



# KOLPING *BULLETIN*

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## note the date

### april

- 1 Easter Sunday**  
The most important Christian festival, and the one celebrated with the greatest joy
- 7- KOH Cleanup**
- 8** Kolping-on-Hudson
- 14- KOH Cleanup**
- 15** Kolping-on-Hudson
- 17 Full Board Meeting**  
Kolping-on-Concourse
- 19 May Bulletin**  
Last day to submit material
- 21 Fr. Bretone's Annual Barn Dance Fundraiser**
- 21- KOH Cleanup**
- 22** Kolping-on-Hudson
- 28- KOH Cleanup**
- 29** Kolping-on-Hudson

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- 5- KOH Cleanup**
- 6** Kolping-on-Hudson
- 12 Last Day of KOH Cleanup**  
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 13 Mother's Day Mass & Dinner**  
Kolping-on-Hudson
- 15 Executive Board Meeting**  
Kolping 88th Street



## May the Grace and Joy of the Risen Christ be with you all.

## HAPPY EASTER!

'Pope Francis' 2018 Easter message will be available on TV, radio and the web this weekend. Rome is five hours ahead of NY time, so his noon message will be airing live in NY at 7am.

Cardinal Dolan will be celebrating the 10:15 am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. This Mass is extremely popular and there is even a ticket system to assign the seats. If interested in celebrating Mass at the Cathedral, you might want to try the Easter Vigil at 8pm Saturday, or the 8:45 am, noon or 5:30 pm. You can also watch the Mass on TV or the Internet.

Our Kolping Family members in Westchester (and nearby) may be interested to learn that the Fathers and Brothers of Maryknoll invite all to Holy Week at Our Lady Queen of Apostles chapel. For more info see <https://archny.org/events/holy-week-at-maryknoll>.

### KOH MEMORIAL DAY BBQ—MAY 28

Mark your calendars to spend a great day at Kolping-on-Hudson with family and friends. Barbecued hotdogs and hamburgers, salads and desserts will be served—and the pool will be open!



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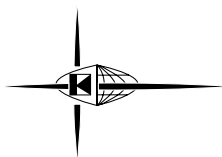
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# Milestones & Passages



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 Joan Smyth Dengler (914-432-2535) or email kolpingny@gmail.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.

On March 19, 2018 longtime friend and Member, **Josef Sedlmair** passed away. Please keep son, Peter, daughter, Heidi and their families in your thoughts and prayers. Joe will be missed at KOH.

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of **Irene Orosz Sedano**. Irene is the sister of our bookkeeper Gail Gleason. Please pray for Gail and her family at this difficult time.

Please keep **Martin and Violet Kelly** in your prayers.



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN APRIL:

Linda Ahrens, Gerald Beyrer, Willy Bitterman, James Bradley, Mary Buono, John Buono, Nancy Byrne, Michelle Calhoun, Stewart Cooke, Brian Carey, Michelle Cervello, Jean Cianci, Romeo Cojocar, Luca Matthias Coletti, Nichole Corrigan, Thomas Corrigan, Colleen Croce, Edward Croce, Steven Crowley, Christian

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### SPECIAL APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

Special Birthday wishes to **Donal Finnegan, Max Lorenz, Elfriede Orlowski, Pat Farkas, Maria Ebbri, Detmar Nieshalla, and Robert Doyle!**

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 Joan Smyth Dengler at kolpingny@gmail.com.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Congratulations to the newly elected and returning Kolping members who have agreed to serve on our Board of Directors this year. It's a thankless job most of the time, so let's thank them now and be sure to keep them in our prayers throughout the year. We pray for discernment, wisdom, perseverance and vision as they lead our Society forward in 2018.



### LENTEN PROJECT

Thank you to those who've donated to the National and New York 2018 Lenten project to help our Kolping brothers and sisters in Kenya acquire goats. Kolping International is running this project that aims to teach participants how to care for the small livestock, produce milk and use by-products to feed their families and generate a modest income. John and Betty Reitter, John and Bertha Unger, Albert and Joan Sartorius, Lisa and Peter Carruthers, Wolfgang Hahn, Ron Seelbach, Lou Colletti, Katrina Dengler, Al and Linda Feron, Norbert & Marilyn Dengler and family, Therese and Romeo Cojocar and family, Vicki and Mike Longworth and family and Teddy Dengler XI have contributed to the Lenten project as of this writing. And there's still time for you to participate. Please send your check to the Kolping House on 88th Street or to the Society Secretary (Joan Dengler, to NY Kolping, 165 East 88th Street, New York, NY 10128). Or, if you have sent it directly to national, please let Secretary Joan Dengler know, so we can include you in our report of Kolping New York's impact. Make a difference in the world! If each of us in NY Kolping gives \$1, we could provide two families with goats. If each of us gives \$10, we'd be helping 20 families take a step forward. And if we could each give \$1 for every day in Lent, or \$40 each, that would impact 80 families. **Send your gift today.**

### OUR HOLY FATHER'S APRIL 2018 INTENTION

#### FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY IN ECONOMIC MATTERS

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

# 2018 DUES

Pay your membership dues by April 1st to avoid any late charges. Please

forward your check made out to **Catholic Kolping Society** and mail it to Catholic Kolping Society, 165 East 88th Street, New York, NY 10128

Att: **Joan Smyth Dengler, Secretary**

Family: \$100

Individual: \$85

Student: \$40

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 secretary, Joan Smyth Dengler. 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.



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Use it as a source to get Kolping updates throughout the month or a place to share photos with your Kolping friends.

# News & Notes

## JOSEPH SARTORIUS SCHOLARSHIP

April 15th is the submission deadline. Two scholarships will be awarded. First award: \$2,000, second award: \$1,000. Please contact Joan Dengler if you'd like the application form emailed to you (kolpingny@gmail.com / 914-432-2535).

## CATHOLIC KOLPING SOCIETY RAFFLE

4 Yankees vs. Mets Subway Series Tickets

Friday, June 8, 2018 @ 7:10pm

Free Shirt Friday presented by: Dunkin' Donuts

Donation: \$10 each (proceeds for KOH).

The drawing will be on Sunday, June 3rd at KOH. To purchase raffle tickets, contact Lou Colletti: (LCookie1129@aol.com / 914-275-7481)



## SPRING CLEANUP AT KOH

Mark your calendar for April 7-8, our first scheduled weekend cleanup at KOH (weather permitting)! Every one of us—big and small—has talents to offer. Projects will range from gardening and raking the grounds to sweeping out the dust and cobwebs to preparing our kitchen for the delicious meals to come. This year's cleanup dates are: April 7-8, April 14-15, April 21-22, April 28-29, May 5-6, and May 12. We'll work together for a few hours, then sit down to enjoy a delicious lunch provided for the volunteers. In advance, please let Heidi Umland (heidiumland@verizon.net / 917-699-6875) know what days you can come so we can have the right tools ready to make the most of your generous gift of time. If you find yourself unexpectedly available, come on by even without an RSVP.

## GET YOUR KOLPING BULLETIN FASTER – VIA EMAIL!

Email Secretary Joan Dengler at kolpingny@gmail.com and she can switch you to digital distribution. You'll save the Society a little money in the process!

## 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).

## FATHER BRETONE'S BARN DANCE

Benefitting Eternal Flame of Home, the Barn Dance will be held on Saturday, April 21 at 6:30pm. Don't miss this wonderful evening out featuring Western BBQ and Italian favorites, live music performed by the Mary Lamont Band, and raffles, prizes, artwork and jewelry! The location is St. Patrick School Auditorium, 9511 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11209 (convenient parking, close to mass transit). Please RSVP by April 2. \$55 donation, \$25 youth (donations are tax deductible). Any questions call: Fr. Richard Bretone (718-238-2600); Teresa (718-876-9361); Marianne (646-645-3502); Beatrice (718-852-4000); Annette (718-256-2295); Madeline (718-415-0935).

## Detach and Return to Father Bretone

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Guests: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

We cannot attend, but would like to make a donation Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for grand prize Raffle Book(s) Please send me \_\_\_ Additional Books

Mail Response To: Father Richard Bretone, Eternal Flame of Hope Ministries

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# More News & Notes

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## Storm Damage at KOH *submitted by Lou Colletti*

The relentless weather in March left several trees down or ready to fall at Kolping on Hudson. Fortunately there was no property damage. A big thanks to Richie Povilonis, Nick Colletti, Chuck Smith, Joe Szoldatits, Peter Mersits, Mike Tompkins and Frank Kurcz for removing the trees from the road, cutting the trees up for firewood, and clearing the access road.



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## The Search is on for Miss German America 2018!

Who will be Miss German-America 2018, Queen of the 61st German-American Steuben Parade of New York? Every year we crown a Miss German-America, Steuben Parade Queen along with two Parade Princesses, Junior Princesses and a Junior General. As spokeswoman for the New York Steuben Parade, the Queen and her court will promote the New York Steuben Parade by attending numerous events in the greater NYC area.

### The Finalists will Receive:


- \$5000 College Scholarship for Miss German-America
- \$2500 College Scholarship for each Princess
- A Place of Honor on the Parade Float in New York City
- Special Honors at the Parade Gala & Silent Auction in NYC

More information along with applications are available on our website.

**<http://germanparadenyc.org/the-search-is-on-for-miss-german-america-2018/>**

The committee encourages all eligible candidates to apply! Applications are available online. We also urge you to checkout the parade website at: **[www.germanparadenyc.org](http://www.germanparadenyc.org)**



 Are you the Next MGA?

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# *General Meeting & Elections—March 4, 2018*

We gathered at St Joseph's on 87th Street to begin our Annual Meeting Day with prayers for guidance and inspiration for the coming year. Father Ramsey presided at the German Mass and our own Kathy Weigand served as lector. Our President Katrina Dengler represented the Kolping Society in the Offertory collection.

After Mass, we joined the congregation from the monthly German Mass at their coffee hour. We enjoyed some goodies and coffee and tea and visited with old and new friends.

Meanwhile, at the Kolping House, Geovanny and Wolfgang were busy making a delicious meal for us. Special thanks go to our staff—Ken, Ray, Gail, Max, Rodrigo, Angel and Geovanny—who made the house ready for our visit, as well as ensured the clean up afterwards!

John Noonan and Albert Sartorius greeted us upon arrival and helped us get our reservations and payments squared away. We were fortunate to have Pat Farkas, National Administrator join us for our event.

Therese Portilla collected the meal tickets and Donna Richardson, Alexa Richardson, Jerry Ladenhauf, Chris Ulrich and Lisa Carruthers stepped up to serve us our delicious lunch of sauerbraten, chicken, spaetzle, and potatoes as well as vegetables that taste so much better than when we make them at home.

The General Meeting and Board elections began with a welcome from President Katrina Dengler.

Vice President Gerhard Schmitt gave the House report for 88th Street. We're running around a 90% occupancy rate—markedly up from the levels experienced in the winter. Giovanni has been working on repairs and improving the furniture. Con Ed recently did a walk through to help us with ideas on reducing our energy costs.

KOH Manager Heidi Umland reported that the rooms are rented for the coming season and the calendar for special events has filled up nicely. We've also been able to land Fire Departments and School groups for weekday slots. Some significant expenses from the past year included \$9K for awnings and \$9K for windows. The Society contributed \$15K for the new barn roof which was completed for a total cost of \$18K thanks to the efforts of our talented members.

Ted Dengler, X shared the controller's report and John Reitter reported on the Treasury. We are grateful to both of these gentlemen for overseeing our Society's finances.

Lou Colletti, our national board representative, updated us on the Lenten Project. We are participating in an effort supervised by International Kolpingwerk which will help Kolping members in Kenya become more self-sufficient. Our gifts will help the members purchase goats. With training and mutual support, our Kolping brothers and sisters will learn how to better feed their children and possibly generate a small income from the ownership and care of the small livestock. All members are encouraged to consider donating \$1 for each day of Lent towards this noble project.

John Reitter updated us on events at the United Nations and the committees that work to strengthen families across the planet.

Gerhard Schmitt reported on KOVA and Lia Portilla shared the status of the Radio Station.

The Annual Election for the Board of Directors was overseen by the committee of Gerhard Schmitt, John Noonan and Albert Sartorius.

We owe deep gratitude to the members rotating off the board—Peter Carruthers, Ernst Endrich, Ann Helsing, Bob Helsing and Dennis Noll. They have served us well over many years and our Society is stronger for their efforts. The new directors include: Lou Colletti, Howard Jaeger, Frank Kurcz, Chris Ulrich and John Weigand. We thank them for taking on this task and pray for them going forward.

Concluding the day, we were reminded that member Karen Staub has very generously donated tickets for the Mets/Yankees Subway Series game on Friday June 8th so we can generate some useful funds for the continued upkeep of Kolping on Hudson. Contact Lou Colletti to reserve your \$10 chance for this amazing prize.

Father Bretone concluded the meeting with his Praeses report and Blessing.

## ***Message from the President from the General Meeting***

I would like to thank those who are retiring from the board this year: Dennis Noll, Ernst Endrich, Peter Carruthers, Bob and Ann Helsing.

They have all volunteered their time on the board and I am thankful to them. Ernst has served in many capacities for so many years: on the board, at KOH and as manager both here at K88 and KOC. We hope he will continue to help whenever he can. Peter has hit term limits and Dennis retired to concentrate on his family. I hope both will come back when they can.

I want to give special thanks to Bob and Ann Helsing. Both have served as President and have given an immeasurable amount of time and effort to Kolping. Both have given me an immense amount of help and guidance on the responsibilities of being President and will be greatly missed. Bob has been a source of reminders of what needs to be done and to advise on how it was done in the past. His knowledge, experience and vision have been invaluable to me as I have taken on this role.

Ann, with her practical advice on how to run events: guiding me on being the face of Kolping, so I can stand in front of you and look like I know what I am doing.

They have served faithfully for many years, donating their time and efforts. They have always acted with the best interests of Kolping on mind.

I wish them all the best on their retirement from the board and hope they can enjoy all the Kolping events now, without having to worry about the responsibilities.

# General Meeting & Elections photos courtesy of John Noonan



# *Kolping Ski Trip* photos courtesy of Ted Denqler XI

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2018's Kolping Family Ski Trip was perfectly scheduled to make use of all the March snow we received this year and 40 participants headed up to Mount Snow to ski, cross-country, snow shoe and enjoy the hot tub. The Innkeepers, Royal and Ned Wilson, kept us cozy and well-fed. Nearly a dozen of our group extended the stay by arriving on Thursday and making it a long weekend. A good time was had by all. Mark your calendar for 2019, we'll return March 8-10 next year.



# *Stories of Interest*

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## “Wearing of the Green” submitted by Martin A. Kelly

St. Patrick's Day has come and gone with one of its greatest fanfares: marching bands, dancers, floats. It was a sight that stole your heart, no matter what your forbearers' origins. The first St. Patrick's Day parade took place not in Dublin but in New York City, in 1762—even preceding the adoption of the Federal Constitution in 1776.

Closely associated with the marching and pomp is the gustatory aspect of St. Patrick's Day and the first course which would be associated with the celebration is “Corned Beef and Cabbage”. But don't take for granted that the feast and the folly are of the same origin—they are not.



Although the exact beginnings of corned beef are unknown, it most likely came about when people began preserving meat through salt-curing. Evidence of its legacy is apparent in numerous cultures, including ancient Europe and the Middle East. The word corn derives from Old English and is used to describe any small, hard particles or grains. In the case of corned beef, the word may refer to the coarse, granular salts used to cure the beef. The word “corned” may also refer to the corns of potassium nitrate, also known as saltpeter, which were formerly used to preserve the meat.

“Corned Beef and Cabbage” found its way to America when the newly arrived Irish immigrants of the 1800s, victims of famine and oppression, took to it with gusto and the two have been closely associate ever since. The new wave of immigrants brought their own food traditions, including soda bread and Irish stew. Pork was the preferred meat, since it was cheap in Ireland and ubiquitous on the dinner table. The favored cut was Irish bacon, a lean, smoked pork loin similar to Canadian bacon. But in the United States, pork was prohibitively expensive for most newly arrived Irish families, so they began cooking beef—the staple meat in the American diet—instead.

So how did pork and potatoes become corned beef and cabbage? Irish immigrants to America lived alongside other “undesirable” European ethnic groups that often faced discrimination in their new home, including Jews and Italians. Members of the Irish working class in New York City frequented Jewish delis and lunch carts, and it was there that they first tasted corned beef. Cured and cooked much like Irish bacon, it was seen as a tasty and cheaper alternative to pork. And while potatoes were certainly available in the United States, cabbage offered a more cost-effective alternative to cash-strapped Irish families. Cooked in the same pot, the spiced, salty beef flavored the plain cabbage, creating a simple, hearty dish that couldn't be easier to prepare.

After taking off among New York City's Irish community, corned beef and cabbage found fans across the country. It was the perfect dish for everyone from harried housewives to busy cooks on trains and in cafeterias—cheap, easy to cook and hard to overcook. It was even served alongside mock turtle coup at President Lincoln's inauguration dinner in 1862.

Far from being as Irish as a shamrock field, this St. Patrick's Day classic is as American as apple pie.