



# KOLPING BULLETIN

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## note the date

### december

- 3 Christmas Party**  
Mass and party at  
K-88th Street
- 3 First Sunday of Advent**  
The faithful must prepare themselves for the coming, or advent, of the Savior on Christmas. The four Sundays before Christmas are marked by special church services.
- 22 Last day to submit materials for January Bulletin**
- 25 Christmas**  
A centuries-old custom, the first Christmas tree was set up in Germany in the 17th century.

### january

- 1 New Year's Day**
- 9 Full Board Meeting**  
K-88th Street
- 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**
- 22 Last day to submit materials for February Bulletin**

### february

- 2 Groundhog Day**
- 14 Valentine's Day**
- 19 President's Day**
- 21 Ash Wednesday**
- 27 Executive Board Meeting**  
K-88th Street

# Dec.

## Kolping Christmas Party

*December 3, 2006*

Please join us for our final event in 2006. Our annual family Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 3rd at the Kolping House on 88th Street.

We will start the day with a 10:30am Memorial Mass, celebrated by our Praeses, Father Richard Bretone at the Kolping House. A delicious Roast Pork dinner with all the trimmings will follow at a cost of \$16 for adults and \$8 for children 12 years and under. Please call Ann Horan at 914-737-2026 or (cell) 914-391-2142, or contact her via email at [annth@optonline.net](mailto:annth@optonline.net) to make your reservations by November 30th.

After dinner, the agenda will include honoring all our 25-year members for their loyal service to Kolping. There are no new 50 year members this year but there are plenty of new 25 year members—Stefan Weber, Elizabeth Jaki, Ann Horan, Allegra Dengler, Marilyn Dengler, Erna Dengler Christine Preisser, Janet Reinisch, Elizabeth Reitter, Katherine Reslmaier, Teresa Bauer, Kathy Weigand, and Inge Schmitt. 1981 must have been the year of the Kolping woman! Last, but not least, Santa will make his annual visit. The approximate time schedule is: 10:30am Mass; 12:00 noon Dinner; 1:00pm celebration of 25 year members; 1:30pm Santa's visit.

All Kolping children and grandchildren **10 years of age and under** will receive a gift from Santa, but you must contact Ann Horan at 914-737-2026 or (cell) 914-391-2142.

We look forward to seeing you there!



**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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# 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 call Ann Horan (914-737-2026) when you know of a member who is ill, in the hospital, or has passed away. We want to be sure to remember them.

We wish **Rosemarie Bartzick** a speedy recovery from wrist surgery.  
We wish **Bert Bruegger** a successful operation on his toe this month.

We want him in good shape for more trips with his family and visits to Montrose.

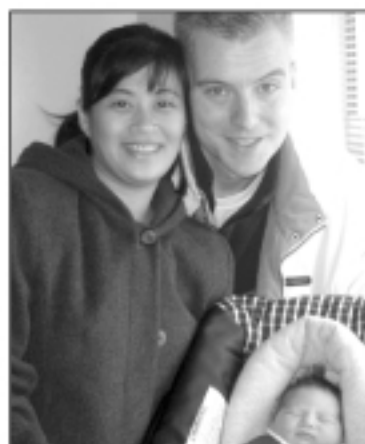


#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE BORN IN DECEMBER:

Michael Cunningham, Daniel Dengler, Justin Dengler, Ernst Endrich, Lisa Farsang, Kathleen Fuchek, Walter Gross, Lily Gruno, Sal Hierspiel, Vikki Jones, Irene Leili, Michael Loeser, Jocelyn Maas, Stefan Manz, Amanda Mersits, Peter Mersits, James Minarik, Lindsay Moraitis, Jenny Rea, Andrew Reitter, Wilfriede Roessler, Carol Rohrbacher, John Rung, Utz Schwarte, Erik Severin, Thomas Silvestri, Jr., Hertha Stang, Diane Tangen, Kenneth Tunkel, Niklas Umland, Christopher Vanzo, Alfred E. Vogl, Jr., Debra Weigand, and Michael Weinborg.

#### SPECIAL MILESTONE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

If you know someone celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary, please let us know so it can be included in the Bulletin. Email either me at editor@kolpingny.org or Ann Horan at annth@optonline.net.



#### CONGRATULATIONS:

Katherine and Walter Weigand are delighted to announce that they have become joyous grandparents to a beautiful baby girl, Maria Katherine. Maria's proud parents are John and Sharon Weigand, and big brother Brian can't wait to show her all of the wonderful sights of KOH. Merry Christmas to all!

## THANKS

Thanks to **Maria Strobel** and **Carol Sartorius** who donated something extra with their chance books.

Thanks to **Alfonse Preisser** for his donation to the Joe Sartorius Fund and the Endowment Fund.

Thanks to **Katrina Dengler** for her donation to the Society.

**Thanks to all who supported our raffle.** We collected \$1230. This will be split between the National Endowment Fund and the Joe Sartorius Fund.

## 2007 DUES

The new 2007 calendar and dues letter will be mailed out this month. Ann Horan will enclose an envelop for your dues for your convenience.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

### OFFICE FURNITURE

Kolping member Bob Hemsing is moving his office. He has file cabinets and desks that are not needed. If anyone wants them, they should call Bob at 347-386-9311.

### Conversational German Tutor Needed

I am looking for a native German speaker to help me with my German in exchange for help with English. I used to be an English teacher and am an excellent teacher. Please call Al at 212-281-9304 after 9 p.m.

### DISNEY CONDO FOR RENT

Kolping Member has 3 BR / 2 Bath condo for rent in 5-star community only 3 miles outside of Disney's Main Gate. Affordable and convenient. Please visit our web site at [www.bestdisneycondo.com](http://www.bestdisneycondo.com) or call Gary & Terri Ostroff at 516-837-3804.

## Submit your classified ad (free for members!):

The classified advertisement section can be found on both the KolpingNY web site and printed in the Bulletin. All members are invited to submit advertisements for items that they want to sell, give away or own. The ads will expire after one month unless other arrangements are made. We reserve the right to charge a fee in the future, if needed, to cover expenses. Email your classified ads (or any questions) to: [classifieds@kolpingny.org](mailto:classifieds@kolpingny.org)

You can also mail them to: Ingrid Reslmaier, Kolping Classifieds, 6 Green Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563. Ads can also be posted directly on the web site: [www.kolpingny.org](http://www.kolpingny.org). Please include a description, contact name, phone number, and/or email address.

## Mass & Brunch at KOC

submitted by Ann Horan

Thanks to Jorge Paris for another delicious brunch at KOC. Twenty-five members joined Fr. Bretone for Mass in our own chapel. We prayed for all our deceased members who died this year. It would be great to see more of our members at this event next year.



## Congratulations to Larry Dengler

Larry Dengler, a member of our Kolping Board of Directors, was elected on November 7th to be one of the Village Trustees of his home Village of Dobbs Ferry. The Village is governed by a Mayor and six Trustees. Larry will be sworn in on December 4th for a term of two years.

This is the first time Larry has run for public elected office, and his first elected position in local government. In addition to being on the Kolping Board of Directors, Larry had been active in his parish education program and in local government, serving as chairman of his village committee which makes volunteer placements and as video-camera operator for the Village Trustee meetings. Now he will be on the other side of the camera in Dobbs Ferry.

## Holiday Chuckle...

### A THOUGHT FOR CHRISTMAS

submitted by Barbara Henry

Do you know what would have happened if there had been Three Wise women instead of Three Wise Men?

They would have asked directions, arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, cleaned the stable, made a casserole, brought practical gifts and there would be Peace on Earth.

### A HOSPITAL TALE

submitted by Martin Kelly

Nurse Nancy was at her station at Blair General Hospital when she answered the ringing phone.

Caller: *Could you tell me how Mrs. Schwartz is?*

Nurse: *(slight pause) She seems to be improving well.*

Caller: *How are her vital signs?*

Nurse: *They are all normal.*

Caller: *Do you see any problems?*

Nurse: *No, none indicated.*

Caller: *When do you think she'll be going home?*

Nurse: *The doctor will have to determine that. What is your name? I'll tell her you called.*

Caller: *I am Mrs. Schwartz, the patient—no one tells me anything.*



# 2007 Father Krewitt Scholarship Application

Once again, the scholarship monetary award will be \$1,000. The winner will be announced in the spring of 2007. All essays must be postmarked no later than February 28, 2007.

The Catholic Kolping Society of America awards one \$1,000.00 scholarship to further the education or training of one Kolping Student who submits the essay most worthy of the scholarship that year in accord with the rules.

2007 Krewitt Scholarship Theme

**"What one thing would you like Pope Benedict XVI to do to move the Catholic Church forward into the future?"**

Krewitt Scholarship Applicants must:

1. Be a member or the child (or grandchild) of a member of the Catholic Kolping Society of America
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.
4. Not be a previous winner.
5. Mail application\*, proof of enrollment, and essay *in triplicate* by **February 28, 2007**.  
Send documents to the address printed on the application.
6. Accept the decision of the judges as final.

\* Application forms are also available from the local Kolping families or from the national office or our web-site at [www.Kolping.org](http://www.Kolping.org). Please contact the Catholic Kolping Society of America at 1-877-659-7237 with any questions.

I hereby apply for the Father Krewitt 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Number and Street \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Name of Kolping Member (Print Clearly) Relationship to Student

Name of Kolping Family (Branch) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant Date

Mail completed application, proof of enrollment, and the essay *in triplicate* by **February 28, 2007** to:  
Catholic Kolping Society of America • c/o Patricia Farkas • 1223 Van Houten Avenue • Clifton, NJ 07013

# Stories of Interest

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## Sr. Annunciata Bethell, O.S.U.

*Sister of the Bedford Park Community dies at age 90.*

You may not all remember Sr. Annunciata Bethell because she has been inactive in the Bedford Park Community (the area of **Kolping-on-Concourse**) for the past few years, because she has been a resident of the Schervier Nursing Home in Riverdale. But those of us who knew her well (myself, over 36 years) called her "Big A". It wasn't a sarcastic term, but rather a nickname because of the unyielding power she wielded on behalf of the senior citizens in the Bedford Park Community and Parish Community of St. Philip Neri Church.

Sr. Annunciata entered the Ursuline religious community in 1935 at the age of 16, graduated the Academy of Mt. St. Ursula, received a B.S. in Education and an M.S. in Religious Education from Fordham University, and a Masters in Social Work from Hunter College of Social Work. Sr. Annunciata started teaching in elementary school, and I met her years ago when she was a teacher at St. Philip Neri School.

It was at that time that Sr. Annunciata began to think about how she could help the Senior Citizens in the neighborhood, and she spoke to her father about helping her begin and open the **Bedford Park Multi-Service Center** in the basement of St. Philip Neri Church. In 1972, she founded the **Multi-Service Center**, and what we knew at the lower-church or Burke Hall, became the Bedford Park Multi-Service Center, with the support of the Pastor, Msgr. Philip P. Shannon.

When the Board of Directors of the Kolping Society looked for investors for the building of the **Kolping-on-Concourse**, Sr. Annunciata was very influential in getting people to make the necessary investment. Both Sr. Annunciata and Fr. Shannon knew all the parishioners in the parish, and were therefore able to assist Kolping-on-Concourse in getting the finances they needed to be successful. You will notice in the dining room of Kolping-on-Concourse, a beautiful photo of Msgr. Shannon recognizing him for his support of Kolping, which was placed there after his death. Perhaps Kolping might consider placing a photo of Sr. Annunciata alongside Msgr. Shannon to honor her also.

Sr. Annunciata is someone who never can be matched in her dedication to the Senior Citizens. She was the one who started an outreach committee to see if the seniors were getting the proper care, health, and nutrition. Our own deceased Kolping

member, Vincent Lambot, worked for Sr. Annunciata for many years dispatching cars to the senior homes for pickups to the Center, hospital, or doctors. She helped many families over the years to place their elderly parent into nearby nursing homes, and recommended home health aides that she knew well from the neighborhood. No agencies were used, and the aides were monitored by an office staff representative, so that our elderly felt secure. Because of these very competent, caring aides, many people were able to stay in their own homes many more years before they had to be put in a nursing home. Many seniors called Sr. Annunciata during the night (between 11pm and 6am) to tell her they were alone and needed to go to the hospital. Regardless of the time, Sister would go to their home and go with them in the ambulance or meet them at the hospital. It was because of Sr. Annunciata's presence that they felt comfort, and their admittance to the hospital was speeded up. She was a dear, dedicated servant of God, in the service of the senior citizen population.

Sr. Annunciata served on many committees at Montefiore Medical Center including the Home Advisory Board, Long Term Care and was a member of the Montefiore Medical Center Board of Directors.

After the fire which destroyed the **Church of St. Philip Neri** and the **Multi-Service Center**, the **Multi-Service Center** opened a new building on 204th Street and Valentine Avenue, and renamed the center the **Sr. Annunciata Center**. Today, that Center is still active with daily luncheons, and activities for senior citizens. It is only fitting that the center remembers Sr. Annunciata with all that she did to make their Center possible.

Sr. Annunciata was waked at the Ursuline Bedford Park Convent on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 14-15, and a Mass of the Resurrection was held on Thursday, November 16th at 10:00 in the Ursuline Bedford Park Convent Chapel. Interment followed at St. Raymond's Cemetery, Bronx, NY.

In lieu of flowers, the Sisters have requested that donations be sent to honor Sr. Annunciata Bethell to:

**Sr. Annunciata Bethell Memorial Donation  
Bedford Park Multi-Service Center  
243 East 204th Street  
Bronx, NY 10458.**

Submitted by **Karen Byrnes**, Bronx, NY

# Stories of Interest

## Kurt Kreuger

submitted by Martin A. Kelly



Despite his good looks, Kurt Kreuger found it difficult to get roles which were not Nazi-related. He played the role of Lt. von Eyrick in *Mademoiselle Fifi*, set in occupied France during the Franco-Prussian War, a young French laundress (Simone Simon) shares a coach ride with several of her condescending social superiors. But when a Prussian officer (Kurt Kreuger) holds the coach over, social standings are leveled and integrity and spirit are put to the test.

World War II affected the lives of almost everyone who lived through it. Some were inconvenienced with rationing, air raid drills, requests for blood, etc. Others lost everything including their lives.

A peculiar case of "war casualty" was a Swiss-citizen turned American, Kurt Kreuger (born 1916). Bent on an acting career, Kurt arrived in America in 1939. After a few initial successes on Broadway, he headed for Hollywood. The studios, immediately hired him, not as a romantic hero which his good looks (tall, blond, handsome, articulate) would suggest; but, as a German officer in wartime, anti-Nazi movies.

In all, he acted in 16 films playing Nazis who got their come-uppance in the end. One of his most memorable role was Captain von Schletow in "Sahara" which starred Humphrey Bogart. Kurt is shot down by Bogart's tank crew and taken prisoner. Ungrateful for having been treated decently, Kurt plots to kill his admirable captors. But the wily Bogart won't be outdone and Kurt dies like a rat.

After a steady diet of his pictures, movie audiences began to associate Kurt with Nazi roles. This specter would not go away and it impeded the development of his career. He had been considered for the male lead in "Young Lions," but Marlon Brando's pull at the box offices cut Kurt out. Similarly, he was considered for the role of Captain von Trapp in the "Sound of Music," but they told him he looked too young to be the head of a large family. Who got the role? Christopher Plummer—who was 2 years Kurt's junior.

After a few mediocre roles, the phone began to ring less frequently, and Kurt became a real estate developer in Beverly Hills. He became so successful in the new field that he became independent of the media altogether. He died quietly on July 12, 2006.

## WORDS WORTH NOTING

submitted by Jack McGee

A contemplative and a missionary this is what beloved Pope John Paul II was. He was this way because of his intimate union with God, nourished each day by the Eucharist and by extended periods of prayer. —**Pope Benedict XVI**

The secret of a good life is to have the right loyalties and hold them in the right scale of values. —**Norman Thomas**

Always behave like a duck - keep calm and unruffled on the surface but paddle like the devil underneath. —**Jacob Braude**

Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves. —**James M Barrie**

When I read a book I seem to read it with my eyes only, but now and then I come across a passage] perhaps only a phrase, which has a meaning for me, and it becomes part of me. —**Somerset Maugham**

A bird does not sing because it has an answer. It sings because it has a song. —**Chinese Proverb**

You can observe a lot just by watching. —**Yogi Berra**

The probability that we may fail in the struggle ought not to deter us from the support of a cause we believe to be just. —**Abraham Lincoln**

Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections but instantly set about remedying them—every day begin the task anew. —**Saint Francis de Sales**

Justice consists not in being neutral between right and wrong, but in finding out the right and upholding it, wherever found, against the wrong. —**Theodore Roosevelt**

Build up your weaknesses until they become your strong points. —**Knut Rockne**

# What's Happening in New York This Month?

By Jack McGee (718-478-0573)



**The Metropolitan Opera** Friday evenings for \$15 for Family Circle and Family Circle box seats. For Monday through Thursday evenings, also priced at \$15, call 212-362-6000. Season catalog on request.

La Boheme (I)	December 1 at 8pm	Rigoletto (I)	December 22 at 8pm
Rigoletto (I)	December 8 at 8pm	Mozart's Magic Flute in English	December 29 at 1pm
The Magic Flute (G)	December 15 at 8pm	The First Emperor of China	December 29 at 8pm

**The Metropolitan Opera on Radio WQXR-96.3FM** Saturday afternoons.

Mozart's Idomeneo (I)	December 9 at 1pm	Verdi's Don Carlo (I)	December 23 at 1pm
Verdi's Rigoletto (I)	December 16 at 1:30pm	Mozart's Magic Flute in English	December 30 at 1:30pm

**WITH THE HOLIDAYS AROUND THE CORNER**, here a few things to think about if you're a teenager and are looking for something to do.

**HAVE YOU CONSIDERED** sitting down and developing the topic "what one thing would you like Pope Benedict XVI to do to move the Catholic Church forward into the future?". The application is in this month's Bulletin for the **2007 Father Krewitt Scholarship Award**, with all the rules and regulations.

**There are actually two \$1,000 prizes.** The National Winner receives \$1,000 and the Board of Directors for New York Kolping has voted another \$1,000 if you are a member of the New York Kolping Family. Your picture and essay will appear in the National "Banner", as well as our New York "Bulletin". Think about it.

**ANOTHER THOUGHT** might be to ask yourself "what do you want to do in your life?" Saying goodbye to teenage life comes very quickly. There was an ad in the paper this week asking present high school seniors and college students if they would consider being New York City public school teachers. Although there are three levels: Elementary, Middle (Junior High) and Senior High school, the salary schedule is the same for each. The new salary schedule published starts at \$45,000 and over a number of years teaching reaches a maximum of \$100,000. The benefits include life long health care, a life long retirement pension and all of the pluses that go with the profession.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3** is the **Christmas party at 88th Street**. If any of your younger brothers and/or sisters are coming, would you care to teach them a Christmas song of two? It would be nice for them to entertain Santa—Jingle Bells, Rudolph, White Christmas or Silent Night...we are sure it would please him!

**AND WITH VACATION TIME** in just a few weeks, just a reminder...here are some **great holiday things to do**. The Big Apple Circus, Mozart's "The Magic Flute" and The Nutcracker are at Lincoln Center, four or five performances of The Christmas Show at Radio City daily, How the Grinch Stole Christmas (The Musical) and Annie, just to mention a few.

**THE HOLIDAY TRAIN SHOW.** If you are, a model railroad aficionado, The New York Botanical Gardens in the Bronx is presenting its annual show until January 7. Toy trains wind through New York landmarks amazingly made from plants.

**THE NATIVITY STORY.** The perfect Christmas movie? Well, that could be "The Nativity Story," a drama about the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. Just pre-screened at the Vatican, this film releases December 1st.

# More Happenings in New York...

By Jack McGee (718-478-0573)

## **MUSIC AT THE CHURCHES AND CONCERT HALLS**

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church** – 65th Street and Central Park West. Sundays at 5pm. Free will offering.

- December 3 Bach Cantata 140—Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme.  
Johann Michael Bach. Herr, wenn ich nur dich habe. Concert concludes with Bach organ concert.
- December 10 The Voices of Advent, including motets by Vulpius, Gesius, Pretorius.
- December 17 Candlelight Lessons and Carols. Bach's Magnificat with Brass Ensemble.
- December 24 Christmas Eve. The Christ Mass with the Bach choir.

**Christ and St. Stephen's Church** – 120 West 69th Street. Tickets \$30. Seniors/students \$15.

- December 3 Bach's CHRISTMAS ORATORIO with choir, orchestra and soloists. At 5pm.

**Carnegie Hall** – 57th Street and Seventh Avenue. Tickets \$20, 35, 45, 75, 80, 120.

- December 20 & 22 Handel's MESSIAH, with chorus and orchestra. Both at 8pm.

**Church of The Ascension** – 10th Street and Fifth Avenue. Tickets \$10, 20, 25, 35 and 45.

- December 12 A CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS CONCERT. Carols and classical music. At 8pm.

**Church of St. Thomas** – 53rd Street and Fifth Avenue. Tickets \$80, 60, 30, and student/seniors \$25.

- December 12 & 14 Handel's MESSIAH with the Boy's and Men's Choir, soloists and orchestra. Both at 7:30pm.

**AND** as a Christmas gift to the community, the following concerts are FREE. No tickets needed.

- December 20 Benjamin Britten's CEREMONY OF CAROLS at 5:30pm. Followed by Messiaen's LA NATIVITE DU SEIGNEUR (nine meditations of the birth of Christ composed for the organ) at 6:15pm.

**St. Bartholemew's Church** – 50th Street and Park Avenue.

- December 3 Advent Lessons and Carols. Palestrina and others. At 5pm. No tickets required.
- December 14 Avishai Cohen is one in most demand trumpet players. He has formed a group of Israeli musicians to perform traditional Chanukah music. At 7:30pm. No tickets required.
- December 17 Bach's "Christmas Oratorio". At 3pm. Tickets \$35, 25 and 15 (seniors/students).
- December 19 Special Candlelight concert. Boys and Girls Choir, new expanded organ, festival brass music, with Christmas favorites. Secular and sacred, plus a carol sing along. At 7:30pm.  
Tickets \$35, 25 and 15 (seniors/students).

**ZION ST. MARK'S, 339 East 84th St., Manhattan** (between 2nd & 1st Aves.).

*Saturday, December 2 from 2:00 to 4:00PM.* Zion St. Mark's popular CHRISTKINDL MARKT. Large selection of Lebkuchen, Christstollen, Christmas ornaments, postcards, gift items and much more. Enjoy the traditional German Gluehwein, coffee, Christstollen and the festive Christmas atmosphere.

*Saturday, December 16 at 3:00 PM* "FREDDY UND DER MILLIONAER..." Freddy dreams he is a millionaire and on vacation with Miss Schmidt. During a real trip to Italy he actually encounters "la dolce vita" but does not fit in amongst crooks, playboys and easy women. He goes back to where he came from. Starring FREDDY QUINN, Grit Boetcher, Joseph Offenbach, Grethe Weise, a.o. From 2:30 PM coffee and cake.

*Sunday, December 17 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.* You are invited to join us for our annual ADVENT and CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION. Enjoy beautiful Christmas platters with the traditional Stollen, fruit, nuts and other Christmas goodies. Sing familiar German and American Christmas songs, try your luck at the raffle. Contribution \$10.

**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH IN YORKVILLE.** Every first Sunday of the month, the Holy sacrifice of the Mass is celebrated in German at St. Joseph's Church of Yorkville, 404 East 87th Street at 9:45. Confessions before Mass. For information call Julia Winter at 212-534-5625. For information regarding counseling and sacraments in German, please contact Rev. Emmanuel Nartey at 212-289-6030.

**THE CHURCH LITURGY.** Sunday, Dec. 3rd begins the Liturgical Church Year with the holy season of Advent anticipating the Birth of Christ. Sundays, Dec. 3, 10, 17 and 24, celebrate the Advent Masses. Friday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a Holy Day of Obligation. As we follow the English tradition of sending Christmas cards and celebrating the holiday season, let's not forget the reason for all of the celebration. Let's keep the CHRIST in CHRISTMAS. Monday, December 25th is a Holy Day of Obligation as well. Merry Christmas to all.





# German-Affiliated Happenings and Events

## DECEMBER 2 • 78th EDELWEISS BALL

G.T.E.V. SCHLIERACHTALER STAMM, Plattdeutsche Park Restaurant

1132 Hempstead Turnpike, Franklin Square, NY.

"Treu dem Guten Alten Brauch" Featuring 5 hours of the best non-stop German-American dance music in New York. The Kapella Fellas & The Spitzbuam AND Bavarian Schuhplattler Entertainment. Music from 8:00pm.

Food & Beverages: Bratwurst dinner platter, imported beer, wine and soda. Admission: \$35 advance tickets, \$38 at the door.

Children's menu available. Information & Ticket Reservations: 718-347-5298, 516-797-7120, email:

rsvp@BavarianDancers.com. Jerry Hugel, President. Inquiries accepted for the Annual Night in Vienna Ball, January 27, 2007. Visit our website at BavarianDancers.com and join our mailing list.

## DECEMBER 9 • ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB, Peekskill, New York

Cortlandt Colonial Restaurant, 714 Albany Post Road, Cortlandt Manor, NY 914.739.3900

From 7:00 pm until 12:00 midnight. Featuring Bud Gramer and the Melodies. This is a prepaid party. Member: \$65 / Non-

members: \$75. Reservations are required and shall be made with Ruth Ann Ritter (845.225.5891) or Marilyn Buck

(845.227.5159). Reservations must be made by December 5th. Dinner choices: prime rib, chicken marsala, stuffed sole.

The evening begins with the fabulous cocktail hour featuring the hot and cold buffet that the Cortlandt Colonial is known for.

## DECEMBER 17 • Deutsche Weihnachtslieder und Deutscher Weihnachtsgottesdienst

MÄNNER & DAMEN CHOR OF NEW ROCHELLE AND GERMANIA CHOR PORT CHESTER

Presented by Lilian Bertin. Village Lutheran Church, 172 White Plains Road, Bronxville, NY 10701. 914-337-0207.

www.vlc-ny.org. Please join us for refreshments following the 5pm service.

## DECEMBER 31 • NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB, Peekskill, New York

11 Kramer Pond Road, Putnam Valley, New York.

\$55.00 Members - \$65.00 Non-Members

Featuring Entertainment by the Joe Unger Band, performing 8:00 PM - 1:00 AM

Dinner Choices are Prime Rib or Salmon with Hors D'Ouvres before Dinner. Cash Bar.

Doors open at 6:30 PM. This is a prepaid party. Reservations and dinner choices shall be made with Marilyn Buck at 845-227-5159 or Ruth Ann Ritter at 845-225-5891

The Liederkrantz Foundation, Inc.

presents

# HANSEL AND GRETEL

FULLY STAGED AND COSTUMED

SUNG IN ENGLISH

Friday, December 8, 2006 at 8:00 PM

Saturday, December 9, 2006 at 8:00 PM



Elizabeth Hastings Musical Director

Nelson Sheeley Stage Director

Corin Hollifield Choreographer

of The Liederkrantz

6 East 87th (between 5th & Madison)

Adults: \$20 Senior and Students with ID: \$15

Children 12 and under: \$10

- check or cash only -

An  
Encore  
Presentation!

### GENERAL ADMISSION

First come – first served.

Dinner is available at the Liederkrantz prior to the show. Reservations for dinner are required. Call (212) 534-0880. Seats will be reserved for patrons who have dinner reservations with us and for Liederkrantz Club members who request them.

For further information call (212) 534-0880 or email us at info@lkmusicnyc.org.



# Kolping Ski Trip 2007

Friday,  
March 16th  
through  
Sunday,  
March 18th

Contact and make checks payable to:  
Gerhard Schmitt • 516/868-1654  
272 Centennial Avenue  
Roosevelt, New York 11575

## Payment in full due by February 2, 2007.

**Destination:** Mount Snow

**Hotel:** Mountaineer Inn, West Dover, VT 05356 • 800-682-4637 • 800-464-5404

**Includes:** 2 nights lodging, a buffet breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, dinner on Saturday, tax and gratuity. A complimentary wine, cider and cheese reception will be provided Saturday before dinner.

Doubles .....	@ \$140 per person	\$ _____
Triples .....	@ \$125 per person	\$ _____
Single .....	@ \$180 per person	\$ _____
Children (2-12) .....	@ \$75	\$ _____

Lift Passes	1 Day	2 Day	
Adults: .....	\$39	\$70	\$ _____
Juniors (7-12 yrs) .....	\$32	\$51	\$ _____

*(3-Day lift passes available, contact Gerhard for pricing)*

**Total Payment due February 2, 2007** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

When making a payment, **please include the full names of all the people who will be staying in each room** and a telephone number of the contact person for the room.