

October 2021

Volume VI, Number 10

A Note from the Editor

As we are saying goodbye to summer, we have a lot going on at Kolping. Besides the events on the right, there is a special Mass being live-streamed on the 30th anniversary of the beatification of Fr. Adolph Kolping (see p. 3 for details). We also have our Memorial Mass/Goettafest taking place on October 31 (see p. 4) and our annual elections on November 5 (see p. 6 for election details and pp. 8-10 for bios of all the candidates).

Enjoy the crisp, cool days of fall, and stay safe and healthy!

Treu Kolping, 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 — Aaron Callahan, 513-406-3188

Seniors — Tom Musbach, 513-793-1148

Soccer Club — Walter Dewar, 513-312-8551

Young Families — Paul Ahnrsen, 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

October Events

October 1, 7:30 P.M.	General Meeting
October 10, 2:00 P.M.	Genealogy Meeting
October 13, 11:30 A.M.	Seniors Meeting
October 15, 7:30 P.M.	Schützen Nacht
October 31, 10:00 A.M.	Memorial Mass/ Goettafest

November Events

November 5, 7:30 P.M.	General Meeting/ Elections
November 5-7	Harvest Fest
November 5-7	Fall Fest Tournament
November 10, 11:30 A.M.	Seniors Meeting
November 19, 7:30 P.M.	Schützen Nacht
November 21, 2:00 P.M.	Genealogy Meeting
November 28, 3:00 P.M.	Weihnachts Konzert

**The events crossed out above
have been cancelled.**

Membership Dues Increasing

The Board of Directors voted to increase the yearly Kolping membership dues as follows:

Single membership	\$55.00
Family membership	\$75.00
Life membership	\$25.00 (no change)

This increase was approved by the general membership at the General Meeting on August 6, 2021, and the increase goes into effect immediately for the 2022 dues.



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



First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Fred	Bowling	Oct 1
Bernie	Gerdes	Oct 1
Michael	Finke	Oct 2
Tom	Hopkins	Oct 2
Tyler	Seibel	Oct 2
Karl	Von Den Benken	Oct 2
Greg	Kalkhoff	Oct 3
Shannon	Hayden	Oct 4
Katy	Abt	Oct 5
John	Langefeld	Oct 6
Marlene	Lintz	Oct 6
Mike	Fehring	Oct 8
Gerry	Kreutzjans	Oct 8
Thomas	Scheidler	Oct 8
Rebecka	Schlake	Oct 8
Paul	Wienkamp	Oct 8
Wayne	Lintz	Oct 9
Penny	Muench	Oct 10
Gisela	Holstein	Oct 12
Heinz	Meyerrose	Oct 12
Robert	Geoppinger	Oct 13
Josef	Strecker	Oct 13
Andy	Brunsmann	Oct 14
Gary	Stegman	Oct 14
Rita	Musbach	Oct 15
Gerhard	Stroeer	Oct 15
Joseph	Giesting	Oct 16
Greg	Schweikert	Oct 16
Joseph	Vogelsang	Oct 16

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Gregory	Gottenbusch	Oct 17
Jim	Gutzwiller	Oct 18
Susan	Moeller	Oct 18
Dianne	Schwietering	Oct 18
Jerry	Stegman	Oct 18
Michael A.	Callahan	Oct 19
Henry	Faulk	Oct 19
Tom	Tegenkamp	Oct 19
Frank	Verhoff	Oct 19
Mary Ellen	Moeller	Oct 20
Jaime	Althoff	Oct 22
Daniel	Durbin	Oct 22
Roger	Miller	Oct 22
Charlotte	Schoenberger	Oct 22
Mel	Pistor	Oct 23
Clemens	Ricke	Oct 23
William	Westendorf	Oct 23
Lynn	Abeln	Oct 24
John H.	Mueller	Oct 25
John	Kemper	Oct 26
Kathy	Stidham	Oct 26
Thomas	Brown	Oct 27
Teri	Luther	Oct 27
Mary Pat	Findley	Oct 29
Chris	Petersman	Oct 29
Ernst	Macke	Oct 30
Paul	Anhofer	Oct 31
Mark	Freudiger	Oct 31

Harvest Fest Cancelled for This Year

Harvest Fest, which was originally scheduled for November 5 – 7, has been cancelled for this year. We will be bringing it back in 2022, when we will be in a better position to find someone/some persons to take over the leadership. The Harvest Fest in 2022 will take place the first weekend in November – November 5-6.

The Fall Fest Tournament hosted by the Kolping Soccer Club has also been cancelled for this year.

Sick & Shut-Ins

Regina Albers
Bernie Brunzman
Nancy Finke
Gene Bertke
Mike Hasenfratz

Margaret Gerdes
Vince Meyer
Linda Knizner
Tom Resing
Jim Kemper

Please take time out of your busy schedule for these folks, and send a card or give them a call. If you would like to request prayers, please contact Christa Olding so that you can be put on the Sick List.

Continue to pray for one another – follow necessary precautions – STAY WELL.

Christa Olding
513-385-1476

Kolping Seniors

Kolping Seniors will meet at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 13. Due to foreseen circumstances, I will be out of town, so Fr. Dan has agreed to chair the meeting. Please give him your cooperation. The Fund Raising Committee will be presenting the latest plans for the Capital Campaign at this meeting.

Tom Musbach
513-793-1148

Capital Fund Drive Presentations

Don't forget – there will be three more presentations regarding the Capital Fund Drive, so if you are interested and/or have questions, please come to one of the following meetings:

- October General Meeting – Friday, October 1 starting at 7:30
- October Seniors Meeting – Wednesday, October 13, starting at 11:30
- November General Meeting – Friday, November 5 starting at 7:30

Holy Mass on the 30th Anniversary of the Beatification of Adolph Kolping

Below is a letter from Dr. Markus Demele, the General Secretary of Kolping International:

Dear Kolping Sisters and Kolping Brothers all over the world,

Actually we wanted to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the beatification of Adolph Kolping together in Rome with a pilgrimage, just as it happened ten and twenty years ago. Like so many other things, the Coronavirus pandemic has made this impossible.

But we will still celebrate with gratitude the World Day of Prayer on **October 31, 2021 at 2 p.m. German time (9:00 a.m. Cincinnati time)** in the Church of Minorites in Cologne with a Holy Mass and broadcast it with many cameras all over the world. [Editor's note: Europe changes the clocks back during the night on October 31, but the U.S. does this on November 7; thus on October 31, there is only a 5-hour difference between Cincinnati and Germany time.]

Therefore, we invite all Kolping Families and all those who want to celebrate with us, to go to:

www.kolping.net/en/world-day-of-prayer/ not only to find all the information about the celebration of the Holy Service, but also to start the live stream on the day itself and thus to be present simultaneously around the globe in Cologne at the tomb of Blessed Adolph Kolping.

We are looking forward to your digital participation. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concrete prayer requests.

On behalf of the International Executive Committee, I send you my warmest regards and wish you and your families good health and all the best in these difficult times.

TREU KOLPING,

Dr. Markus Demele
General Secretary
KOLPING INTERNATIONAL Association e.V.

Message from Fr. Dan, Our Praeses

Next week is our annual pre-initiation session before initiation in December. I always enjoy this session because it brings new members into our Kolping family's tradition. Among other things, what I deeply enjoy, is the chance to reflect on Fr. Kolping's motto. His motto covers a range of things that all members of our organization pledge to live in our daily lives. His motto is broad and challenges us.

- 1) Religion and Virtue
- 2) Industry and Diligence
- 3) Harmony and Charity
- 4) Cheerfulness and Fun

It is the fourth element that I always want to emphasize—cheerfulness and fun! This element of the motto is something that can't be overstated or overemphasized in today's context.

Why do I say that? Simply put, the motto's first three points are something that we would expect in any Catholic or Christian organization. Being serious about our faith and living it, are expected in all members of a Catholic organization like ours.

However, think about it in Kolping's context. When Fr. Kolping founded our organization, times were tough. The Industrial Revolution was messing up prior social relationships. Workers were suffering at the mercy of the rich and powerful owners. That is why Fr. Kolping worked hard to help the tradesmen protect their rights and demand justice. His was serious, dangerous work, and he pushed hard against the trends of his time.

Yet, in the midst of all the difficulties and heavy pastoral work, Fr. Kolping included "Cheerfulness and Fun" among the elements in his motto. Somehow that element always seems so atypical for a German Catholic priest at that time. Ponder that element and remember that our Kolping family here in Cincinnati must work hard to make this element of his motto apparent in our spirit.

Fr. Dan Kroger, OFM
September 21, 2021

Memorial Mass & Goettafest

Please join us on Sunday,
OCTOBER 31, 2021

Mass at 10:00 A.M.
followed by Goetta Breakfast.

The cost for breakfast is:
\$10/person or
\$35/family;
kids 10 & under are free.

We want to have enough food for everyone, so please make your reservation by October 25 via:

BHessler129@gmail.com

(Please provide name and # of people attending)

or leave a message at:
513-520-8664

Members who have passed away this past year, October 2020 through September 2021:

George Freudiger Ben Albers
Bill Lunnemann Carol Yoder
Gerhard Deddens Herm Koehling
James Sonnenberg Liz Ruether
Charlotte Girmann Don Adick
Joseph Hollmann Elaine Wilke
Martha Heidlage
Anni Wessels-Conrad

Fr. David Hiller Fund Report

The Fr. David Hiller Fund received the following donations.

In Memory of Martha Heidlage

Mark and Diane Menzer

In Celebration of Joe Ahrnsen's 90th Birthday

Franz and Marjorie Wilke

If you notice an omission from the list, please let us know. 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 Blessed Adolph Kolping. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,
Paul A. Ahrnsen
FDHF Chairman

Happy Retirement, Jim Schnieder!

Jim Schnieder, the Cincinnati Kolping Treasurer for nearly twenty-five years, has now officially retired, as our new Treasurer, Kevin Luther, transitions into the position.

Jim received several gifts at the Kolping Appreciation Dinner on September 19th from Ted Hoerstmann, Kolping President, and a special retirement cake was shared by all those present. **A BIG THANK YOU**, Jim, for all of your hard work and dedication to Kolping!

And, WELCOME, Kevin – we look forward to a long relationship!



Kolping Genealogy Maps & Google Earth

We will meet virtually on **Sunday, October 10 at 2:00 pm** for an hour. The first part of the meeting will focus on Maps and using *Google Earth* in your genealogical research. The rest of the time is spent one-on-one working with each other on capturing our information and expanding our skill sets.

A subtopic on October 10 will be “Finding your Heimat” using this technology. You have to learn the location of your “home village” in order to facilitate most German research. We will compare *Google Earth* to *Google Maps* (using the two villages of my Weber family as an example) and learn to search “Germany” using both apps to find your ancestors’ homes. Armed with the address and village, you can “pin” these locations in *Earth* and share with others. *Maps* gives us distances to trek, bike, or drive. Both Google Maps and Google Earth are free.

So login with your own laptop and standby to review digital maps and research on Germany’s geography. This is a great opportunity for brother/sister members of Kolping to share their research; fellow Tuesday Workers to share their immigration stories, marksmen and choir members to locate those places where they or their ancestors learned their trades.

Basic Geography will cover the present-day German States and look back into historical regions and administrative divisions. We will look at a few of the many online gazetteers and some of the best online historical maps. Maps are fun to view and give us a perspective most useful in our research. Our forefathers would be amazed to see “Street View” of the old home place. Visit from your home with a cold drink and favorite chair.

“Live” in the Clubhouse at 2:00 (bring your maps and research) or you may follow this Zoom link, but note it is only active on October 10th:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6370102557?pwd=ZFJvTUFOY0lTZGp1eVA4QWd3VU5Zz09>

Always check our website for the latest information:
<http://www.kolpingcincinnati.com/Genealogy/Genealogy.html>

Dr. Tom Montgomery, montgota@gmail.com,
montgota@miamioh.edu, 513-969-5383

Kolping Elections 2021

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021
General Meeting, 7:30 P.M.**

***The Nominating Committee has accepted
the following candidates for the
November Election.***

***PRESIDENT and VICE PRESIDENT:
Anna Stukenborg, President
Chris Petersman, Vice President***

***FOR THE BOARD
(5 to be elected plus 1 Alternate):***

- 1. Amy Ahrnsen***
- 2. Tom Beiting***
- 3. Mike Brakers***
- 4. Amy Freese***
- 5. Bob Koeninger***
- 6. Phil Neumann***
- 7. Thomas Scherz***
- 8. Chris Schnetzer***
- 9. Marc Schnetzer***

***If anyone is interested in running, please
contact Paul Ahrnsen at:
pahrnsen@fuse.net or 513-542-8554.***

***Nominations will be closed at the October
general meeting on October 1st.***

***Absentee ballots must be requested from
Karen Wienkamp no later than
October 16, 2021 at:
schntzkamp@fuse.net or 513-922-2677.***

***Please attend our November election and
support these fine candidates as they
lead Kolping into the future.***

***Sincerely, the Nominating Committee
Paul Ahrnsen, Jim Stukenborg, Paul Wienkamp***

German-American Heritage Month

All programs this year for German-American Heritage Month are at the German Heritage Museum, 4764 West Fork Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45247. **Note: face masks are required inside the museum for all regardless of vaccination status.**

Sunday, October 10 – A Civil War Encampment, organized by the Ninth Ohio: A Living History Regiment, will take place from 1 to 5 p.m. The Ninth Ohio Infantry Regiment was one of several German regiments formed in Cincinnati during the Civil War, and its camp life will be presented by Civil War reenactors. Also, there will be an Oktoberfest diorama presented by David Dalton.

Sunday, Oct. 17 – “Food and Drink in the Ninth Ohio Regiment during the Civil War,” presented by Andrew Houghthaling at 2 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 24 - German Heritage Book Talk & Signing, presented by Dr. Don Heinrich Tolzmann, at 2 p.m. The author will discuss his most recent book *The Cincinnati Germans before World War I*. Copies of his other books will also be available.

Happy 91st Birthday, Gary Gerdes!

Gary Gerdes had a special 91st birthday celebration with his fellow Tuesday Workers on Tuesday, September 7th. Doris Wilke and Janet Talkers-Kuhl cooked a special meal for Gary and the others. Thank you, Gary, for all your dedication to Kolping and the Tuesday Workers!



Capital Fund Drive Progress Update October 2021

With an extremely bright future ahead, membership of the rise, and many plans to continue the Kolping mission, we need your financial support.

\$600K
\$137,290 to date
\$0K



**Let's Fill
the Stein!**

In Memory of Rudy Pohlabein
Michael & Katie Meyer
Andrew Hessler
Paula H. Ott
In Memory of John E. Olding
Ron Dowers
Mike & Laurie Kappen
Herman & Helen Mueller
Heinz & Margie Meyerrose
John C. Roman
Marilee Uhlhorn
Amy & Theodore Klosterman
Bernadette Brunsman
Lawrence & Barbara Valerius
Bro Marcel Groth

Hubert Kramer
In Memory of Otger & Maria Kappen
Edmond & Joan Kuderer
Michael D. Pierce
Joseph & Theresa Vogelsang
Jim Kemper
Jeff & Annie Talkers
Carl & Dorothy Nissen
Brian & Christy Sunderman
Karin Albrecht
Thomas R. Teufel
Tony & Carol Walker
Wilhelm & Doris Gottenbusch
Ben & Jamie Hoffmann
Thomas Scherz

Jim Thiemann
Roger & Barb Adams
Herman & Joan Koehling
Christine & John Kemper
Dale & Donna Sunderhaus
Mara Oszaczyk
Mike & Patty Hinnenkamp
Ray Freudiger
Dan Fischer
Walter Amrein
Chris Petersman
John & Clara Hamen
The Carr Family
Ray & Ann Schlinkert

Rev. Dan Kroger, OFM (2018 - present) Praeses Pledge Level

Dilip & Janet Tripathy
Dr. Thomas A Montgomery &
Ellen T. Burke-Montgomery
Rudy & Margaret Eismann
Mike & Nancy Pelzel
In Memory of Herman Talkers
Mark & Diane Mohs Menzer

Michael & Irene Hasenfratz
Thomas & Lillian Ricke
Celeste & Otto Hermes
Allen T. Cliffe
Clemens & Elisabeth Ricke
Friends of Kolping
In Memory of Heinz Kuhl

Ted & Elaine Wilke
Mary Ann A. Wurzelbacher
Richard & Marcella Tabler
Jerry & Johanna Stegman
The Bob Pohlabein Family
John Schnieder

Rev. Bruno Kremp, OFM (1991-2017) Praeses Pledge Level

In Memory of King Gus II 1978-1979
Vince & Bev Meyer
Ray, Lois & Joe Kunze
Janet Talkers Kuhl

The Freese Family
Manfred & Regina Schnetzer
Jack Hoeting

King David & Queen Katarina Strecker 1957
Tim & Audrey Burda
Philip A. Drees Family

Rev. David Hiller, OFM (1957-1991) Praeses Pledge Level

Tom & Jackie Tegenkamp
Walt & Donna Gerbus
In Memory of Ferd & Lorraine Hoerstmann

Robert & Anna Marie Geoppinger
Frank & Mary Albers

Katherine & Michael Rademacher
Bob Bauer

Rev. Berthold Harpring, OFM (1956-1957) Praeses Pledge Level

Rev. Siegfried Schneider, OFM (1954-1956) Praeses Pledge Level

Walter & Ann Gerbus

Gerry & George Kreutzjans Family

Yatz & Connie Kreutzjans

Rev. Severin Lamping, OFM (1937-1954) Praeses Pledge Level

Rev. Paschal Kerner, OFM (1933-1937) Praeses Pledge Level

Rev. Maurice Ripperger, OFM (1924-1933) Praeses Pledge Level

The Stukenborg Families

Thank you for your Generosity!

Bios of Candidates Running for President, Vice President and the Board

President

Anna Stukenborg

I was born and raised in South Bend, Indiana and moved from Northern Indiana to the Cincinnati area in 2012. I have a Bachelor's of Fine Art degree from Indiana University and a Master's in Business Administration from Indiana Wesleyan University. I am also a certified Paraoptometric. I was an Account Executive for Sprint Business Solutions for over ten years, working with companies to increase profitability and reduce expenses using technology integration. Prior to moving to Cincinnati, I managed two primary care Optometry offices and assisted with practice acquisitions and staff training. I have one grown and married daughter, (Lydia, married to Steven) and one grand-cat. I have been "Frau Schützenfest" since 2013 and officially joined the Cincinnati Kolping family in 2014, sponsored by my husband Jim. I have assisted in organizing Stube Nacht, Harvest Fest, and other Kolping events and activities. I served on the Kolping Board from 2018-2019, and am currently Vice President.

I am very excited for the future of Kolping Cincinnati as we approach our 100th Anniversary. We have begun some new initiatives, including the formation of Kolping Foundation, which will include an endowment fund, "The Three Year Plan", and increasing the profitability of our facility. These three initiatives will set the stage for the next 100 years by giving our Kolping family the financial stability to serve the needs of our community, express our Catholic Faith, and follow the example of the selfless love shown by Blessed Fr. Kolping.

Vice President

Christine Petersman

The Kolping organization and its members have come to mean a lot to me. Over the past year I have served on Kolping's Board. I was introduced to Kolping by a friend and neighbor, Otger Kappen. As I have volunteered for several events, I have grown to appreciate all that Kolping stands for. Several of my neighbors have now become members and work alongside me.

For the past 30 years I have worked in accounting for Dennis R. Link & Co., Inc. Another commitment special to me is martial arts. I have been personally developing my craft as well as teaching and mentoring in the martial arts field for over 25 years. This has been very rewarding.

I am a graduate of Northern Kentucky University, locally attended Oak Hills High School and have a grounded commitment to the community.

Board Members

Amy Ahnsen

I have been an official member of Kolping for 16 years; however, I have been involved here since meeting my husband Paul over 30 years ago. Paul and I have 5 grown children and when they were younger, they were also active in Kolping. I co-chaired the Basket Booth at Schützenfest for 10 years, I have co-chaired the Children's Christmas party over 15 years and I have most recently volunteered to cook for the Tuesday Workers once a month. I've also worked 15 years for Cincinnati Catering at Kolping, so I know some of the "ins and outs" of Kolping.

I hope to continue Kolping's long standing traditions and continue to make it a family-friendly and wonderful community to belong to. It would be an honor and a privilege to serve on the Kolping Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Tom Beiting

My name is Thomas M. Beiting (Tom) and I would like to provide a quick bio/background on me. I am a resident of Kenwood and my Parish is All Saints (Kenwood). I graduated from All Saints Grade School, Archbishop Moeller High School and earned my B.A. from the University of Dayton. I am the oldest of five children to Tom and Ruth. My siblings all live in a three mile radius of each other in Kenwood with one living in Mount Washington. My father was a Builder/Real Estate Broker building homes and apartment buildings in the Kenwood/Sycamore Township area

starting in 1958. I followed his footsteps and received my Real Estate license in June 1992 and never looked back. I specialize in investment property, apartment buildings and property management.

With my investment background, I know I can contribute if elected to the Board at Kolping. My goal is to start an ENDOWMENT FUND as a financial memorial to Catholic Kolping members, family and friends. An Endowment Fund will help stabilize the financial future for the next generation(s) of the Catholic Kolping Society. Start out small with reasonable goals and invest in an "Index Fund" to get the ball rolling. As my father said: "Treat every person you meet with dignity, respect and professionalism." I look forward to helping the Catholic Kolping Society achieve these goals.

Mike Brakers

Married to Cathy with two daughters and one grandson. Member since 1993, 75th Schützen König, previous Kolping and Park Board member, handled special projects as requested by Kolping presidents.

Kolping has been a wonderful organization for me and my family and I would like to ensure that it remains a financially stable and fun place for future generations of members.

I would appreciate your support.

Thanks,
Mike

Amy Freese

I was born and raised in Cincinnati, grew up on the west side, attended St. Al's and Oak Hills High School. I am a graduate of NKU with a degree in Elementary Education. In 1986 I married Tom Freese and became a military wife. We moved around to 12 different locations during our 26 years in the Air Force. We have two grown children, Nick and Rachel.

I have been an educator and avid volunteer over the years. I have held board positions with the Military Wives Organization at several military bases which serves charities on base and in the local community. We moved back to Cincinnati in 2019 after my husband's retirement. Upon our return, we joined Kolping under the sponsorship of my mother-in-law, Heddy Freese, who has been a member for over 60 years.

I was on the Schützenfest planning Committee, as well as the Capital Fund Drive Committee in 2021. I look forward to supporting Kolping with its continued growth, as well as its commitment to the members and surrounding community.

Bob Koeninger

My wife Sue and I have been members for almost three years. For many years prior, we enjoyed the events at Kolping and thought it would be fun to join Kolping and participate in the club.

We have three children all grown, educated and employed! We have three beautiful granddaughters that Sue babysits one day per week.

Sue and I have worked at the Schützenfest and Fish Fries for the past three years. I have helped repair some of the lighting and signage infrastructure. We participate in the Friday night Shooting Club.

Personally, I started a business from scratch in 2000 that manufactures valves and electronic controls for the oil industry and I have traveled the world extensively on business. I'm now close to retirement and looking for a charitable organization to help however I can.

I'm still new to Kolping and learning my way. I'm experienced at business leadership, contract negotiation, and very good with electrical and building mechanical systems. I'm looking forward to helping Kolping grow in the future.

Sincerely,

Bob Koeninger

Phillip Neumann

Member of Cincinnati Kolping since 1993. Proudly served on the Board of Directors multiple times and was the Society's Vice President under Tom Musbach's term as President. Long term past member of the House and Grounds Committee, worked to negotiate the contract with Cincinnati Catering and several softball park rental agreements and previously served on the By-Laws Committee. Celebrating my 40th wedding anniversary to my better half, have 3 adult children and 7 grandchildren.

It would be an honor to, once again, serve on your Board of Directors. I believe that the Board of Director's biggest obligation is to follow the Society's By-Laws and, if elected, I will work tirelessly to see that that happens.

Thomas Scherz

My name is Thomas Scherz and I am running as the Sports Club's candidate for the Kolping Board. For the last 10 years I have served as coach, trainer, and director of boys' soccer. In those 10 years, I have made it a priority to ensure that every player comes out of Kolping with a life-long love of the sport, the confidence to always want to help their teammates out of tough situations, and a sense of belonging and friendship that was shown to me through Father Kolping's vision. When I started attending general meetings and volunteering regularly at Fish Fries and Shützenfest the last 3 years, I truly felt that vision of belonging that I have never felt at any other organization. It is this feeling that I want to continue to promote to new members, while serving on the Board, or in sharing new ideas I can bring to the club. I look forward to facilitating the relationship between the Society and Sports Club. My 10 years of experience with Kolping and life-long commitment to soccer gives me great perspective on what we can do with our club and complex. It is our greatest asset and what makes us unique to any other Sports Clubs around the area. As a family of 2nd generation German immigrants, I grew up in an immersive culture where we would speak German at Sunday dinners with family, spent holidays with cake, cookies, and rolls all spread out on tables, and the singing in the basement any time the cousins got together. I look forward to sharing more of my family stories over shots of schnapps or a can of Bitburger after I am elected. Thank you for considering me.

Marc Schnetzer

Hello, my name is Marc Schnetzer and I am running for Kolping Board. I am 55 years old and have been involved with Kolping all my life. I am the son of Manfred and Regina Schnetzer. I joined Kolping as a young adult at the age of 18. I have been involved with many activities starting with Kolping Soccer, Youth Group, Young Adults and Schützen Club. My wife Patty and my three children also enjoy volunteering at Kolping at the Schützenfest and at past Oktoberfests. I am excited to become a Board member and look forward to helping Kolping in its future endeavors.

Thank you,
Marc Schnetzer

Chris Schnetzer

Chris Schnetzer is a degreed Mechanical Engineer and currently the owner of CAT Equipment Co. which provides custom engineered equipment to process air and powders. I've been married to Betty Schnetzer for 31 years and have three children, two of which are Kolping members. Following in my parents' footsteps, I have been a member since 1981, and have touched almost every activity at Kolping, starting with playing soccer at a young age. I was president of the Youth Group, president of the Schützen Club, Board member and Vice President of Kolping and I have chaired many events. I'm also a Saturday Worker on special projects. For 18 years I have managed the Pavilion Bar for Schützenfest, served on the Planning Committee, set up and cleaned up on the weekends.

As a business owner, I know how to increase margins and reduce waste. I've seen what works and doesn't. I have some great ideas to make Kolping a better place to visit. I'm keen on technology and how it can benefit Kolping.

I'd appreciate your vote for the Board.

2021 Calendar of Events

<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 Sängerehor Spring Konzert</p> <p>MAY 3 Board Meeting 7 General Meeting 21 Schützen Nacht</p> <p>JUNE 1 Board Meeting 4 General Meeting</p>	<p>JUNE 13 Father's Day/Anniversary Mass 18 Schützen End Party 19 Kings's Ball 19 Schützenfest Tournament 28 Board Meeting (July)</p> <p>JULY NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY 16-18 Schützenfest 31 5v5 Soccer Tournament</p> <p>AUGUST 2 Board Meeting 6 General Meeting 20 Captains' Meeting Schützen Club 30 Board Meeting (September)</p> <p>SEPTEMBER NO GENERAL MEETING IN SEPT. 10, 11, 12 Kolping Nat'l. Convention 17 Schützen Nacht 19 Appreciation Party 24-26 1931 Invitational Tournament 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 Wednesday – 11:30 am</p> <p>Schützen Club Third Friday – 7:00 pm</p> <p>Genealogy Group Third Sunday – 2:00 pm</p> <p>Sängerehor Every Tuesday – 7:30 pm</p> <p>Soccer 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>