

CINCINNATI KOLPING BULLETIN

December 2016

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Note from the Editor

The Christmas season is upon us, and just how does it sneak up on us like that each year? As we rush through the hubbub of trimming the tree, shopping for presents, decorating, baking cookies, entertaining, cooking, and oh yes, watching football, let us take time to remember the reason for the season – "For unto us a Child is born." And let us take time to be thankful for all of those people who have touched us and made our lives better.

This would be a great time to thank all of those who do so much at Kolping: Doris Wilke and the Bulletin staff, the President and Vice President, Trey and Mike Seibel, all the Board members, the Tuesday Workers, the Saturday Workers, the kitchen cooks, and all of the multitude of volunteers that keep this organization going. May you all have a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! Treu Kolping!

Nancy Pelzel

Important Phone Numbers

President – Trey Seibel, 513-616-4265

Vice President – Mike Seibel, 513-256-8213

Membership – Karen Wienkamp, 513-922-2677

Sick Committee – Christa Olding, 513-385-1476

Sub Group Presidents:

Brewing Klub – Mike Seibel, 513-256-8213

Sängerchor - Bill Kraeling, 513-238-9570

Schützen Club – Mickey Moore, 513-729-4675

Seniors – Christa Olding, 513-385-1476

Sports Club – Walter Dewar, 513-312-8551

Young Families – Paul Ahrnsen, 513-542-8554

House & Grounds – Tom Musbach, 513-793-1148

Kolping Center

Clubhouse Rentals – 513-851-7951 then press 1

Business Office – 513-851-7951 then press 1

Clubhouse – 513-851-7951 then press 5

Hall – 513-851-7951 then press 4

December Events

- December 4, 11:00 A.M.** Mass/
Society Meeting/
Christmas Party
- December 11, 2:00 P.M.** Weihnachts Konzert
- December 12, 7:30 P.M.** Genealogy Group
- December 13, 11:30 A.M.** Seniors Christmas
Party
- December 16, 8:00 P.M.** Schützen Nacht
- December 18, 3:00 P.M.** Children's Christmas
Party
- December 20, 10:30 A.M.** Tuesday Workers'
Christmas Party

January Events

- January 6, 7:30 P.M.** General Meeting
- January 20, 8:00 P.M.** Schützen Nacht
- January 28, 6:00 P.M.** Stube Nacht

Membership Dues Notices

The notices for membership dues will be going out in the mail shortly. The annual dues amounts are as follows:

Life Membership \$25.00
Single Membership \$42.00
Family Membership \$63.00

Life membership is available to any member who is at least 70 years old and a member for 20 years in 2017. Please pay promptly so that there are no issues with reporting to National Kolping and no hold-ups with being able to shoot with the Schützen Klub. We appreciate your membership in the Kolping Society

Happy Birthday to all our members born in the month of December!

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
William	Huntsinger	Dec 1
Garry	Sprowls	Dec 1
Marilee	Uhlhorn	Dec 1
Aaron	Callahan	Dec 2
James	Sonnenberg	Dec 3
Hubert	Kramer	Dec 4
Larry	Valerius	Dec 4
Rick	Schlake	Dec 5
Tammy	Courter	Dec 6
George	Diekmann	Dec 6
Susan	Griffin	Dec 6
Barbara	Hermeling	Dec 6
Lois	Kunze	Dec 6
Matthew	Brunzman	Dec 7
Tobias	Schmitz	Dec 7
Richard	Tabler	Dec 7
Jim	Stapf	Dec 8
Otto	Bakonyi	Dec 9
Joe	Hammons	Dec 9
John	Roman	Dec 9
Thomas	Schottelkotte	Dec 9
Joseph	Abt	Dec 11
John	O'Neil	Dec 11
Erich	Schulte	Dec 11
Elizabeth	Kunze	Dec 13
Carl	Schlake	Dec 13
Dr. Albert	Drees	Dec 14
Karl	Holstein	Dec 14
John	Weissmann, Jr.	Dec 14
Janet	Kuhl	Dec 15
Diana	Grinkemeyer	Dec 17
Jacob (Jay)	Stupprich, Jr.	Dec 17
Marian	Koester	Dec 18
Ronald	Panioto	Dec 18
Carolyn	Ramsey	Dec 18
Werner	Wilke	Dec 18
Frank	Lahrman	Dec 19
Gertrud	Bruewer	Dec 20
Tony	Dechering	Dec 20
Lisa Ruff	Thorner	Dec 20
Christel	Leuker	Dec 21

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Mildred	Breitenstein	Dec 22
Rick	Hill	Dec 22
Howard H.	Hughes, Sr.	Dec 22
William	Janszen	Dec 22
Ben	Callahan	Dec 23
Robert	Sommer	Dec 23
Irene	Hasenfratz	Dec 24
Courtney	Schnetzer	Dec 24
Charles	Lintz, III	Dec 25
Timothy	Riley	Dec 25
Steven	Isfort	Dec 26
Hartmuth	Parnitzke	Dec 26
George	Willenbrink	Dec 28
Adam	Kraeling	Dec 29
Wy	Verhoff	Dec 29
Bill	Kemper	Dec 30
Ralph	Vosseberg	Dec 30
Elizabeth	Neumann	Dec 31

NOTICE

Upon the death of a MEMBER, please call the President of the Kolping Society or one of the Bereavement Committee members. In order that the membership can be aware that a member has died, the family of the decedent should be willing to place in the Death Notice that the decedent is a member of the Kolping Society and at what time Kolping members should assemble for prayers. (This should be mutually agreed upon by the family and the Kolping representatives).

The members of the Bereavement Committee are:

Christa Olding, 513-385-1476
 Marilee Uhlhorn, 513-661-0414
 Helene Schrand, 513-741-9780
 Doris Wilke, 513-521-5019

Deaths

Our sympathies go out to Jim and Carolann Slouffman. Jim's father died at the age of ninety-five on November 15th. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Cincinnati Kolping

Election Results

Congratulations to the new members of the Kolping Board of Directors, elected at the November 4th meeting:

Walt Dewar
Beth Hoffman
Tim Jamison
Kevin Luther
Phil Neumann

Ted Klosterman was re-elected as the National Delegate.

Best wishes to all for a successful 2-year term!

Christmas at Kolping, Long Ago

I looked around in the Kolping history book for Christmas references. If you have read the entire book, you may remember these stories. As you know, the Kolping Children's Christmas party has been a tradition since the early days of the Society. In 1935, the Ladies Auxiliary was in charge of the party. In the Ladies Auxiliary meeting minutes of December 4, 1935 it reads "**Christmas party on December 22 to be held in St. Francis Hall. Each member will bring toys for their own children to be distributed by Santa Claus. The value of the toys should not exceed twenty-five cents.**" In the meeting minutes from the following year, December 1936, the Ladies decided to be a bit more specific regarding gifts for the children. The minutes read, "**Christmas party on December 27; suggested to give all the children a ball.**" How times have changed!

Christmas at Kolping was not only about the children in the early years. In the December 1941 Ladies Auxiliary minutes, it was recorded that instead of the women giving the men money for Christmas, they would give them cigars and other Christmas presents at the party. Then in the minutes of the following month, January 1942, it is recorded that the Ladies were buying a fumigator for the Kolping House. So much for the cigar idea!

Before the books were published last fall, the Society ordered an additional 150 copies. About seventy-five remain. If anyone needs a Christmas gift for someone

who has an interest in Kolping, Nancy and I can arrange to get a copy to you.

I hope that this Christmas leaves you and your family with some really good memories. Maybe you'll get a ball or a cigar!

Mike Pelzel
385-3120
pelzefest@aol.com



Pampered Chef Catalog Show to Benefit Kolping Schützenfest Basket Booth

When: **Order now through January 15, 2017**

<https://pamperedchef.com/go/Kolping2017>

The Schützenfest Basket Booth had great success with all the Pampered Chef donations from our event last year! Let's do it again this year, and get even more product for the booth!

Shop for Christmas for friends, neighbors, teachers, etc. and the Basket Booth will benefit from your support. Plan ahead for your New Year's Resolutions to get on track for 2017 by eating healthier.

If you'd like to purchase items for the basket booth as well, we'd appreciate your support!

Shop 24/7! Orders will be shipped directly to you:

<https://pamperedchef.com/go/Kolping2017>

Please contact Barb Hessler if you have any questions: 513-520-8664.

Sick & Shut-Ins

Gerd & Agnes Oevermeyer
Evlyn Busam
Charlie & Marlene Lintz
Richard Ellensohn
Norb Schomaker
Emmi Rosen
Christa Drees

Sis & Gene Meister
Dale Sunderhaus
Betty Amrein
Ted Segbers
Bill Lunnemann
Rudy Pohlabein
Charlie & Helen Zix

Also, please say prayers for **Mark Poole**, son of Betty Poole, the organist for Kolping's Communion Sundays since 1958. In addition, please keep **Sophie Kappen**, granddaughter of Ferdi and Walburga Kappen, and **Kate Callahan**, granddaughter of Mike & Manette Callahan and daughter of Ben Callahan, in your prayers. Both **Charlie and Helen Zix** are now in assisted living at Brookdale and they would appreciate your prayers.

Please take time out of your busy schedule for these folks. Send a card, stop to visit or give them a call. It is always nice to hear from friends when you are not feeling well.

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Kolping Seniors Christmas Party

The Seniors' meeting and Christmas party is on **December 13th at 11:30 A.M.** Come join us! We will have a good dinner, special guests, special prizes, and lots of fun!

Free to Senior Members Guests - \$10.00 each

If you took a name for a resident of Our Lady of the Woods - **PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING IT.** Please bring gift items such as socks for men - scarves for women - toiletries for men or women to make Christmas merry for the residents at Lady of the Woods Retirement Home.

Call Christa Olding at 385-1476 for reservations if you did not sign up at the November meeting. May you all have a BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND A HEALTHY NEW YEAR!

Christa Olding

Goettafest Thank You

A big thanks to the Tuesday Workers for setup. (You're the best!)

Also many thanks to:

- Amy and Beth for supply orders
- The goetta and egg man, Ted Wilke
- Andrew & Russ Hessler; Frank, Paul & Ralph Vosseberg; Patrick Whalen and Dan Fischer
- My go-to gals, Barb Hessler & Elaine Wilke
- Doris Wilke for her help
- Erik Vosseberg for his help with moving tables and chairs.

Treu Kolping!
Irene Whalen

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Christmas at the German Heritage Museum

On Sunday, December 4, the doors of the German Heritage Museum in West Fork Park are open from 1 to 5 P.M. for the Sankt Nikolaus Celebration. Besides St. Nikolaus, there will be several wood carvers. Refreshments are also offered.

We also have several kinds of short and long-sleeved shirts for sale. These items make good Christmas presents. There is no admission charge, but free-will donations are most welcome. Visit the Museum on December 4.

On Sunday, December 11, from 2 - 4 P.M., historian Dr. Don Heinrich Tolzmann will be at the German Heritage Museum for a signing of his books on Over-the-Rhine, Germans in the Civil War, Christian Moerlein, George Wiedemann, and the Roebling Suspension Bridge. At 3 P.M., he will talk about German Christmas customs and traditions, and he invites others to share their memories and recollections of Christmas in Germany and Cincinnati.

For more information, call or E-mail Manfred or Regina Schnetzer, 513-923-3743 or moschnetzer@fuse.net, or look at our website: www.gacl.org.

ELECTRONIC BULLETIN

As we move forward toward electronic distribution of the *Kolping Bulletin*, we are asking for your help with this project. **If you want to receive your Bulletin electronically, please e-mail :**

[SCHUTZENFESTCINCY@gmail.com](mailto:SchutzenfestCincy@gmail.com)

with the following information:

Your name (spouse if also a member)

Current address

E-mail address

We will continue to compile the information and reduce paper mailings as much as possible. Watch your e-mail for the Bulletin to arrive soon! Note, we will continue to mail paper copies to those who do not have e-mail or who prefer not to receive the *Bulletin* electronically. If you have any questions, please contact **Barb Hessler at: 513-520-8664 or BHessler129@gmail.com**

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E-Mail Address Update

It has come to our attention that some of the members' E-mail addresses that we have on file are out-of-date. If you have changed your E-mail address in the last year, and want to remain on the distribution list to receive E-mail blasts and Kolping updates, please send your new E-mail address to:

[SCHUTZENFESTCINCY@gmail.com](mailto:SchutzenfestCincy@gmail.com)

Thanks for your help!

Jim Stukenborg

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Sports Club News

We are starting up winter training, which runs through March, at the Tri County Sportsplex. We are currently working on our annual dance, which takes place on February 11th, and we are starting work on the Spring Tournament. **Happy Holidays from the Sports Club!**

Walt Dewar

Tuesday Workers

The Tuesday Workers' activity will conclude with a Christmas party on December 20th in the Clubhouse. Festivities begin at 10:30 A.M. Tuesday Workers will relax during the holidays and resume their normal activities on January 17, 2017.

We have identified some items that are no longer needed and are available to the members. We have a dance floor, previously used at Schützenfest, consisting of 16 pieces of 4' x 8' plywood on 2' x 4' frames. It has fallen into disrepair and is no longer needed for our festivals. If you can use it, come and get it.

In addition, the festival booth facades that were previously used for Schützenfest and the Downtown Oktoberfest are no longer used and are in need of repair. If you can use this memory of Schützenfests gone by, come and get it. Please advise Tom Musbach, 793-1148, if you would like any of these items by December 20th. We need the storage space for other items.

Tom Musbach

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More About Tuesday Workers

During the last few months, the Tree-felling Crew (Bob Geoppinger, Mike Callahan, Werner Wilke, Tim Jamison and Paul Anhofer) have been very busy taking down dead trees. The newcomer to this crew is Paul Anhofer. We welcome him.

We have requested that the John Deere front mower be replaced with another in kind. The mower we are talking about was bought by Elmer Budde in 1987. It has served us well for all these years, but it is beginning to show its age.

Ted Tegenkamp

New Chairperson(s) Needed for Father's Day/Anniversary Mass

Dianne and Harry Schwietering have chaired the Father's Day/Anniversary Mass for the last time this past June. This is a wonderful Kolping function that honors our members' wedding anniversaries and all of the fathers in our community, as well as giving us the opportunity to pray together.

If you are interested in chairing this event, please contact **Mike Seibel, Chairperson of the Events Committee, at 513-256-8213 or mfseibel@gmail.com.** Thank you, Harry and Dianne, for all of your hard work for the last 12 years, and for making this such a lovely time for all involved. Dianne and Harry will be more than happy to help with the transition.

Fr. David Hiller, O.F.M. Endowment Fund Report

John (Hans) Kohorst Memorial

Beth & Ken Zwergel
Hubert Mohs
Martha & Joe Stukenborg

Donations

Catholic Kolping Society of Cincinnati
Mike Brakers (Buben Verein)
Marian & Gary Koester
Mary & Ted Tegenkamp
Ute & Hans Pöpke

We thank the family of John Kohorst for naming this fund as a recipient of memorial donations. We extend our sympathy to them.

We also thank the members who made donations and to the Buben Verein for sponsoring the "Drinks for Diplomas" event.

Ted Tegenkamp, Treasurer
(513) 941-6439

Kolping Genealogy

Are any Kolping members interested in learning more about tracing your German roots? Our fledgling **Genealogy Group** continues this month as a trial to see if we can get a more permanent interest group established and supported based on your needs.

We will meet on the second Monday at 7:30 pm for an hour. The first 30 minutes of each meeting will focus on a particular genealogy theme or topic. The rest of the time will be spent one-on-one working with each other on capturing our information and expanding our skill sets. This month's topic will be German Resources on the Internet and we will meet on December 12th.

Other topics may include DNA research, scanning photos, and other topics you may suggest. Access your needs!

Dr. Tom Montgomery, montgota@fuse.net,
montgota@miamioh.edu, 513-969-5383

"Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and good will, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas."

-- Calvin Coolidge, 30th
President of the U.S.



Weihnachts Konzert

Featuring German Christmas Songs

Presented by the Kolping Sangerchor

(Bronze Medal Winners in the World Choir Games)



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2016

CHRISTKINDLMARKT 2:00 P.M.

DRINKS AND DESSERT 3:00 P.M.

KONZERT 4:00 P.M.

KOLPING CENTER

10235 MILL ROAD, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45231

\$10.00 Admission – (Including children) (Babies on your lap - free)

CONCERT, CHRISTMAS DESSERTS, COFFEE, TEA

Tickets must be purchased in advance from Sangerchor Members (no tickets sold after Tuesday, December 6th) or call: Doris Aberman at (513)847-1980, or send your check, made payable to the "Kolping Sangerchor", with a self-addressed stamped envelope to Doris at 9452 Ambleside Dr., West Chester OH 45241

Featuring our Christkindlmarkt
with baked goods & items for the holidays!

Kolping Society's Children's Christmas Party

DECEMBER 18, 2016

*Doors open at 2:30
Party from 3- 5 pm.*



*Call Amy Ahrnsen at 513-542-8554
for reservations before December 13th.
Leave your name, phone number and # of children attending.*

*Enjoy a day of entertainment and crafts with the children and
grandchildren!!*

All Kolping members' children and grandchildren are invited.

*If you'd like to help out by donating items to decorate the
Gingerbread houses, please call the office @ 851-7951 or let Amy
know what you'd like to bring.
(ex. Marshmallows, skittles, etc.)*





STUBE NACHT 2017

**CURE YOUR WINTER BLUES
JANUARY 28TH / 6:00–11:00 PM**

The Kolping Society invites you, your family, and friends to cure your winter blues by celebrating

*The halfway point to Schützenfest (Cincinnati's Original German Fest) with our annual **Stube Nacht**.*

Your prescribed remedy will be waiting for you in our Wein & Bier Stube!

This is a family-friendly experience, so please make plans to bring the whole team!

Blues Cure #1 – The Mädél JägerBand!

Enjoy the fresh, young, and energetic contemporary and traditional German sounds of the Mädél Jäger Band from Pittsburgh!

We are excited to introduce this fun new band to Cincinnati – you won't want to miss the great entertainment they have in store for you!

Blues Cure #2 – Eat and Drink Stube Style!

\$8 Buffet Dining (optional) – opens at 7:00, which includes Pretzel sandwiches, Baked Potato, and Soup & Salad Bar

Bourbon Bar • Wine Table • Cocktails • Beer [\$3 bottles / \$10 buckets (4 bottles)] • Free snacks

Blues Cure #3 – Try Your Luck at the Stube Race Track!

When you aren't singing and dancing with the Mädél Jägers, pick your favorite ponies and wager for prizes at our "Night at the Races" track!

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Blues Cure #4 – Keep the Kids Busy!

Our Children's area will have *Magic Shows*, games, movies, coloring contest with prizes, and activities available!

12 years & under Free Admission, Free Hot Dogs, and Free Soda.

Stube Nacht Particulars:

Where: Kolping Center (10235 Mill Road • 45231)–*When:* January 28th / 6:00 – 11:00 PM

Admission: \$5 per Person / \$10 per Family (parents and school-age children) • Open to Public

Dining: Optional Homemade Dinner Buffet – \$8

Attire: Party Attire Requested

RSVP to schutzenfestcincy@gmail.com –or– call Barb Hessler (513-742-8842)

You will want to get your reservations in early, as we had a fantastic crowd last year and plan to top it in 2017!

A PLACE WHERE FOOD, FUN, AND FAMILY COME TOGETHER!

Help spread the word and stay up to date via Facebook (KolpingCincinnati), Twitter (@kolpingcincy), & the Web (kolpingcincinnati.com)

IMPORTANT: *Special plans are being made to celebrate Cincinnati's 151st Anniversary of Schützenfest in 2017!*

Please mark your calendars for the July 21–23 weekend!

