

KOLPING *BULLETIN*

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april

- 5-6** KOH Cleanup
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 12-** KOH Cleanup
- 13** Kolping-on-Hudson
- 15** Full Board Meeting
Kolping-on-Concourse
- 19-** Easter Weekend
- 20** No Cleanup at KOH
- 22** April Bulletin
Last day to submit material
- 26** KOH Cleanup
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 27** Easter Egg Hunt
Kolping-on-Hudson

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- 3-4** KOH Cleanup
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 10** Last KOH Cleanup Day
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 11** Mother's Day Mass & Dinner
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 17** 88th Street Centennial Party
Kolping-88th Street
- 20** Executive Board Meeting
Kolping-88th Street
- 26** Memorial Day BBQ
Kolping-on-Hudson



Kolping-on-Hudson Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Join us **Sunday, April 27th at noon** for our 4th Annual EASTER EGG HUNT on the lower field to search! Families with children 10 and younger are invited to join in an Easter Egg Hunt on the soccer field to search for Easter eggs filled with Easter surprises. Egg Races and Egg Toss for older children and adults!

**WHO will find the GOLDEN Egg?
WHO will find the KOLPING Egg?
Basket and Prizes!
FUN FOR ALL!**



Bring your own baskets, please. Please contact Cecilia Portilla by April 20th by phone, text or email. Let her know the participants names and ages. Email cdgportilla@gmail.com or phone 516-761-8801.

KOLPING-ON-HUDSON SPRING CLEAN-UP

Our first KOH cleanup date kicks off on the first weekend in April. Surely we all will be so happy to get out of the house after the long winter we have had. Any help you can offer with the many cleanup projects at KOH is greatly appreciated. Let Bob Hemsing or Heidi Umland (914.736.0117) know that you are available to help so that they can schedule the cleanup jobs accordingly. The cleanup efforts will continue every weekend except Easter Weekend. We thank all of those that come out to help!



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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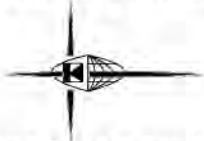
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Milestones & Passages



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 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 family of **Erich Roessler** who passed away on March 5th. He was a long time member and will be missed greatly by all his friends and family.

Please keep in your prayers **Ines Wallach's brother Robert** who is recovering from a heart attack. Ines mentioned that he was in intensive care at the hospital and she trusts that he will be fine but appreciates all your prayers for his recovery.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN APRIL:

Linda Ahrens, Stanley Beckett, Nick Bellet, Willi Bittermann, Russell Borner, Nancy Byrne, Brian Carey, Michelle Cervello, Romeo Cojocar, Luca Matthias Colletti, Nichole Corrigan, Thomas Corrigan, Cristina Cretara, Steven Crowley, Christian DeMatteo, Erna Dengler, Katrina Dengler, Kurt Dengler, Veronica

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SPECIAL APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

Special birthday wishes to **Willi Dunz, Stanley Beckett, William Minnauge, Michael Reynolds and Linda Mallon.**

If you know someone celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary, please let us know so we can include it in the Bulletin. Please email either me at editor@kolpingny.org or Jan Kessler at jkessny@aol.com.

THANK YOU

Lenten Project: Catholic Charities and St. Baldricks Children's Foundation

The \$90 proceeds from the 50/50 raffle held at the March 2nd Board Election will be donated to the Lenten Project along with the contributions we received from the following members. Thank you all for your generous support! **Frances Schulte, Ines Wallach, Muriel & Jerry Fullam, Jan & Art Kessler, Margaret Cirincione, Gerard & Gertrude Zoeller, and Mary McKeon.**

Thank you to all the following members for Donations to KOH in Memory of Erich Roessler: **Bob & Ann Hemsing, Ernst & Wilma Endrich, Herta & Mark Koenig, Fred & Grete Jordt, Heidi Umland, Nick & Lou Colletti, Brigitte & Peter Brueggen, Theresa Huber and Theresa Schefzik.**

The donations we receive for KOH are much needed and greatly appreciated to keep up with all the maintenance and repairs. There are many ongoing projects especially after the winter we have had this year.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Martin & Marion Povilonis celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary on April 24th.

Kolping Member **Christina Lovasz** is spending some time in New Orleans to visit with her new granddaughter Leia Jade born on February 28th weighing in at 6lbs. 5 oz. Congratulations to Christina and her family and we can't wait to meet her.

2014 DUES

Family: \$105

Individual: \$90

Student: \$45

50-year members:
paid up forever!

Please take an extra minute to fill in the bottom of the letter **with your current email address**, any change in address, phone number, birthdays, and other information. Mail it back with your dues to our new secretary, Jan Kessler. She will be updating the files and will include your email address on her email account. She will be sending out notices of new events to you via email this spring.

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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MOMS SLEEP OUT FOR HOMELESS KIDS

Friday May 2, 2013

A great opportunity for Moms to demonstrate our values to our kids. Covenant House Moms Sleep Out to raise funds and raise awareness for Homeless, Runaway and Trafficked Youth. Let's get a team of Kolping Moms together to do this. Register at MomsSleepOut.org or contact Joan Smyth Dengler for more info. jmysyth@covenanthouse.org / 212.727.4102

News & Notes

APRIL KOH SPRING CLEANUP

It is really hard to believe that Spring is just around the corner—all of this snow and ice will be thawing soon. So mark our calendars for our first scheduled weekend cleanup at KOH on April 5th and 6th.

Calling for all helping hands—projects for everyone big and small. The dates for KOH cleanup are as follows: April 5th-6th, April 12-13, April 26th & 27th, May 3rd, 4th and 10th. There is always outside and inside cleanup and numerous other jobs for everyone. Bob Hemsing and Heidi Umland will be on hand to coordinate the activities. Lunch will be served for the volunteers. Please call Heidi Umland (KOH Manager) to let her know you are available to assist in getting some of these projects done: 718-805-0552 weekdays, and 914-736-0117 weekends. Stop by when you have free time to lend a hand. Thanking everyone in advance for all your help!

CELEBRATING SPECIAL OCCASIONS AT KOH

It is also time to get your party plans on the calendar—many people are already booking parties, family reunions, birthdays, and picnics and KOH is the perfect place for all those special memories. Please contact Heidi Umland at 718 - 805-0552 weekdays, and 914 736 0117 weekends as she will be able to confirm dates and pricing for your events.

RECEIVE YOUR BULLETIN VIA EMAIL!

Reminder that the Kolping monthly bulletin can be received via email if you so desire. Many members have decided this works out well for them and it helps to save the trees. Call or email Jan Kessler (914.462.7649) or jkessny@aol.com if you would like to receive your copy by email.

Please also note that you can visit our website www.kolpingny.org where you can find copies of the monthly bulletins, list of upcoming events and so much other information that you may find helpful.

40TH NATIONAL KOLPING SOCIETY CONVENTION

The 40th National Kolping Society Convention is scheduled in Chicago: August 29 through September 1, 2014. Several of our members have already signed up as delegates to attend this convention. If anyone else is interested, please contact Jan Kessler 914.462.7649 or jkessny@aol.com.

RESERVE THE DATE

On Saturday, May 31st, Father Breton 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 APRIL 2014 INTENTIONS

UNIVERSAL: That governments may foster the protection of creation and the just distribution of natural resources.

FOR EVANGELIZATION: That the Risen Lord may fill with hope the hearts of those who are being tested by pain and sickness.

More News & Notes

THE NEW MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The committee is busy setting up interviews with those that have already submitted their applications and are interested in becoming members. The New Member Mass and Brunch is scheduled at KOH on June 1st so it is important to let us know of your interest as soon as possible. Please contact Jan Kessler for an application or any questions you may have with regard to membership. jkessny@aol.com

TRUCK DONATION NEEDED

The trusty old KOH pickup truck that was utilized for so many years has been retired. Setting up for many of the KOH events requires large items to be moved around the property and the pick up truck did it all along with our most dedicated volunteers. Is there any possibility that someone may have or know someone who would consider donating a flat bed type pick up truck to KOH. Please contact Bob Hemsing 914-552-7188 or Gerhard Schmitt 515-244-9170 should you have any information.

FROM THE FAMILY OF AGATHA FRASSMAN

A Note we received from the family of Agatha Frassman for Mass Card

Dear Kolping Members,

Our family greatly appreciates your kind Memorial Mass remembrance with the Franciscan Friars in memory of my aunt Agatha Frassman. Thank you very much for your thoughtfulness. —Elizabeth T. G. Schwebke

THE METROPOLITAN OPERA

The Metropolitan Opera on Radio (WQXR Radio)

Saturday afternoons on 105.9 FM.

April 5 **La Boheme** (1 pm)

April 12 **Andrea Chenier** (1 pm)

April 19 **Arabella** (12 noon)

April 26 **Cosi Fan Tutte** (1 pm)



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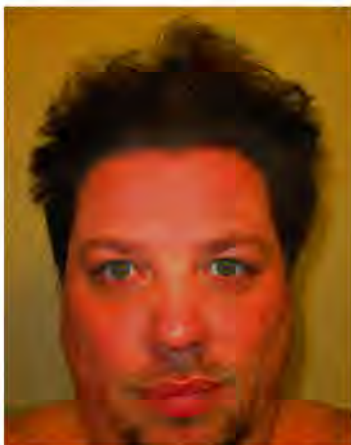
Kolping NY is on Facebook, just like you. LIKE our page so you can be in on all the news.

EASTER WEEK SERVICE AT ZION ST. MARK'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

You are invited to attend the services on: **PALM SUNDAY** (April 13, 2014 at 11am; **GOOD FRIDAY** (April 18, 2014 at 3pm); **EASTER SUNDAY** (April 20, 2014 at 11am). The services are in German and English. Zion St. Marks, 339 East 84th St. (between 2nd and 1st Aves.), Manhattan. www.zionstmarks.org / 212.288.0600 / 212.479.7808.

MEMBER STEVE LOVASZ—BEFORE AND AFTER SHAVING HIS HEAD

Steve was growing it to raise money for St. Baldrick's children's cancer research. When March came, people donated money to shaving his head. All the funds go to research, and Steve really wanted to do something for kids in need. He is not able to walk in marathons at this time and he make donations regularly, but still had that yearning to do more. Steve is hoping this will help. He's had his head shaved to stand in solidarity with kids fighting cancer, but more importantly, to raise money to find cures.



General Meeting & Elections Submitted by Jan Kessler. Photos by John Noonan and Muriel Fullam

Many Kolping members attended a wonderful mass and coffee hour at St. Joseph's with Fr. Ramsey and then onto 88th Street Kolping house to enjoy a delicious brunch prepared by Chef Wolfgang Hahn. All the staff members at 88th Street worked many hours ahead to get everything set up so that we could arrive with hearty appetites and just sit back and enjoy.

Thank you to Wolfgang Hahn, Ray, Giovanny, Ken, Gilberto and Miguel for all their hard work in preparation of our wonderful meal and setting everything up for us. Special thanks to Lou Colletti, Donna Richardson and Gerry Laudendauf who helped serve up the home cooked sauerbraten, chicken, gravy, spaetzle, and delicious vegetables.

John Noonan was our photographer of the day along with Muriel Fullam who has taken a great many photos at our events over the years.

After brunch it was back to business attending to elections and Kolping business updates. Congratulations to Katrina Dengler who was elected President of the Board and Gerhard Schmitt who has been elected Vice President. Bob Hemsing who has served as our President for the last few years will now be a Sr. Board Member and the following board members have been re-elected: Lou Colletti, Edward Specht, Albert Sartorius, Cecilia Portilla and Ted Dengler.

We are so glad that the board members will continue their service and thank them for all their hard work and dedication for all that they do.

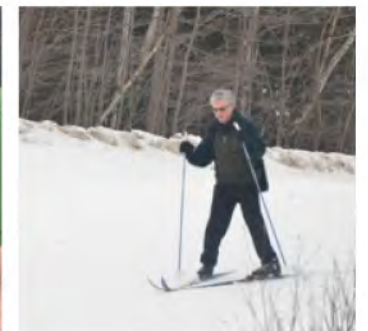
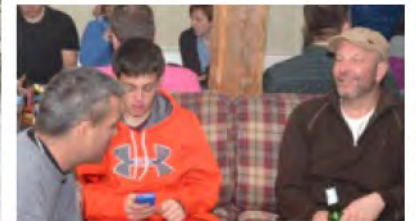
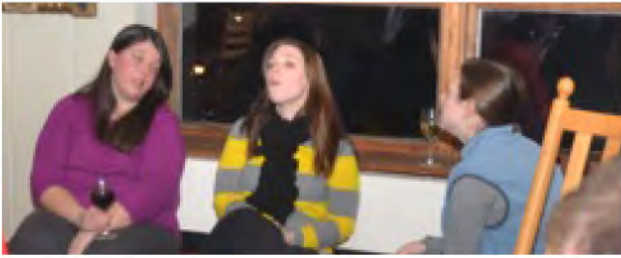
After the board elections, the meeting continued with Ted Dengler & Bernie Dengler providing us with financial audits for KOH, Kolping 88th Street and Kolping on Concourse. Gerhard Schmitt let us know that 88th Street and the Grand Concourse locations are doing well. Bob Hemsing focused on updates on KOH and John Reitter gave us an overview on the National Kolping Report & UN Report. The meeting concluded with Fr. Breton offering us his prayer and we thank him always for his guidance.

We have just over 600 members and look forward to adding additional members at our New Member Mass and Brunch at KOH which is scheduled for June 1st this year. Many of our new applicants are friends and family members of existing members and we look forward to meeting all of them soon. Upcoming events will be Easter Egg Hunt at KOH, Centennial Celebration at 88th St and Mother's Day mass and brunch at KOH. The season is just about to begin and we look forward to seeing everyone soon.



Kolping Ski Trip Submitted by Joan Dengler. Photos by John Noonan and Theresa Ostruff

52 Kolping Members and friends and family enjoyed beautiful sunny Vermont weather at the annual ski trip to the Mount Snow. Downhill and cross-country skiing, snowboarding and tubing were the order of the day accompanied by much gemütlichkeit at the sold-out Mountaineer Inn. If you missed this one, plan to join us next year!



General Meeting Minutes submitted by Katrina Dengler

GENERAL MEETING: KOLPING 88TH ST., MARCH 2, 2014

Chairman of the Board, **Gerhard Schmitt**, opened the meeting at 1:30pm

Acceptance of Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes from the 2013 General Meeting which was published in the May 2013 bulletin made by E. Dengler / B. Dengler.

President's Report: Bob Hemsing

- The state of Kolping is doing well and it was a good year. Our new member, Marie Considine, will be our Grant Writer. She has already gone out asking for a grant to support the movie night at KOH.
- We are celebrating the Centennial of our building on 88th St on May 17 and the Cardinal is planning to attend.
- Other Kolping Families are shrinking and closing—unfortunately, the Passaic Kolping family has closed this year. As the Society stays alive through its members and we have made efforts to open up to new members, we ask you to welcome them and get to know them.

Elections: Gerhard Schmitt opened nominations to the floor and the following were voted in by acclamation.

Senior Board: Cecilia Portilla, Albert Sartorius, Theobald Dengler X, Robert Hemsing

Junior Board: Lou Colletti, Edward Specht

President and Vice President: Katrina Dengler and Gerhard Schmitt

Controller's Report: As Controller, Ted Dengler's job is to keep track of the money that comes in and out of Kolping. The two main Houses are doing well and are maintaining themselves with needed repairs while doing Fr. Kolping's work of charity by providing low cost housing.

- Society (KSOC) had a loss which was made up from a surplus from K88
- Kolping on Hudson (KOH): Does not take in enough income to maintain itself: it received \$40,000 from the Preservation Fund and \$35,000 from a surplus previously generated by Kolping NY in years past.
- Kolping on the Concourse (KOC): had a small surplus which will be retained for future maintenance costs
- K88: also has a modest surplus even after making up the loss generated by KSOC.

Motion to accept: Reitter/A. Sartorius

Treasurer's Report: J. Reitter:

As a non-profit, we are not in the business of making money, but we do need enough to maintain our Society.

We have closed the Share accounts where we asked members to invest in Kolping by providing needed funds for maintenance of the Society. Now we have enough funds to be able to invest our excess and our investments and bank accounts are all doing well.

Endowment Fund Report: Bernard Dengler:

Being a member of Kolping doesn't mean only going to KOH and enjoying the day, it also means providing support and help to the Society. The Endowment Fund had a good year and was up 9%. Expenses from the society have been going up, and the income from the Endowment Fund is available for publicity of Kolping. Kolping, after a lot of effort by Nibert Dengler applied for and received a low frequency radio station license to broadcast in lower Westchester and we will be able spread the word of Catholicism through the radio station. The fund can only grow with donations from our members to continue to spread the word of blessed A. Kolping Please remember the Society and Endowment fund in your will.

House Reports:

K88 Street: Gerhard Schmitt: Kolping on 88th Street is running well. Last year a new oil burner was installed and in the spring upgrades to the risers and radiators will be done. The façade inspection was recently performed and additional inspections will be needed on the balconies and fire escapes. Although our manager, Ernst Endrich is on sick leave, he had trained the staff well and the house is running smoothly in his absence.

Kolping on the Concourse: G. Schmitt: Is almost at full capacity and no major repairs are coming up. The management has things under control and is doing a good job.

Kolping on Hudson: Bob Hemsing: The buildings at Kolping on Hudson are 150 years old and it is expected these structures will need more maintenance than our other buildings. Also, the season, while glorious, is shorter which provides less time to produce income. This winter season has been rough on our outdoor structures: the Reslmaier Beer Tent has collapsed under the weight of the snow this season and will need to be rebuilt. We are working with the insurance company for reimbursement.

During the winter off months, we have been working on several projects such as installing floors under the Reslmaier Beer tent and remodeling the men's room on the 2nd floor. Heidi Umland has agreed to continue as Manager, and the winter clean-up starts the first weekend in April.

National Board Report: J. Reitter:

The National convention will be held in Chicago this Labor Day weekend and we are looking for Delegates to represent NY. In 2 years, NY will be hosting the 2016 National Convention. We will be looking for volunteers; it is not too early to volunteer! Please let Jan Kessler know if you are interested.

Membership Report / Secretary Report:

J. Kessler: Thank you to Muriel, the past secretary, for the training and assistance she has provided.

- Kolping currently has over 600 members plus 42 honorary members.
- Our 50/50 raffle will support our Lenten project : St. Baldricks Foundation and Catholic Charities. Our member, Steven Lovasz will be shaving his head in support of St. Baldricks Foundation and the work they do to conquer childrens' cancer.
- We have started an initiative to send out our NY Bulletin via email, reducing costs and getting the information to you as soon as possible. If you are interested, please contact Jan. If you sign up and it doesn't work out for you, you can always change back.

UN Report: J. Reitter: Hubert Tintalott, the former International Secretary for approximately 40 years, retired and we are fortunate to have Dr. Markus Demele who visited NY and the U.S. Kolping Families last month. Dr. Demele visited the U.N. and attended the Civil Society forum where the forum presented a document to the Committee on Social Development. Dr. Demele submitted a written statement on how Kolping is working to empower people through work, how representation of the worker is needed in the informal sector and how we must recognize the human value and dignity of every individual.

Praeses Report: Fr. Bretone: This year has been a tremendous year spiritually, with large attendance at the masses at KOH: it's wonderful to need to bring in more chairs for all who come! We receive wonderful benefits by celebrating Mass together.

Motion made to close the meeting at 2:40: J. Reitter/ P. Carruthers.

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.

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: _____

Signature of Applicant

Date

Stories of Interest

Father Christian Hoecken, S.J. submitted by Martin A. Kelly

Life in Germany, in the early 19th century was grim. The commoners, particularly the farmers, shouldered the financial burdens of the old feudal system. The ultimate control of the schools, churches, dispensaries, and real estate rested in the hands of the nobility.

From Adam's great sin, mankind had been forced to eke out a living in a stingy environment. They, however, cherished the dream of a Utopia, "a promised land", "a Shangri-la." The scanty crops of 1847, called the "hunger year" convinced many Germans to seek their fortune in "schönest Amerika".

Between 1847 and 1855, 632,223 Germans emigrated to the United States. Many of them settled in the heartland of America called the "Mid-West": in what is now, Missouri, Kansas, Texas and Wisconsin. They tilled the virgin soil and cultivated crops in their new found home.

This bonanza for them did not come without a price for others; specifically the Native Americans who had inhabited that land. The Kickapoo Indians suffered mostly, by the incursion of these more culturally-advanced foreigners.

How could these Indians be compensated for their losses? The answer is too complex for a single page; suffice it is to say that missionaries came to attempt to be their protectors.

One such cleric was Father Christian Hoecken (1803-1857). He was born at Tilburg, No. Brabant and at age of 20 was ordained a Jesuit and sought assignment among the dispossessed Indians. He ministered, mostly among the Kickapoos; and, after mastering their "lingo," he composed a grammar and dictionary of their language.

His efforts to bring them the "true faith" and protect them from exploitation were successful in spite of hard-liners within the tribe and the ravages of alcoholism (fire water). While serving the Lord in Kansas, he contracted cholera and died at the age of 54. Known throughout the territory as the "Kickapoo Father," he was laid to rest in Florissant, Missouri amid the praises and adulation of his fellow prelates and congregation.

In 1982, the U.S. Congress granted a tract of land in Texas to the Kickapoos based on a treaty from the King of Spain in 1700, when the land was part of Mexico.

There are over 500 Kickapoo Native Americans, strong in the faith, thanks to Father Hoecken and his brother priests.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

Q – Who was the first American president with German Ancestry?

A – Herbert Hoover elected in 1928. His family name was originally Huber.

Another president with German roots was President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The Text of Red Skelton's Pledge Allegiance submitted by Kathy Weigand

On January 14, 1969, I presented "The Little Old Man" as a teacher. the time was 1923. The students had finished reciting the Pledge of Allegiance which at the time I was but 10 years old. The old sage called the children together and said—

"Boys and girls, I have been listening to you recite the Pledge of Allegiance all semester and it appears that it has become monotonous to you or could it be you do not know the meaning of those words. If I may, I would like to recite the Pledge and give to you a definition of the words.

I—meaning me, an individual, a committee of one.

Pledge—dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self pity.

Allegiance—my love and my devotion.

To the Flag—our standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there is respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job.

Of the United—that means that we have all come together.

States—individual communities that have united into 48 great states. 48 individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose, all divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common cause, and that's love of country.

Of America.

And to the Republic—a republic, a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands!

One nation—meaning, so blessed by God.

Indivisible—incapable of being divided.

With Liberty—which is freedom and the right of power to live one's life without threats or fear or any sort of retaliation.

And justice—The principle and quality of dealing fairly with others.

For all,—which means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine."

Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our nation, and two rods have been added to the Pledge of Allegiance. "under God." Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said, "That's a prayer" and what would be eliminated from schools, too?

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A SPECIAL VISIT BY CARDINAL TIMOTHY DOLAN

SATURDAY
MAY 17TH, 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.

Cardinal Timothy Dolan will be a guest speaker. Norbert Dengler & John Reitter will give a brief talk on Father Kolping and the Kolping Society in New York.

Coffee and cake will close out the event.

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

We can only accommodate 120 people, so please reserve early. Once we reach the maximum, there will be a waiting list. Reservations are required.

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

Children are welcome.

— Albert Sartorius and the 100th Anniversary Committee



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