

## January 2023

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### Note from the Editor



### Important Phone Numbers

President – Anna Stukenborg, 859-221-8334

Vice President – Chris Petersman, 513-314-1359

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

Membership (Current) – Karen Wienkamp, 513-503-4638

Sick Committee – Open

#### Sub Group Presidents:

Genealogy Group – Tom Montgomery, 513-969-5383

Sängerchor – John Wegener, 859-240-9598

Schützen Club – Aaron Callahan, 513-406-3188

Seniors – Tom Musbach, 513-793-1148

Soccer Club – Walter Dewar, 513-312-8551

The Journeymen Group – Lydia Sinclair, 859-221-8839

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

#### Kolping Center

Clubhouse Rentals/Kolping Mgr. – Beth Hoffman, 513-266-6695

Business Office – 513-851-7951 then press 1

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### January Events

#### No General Meeting in January

January 11, 11:30 A.M. Seniors Meeting

January 15, 2:00 P.M. Genealogy Meeting

January 20, 7:30 P.M. Schützen Nacht

### February Events

February 3, 7:30 P.M. General Meeting

February 4, 5:00 P.M. Stube Nacht

February 8, 11:30 P.M. Seniors Meeting

February 11, 8:00 P.M. Valentine's Dance

February 17, 7:30 P.M. Schützen Nacht

February 19, 2:00 P.M. Genealogy Meeting

February 24, 5:30 P.M. Fish Fry

### Membership Dues Notices

The Kolping dues notices were mailed out the week of October 17<sup>th</sup>. You can pay by check, through your bank bill pay, or online with a credit card at [www.kolpingcincinnati.com](http://www.kolpingcincinnati.com). When paying online, please make sure you fill in your first and last name (and spouse if a family membership) so that we can track payments properly. The dues amounts are:

**\$55.00 for single membership**

**\$75.00 for family membership**

**\$25.00 for Life membership**

Please pay promptly. Thank you for your membership.

Karen Wienkamp,  
Membership Secretary



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



First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Mike	Schwebler	Jan 1
Mary Ann	Wurzelbacher	Jan 1
Frank	Geiser	Jan 2
Chad	Smith	Jan 2
Timothy	Findley	Jan 3
Michael	Seibel	Jan 3
Karin	Albrecht	Jan 5
Karl	Butschkau	Jan 5
David	Moeller	Jan 5
Theodor	Tegenkamp	Jan 5
Ray	Beiser, Jr.	Jan 6
Patty	Hinnenkamp	Jan 6
Tom	Musbach	Jan 6
Tom	Bredestege	Jan 7
Steve	Kappen	Jan 8
Mike	Carroll	Jan 9
William	Goetz	Jan 9
John	Schwierling	Jan 10
Tom	Beiting	Jan 12
Cheryl	Bredestege	Jan 12
Jamie	Hoffmann	Jan 12
Gregory	Meyer	Jan 12
Timothy	Pohlman	Jan 12
Jim	Schroer	Jan 12

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Wendel	Lachmann	Jan 13
Thomas	Glover	Jan 14
Mary M.	Gonnella	Jan 14
Michael	Kappen	Jan 14
Ingrid	Thompson	Jan 15
John	Schnieder	Jan 16
Tim	Burda	Jan 17
Theodor B.	Leuker	Jan 18
Paul	Blom	Jan 19
Catherine	Thiemann	Jan 19
Joyce	Brown	Jan 20
Jane	Fitzpatrick	Jan 20
Steve	Drees	Jan 21
Michael	Szczepanski	Jan 22
David	Corbett	Jan 24
Eugene	Galbaugh	Jan 24
Clara	Hamen	Jan 25
Joseph	Kunze	Jan 25
Jim	Gieringer	Jan 28
Barbara	Hessler	Jan 29
Joe	Wessels	Jan 29
Charles	Dietz	Jan 30
Rosalinda	Seubert	Jan 30
William	Adelmann	Jan 31

### A Message from Fr. Dan, Our Praeses

Christmas Blessings to all our Kolping members!

This is the final week before Christmas, but please take time out to reflect on how the Good News continues in each of our lives. No doubt, preparing for Christmas events is a never-ending challenge, until we finally reach the point where we feel there is no more that we can do. We have run out of energy or health and family issues have consumed all that we can give.

Take time out for a moment of silent reflection each day. Feel the presence of Christ in each and every person, each and every challenge we may face. Remember, Jesus taught us not to worry about the future (Mt 6:34). Worry can lead to anxiety and depression if we let it. There is always something else that can happen. We are challenged to live in the present moment of grace where we can respond to whatever comes our way.

By coincidence, our electric power was knocked out by an accident early this morning (12/21/22). As I turned on my office computer I discovered that the autosave did not work. I thought I would not be able to finish this message by tomorrow's deadline. Then I realized that my work was already saved on my cellphone. I went from panic mode to relieved.

This small incident reminded me that somehow God's providence always gets me through. I hope the good Lord will always help get us all to where He is leading. Christmas blessings to all.

Fr. Dan Kroger, OFM



## Deaths

**Hartmut Karl Geisselbrecht**, husband of Linda Geisselbrecht and Kolping Sangerchor member, passed away on December 4, 2022 at the age of 81. We extend our sympathies to Linda and their daughter Lynn Berk, as well as the entire family.

**Margret Wulff**, sister of Kolping member Ted Tegenkamp, passed away on November 29, 2022 in Germany. Our condolences go out to Ted and his family.

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

*Thank you!*

I would like to say a special thanks to my cooking crew for the Memorial Mass and Goetta Breakfast:

- Russ & Barbara Hessler
- Bransen & Monica Rice
- Andrew Hessler & Katie Huegen
- Frank & Ralph Vosseberg
- Patrick Whalen

Also a special thanks to Fr. Dan Kroger and Annamarie Geoppinger, who led the Mass preparations.

We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to those members who have lost a loved one in 2022.

And we, the Vossebergs, would like to especially thank everyone for your donations, prayers and kind words in our time of grief for our mother, Erna Vosseberg.

Treu Kolping,

The Vosseberg & Whalen Families

## Sick & Shut-Ins

Gary Gerdes  
Margaret Eismann  
Gene Bertke  
Beth Hoffman  
Tony Walker

Linda Knizner  
Regina Schnetzer  
Ursula Meyer  
Willy Gerdes  
Tom Resing

Please take time out of your busy schedule for these folks, and send a card or give them a call.

Please remember these members and their families in your prayers, especially over the holidays.

## Mt. Healthy Alliance Collection

The Mt. Healthy Alliance was thrilled with our December donations collected at the Christmas Meeting/Mass/Brunch. We donated 330 pounds of canned goods and \$260 in cash. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will help those who are less fortunate in the community. Thank you so much!

Barb Hessler

## Need for Chairperson of Bereavement Committee

Christa Olding has been the chairperson of the Bereavement Committee for many years, and is now stepping down from this position. We thank Christa for her years of faithful service, and are looking for someone to fill her shoes. This position would entail reporting Kolping member deaths and illnesses at the general meeting and for the *Kolping Bulletin*, leading Kolping prayers at the funerals of Kolping members, communicating member deaths, and making phone calls to sick and shut-in members. Current members of the Bereavement Committee are: Marilee Uhlhorn, Helene Schrand, and Doris Wilke. If you are interested in taking over this much needed position, please contact Nancy Pelzel at [nancypelzel@aol.com](mailto:nancypelzel@aol.com) or 513-385-3120.

## The Royalty Report

Mark and Julie were impressed and blessed by the warmth and wonder at the Liberty Home's Christmas Formal, and as of this writing, the royal couple is teed up and excited about Donauschwaben's Annual New Year's Eve blast. "Remember our sister clubs," King Mark exhorts us, "not just because they have such great events, but also as a thank you for the support they have shown Kolping with such great attendance at the King's parties, Schützenfest, etc. – we gotta share the love!"

Mark also wants to remind you of the Sunday 11:30 A.M. German Masses at Old St. Mary's. "Not only is there a large crowd gathering after every one of these Masses, but there are a host of great German beers, drinks, and often food to choose from. Your belly and heart won't leave empty. I've enjoyed every one of these after-Mass gatherings in Old St. Mary's Rathskeller. What a great group of people!" said King Mark. The after-Mass gathering is in the basement right next door on the east side of the church.

As most of you know, Christmas time brings a slew of events that are all worth attending, but for those who haven't been to all of them, Mark and Julie encourage you to consider these annual Kolping Christmas events: the Christmas Mass, Meeting and Luncheon; the Children's Christmas Party; and the Seniors' Christmas Party. "Every time, each one is special and fun, and this year's lineup was no exception – this has been a great Christmas season at Kolping," said Queen Julie. Below is a photo of Mark and Julie with Santa and his elves at this year's Children's Christmas Party.

Julie has been an active member of the Seniors Group and has enjoyed pouring shots and spending time there, as well as at the Tuesday Worker days. Consider participating if you have the time.

Our court member and past King, Randy Brunsmann, had a feature story on the local news about his ever-growing Christmas display. Kudos to King Randy!

Mark your calendar for the King's Ball on Saturday, March 18, 2023. "This year's will be unlike any other!", says King Mark.



## Schützen Club Corner

**Next Shooting Date:** January 20, 2023

**Place:** Kolping Clubhouse / 100 Hall

**Make-ups and Shoot-ahead Shooting:** 7:00 – 7:30

**Competition Shooting:** 7:30 PM

**Please be early to help set up and get signed up for your shooting time.**

**Top Team for December** – Team Geoppinger and Team Murray tied with a score of 319 – Congratulations!

**Top Shooter for December** – Alec Tamplin with a 70 – Congratulations!

\*\* Last month we did state Mike Von Barga was in the shoot-off for top shooter and the name was incorrect. It should have been listed as Dave Von Barga in the shoot-off and Dave did win top shooter for November.

**Please remember that the gun you shot the first night is the gun you will shoot all season.**

### **TEAM ASSIGNMENTS FOR JANUARY**

**Targets:** Team Sterwerf

**Bar:** Team Lambert

**Food:** Team Wilke

**Tickets:** Team Lunnemann, Jr.

Please remember that the bar closes at 11:00 PM on shooting nights. When working the bar, please remember to clean the clubroom and the 100 hall; all trash is taken to the dumpster, and tables wiped down. The money must be counted and dropped in the manager's slot.

Team Captains must review and sign the score sheets each month.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in January for shooting night!

Respectfully, Aaron Callahan, 513-406-3188

## Kolping Genealogy

January Kolping Genealogy: Researching St. Louis will be a Zoom only genealogy session. Use the link below at **2:00 Eastern Standard time** on Sunday, January 15.

St. Louis, like Cincinnati, was a center of German immigrant activity. Dr. Andrew Theising will Zoom with us to share several sources of genealogy available to people researching relatives with ties to the St. Louis region.

Andy Theising is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: STL Genealogy Research Resources  
Time: Jan 15, 2023 01:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://siue.zoom.us/j/98759323363?pwd=OGsrdTBCaGVVUDkwcW5IMlg5dVR5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 987 5932 3363  
Password: 257756

It is recommended you test your connection to Zoom, including your microphone and camera settings (if applicable), at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Copy and paste this URL into your browser to test your system: <https://zoom.us/test>

On the day of the meeting, join 10-15 minutes before the scheduled start time to ensure proper connection and setup.

Dr. Theising will review several online sources available in the STL region, including Catholic records, property records, and local histories.

Disclaimer: Dr. Theising is the favorite cousin of Dr. Tom Montgomery and the two Ph.D.s in the family need to stick together! A trivia quiz may be part of the program, so be prepared.

Dr. Tom Montgomery, [montgota@gmail.com](mailto:montgota@gmail.com),  
[montgota@miamioh.edu](mailto:montgota@miamioh.edu), 513-969-5383



## Soccer Club News

The first of our winter training series has ended and another one will start after the New Year, running through February. No rest for the weary.

We are in the planning stages for the dance and tournament. The dance is on February 11<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm – 12:00am. Tickets are \$30 each, food and open bar included. It is always a great time. There will be a DJ, dancing, raffle baskets, split-the-pot and other fun. Get a table of friends to come enjoy Valentine's Day weekend. This is a great opportunity to bring the organizations together and network.

The Kolping Memorial Tournament is March 24, 25 and 26 to be held at Joyce Park. Please like and share our posts to spread the word.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! God bless.

Walt Dewar  
Kolping SC President  
513-312-8551

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**Deadline for submitting articles  
for the February *Cincinnati*  
*Kolping Bulletin*  
is Wednesday, January 25, 2023  
at 5:00 P.M.  
Please submit to Nancy Pelzel  
at: [nancypelzel@aol.com](mailto:nancypelzel@aol.com).**

## Fr. David Hiller Fund Grants

Once again, the Father David Hiller Fund will offer two (2) \$3,000 grants for children of active Kolping parents who will be attending Catholic high schools in the Tri-State area. At least one parent must be a member for at least three years. Grants are available for children who will be freshmen at a Catholic high school in the school year 2023- 2024. These grants will be renewable for each successive school year provided certain conditions are met.

In 2023, the grants will be awarded to two freshman students. Current grant recipients are also required to update their information in order to continue receiving their renewable grants. Applications and program description will be available in the Hiller Fund mail slot in the Kolping copier room. Applications should be sent directly to the Cincinnati Scholarship Foundation, 324 E. 4th St., Cincinnati, OH 45202, who will determine the awardees. The applications are not provided to the members of the FDHF committee. Deadline is **February 28, 2023**. A complete description of the program is available on the Kolping website,

[www.Kolpingcincinnati.com](http://www.Kolpingcincinnati.com).

Additional questions should be sent to Paul Ahrnsen at 513-542-8554 or [pahrnsen@fuse.net](mailto:pahrnsen@fuse.net).

Below is a little information from one of our current FDHF Scholars:

My name is Jake Brunsmann, and I am a junior at La Salle High School. I participate in several volunteer opportunities throughout the year. I have helped at a golf outing over the summer by greeting and talking with all the golfers at the last hole and thanking them for the donations they have made towards La Salle to help kids like me. I participated by working the Alumni dinner for all the benefactors who donate to La Salle. I have volunteered at the canned food drive and have brought in donations like school supplies, blankets and canned goods. Lastly, I have helped and volunteered at places like Be Concerned, my church and my community outside of school to earn service hours. I play La Salle volleyball, hang out with friends, and stay involved with Key Club for La Salle. I appreciate receiving the Father David Hiller Fund Scholarship.

I can also be found advertising for La Salle with a rather large billboard picture of the La Salle Golf Outing fundraiser. (Jake is on the far right in the billboard photo in the next column.)



## Fr. David Hiller Fund Donations

Finally, the Father David Hiller Fund received the following donations.

### In Memory of Erna Vosseberg

Carl and Dottie Nissen

### In Memory of Fritz Westendorf

Carl and Dottie Nissen

### In Memory of Mike Hasenfratz

Carl and Dottie Nissen

### In Memory of Liz Kramer

Carl and Dottie Nissen

### In Memory of Vince Meyer

Carl and Dottie Nissen

### In Memory of Cathy McDonald

Carl and Dottie Nissen

### In Memory of Ed Reinert

Carl and Dottie Nissen

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. We also received donations from the bar tips from events at the Klubhaus and Pavilion. Thank you for your support!

Paul A. Ahrnsen  
FDHF Chairman

# Photos from the Children's Christmas Party on December 11, 2022



Upper left, face painting.

Upper right, Santa's elf, Bob Bauer, and his helper, Mara Oszaczsky.

Middle, building gingerbread houses.

Below, the Klosterman family with Santa and his two elves, Bob Bauer and Jennifer Ruwe.





# STUBE NACHT 2023

A Place Where Food, Family, and Fun Come Together

Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> • 5:00 – 11:00

Cocktail Hour from 5:00 to 6:00



Entertainment By The Festhaus Musig Band  
Featuring Rick Ipach and Nick Gulacsy!

Eat and Drink Stube Style, including our Fun Cocktail Hour!  
Games & Fun for All Ages, including the Kolping Kid's Corner!

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There are 40 copies left of the *Making a Difference: A History of the Cathoic Kolping Society of Cincinnati* book remaining, so if you'd like to order one, please fill out the form below and mail to the address indicated.

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## 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):

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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*

# 2023 Calendar of Events

<p><b>JANUARY</b>      3 Board Meeting NO GENERAL MEETING IN JANUARY 30 Board Meeting (February)</p> <p><b>FEBRUARY</b>    3 General Meeting 4 Stube Nacht 11 Valentine's Dance 24 Fish Fry 27 Board Meeting (March)</p> <p><b>MARCH</b>        3 Fish Fry 3 General Meeting 10 Fish Fry 16 New Member Initiation 17 Fish Fry 18 Schützen Royal Ball 24 Fish Fry 24-26 Kolping Memorial Tournament 31 Fish Fry</p> <p><b>APRIL</b>        3 Board Meeting 7 Good Friday No General Meeting 8 Easter Egg Hunt – Kolping Park 16 St. Joseph's Day Mass/Awards Bqt. 30 Sängerschor Spring Konzert</p> <p><b>MAY</b>            2 Board Meeting 5 General Meeting 14 Mother's Day Brunch Kolping Park 19 Schützen End Party 30 Board Meeting (June)</p>	<p><b>JUNE</b>            2 General Meeting 4 Anniversary Mass 16-18 Schützenfest 18 Father's Day Brunch Kolping Park</p> <p><b>JULY</b>            3 Board Meeting NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY 9 Appreciation Party 21 Captains' Meeting Schützen Club 28 Board Meeting (August)</p> <p><b>AUGUST</b>        4 General Meeting 17 New Member Initiation 18 First Schützen Nacht 28 Board Meeting (September)</p> <p><b>SEPTEMBER</b>   NO GENERAL MEETING IN SEPT. 22-24 1931 Invitational Tournament</p> <p><b>OCTOBER</b>      2 Board Meeting 6 General Meeting 29 Memorial Mass/Goettafest 30 Board Meeting (November)</p> <p><b>NOVEMBER</b>    3 General Meeting/Elections 26 Weihnachts Konzert 27 Board Meeting (December)</p> <p><b>DECEMBER</b>    3 Christmas Mass and Party 10 Children's Christmas Party</p>
<p><b>MEETINGS:</b></p> <p><b>Board of Directors</b>    Monday prior to the first Friday of the month – 7:00 pm</p> <p><b>Women's Club</b>        First Thursday – 6:30 pm</p> <p><b>General Membership</b>   First Friday – 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>Senior Citizens</b>      Second Wednesday – 11:30 am</p> <p><b>Bier Choir</b>            2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday – 7:00 pm</p> <p><b>Schützen Club</b>        Third Friday – 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>Genealogy Group</b>      Third Sunday – 2:00 pm</p> <p><b>Sängerschor</b>          Every Tuesday – 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>Soccer Club</b>          Fourth Wednesday – 8:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KOLPING MISSION STATEMENT</b></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>