tuesday - 11:30 am</p> <p>Schützen Club Third Friday - 7:00 pm</p> <p>Genealogy Group Third Sunday - 2:00 pm</p> <p>Sängchor Every Tuesday - 7:30 pm</p> <p>Sports Club Fourth Wednesday - 8:00 pm</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">KOLPING MISSION STATEMENT</p> <p>We, the members of the Catholic Kolping Society of America, led by the vision of our founder, Blessed Adolph Kolping, promote the development of the individual and the family by fostering a sense of belonging and friendship through our holistic programs of spiritual, educational, charitable, and social activities.</p> |