

# KOLPING *BULLETIN*

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## note the date

### february

- 11 Executive Board Meeting**  
Kolping House 88th Street
- 14 March Bulletin**  
Last day to submit material

### march

- 2 Annual Elections & General Meeting**  
Kolping House 88th Street
- 5 Ash Wednesday**  
The first day of Lent, the season of preparation for the resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- 7-9 Kolping Ski Trip**  
Join us for our annual excursion to Mount Snow!
- 18 Full Board Meeting**  
Kolping House 88th Street

### april

- 5-6 KOH Cleanup**  
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 12-13 KOH Cleanup**  
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 15 Full Board Meeting**  
Kolping-on-Concourse
- 19-20 Easter Weekend**  
No Cleanup at KOH
- 26 KOH Cleanup**  
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 27 Easter Egg Hunt**  
Kolping-on-Hudson

# February

## Please Join Us!

### *Mass, Communion Brunch, Annual Elections & General Meeting*

**All members, friends and their guests are requested to join together on Sunday, March 2, 2014**

**German Mass at 10:00 am:** St. Joseph's Church, 404 East 87th Street, NYC

**Coffee Hour following Mass:** St. Joseph's Church

**Brunch 12 noon:** Kolping House, 165 East 88th Street

The cost of the dinner will be \$15.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children under 12 years of age. Our menu, prepared by Wolfgang Hahn, will consist of sauerbraten, noodles and red cabbage followed by desert and coffee or tea.

We will be electing new members to our Board of Directors, so we hope you will be joining us on this important day. A wonderful opportunity to participate and interact with all your Kolping Board Members.

You may also consider becoming a board member as there are several senior and junior board member seats open.

Senior member must be a member of the society in good standing for a period of 10 years. Junior Board you must be a member of the society in good standing for a period of at least 1 year. Board members must attend at least 6 board meetings per year.

Please make your reservations by calling Jan Kessler at 914-462-7649 or emailing [jkessny@aol.com](mailto:jkessny@aol.com). It is important that you RSVP by February 26, 2014 so that we know that you are coming and our staff can be prepared for all the attendees.



**MISSION STATEMENT:** We, the members of the Catholic Kolping Society of America, extend the vision of our founder, Blessed Adolph Kolping, by promoting the development of the individual and family; we foster a sense of belonging and friendship through our program of spiritual, educational, charitable and social activities.



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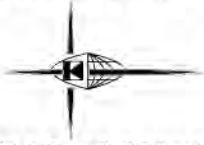
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# Milestones & Passages



Everyone could use the power of prayer now and again. If you or anyone you know is in need of prayer, please let us know and we will be happy to include them within the "in our prayers" list. Please contact Jan Kessler (914-462-7649) or email [jkessny@aol.com](mailto: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.

Our deepest sympathy to the **Agatha Frassman** family. Agatha died on January 6th. She and her late husband George were members for many years.

Ines Wallach has asked that we pray for a 12 year old named **Lorenzo**, who is her grandson's classmate friend. Two years ago he was diagnosed with liver cancer. Unfortunately there was nothing to be done other than a transplant. His cancer had started to spread to his lungs and therefore he did not qualify for the liver transplant anymore. He has been on chemo and on clinical trials. The last treatment was not working. His lungs were getting more cancer and he cannot stop coughing with pain in his body. The chemo has caused blisters under his feet besides other side effects. He has always been very educated about his treatments and hopeful, but now he is a little discouraged which is understandable. He will get one more chemo treatment and if it does not work, he will have hospice at his home. We ask for your prayers with much hope and faith that God grants him a miracle.



Tom Pastorello submitted the following obituary of 50+ year member **Imelda Holzner**. She passed away on January 1st at St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center. In March 2007, she had moved to NYC from Yonkers along with her mother. Born in San Francisco on November 21, 1944, she moved with her parents to NYC in 1946. She attended school at St. Barnabas in the Bronx and graduated from Lincoln High School in Yonkers. Imelda earned her LPN degree in 1964 from St. Joseph's Nursing School in Yonkers. After working two years at the affiliated hospital, she spent the remainder of her career as a nurse at Our Lady of Mercy Hospital in the Bronx. She retired in 2006 after 42 years of dedicated medical service. Her gentle, selfless nature was appreciated by all who knew her. Imelda was a member of the Catholic Kolping Society, the Bavarian Club, and from 1973 to 1980, performed as a folk dancer with the Weissbrau Dance Club. Until her move to Liverpool, she was an active member of St. Barnabas parish in the Bronx. Miss Holzner enjoyed reading, watching TV, listening to polka music and traveling with her family and friends. Surviving are her mother, Wally; sister, Irmgard; brother-in-law, Tom; niece, Irena, as well as caring cousins and uncles in the United States and Germany. With their shared interests in international travel, Imelda and her immediate family enjoyed a life of exploration and appreciation of the world's great cultures. Arrangements are by the Buranich Funeral Home, Camillus. Funeral and burial at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Hawthorne, NY in spring 2014. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center Foundation, 301 Prospect Ave., Syracuse, NY 13203. ([sjhsyr.org/foundation](http://sjhsyr.org/foundation)). Share condolences at [www.BuranichFH.com](http://www.BuranichFH.com)



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN FEBRUARY:

David Allen, John Barbera, Patricia Barbera, Cathy Bennet, Betty Boecklen, Norbert Brunhuber, Karl Buckel, Michael Buckel, John Buscher, Ivan Cantu, Brandon Crilly, Bernhard Dengler, Michael Doyle, Dahlia Duffy, James Duffy, Lindsay Froeblich, Thomas Fuchek, Jerry Fullam, Bud Gramer, Jane Gruno, Patrick Gruno, Anne Hemsing, William Hierspiel, Lisa Hiltzley, Dan Hoek,

Christine Hogan, Caroline Horan, Mike Horan, Dennis Keating, Marie Louise Kehoe, Anna Keller, Violet Kelly, Erna Koelbl, Susan Leili, Jerry Maxson, Walter McDonald, Stephanie McGill, Patrick McGovern, Christopher McGuire, Johanna McGreevy, George McNamara, Sean Murray, Martin Povilonis, Bernhard Preisser, Theresa Rascona, Max Reitter, William Reitter, Ingrid Reslmaier, Maria Reuber, Charles Ruppman, Ed Schmitt, Thomas Seelbach, Nicholas Severin, Edward Specht, Emily Specht, Reinhold Stehle, Daryl Stiloski, Christine Van Asselt, Victoria Winkelman, Camden Winter, Joseph Zale, and Gerhard Zoeller.

### SPECIAL BIRTHDAYS:

Special birthday wishes to **Walter McDonald** and **Victoria Winkelman**.

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](mailto:editor@kolpingny.org) or Jan Kessler at [jkessny@aol.com](mailto:jkessny@aol.com).



## 2014 DUES

By now all members should have received their dues letter and calendar for 2014. The good news is that the dues remain the same as last year:

Family: \$100

Individual: \$85

Student: \$40

50-year members:  
paid up forever!

### After April 1: \$5 additional

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.

Please make check payable to:  
*The Catholic Kolping Society.*

**Mail to:** The Catholic Kolping Society,  
Attention: Jan Kessler, Kolping on  
Hudson, 95 Montrose Point Road,  
Montrose, NY 10548 and mark  
"Dues" in the left-hand corner.

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Edward Schmitt is a Kolping member, and also the lawyer for Kolping. If you are in need of law services, he comes highly recommended.



### KOLPING IS ON FACEBOOK

Members can use this as another way to get the latest updates.

## News & Notes

### GO PAPERLESS!!!

In an effort to save money and save some trees, we are offering to send you your monthly bulletin **via email**. To do this you must request it—send your email address to our new secretary, Jan Kessler. Tell her you want to save Kolping some money and you want to save a tree.

Jan's email address is [jkessny@aol.com](mailto:jkessny@aol.com) and phone number is 914-462-7649.

### ADVENT PROJECT—'STEPS' TO END FAMILY VIOLENCE:

Thank you so much for the following who have sent in contributions for the Advent Project: Bernie & Christine Preisser, Margaret Cirincione, Katrina Dengler, Barbara Grimm, Gerald & Maureen Beyrer, Jerry and Muriel Fullam, Ines Wallach, Kathy Williams, Gerard & Gertrude Zoeller, and Phylis Coletti. We will be sending a total of \$1,000 to Steps.

### THANK YOU!

Thank you to **Andrea and Scott Ralls** for their generous donation to KOH—this will be most helpful with the ongoing repairs and maintenance required to maintain our KOH property for all of our members to enjoy.

Thank you to **Karen Staub** for her generous donation to the Kolping Society.

Thank you to **Gerald and Elizabeth Schwebke** for their donation to the Joseph Sartorius Fund in memory of their Aunt Agatha Frassman.

### GERMAN LANGUAGE LEARNING CLASS

Would you like your children to learn German?

The German Language Learning Club meets at the Kolping House on Tuesdays.

2 Levels of Adult Classes: Intermediate and Advanced at 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Afternoon Children's Classes: Toddler's to Teens at 3:45 and 5 PM

Spring Semester: Jan 21 to May 20

Only \$475 for 15 weeks

Contact Kathy Jolowicz at 212-249-0125

[kaj133@aol.com](mailto:kaj133@aol.com)

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

### RESERVE THE DATE

On Saturday, May 31st, Father Bretonne will have a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Patrick's Church in Brooklyn followed by a combined Spring Fundraiser for Eternal Flame of Hope Ministries and his 25th Anniversary of Priesthood Party. Please leave the date open...details to come.

### 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).

### OUR HOLY FATHER'S FEBRUARY 2014 INTENTIONS

**UNIVERSAL:** That the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of older people.

**FOR EVANGELIZATION:** That the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of older people.

# Thank You Notes

St. Philip Neri Rectory  
3025 Grand Concourse  
Bronx, New York 10468  
733-3200

December 4, 2013

Mr. Robert Hensing  
Board of directors  
Catholic Kolping Society of New York  
165 East 88 Street  
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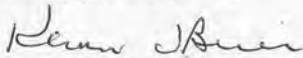
Dear Mr. Hensing:

On behalf of the people of St. Philip Neri Parish, allow me to thank you and your colleagues on the Board of Directors of the Kolping Society for your very substantial Christmas gift of \$500. Please be assured of our prayers for all of you and the Kolping family during this beautiful Advent and Christmas season.

On behalf especially of the priests of the parish, I take this opportunity express our appreciation of the unfailing kindness of your staff at the residence. For all here in this community, Kolping is a great blessing.

A Merry Christmas!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Msgr. Kevin O'Brien  
Pastor

Christmas 2013

Dear Bob,

Many thanks to you for your generous gift to Saint Joseph's Church, which acknowledges and strengthens the already strong bond that exists between the Kolping Society and Saint Joseph's. Please convey my gratitude to the board of directors and to all the members of the Society, and also my best wishes for a blessed Christmas and new year.

Yours sincerely,  
Fr. Boniface Ramsey  
Pastor

Dear Catholic Kolping Society

On October 25, 2013 my mother, Angelina, went home to God. Rather than sending Christmas cards this year, I thought it would be nice to share her favorite image of our Blessed Mother. I wanted you to receive it in time for the solemnity of "Mary, Mother of God," which we celebrate on January 1st.

The prayer on the facing page, "The Loving Mother," I composed some years ago. It also has ecclesiastical approval and so can be prayed with confidence.

May Mother Mary take you and all your loved ones into her maternal arms, holding and blessing them throughout the New Year!

With Peace, Love and Prayers,  
Fr. Richard Bretone

Thank you for your generosity! It is still wonderful to serve as your director! God Bless  
Fr. Richard

## THE LOVING MOTHER

Loving Mother,  
Mother of Mercy,  
help us\* to live lives of  
holiness and hope.

Take us in your maternal arms  
to the throne of Jesus your son,

so that we,  
your children,  
may experience the  
healing mercy  
of our gentle Savior's love.

Pray, for us,  
O Holy Mother of God...

\*To personalize the prayer you can  
substitute a person's name for "us"

Bob Hensing and  
to all of Catholic Kolping  
...and grateful  
for your gift.

Thank you for your  
thoughtful gift to St. Patrick's  
Your thoughtfulness is appreciated  
Thank you for your Christmas  
witness in our Community.  
Fr. Andrew Kunzome

# Joseph Sartorius Scholarship Application

2014 Topic: *Recently Edward Snowden released many documents regarding electronic surveillance by the United States Government. Even the head of government of a close ally, the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, Angela Merkel, has supposedly had her cell phone tapped by the United States Government. What is your opinion? Is this policy of surveillance justified? Is it absolutely wrong? Is it justified under certain circumstances?.*

## Scholarship Applicants must:

1. Be a member or the child (or grandchild) of a member of the Catholic Kolping Society of New York
2. Provide proof of enrollment in college or post-high vocational program.
3. Submit an essay of no less than 500 and no more than 1000 words. Please, follow the standards and format of the New York State English Regents essay. Remember that correct use of grammar, vocabulary, syntax and orthography will be taken into account.
4. Not be a previous winner.
5. Accept the decision of the judges as final.
6. Send application, proof of enrollment, and essay by **SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2014**. Please email materials electronically to **richard.brunhuber@verizon.net**. If you prefer, you can mail the materials to me (Ingrid Reslmaier, 6 Green Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563), and I will scan them and email them to Richard Brunhuber.

Please contact the Catholic Kolping Society of New York at 212-369-6647 or 877-659-7237 with any questions.

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**I hereby apply for the Joseph Sartorius Scholarship and agree to abide by the rules of eligibility.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Initial

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_  
Month Date Year Area Code Number

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Major/Minor Program of Study: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

Year (Check One): \_\_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_ 2-year program

Name of Kolping Member (*Print Clearly*): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Kolping Family Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

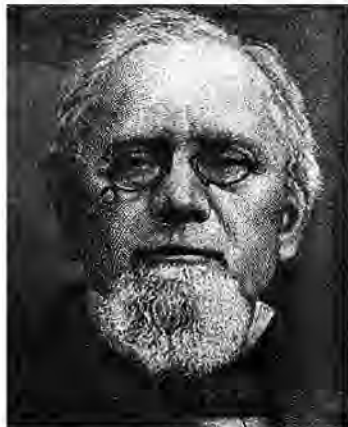
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Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



# Stories of Interest

## The Pre-eminent Webster Wagner submitted by Martin A. Kelly



Sundays were intended for rest and relaxation; but, last December 1st was one of horror and grieving. A speeding, southbound commuter train left the tracks at Spuyten Duyvil station (220th Street) in the Bronx turning on its right side and hurtling for a quarter-of-a-mile. The seven car train ground to a stop inches away from the lopping waters of the Hudson River.

Disasters are no stranger to this location. Its bizarre name is translated from the Dutch meaning "in spite of the devil" referring to the resolve a swimmer needed to overcome the choppy waters separating it from the opposite shore. Is there a diabolic link lurking trains to disaster like the Lorelei?

An earlier accident was even more devastating (8 killed); and, it took the life of an aspiring German-American statesman—Webster Wagner. He was born at Palatine Bridge, New York on October 2, 1817 to parents of German descent.

He excelled as a farmer, inventor and statesman. Although J Pullman's name is most closely associated with the "sleeper" railway train; Mr. Wagner was the inventor and manufacturer of these vehicles. They served the New York Central Rail Road; and ironically, he would die in one of them.

Earlier in his life he was interested in politics; and, by 1870, served in the New York State Assembly; and, later in the State Senate. He had a clean record and was successfully re-elected. At the time of his death he was on official government business.

The lounge car in which he was travelling with other legislators was stalled because of a defective brake. A southbound locomotive did not see the danger at Spuyten Duyvil, and plowed into the stopped trains.

The loss of Senator Wagner was an irreparable loss to his widow, five fatherless children, and his constituents. But his death effected the nation as a whole. He was, surely, slated to be a future Governor of New York State; and even might have become President of the United States. Perhaps the first German American in the White House.

## Success submitted by Katrina Dengler

"To laugh often and love much;  
to win the respect of intelligent persons  
and the affection of children;  
to earn the appreciation of honest citizens  
and endure the betrayal of false friends;  
to appreciate beauty; to find the best in  
others; to give of one's self;  
to leave the world a bit better, whether by a  
healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed  
social condition;  
to have played and laughed with enthusiasm  
and sung with exultation;  
to know even one life has breathed easier  
because you have lived-this is to have  
succeeded."

—Bessie Anderson Stanley, *More Heart  
Throbs Volume Two in Prose and Verse  
Dear to the American People* And by them  
contributed as a Supplement to the original  
\$10,000 Prize Book HEART THROBS



## Did You Know? submitted by Marge Cirincione

$111,111,111 \times 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321$

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:  
Spades—King David; Hearts—Charlemagne; Clubs—Alexander the Great;  
Diamonds—Julius Caesar

If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died because of the wounds received in battle. If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

Q. If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter 'A'?

A. One thousand

Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and laser printers have in common?

A. All were invented by women.

Q. What is the only food that doesn't spoil?

A. Honey

In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes, the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase...'Goodnight, sleep tight'.

In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts... So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them 'Mind your pints and quarts, and settle down. It's where we get the phrase: 'mind your P's and Q's'.

Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. 'Wet your whistle' is the phrase inspired by this practice.



# Kolping Ski Trip

Fri-Sun, March 7-9, 2014

Mount Snow, Vermont  
Mountaineer Lodge

**ROOMS ARE GOING FAST - Make your reservation by phone or email**

Single: \$210 Double: \$300  
Triple: \$400 Children 2-12: \$70

*Includes two breakfasts, wine & cheese  
reception and Saturday dinner.*

*We fill the lodge so there's  
plenty of Gemütlichkeit!*

LIFT TICKET RATES	Sat only	Sun only	Sat & Sun
Adult (19-64 yrs)	\$64	\$55	\$109
Youth/Senior	\$52	\$49	\$84

For more info or to reserve:  
Email: [joanandted@gmail.com](mailto:joanandted@gmail.com) or call  
Joan Smyth Dengler at 212 727 4102

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# CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE KOLPING HOUSE

165 East 88th Street, New York City



## A SPECIAL VISIT BY CARDINAL TIMOTHY DOLAN

**SATURDAY  
MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2014**

The day will begin with mass at 1:30PM.

After mass there will be entertainment, assorted hors d'oeuvres, and drinks available at a reasonable price. Dinner will follow.

After dinner guest speakers will include Cardinal Timothy Dolan.

Coffee and cake will close out the event.

We can only accommodate 120 people, so please reserve early. Reservations are required.

Please reserved your spots by contacting Jan Kessler by phone: 914-462-7649 or email: [jkessny@aol.com](mailto:jkessny@aol.com).

Members receive a free dinner and free parking. Non-members are \$10.

Children are welcome.

— Albert Sartorius and the 100th Anniversary Committee



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Special request from Lou Colletti—if any member has a photograph from the Kolping National Convention NYC Sept, 5-7, 1959 showing that Times Square Street sign was changed to Kolping during the Convention, could you please let her know by emailing her at [lcookie1129@aol.com](mailto:lcookie1129@aol.com)