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LENTEN PROJECT 2022

We will continue our support of our Kolping brothers and sisters in Kenya through donations to our 2022 Lenten Project. In addition to purchasing goats for the many Kolping members, we will also be providing financial support for their efforts in water management and vertical bag farming. In some villages, water is still fetched at a central well. Cisterns can make a tremendous difference, especially for the older members. Vertical bag farming allows Kolping member to use the compost from their goats to grow vegetables and fruits for the families without needing to own land. Both reinforce our Kenyan brothers' and sisters' effort in building a sustainable livelihood. We hope you will continue to donate generously to this effort.

Lisa Brinkmann

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Please visit the Catholic Kolping Society of America internet website at:
<http://www.kolping.org>.



From the President's Desk ...

I hope by the time you receive this article the world will be a little less terrifying and a bit more predictable. I have been thinking a lot about the humanitarian catastrophe in the Ukraine, how fragile peace is and how quickly life can take a turn. I know many of our older members have lived through harrowing experiences and know all too well what it is like to have your life turned upside down. I feel fortunate to say "I cannot imagine what it would really be like." I am sad, yet grateful and somehow this feeling seemed to align with the Lenten season.

The word Lent is from an Old English term meaning springtime. Springtime usually conjures up pictures of new life, florescent green leaves, flowers and sunshine. For many it would seem odd that we begin our Lenten period using ashes as a symbol of penance, grief and mortality. We fast and abstain from things we otherwise love. We use these ashes to acknowledge "from dust we come and to dust we shall return."

But this acknowledgement can also be seen as a wake-up call. It's a time to reawaken our spirits to the gratitude we must hold on to for those things good in our lives. We can open our hearts to others less fortunate and generously share those things for which we can be grateful – our talents, finances, time and optimism. Lent is a time to sacrifice and offer that which we gave up/ sacrificed to someone or something that might need it more.

I found an article about how to make the Lenten period more meaningful, but in reading it thought some of the tips might be useful throughout the year:

- **Slow Down** – Set aside 10 minutes a day for silent prayer or meditation. It will revitalize your body and your spirit.
- **Be kind** – Go out of your way to do something nice for someone else – if feels good.
- **Reach out** – Make that phone call you've been thinking about – the recipient will be glad to hear from you.
- **Pray** – God only knows the world needs yours more than ever.
- **Tune out** – Turn off the television and spend quality time talking with family members or friends.
- **Donate** – clean out a closet, contribute financially, volunteer your time – there are a lot of people in need.

I encourage you to consider participating in our Lenten Project and hope to see you at the Convention in Cincinnati!

I wish you and your families a peaceful, blessed Happy Easter.

Lisa Brinkmann

Kolping Scholarship Program is Underway

"We want fresh, happy young people, full of courage and hope, to influence the world."

We are excited to kick-off the 2022 scholarship program with this year's theme taken from the above quote by Father Kolping. The scholarship program is open to high school seniors as well as college, university and/or trade school students. If you or one of your immediate family members is interested in applying for a 2022 Kolping Scholarship, please check out our website at Kolping.org. Submissions will be accepted starting March 31st with a deadline of April 30th.



A Praeses Proclaims...

BE GLAD

By Fr. Michael Scherschel, Praeses of the Chicago Kolping Society

"Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King, let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness."

—Excerpt from the Easter Proclamation

Alleluia! He is risen! This month we celebrate the empty tomb. We celebrate the good news shared by the angels. We're amazed with Mary Magdalene and the woman as they see it with their own eyes and hear it proclaimed. We run with Peter and John to see it for ourselves. We are in awe. The resurrected Christ appears to give us his peace so that we can move forward through Him, with Him and in Him.

It's Easter and the beginning of a new day.

This year we need Easter more than ever. In the midst of so much darkness, fear and death, we need to hear the radical news that love overcomes hate, life overcomes death, joy overcomes fear and sorrow, and peace will prevail.

As Saint Augustine once proclaimed, "we are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song." Of course, this doesn't mean we aren't acutely aware of suffering, of conflict, of war, of the fear of the unknown; that somehow we turn the other way.

We can find hope in dark times because we hold onto Christ's victory, which holds onto humanity and doesn't abandon us. Christ's victory is a victory over sin. His kingdom is one of peace and solidarity, always putting before us the better way,

which is the way that brings wholeness and meaning not just to our lives, but the lives of those we can potentially touch.

The work of Kolping in all parts of the world shows what's possible when we hold onto faith, hope and works of charity. In the midst of a pandemic, in the midst of conflict, we forge ahead knowing that loving our neighbor is loving God whose face we find in those in need. Goodness can be seen and shared through us. Working together, we hold onto everything we value that gives us strength. We hold onto our families, our Kolping families, our Church and our faith.

We hold onto Christ who strengthens us for all that is ahead. We sing "Alleluia" because deep down we know that God is with us.

Steve Lovasz Challenge

Father Kolping calls us to serve God and each other. We are blessed with thoughtful, kind and caring members in our Society who interpret this directive in an abundance of ways.

Our fellow Member, Steve Lovasz, has been taking on a challenge for many years to shave his head in solidarity with kids undergoing cancer treatment. The St. Baldrick's Foundation organizes these events and then provides financial grants to dozens of organizations and universities conducting research to prevent and cure cancer.

A note from Steve:

Hello Kolping Society members, my name is Stephen Lovasz, I'm a long-time member and staple at the Kolping on Hudson property.

I am raising money for children's cancer research through the St. Baldrick's Foundation. I started doing this back in 2014 when the daughter of a childhood friend was diagnosed with cancer at age two. My feelings are that kids should be kids, scraping their knees and getting dirty, not in isolation, dealing with cancer treatments. So to get involved I raise money by shaving my head in solidarity with those kids that lose their hair from treatment. I'll grow my hair, I'll shave my head, all I ask is you make a donation to the link below. If you rather write a check, I also attached the print out donation form.

It's an important cause and I hope you will join me in this fight. Thank you for your time and hopefully your help.

<https://www.stbaldricks.org/participants/mypage/1088058/2022>

Be sure to reference Stephen Lovasz and event #1088058 so that we can see the total impact Steve makes this year.

Greetings from Cincinnati Kolping

It has been a while since we updated our fellow Kolping Families on what's been going on in Cincinnati, so there's no time like the present.

We started out the year of 2021 still cancelling events due to the pandemic, but as the year wore on and the COVID-19 vaccines were being rolled out, we began cautiously holding events and resuming activities.

We resumed our popular Fish Fries during Lent in February and March, but offered the service in drive-through mode only. We held our Awards Banquet in April after cancelling it in April of 2020, so members received their service anniversary awards for both 2020 and 2021 at this event. There were twenty-three recipients of significant service anniversary certificates for 2020 and thirty-one for 2021. Three of our members received Cincinnati Kolping Meritorious Service Awards for 2021: John and Linda Knizner, and Karen Wienkamp. Also on June 4, 2021 at the Kolping General Meeting, the recipients

of the National Distinguished Service Award finally received their awards from 2020. They were: Bob Bauer, Tom Musbach and Ted Wilke.

On June 19, 2021, we finally held our King's Ball to honor our Schützenfest King and Queen, King Randall I and Queen Katrina Brunsman, who were the longest reigning Royal Pair – from 2019 through 2021! We couldn't hold the event in March of 2020 nor March of 2021 due to the pandemic. We were also able to hold our Schützenfest for the first time since 2019 on the weekend of July 16-18, 2021. We think that the timing was just right for this event, as the number of cases of COVID seemed to be subsiding, and the whole community was more than ready to participate in a German festival! We had our most successful Schützenfest ever and welcomed our new King and Queen, King Robert III and Queen Mary Pat Findley, as well as our Jr. King Daniel Hull and Jr. Queen Carley Seibel!

In September, the Kolping Soccer Club

On October 31, we held our annual Memorial Mass and Goetta Breakfast in memory of our members who passed away in the last year, from October of 2020 through September of 2021. We sadly lost fifteen members in that period of time. In November, we elected a new slate of five Board members, as well as a new president, Anna Stukenborg, and new vice president, Chris Petersman. Anna is Cincinnati Kolping's first female president, and we wish Anna and Chris, along with the new Board members, much success in the next two years!



New Cincinnati Kolping Officers for 2022-2023. L to R: Amy Ahnrsen, Mike Brakers, Anna Stukenborg, President; Amy Freese, Chris Petersman, Vice President; Bob Koeninger, Walt Dewar (taking Chris Petersman's place). Phil Neumann, was not present for the photo.



Recipients of the 2020 National Distinguished Service Award. L to R: Tom Musbach, Bob Bauer. Ted Wilke was absent from the photo.



The new Schützenfest King and Queen, Bob and Mary Pat Findley on the left, with the former King and Queen, Randall and Katrina Brunsman, on the right.

celebrated its 90th anniversary with a 1931 Invitational Soccer Tournament. The Cincinnati Kolping Treasurer for nearly twenty-five years, Jim Schnieder, retired in 2021 and received several appreciation gifts at our annual Appreciation Party in September. Jim has been replaced by Kevin Luther, who recently retired from his position as a corporate tax director at a local company.



Recipients of the 2021 Cincinnati Meritorious Award. L to R: Karen Wienkamp, John and Linda Knizner

We ended the year with our Christmas celebrations, which included the Sängchor Christmas concert, the general membership Christmas luncheon, the Children's Christmas Party, Seniors, and Tuesday Workers Christmas luncheons. During our Christmas luncheon on December 5, we collected 375 pounds of canned goods and personal care items, along with \$270 in cash for a local food pantry. We also collected six barrels of winter coats for the St. Vincent DePaul Society. In addition, we welcomed forty-two new members into our Kolping Family during the Christmas luncheon.

We are looking forward to a joyful and successful 2022, especially in hosting our fellow Kolping brothers and sisters at the National Kolping Convention on the weekend of September 9-11.

Treu Kolping!
Nancy Pelzel

National Endowment Fund

The National Endowment Fund received the following contributions for the months of January 15, 2022 to March 15, 2022

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43rd National Kolping Convention

Cincinnati, Ohio | September 9 – 11, 2022

Dear Kolping Brothers and Sisters,

The Catholic Kolping Society of Cincinnati is excited about finally being able to host the 43rd National Kolping Convention here in Cincinnati, the “Queen City of the West”. We have planned lots of activities for everyone and we are looking forward to getting to know one another while participating in these activities throughout the weekend.

We have engaged the Embassy Suites Hotel Cincinnati-RiverCenter, 10 East Rivercenter Blvd., Covington, KY 41011, to be our hotel for our meetings and our overnight guests. Hotel information is below.

Cost of rooms: \$169.00/night + taxes of \$20.89 = \$189.89/night

Discounted rate of \$169.00 requires a 2-night minimum length of stay.

Internet link to make reservations:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=CVGCVES&groupCode=CESKS5&arrivaldate=2022-09-09&departuredate=2022-09-12&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

Make reservations by phone by calling: 1-866-344-7548, and referencing the “Cincinnati Kolping Society”. Deadline for making hotel reservations is August 19, 2022.

The hotel’s partner company, Executive Airport Shuttle, offers round trip fare from the Cincinnati/ Northern Kentucky (CVG) airport for guests of Embassy Suites for \$40/person round trip, with a reservation at least one day prior to arrival (phone #: 1-800-990-8841). The hotel through its parent company, the Hilton, also partners with Lyft to earn points through Hilton Honors, where you can sign up via [HiltonHonorsLyft.com](https://www.hiltonhonors.com).

A brief description of the Schedule of Events is below:

▪ Friday, September 9th

- Board Meeting and “Meet and Greet” reception in the evening at hotel.

▪ Saturday, September 10th

- Mass at hotel
- All-day delegate meeting
- Non-delegate visit to Newport Aquarium, lunch at local brewery, city tour
- Evening Dinner and Awards Banquet at the Kolping Center

▪ Sunday, September 11th

- Mass at Mother of God Church, Covington, Kentucky
- Riverboat lunch cruise on the Ohio River

Further details and registration forms can be found on the Cincinnati Kolping website at: www.kolpingcincinnati.com.

A registration form is also included on the following page. In addition, we have included a form to request an ad in our 2022 Convention program booklet on the page following the registration form. We look forward to seeing all of our Kolping Brothers and Sisters here in Cincinnati, getting to know you better, sharing best practices, accomplishing great things at our meeting, and of course, having fun! If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Pelzel, 2022 Convention Chair, at: 513-385-3120 or nancypelzel@aol.com.

43rd National Kolping Convention
September 9, 10 & 11, 2022
Registration Form
Deadline: July 23, 2022

Name _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone No: _____ Email: _____

Kolping Family _____

Special Dietary Request _____

Convention Package (both Delegates and Non-Delegates)*:

_____ Person(s) @ \$190.00/Person = \$ _____

Total Amount Due by July 23, 2022 \$ _____

*Convention Package includes: Friday Hospitality Party, Saturday Lunch, Saturday Evening Dinner and Awards Ceremony, Sunday Riverboat Lunch Cruise, and all Bus Transportation to and from the Events. Non-Delegate Package also includes entrance fee to Newport Aquarium and City Bus Tour. Saturday Lunch will be provided at the hotel for delegates, and a box lunch will be provided at local brewery in Over-the-Rhine district for the non-delegates.

Please make your hotel reservations at the Embassy Suites Hotel by August 19, 2022 through the hotel's website at:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=CVGCVES&groupCode=CESKS5&arrivaldate=2022-09-09&departuredate=2022-09-12&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>

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Cincinnati Kolping Society 2022 Convention, 10235 Mill Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45231

2022 Kolping National Convention Program Ads

The 2022 National Kolping Convention Committee would like your support by purchasing an ad in our Convention program booklet! We will have a special "Memorial Section" in case you would like to place an ad in memory of a loved one.

Please complete the information below and provide details for your ad (business card, company logo, personal message, etc.). **Complete orders and payment will be accepted until July 1, 2020 in order to be included in the program:**

Contact name: _____ Contact phone: _____

Company name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Comments: _____

Ad for Memorial Section _____

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Program size is 5 1/2" x 8 1/2".

Make check payable to:

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Ad space is limited so please respond quickly! We sincerely appreciate your support and look forward to your response. Should you have questions, please contact Robert Yuellig at 513-607-2425 or via Email at yuellig@yahoo.com.



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Kolping Help to Ukraine

While the terrible war in the Ukraine 🇺🇦 continues, numerous Kolping members in Europe are active in sending aid transports to the borders, picking up refugees there and accommodating them safely. It is unbelievable and admirable what is being organized across different Kolping levels - by KOLPING Ukraine itself, but also by the associations in the neighboring countries of Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Hungary as well as in Austria and Germany. We would like to thank everyone involved and all donors who make this emergency aid possible! 💖💖 The first refugees arrived in Romania the day before yesterday, the Kolping houses there have around 130 places ready. The Kolping houses in Poland are also reporting the first groups of refugees, and KOLPING Slovakia is also ready. The Kolping hostels in the Ukraine itself - in Chernivtsi, Lviv, Uzhgorod and Shargorod - are sometimes even full. The situation on site is sometimes tense, and the residents have to seek shelter in the cellars again and again. KOLPING Ukraine coordinates accommodation and food for the new arrivals and ensures that the transport of aid supplies from neighboring countries finds its way. The first vans from Poland and Romania have already arrived, loaded with everything from warm clothing to medical equipment. Further transports are in preparation. Please continue to donate to our Ukraine aid 🇺🇦 so that we can support even more people together.

Ted Wilke

We often forget the scope and reach of our International Kolping Society. We are very proud of the assistance being provided by many of the Kolping families in Poland, Hungary and Romania, among others to fellow Kolping members from the Ukraine. If you would like to make a donation to this tragic cause, you can do so through the Kolping International link at: kolping.net/en/donate/Ukraine-help-for-people-in-need/?donationonline/prompt OR go to our website and click on the donate link.

Lisa Brinkmann