

## April 2025

### Volume X, Number 4

### Note from the Editor

As we approach the end of Lent, may we look forward to the glorious day of Easter Sunday when we celebrate the risen Lord!

Don't forget - we still have three Fish Fries left (see p. 7), a New Member Initiation on April 4<sup>th</sup> (see p. 2), the St. Joseph's Day Mass & Awards Banquet on April 6<sup>th</sup> (see p. 8), and the Sangerchor Spring Konzert on May 4<sup>th</sup> (see p. 9)!

**HAVE A BLESSED EASTER,  
EVERYONE!!**

### Important Phone Numbers

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Membership (New Members) – Wendy Moeller, 513-543-8651  
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Sick Committee – Open

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Bourbon Club – Neil Geoppinger, 513-638-0339  
Genealogy Group – Tom Montgomery, 513-969-5383  
Sangerchor – Janet Curley, 513-522-7544  
Schutzen Club – Marc Schnetzer, 513-236-6205  
Seniors – Tom Musbach, 513-793-1148  
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### April Events

April 4, 5:30 P.M.	Fish Fry
April 4, 6:15 P.M.	New Memb. Initiation
April 4, 7:30 P.M.	General Meeting
April 6, 11:00 A.M.	St. Joseph's Day Mass/ Awards Banquet
April 9, 11:30 A.M.	Seniors Meeting
April 11, 5:30 P.M.	Fish Fry
April 11, 7:00 P.M.	Schutzen Club
April 19, 1:00 P.M.	Easter Egg Hunt
April 20, 2:00 P.M.	Genealogy Meeting
April 23, 7:00 P.M.	Schutzenfest Planning
April 25, 7:00 P.M.	Bourbon Club

### May Events

May 2, 7:30 P.M.	General Meeting
May 4, 3:00 P.M.	Sangerchor Konzert
May 14, 11:30 A.M.	Seniors Meeting
May 16, 7:00 P.M.	Schutzen End Party
May 18, 2:00 P.M.	Genealogy Meeting
May 23, 7:00 P.M.	Bourbon Club
May 28, 7:00 P.M.	Schutzenfest Planning

### Kolping Membership Dues

Just a reminder that the annual dues notices were sent out in October. You can pay your dues by check, through your bank bill pay, or online at: [www.kolpingcincinnati.com](http://www.kolpingcincinnati.com). When paying online, please make sure you fill in your first and last name (and spouse if a family membership) so that we can track payments properly.

**Any member who has not paid by March 31, 2025 will be dropped from membership per the Cincinnati Kolping Bylaws.** Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues.

Karen Schnetzer Wienkamp,  
Membership Secretary



## Congratulations to all our members celebrating birthdays in the month of April!



First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Nick	Krummen	Apr 1
Thomas	Pierce	Apr 1
John	Hollis	Apr 2
Brian	Schmidt	Apr 2
Gertrude	Schroeder	Apr 2
Philip	Neumann	Apr 3
Thomas	Burger	Apr 4
Brian	Isfort	Apr 4
Greg	Uhlhorn	Apr 4
Pat	Whalen	Apr 4
William T.	Buelsing	Apr 5
Michael	Rademacher	Apr 5
Heinz	Kalkhoff, Jr.	Apr 6
Daniel	Finke	Apr 7
Annette	Litzinger	Apr 7
Robert	Schneider	Apr 8
Frank	Vosseberg	Apr 8
Robert	Even	Apr 9
Daniel	Smith	Apr 9
Clara	Ostendorf	Apr 10
Elisabeth	Ricke	Apr 10
Sheila	Gramaglia	Apr 12
Adam	Moeller	Apr 12
Richard	Balzer	Apr 13
Tim	Geoppinger	Apr 13
Rhonda	Stegman	Apr 13
George P.	Kreutzjans	Apr 14

First Name	Last Name	Birthday
Linda	Hambrick	Apr 16
Robert	Viox	Apr 16
David	Auer	Apr 17
Bob	Bauer	Apr 17
Lin	Merk	Apr 17
Samuel	Smith	Apr 17
Christopher	Thorner	Apr 17
Donald S	Trautmann	Apr 17
David	Von den Benken	Apr 17
Luke	Cunningham	Apr 18
Rick	Janzen	Apr 18
David	Kaiser	Apr 18
Tim	Hambrick	Apr 19
Karolyn	Seibel	Apr 19
Cindy	Dietz	Apr 20
Trudy	Jester	Apr 20
Joe	Reynolds	Apr 20
Mark	Faust	Apr 21
Dolly	Fleischer	Apr 21
Erika	Redder	Apr 21
Natalie	Nadler	Apr 22
Scott	Scholz	Apr 24
Rita	Chambers	Apr 27
Jennifer	Ruwe	Apr 28
Thomas	Anton	Apr 29
Martin	Dechering	Apr 29
Susan	Koeninger	Apr 30

### New Member Initiation

Kolping will be hosting a New Member Initiation Meeting on Friday, April 4, at 6:15 P.M. The meeting is prior to the April General Meeting, where we will introduce the new members to those in attendance. That evening is also a Lenten Fish Fry, so we invite prospective members and current members to stop by the Fish Fry to grab some food in advance of the meeting. The doors open for the Fish Fry at 5:00 P.M., with food being served at 5:30 P.M. The Membership Committee will accept new member applications up until the Initiation Meeting, so if you know anyone interested in joining Kolping, direct them to the online application at [www.cincinnatiKolping.com](http://www.cincinnatiKolping.com) and let them know about the April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Wendy Moeller, Membership Committee Chair

## Letter from the President

Dear Kolping Members and Friends,  
Spring is in the air, and with it comes the energy of our Kolping Society events! We are thrilled to share the success of our Fish Fries and the unforgettable 100th Royal Ball.

**Fish Fries – A Fantastic Turnout!** Our Lenten Fish Fries have been a resounding success, with large crowds gathering each Friday to enjoy great food and camaraderie. The atmosphere has been wonderful, and we are grateful for the enthusiastic participation of our members and guests. With three more Fish Fries scheduled in the coming weeks (March 28<sup>th</sup>, April 4<sup>th</sup>, April 11<sup>th</sup>), we look forward to keeping up the momentum and seeing even more friendly faces at Kolping Halls.

**100th Royal Ball – A Night to Remember!** On March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrated the 100th Royal Ball, an event that brought together 472 guests for an incredible evening of food, entertainment, and dancing. The Bergstrasse Boys provided outstanding music, keeping both young and old entertained throughout the night. A special thank you goes out to our King and Queen, Scott and Holly Scholz, for their commitment and dedication to making this milestone event a huge success. Your reign has been truly remarkable!

Of course, none of these events would be possible without the tireless efforts of our Kolping Haus staff, all our dedicated volunteers, and especially Sylvia Ostendorf-Smith. Your hard work and passion make these events the highlights of our spring season, and we deeply appreciate all you do.

### Upcoming Events

- **New Member Initiation – April 4th at 6:15 PM.** Join us in welcoming our newest members just before our General Meeting at 7:30 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity to support and introduce them to our great Kolping members and community.
- **St. Joseph's Day Mass, Membership Anniversary & Awards Banquet – April 6th 11 AM** This special event honors our longstanding members and 3 select members for their contributions to the Society. It is a time for prayer, reflection, gratitude, and celebration. We encourage everyone to attend and take part in this meaningful tradition. Please make your reservation by April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Letter from the President (cont'd.)

- **Groovin' in the Grove – Starts May 28th!** Get ready for an exciting summer with "Groovin' in the Grove," happening every 4th Wednesday of the month from May through September. Join us for a fun-filled evening featuring a food truck, live bands, a fire pit, Corn-Hole, Giant Jenga, and of course, a fantastic selection of German, craft, and domestic beers. Bring your friends and family out for a great time as the fun kicks off from 5:30 PM - 10 PM. Don't miss out on this great new tradition!

Through the success of these and many other events to come, our Society continues to be a fun, exciting, welcoming and growing community. Thank you to everyone who contributes to making Kolping a place where we can come together in faith, fellowship, and service.

See you at our upcoming events!

Sincerely,  
John Mueller, President

## Fr. David Hiller Fund Report

Dear Kolping Members,

The Father David Hiller Fund received the following donations.

### In memory of Christa Olding

Mike and Marlene Smith, Janet Talkers Kuhl, Terri Baston, Joan Rehling, Sonja Ann Wilson, Angela Pohlabein, Earl and Lynn Schulte

We are grateful for the many donations that have been sent from our subgroups, in celebration of members' events and in memory of our Kolping members and will use them to continue the work of Blessed Fr. Kolping. We also received donations from the bar tips from events at the Klubhaus and Pavilion.

The winners of the Fr. David Hiller Fund Scholarship are being selected this week. We will provide the list of winners in the *May Buletin*.

Finally, many companies have a matching gift program where you can add the Father David Hiller Fund as a beneficiary and the company may match your gift.

Sincerely,  
Paul A. Ahrnsen  
FDHF Chairman

## Message from Our Praeses, Fr. Dan

Our founder, Blessed Adolph Kolping, was a great believer in the value of education and faith. However, because his family was poor, his parents could not afford higher education. So his parents apprenticed him to a master shoemaker. Adolph worked hard to advance himself. Eventually he became a journeyman. All the while he wished to become a priest.

Kolping experienced the difficulties of journeymen shoemakers while he was learning all he could to become a master cobbler. Going from town to town, the young Adolph had to find master shoemakers willing to accept him and pay him to work while he was still learning more and more about his trade. It was hard but honest work. As a journeyman, Adolph found the work difficult. Without the support of family and friends, many journeymen turned to gambling and other temptations. His faith in God helped him.

When Adolph was twenty-two, he first told his confessor that he believed he was called to the priesthood. Yes, his confessor advised him to continue his trade as a shoemaker. Nevertheless, Adolph went back to school to complete the requirements for entry into the seminary. He was in school with students several years his junior.

When he found a benefactor willing to pay for his seminary education, Adolph Kolping left shoemaking and was able to pass the requirements to become a priest in the Köln diocese. He even did advanced studies in Munich under famous professors. But his first assignment as a Catholic priest was to a poor parish where he saw the pain of poverty caused by the Industrial Revolution. Responding to the needs of the poor, Father Kolping dedicated himself to the welfare of the families whom he served.

With his experience as a journeyman shoemaker, Fr. Kolping soon learned how to start an organization which could benefit working class families. In time, that organization grew into the society which now bears his name—our Catholic Kolping Society. The organization expanded all around Europe. Eventually German immigrants brought the Kolping Society to the United States.

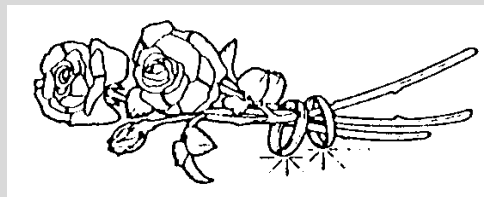
The Catholic Church celebrates the feast of St. Joseph every March 19. Because St. Joseph was a favorite saint of Father Kolping, it is our Cincinnati Kolping custom to celebrate our significant anniversaries as members of the Kolping Society around the time of the feast of St. Joseph as well. (See the shrine to St. Joseph outside our Kolping Center.) That is why we celebrate our annual Awards Banquet and remember our long-term Kolping members. It is by the grace of God that we have so many who continue to enjoy membership in our organization and work to spread our Kolping values today.

Please take part in our Mass and Awards Banquet on April 6. I understand that there are more than fifty members celebrating significant anniversaries this year. Praise God.

Fr. Dan Kroger, OFM

## COMMUNION SUNDAY

June 1, 2025 - 11:00 A.M.  
Kolping Center – 10235 Mill Rd.



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS CELEBRATION

Congratulations to all Kolping couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2025. We would like to recognize those couples who are celebrating 10, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65 or 70 years of marriage anytime in 2025.

Please join us on **Sunday June 1, 2025** to celebrate your wedding anniversary with mass and brunch at Kolping. Please contact Barb Hessler if you would like to be included in this Anniversary Celebration at 513-520-8664 or via email at: [BHessler129@gmail.com](mailto:BHessler129@gmail.com).

Since we had to cancel last year due to low reservations, we are also reaching out to those who celebrated significant anniversaries last year. Please contact me if you'd like to join in.



## Deaths

**Donald H. Petersman**, father of Kolping member Chris Petersman, passed away on February 25, 2025 at the age of 98. We extend our sympathies to Chris and her family.

**Joan Koch**, sister of Kolping member Doris Wilke, passed away on February 26, 2025 at the age of 90. Our prayers go out to Doris and her family.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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## Sick & Shut-Ins

Richard Ellensohn	Celeste Hermes
Linda Knizner	Harry Voet

Please take time out of your busy schedule for these folks, and send a card or give them a call.

If you want to be taken off the Sick List or want to add someone on, please contact Nancy Pelzel at: 513-385-3120 or [nancypelzel@aol.com](mailto:nancypelzel@aol.com).

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## Kolping Seniors

The Kolping Seniors will meet on April 9, 2025 at 11:30 A.M. in the Klubhaus. We will be collecting the religious articles (rosaries and medals) that you may have received in the mail to be sent to priests in developing countries. See you in Springtime!

Tom Musbach, President

## Raise a Glencairn with the Kolping Society Bourbon Club!

Are you a bourbon enthusiast or just curious to learn more about this rich and flavorful spirit? The **Kolping Society Bourbon Club** is the perfect place for you! Meeting every **4th Friday of the month**, our club brings together bourbon lovers for an evening of **key tastings, engaging discussions with experts, and exciting trips** for members.

Each meeting held at the Clubhouse features **four tastings** of carefully selected bourbons, paired with a **delicious snack**, all for just **\$20 per person**. It's a great way to explore different bourbons, expand your knowledge, and enjoy good company in a relaxed and fun setting.

Looking to connect with fellow bourbon fans? Check out our new **Kolping Society Facebook post**, where we share updates, upcoming events, and highlights from past tastings.

Anyone can join, and we welcome new members at any time! If you're interested in being part of this spirited group, email: [KolpingSocietyBC@gmail.com](mailto:KolpingSocietyBC@gmail.com) to be added to the meeting notification list.

Join us for a sip, a snack, and a great time at the **Kolping Society Bourbon Club** – we'll see you on the 4th Friday in our Kolping Clubhouse!



## Soccer Club News

The season has started and this weekend, the Kolping Memorial Tournament is taking place, so we are hoping that the rain stays away. We will be hosting around eighty-five teams, with games being played on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

On April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 P.M., we will be hosting the Easter Egg Hunt in the Soccer Complex. We could always use candy and plastic eggs, so if you would like to donate these items, please drop off in the Clubhouse.

We look forward to another good season.

Walt Dewar, President, 513-312-8551

## Kolping Genealogy

We will meet at 2:00 P.M. live at the Kolping Clubhouse on **Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**. We will host two parts of this *Photo Forensics* session. The first part will feature David Lahrman, who will explain the process of evaluating those old photographs we all have of family members and beginning to identify people, dates and places by leading us through examples from his family. The process, while it can be tedious and time consuming, is well worth the time and effort. The process includes collecting as many family photographs as possible that you can find, digitizing them so that you can study them on the computer screen and reviewing them against other photos and documents that have been collected. We will talk about some of the tools to use and show you examples. This will not be a Zoom session, but live.

Both David and Tom will bring their matching Epson PerfectionV600 Photo Scanners and laptops to then show you how to properly scan your family photos using Epson Scan, the program that comes with these devices. Your task is to bring those treasures from your homes, either black-and-white or color. Do you have *Photoshop* or *Photoshop Elements* from Adobe? We can show you how to scan directly into these programs to enhance your family photos digitally.

This session will undoubtedly run over the usual hour reserved for our sessions, so please be prepared to stay longer. You may bring your laptop and external flash drives to copy your photos.

Always check the Kolping website for any updates/schedule changes:

<http://www.kolpingcincinnati.com/Genealogy/Genealogy.html>

And finally, two more comments on the schedule.

- We will **NOT** meet in June, as the third Sunday is the Kolping Schützenfest.
- The following month, July, we will again host a live only session. One of my pet projects has been to research and record Kolping members' immigration stories. *Project Immigrant's* goal is to invite our immigrant members to share their stories with us, their families and friends. Many of us are descendants of immigrants many generations ago, but we still have first and second generation Kolping members who have much to share about adapting to life in America as citizens. More details to follow in our *Bulletin*.

Dr. Tom Montgomery, [montgota@gmail.com](mailto:montgota@gmail.com),  
[montgota@miamioh.edu](mailto:montgota@miamioh.edu), 513-969-5383



## Schützen Club Corner

**Next Shooting Date:** April 11, 2025

**Place:** Kolping Clubhouse / 100 Hall  
Practice, Make-up and Shoot-ahead  
Shooting: 7:00 – 7:30 PM  
Competition Shooting: 7:30 PM

### MARCH SHOOTING RESULTS:

Individual high score was Daryl Kidwell with a score of 68.

High team was Team Faust with a team score of 321.

### TEAM ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL

**Targets:** Team Lawson

**Bar:** Kolping bartender

**Food:** Kolping Fish Fry

**Tickets:** Team Callahan

### RIDDLE OF THE MONTH

The first two people and the last person to email me the correct answer to this riddle will receive a drink of your choice at the next Shooting Night on me. To be eligible, you must be a Kolping Schützen Club member in good standing. You must submit your answer by midnight, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Q: Poor people have it. Rich people need it. If you eat it, you die. What is it?

Respectfully,

Marc Schnetzer, President  
[mgschnetzer@gmail.com](mailto:mgschnetzer@gmail.com)  
(513) 236-6205

# Only Three More Kolping Fish Fries!

Dates:

March 28 - April 4 & 11



Entrees include: Fried Fish, Baked Fish, Shrimp, and Cheese Pizza  
Sides include: Mac and Cheese, Green Beans,  
Our Famous Homemade Cole Slaw, and French Fries  
Delicious Delectable Desserts baked by our Kolping Soccer Teams

Shrimp Dinner \$15.00 - Baked/Fried Fish Dinner \$14.00  
(Dinners include 2 sides)

Fish Sandwich with 1 side \$12.00 - Pizza Slice \$2.00

Variety of Beers, Domestic and German  
Split-the-Pot - Mega Split-the-Pot (to be drawn on last Fish Fry)

Doors open at 5:00 P.M.

Dinners served from 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.

# St. Joseph's Day Mass/Awards Banquet

Sunday April 6, 2025

**Mass begins at 11:00 AM**  
**Catered Dinner served shortly after the Mass ends**  
**Cost: \$15.00 per person, cash bar**

To pay by check:  
Send your reservation request and check made out to The Catholic Kolping Society to:  
Tom Beiting, 7784 Styra Ln., Cincinnati, OH 45236

To pay by Credit Card:  
Email your reservation request to:  
[tom.beiting@gmail.com](mailto:tom.beiting@gmail.com)

For questions call Tom Beiting at 513-325-7342

**Reservations must be made by Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

*All honorees receive 2 complimentary dinners.*

*Reservations are still REQUIRED for honorees and their guest.*

**Members receiving Longevity Awards are listed below.**

## **65-YEAR MEMBERS**

Heddy Freese  
Janet Talkers Kuhl

## **55-YEAR MEMBERS**

Ray Beiser, Jr.  
Celeste Hermes  
Carl Nissen  
Elisabeth Ricke  
Ingrid Thompson

## **50-YEAR MEMBER**

Clara Hamen

## **25-YEAR MEMBERS**

Paul Anhofer  
Rich Bova  
Joe and Laurie Freese  
Frank Geiser  
Ursula Grote  
John O'Neil  
Susan Schertzer  
Brian Schmidt  
Jill and John Weissmann, Jr.

## **10-YEAR MEMBERS (2024)**

Laura Adelmann	Virginia Clayton
Greg Fehrenbach	Neil Geopinger
William Huntsinger	Nick Krummen
Joseph Kunze	Bill Maly
Eric Schank	Daniel St. Charles
Gerald Stricker	Therese Stricker
Anna Stukenborg	Mike Tonyan

## **10-YEAR MEMBERS (2025)**

Elaine Ahaus	Mike Carroll
Eric DeNoma	Steven Drees
Brian Ellers	Robert Even
Jane Fitzpatrick	Cherise Hammons
Rick Hoeting	MM Jamison
Timothy Jamison	Roger Miller
Monica Rice	Holly Scholz
Scott Scholz	Lisa Spraul
Michael Spraul	Tom Teufel
	Mary Umphrey



# SPRING CONCERT AND DINNER



*Sponsored by the Kolping  
Sängerchor*



**SUNDAY - MAY 4, 2025**

**TO BE HELD AT THE KOLPING  
CENTER**

**10235 Mill Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio 45231**

**Doors open at 3:00 – Concert 4:00 – Dinner by **A CATERED AFFAIR** to  
follow**

*Buffet Menu: Sliced Turkey Breast in Gravy, Sliced Honey Glazed Ham with Cherry Sauce,  
Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Grilled Seasonal Fresh Vegetables, Broccoli Casserole,  
Spring Mix Salad with Strawberries, Blueberries, and Goat Cheese,  
Rolls and Butter, Dessert Assortment, Coffee*

**Special Guest Appearance by the KINDERCHOR  
SPLIT THE POT – CASH BAR**

**Cost: \$25.00 per person**

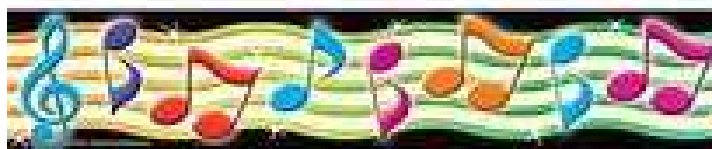
**\$10.00 per child 8 years of age or under**

**\*TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE\***

**No tickets sold after April 25, 2025**

*For more info, call Bonnie Campbell, 513-675-0571*

*Send your check to Bonnie Campbell, 5201 Valley Ridge, Cincinnati, OH  
45247. Make check out to Kolping Sängerchor and include a self-  
addressed stamped return envelope. Or contact one of the Sängerchor  
Members for tickets.*





## Get Ready for Schützenfest! June 13-15, 2025

We have a unique and special event that produces a huge financial benefit to help Kolping improve, stay up-to-date, and operate all year round. The reason Schützenfest is such a success is you, the members, friends, and supporters of the Kolping Society of Cincinnati. Please support our Schützenfest!

- Schützenfest planning meetings will take place on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Kolping Clubhouse.
- We need Leadership/Booth Captains in critical areas - Food Tent & Merchandise Sales
  - If you are interested, email us at [schutzenfestcincy@gmail.com](mailto:schutzenfestcincy@gmail.com)
- Select the URL below for our Sign-Up Genius webpage. Volunteer for the best spots - specific dates & times. Be sure to share the link with your family and friends
  - <https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUpSearch&eid=01C4C0DCFFC9FD64&cs=09C2BADB8FCD8B167B79640E5BB29BCA&sortby=startdate>
- We need your contributions for the Schützenfest Basket Raffle Booth. Please donate alcohol (with receipt), gift cards, Nerf items, Cincinnati Reds-Bengals-FC Cincinnati tickets/memorabilia, money, and/or any other items you have available as soon as possible. If you need ideas for a donation, the Schützenfest Basket Donations Giving Board is located in the Kolping Clubhouse. Drop your donation off in the bin at the Clubhouse or email us, Cathy Jung ([cathy@gerbus.com](mailto:cathy@gerbus.com)) or Eileen Breyley ([ebreyley@cinci.rr.com](mailto:ebreyley@cinci.rr.com)) and we can pick them up.

# Schützenfest Basket Donations

*Schützenfest* is coming up fast and the **Basket Raffle Booth** needs your help!  
**Schützenfest Basket Donations Giving Board.**



This magnificent and practical board is located either in the clubhouse or just inside the hall. Just take a card and purchase what is on it. Then bring it back and put it in the bin next to the Board. Please tape the card and your name along with the items.

If you are unable to make it up to Kolping and still would love to donate please just give us a call and we can pick it up. 😊

## WE NEED:

- Alcohol for the wheelbarrow of cheer – (Please tape the receipt to the bottle and please purchase in **Ohio**, it's a regulation thing.) We would greatly appreciate it!
- Golf for 4
- Gift Cards
- Anything Nerf
- Anything you think would be good for the raffle!!
- Money
- Cincinnati Reds – Bengals – FC Cincinnati

**Too busy to buy anything? We would gratefully take Money to help us purchase items\$\$**  
**Please include your name when donating. We want to make sure we give you the proper Thank you!**

## We need the donations ASAP.

Feeling creative and want to help? Please give us a call, we need all the help we can get!!  
Thank you so much and we look forward to another successful year!

### **Cathy Jung**

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Cincinnati, OH 45240  
[cathy@gerbus.com](mailto:cathy@gerbus.com)

### **Eileen Breyley**

1725 Wemblywood Ct  
Cincinnati, OH 45240  
[ebreyley@cinci.rr.com](mailto:ebreyley@cinci.rr.com)

## Updates from the Kolping USA National Office

### **2025 Lenten Project:**

The Lenten Project is underway. Thank you to everyone who has given generously! To date we have collected approximately \$4,300.

Donations can be made by:

- Mailing a check payable to the Catholic Kolping Society of America, PO Box 76008, Highland Heights, KY 41076. Please note “The Lenten Project” on the memo line of your check.
- Clicking the link “**Donate to The Lenten Project**” on our website homepage [www.kolping.org](http://www.kolping.org).
- By scanning the QR code below, to directly go to the online donation form.



### **2025 Kolping National Scholarship:**

We are now taking applications for the 2025 National Scholarship!

Scholarship Candidate Qualifications:

1. Candidates must be enrolled in or entering one of the following:
  - a. senior year of high school in the Fall of 2025;
  - b. an accredited college or university;
  - c. an accredited trade school
2. Candidates must be active Kolping members or an immediate family member of an active Kolping member.
  - a. Immediate family will be defined as spouse, child, grandchild or great-grandchild.
  - b. “Active” is defined as a member who is current with their dues for at least two years.
3. There is no age requirement.
4. College students who were awarded a scholarship in 2024 will not be eligible until 2026. High school seniors who were awarded a scholarship in 2024 can apply for the college-level scholarship.

Applications must be submitted no later than **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025** to qualify for consideration.

For additional details go to our homepage [www.kolping.org](http://www.kolping.org), then click “**Click Here to Apply**” under the 2025 Scholarship section.

### **Mailing Address Update:**

Kolping National has a new mailing address:  
Catholic Kolping Society of America  
PO BOX 76008  
Highland Heights, KY 41076

## A Note from the King and Queen

Holly and I would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who attended the 100<sup>th</sup> Royal Ball on Saturday night. It was a pleasure to spend the evening with a lively, sold-out crowd, many of whom are new to Kolping.

We also want to express our gratitude to the Tuesday Workers, whose continued dedication ensured that the hall and grounds were ready for the party. Special thanks go to Sylvia Ostendorf Smith for handling all the party reservations and coordinating with the band, florist, and caterer. Thank you to Gary Koester, who managed the numerous Venmo payments. And some of the highlights of the evening - the photo booth and the table decorations - were made possible through the tremendous ability and work ethic of David Dalton. Lana Morton has been indispensable in our Court communications throughout the year.

We are deeply grateful to all the members of our Court, many of whom stayed until midnight on Friday to set up the hall following yet another successful Fish Fry. Hammann's Catering provided a wonderful meal, and the Bergstrasse Boys kept the dance floor filled all evening.

Building upon one hundred years of tradition is never easy, and we feel fortunate that past Kings and Queens representing eighteen Royal Couples were able to attend the Ball. Our parish home, Old St. Mary's Church, accounted for around two hundred of the attendees. Without the many connections between Kolping and OSM, we might never have become involved in the Kolping Society.

It may be cliché to state that we have had a great year, but there is simply no better word to describe our experience. We eagerly anticipate and look forward to supporting next year's King or Queen, who will be crowned in just three months' time!

Your 100<sup>th</sup>  
Schützenkönig,  
Scott Scholz



### Former Kolping Schützenfest Kings & Queens Joining the Current Royal Königspaar at the Royal Ball on March 22, 2025

**L to R:** Cathy & Mike Brakers, Bob & Mary Pat Findley, Cathy Weissmann, Teri & Kevin Luther,  
Lisa & Mickey Moore, Bob & Annamarie Geoppinger, Katrina & Randy Brunsman, King Scott & Queen Holly Scholz,  
Amy & Paul Ahrnsen, Ann & Ted Hoerstmann, Tracy & Chuck Klosterman, JoAnn & Erwin Dobler, Sylvia Dobler Nadler,  
Paul & Donna Boehm, Julie & Mark Faust, Rose & Joe Abt, Irene & Pat Whalen, Beth Hoerner & Trey Seibel.

# 2025 Calendar of Events

<p><b>JANUARY</b> NO GENERAL MEETING IN JANUARY</p> <p><b>FEBRUARY</b> 3 Board Meeting 7 General Meeting 8 Valentine's Dance 22 Stube Nacht</p> <p><b>MARCH</b> 3 Board Meeting 7 Fish Fry 7 General Meeting 12 Schützenfest Planning Meeting 14 Fish Fry 21 Fish Fry 22 Schützen Royal Ball 28 Fish Fry 28-30 Kolping Memorial Tournament 31 Board Meeting (April)</p> <p><b>APRIL</b> 4 Fish Fry 4 General Meeting 6 St. Joseph's Day Mass/Awards Bqt. 11 Fish Fry 23 Schützenfest Planning Meeting 28 Board Meeting (May)</p> <p><b>MAY</b> 2 General Meeting 4 Sängchor Spring Konzert 16 Schützen End Party 28 Schützenfest Planning Meeting</p>	<p><b>JUNE</b> 1 Anniversary Mass 2 Board Meeting 6 General Meeting 13-15 Schützenfest 15 Father's Day Brunch Kolping Park 30 Board Meeting (July)</p> <p><b>JULY</b> NO GENERAL MEETING IN JULY 6 Appreciation Party 18 Captains' Meeting Schützen Club 28 Board Meeting (August)</p> <p><b>AUGUST</b> 1 General Meeting 15 First Schützen Nacht</p> <p><b>SEPTEMBER</b> 2 Board Meeting NO GENERAL MEETING IN SEPT. 26-28 1931 Invitational Tournament 29 Board Meeting (October)</p> <p><b>OCTOBER</b> 3 General Meeting 26 Memorial Mass/Goettafest</p> <p><b>NOVEMBER</b> 3 Board Meeting 7 General Meeting/Elections 30 Sängchor Weihnachts Konzert</p> <p><b>DECEMBER</b> 1 Board Meeting 7 Christmas Mass and Party 14 Children's Christmas Party 29 Board Meeting (January)</p>
<p><b>MEETINGS:</b></p> <p><b>Board of Directors</b> Monday prior to the first Friday of the month - 7:00 pm</p> <p><b>Women's Klub</b> First Thursday - 6:30 pm</p> <p><b>General Membership</b> First Friday - 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>Senior Citizens</b> Second Wednesday - 11:30 am</p> <p><b>Bier Choir</b> 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday - 7:00 pm</p> <p><b>Schützen Club</b> Third Friday - 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>Genealogy Group</b> Third Sunday - 2:00 pm</p> <p><b>Sängchor</b> Every Tuesday - 7:30 pm</p> <p><b>Soccer Club</b> Fourth Wednesday - 8:00 pm</p> <p><b>Bourbon Club</b> Fourth Friday - 7:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KOLPING MISSION STATEMENT</b></p> <p>We, the members of the Catholic Kolping Society of America, led by the vision of our founder, Blessed Adolph Kolping, promote the development of the individual and the family by fostering a sense of belonging and friendship through our holistic programs of spiritual, educational, charitable, and social activities.</p>