

# Plan now!

3.19 B-I-N-G-O Luncheon

We had such a great response to our bingo game held at the Concordia Club that we are going to do it again – hopefully one last time before our hall is finished. We will be serving lunch and beverages.

When: Saturday, March 19th

Time: 12:00 - 3:00

**Cost: \$5** contribution to be collected at the luncheon.

We do ask that you help us with the planning and let Lisa know by Tuesday, March 15th if you can make it. You can call and leave a message at 415-381-3989, email at lbrinkmann@mac.com or text at 415-517-3631.

We look forward to seeing everyone!

## **6.11** Save the Date: Installation Luncheon

We are planning on hosting our Installation luncheon on **Saturday, June 11th** at Nick's in Pacifica. Save the date and stay tuned for more information.



# We have a winner amongst us!

We were remiss in reporting that our very own, **Francine Ferris**, won \$500 in the annual National Kolping raffle. Congratations!

# Did you pay your dues?

Don't forget to send your checks to:

Cathy Vennemeyer, 2733 Trousdale Drive, Burlingame, CA 94010

It's \$25 for an individual and \$50 for a household.

## In Memory



Once again we sadly have to share with you the loss of another member. **Emil Zollinger** passed away on February 20th after a very brief and sudden illness. Emil will be remembered for his cheerful, happy demeanor and generosity. He took a genuine interest in what you were doing and had to say. He lamented often during the

pandemic on how much he enjoyed our Kolping activities and wished we could get together again soon. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and for Caroline.

#### Charitable Contributions

Did you know that each year our Kolping family uses the distributions from our investments as donations to local schools and organizations? This tradition has been going on as long as I have been a member and this year is no different. Depending on the success of our portfolio, we decide how much to distribute. Our first priorities are to support schools and organizations that promote and encourage education, the family and Christian values. This year's grants will go to eight local Catholic Schools (mostly in the lower income neighborhoods), Martin De Porres (soup kitchen), Gracenter, Catholic Professional Women and St. Matthew Lutheran Church. In addition, we will be contributing to the Kolping Lenten Project and Endowment fund as well as the United Irish Center annual scholarships. We are very proud to be able to do be in a position to give back to our community.

#### Don't Forget:

# The National Kolping Scholarship is Coming Up!

The National Kolping has committed \$25,000 to its (now) annual scholarship program. This program is open to members and their immediate families. For most of us, immediate family is defined as kids, grandkids and/or great-grandkids. There will be 7 scholarships available to college/university/trade school students of \$3,000 each and 4 scholarships for high school seniors of \$1,000.

Applications will be available on March 30th on the Kolping website – www.kolping.org. All applications will be due by May 15th.

### The Hall

While it sounds like it's taking forever – and believe me it feels like it – we are making progress on our hall. As reported in our last newsletter, we have had the plumbing and roof fixed and are now about to start the inside repairs.

We will be using A.M. Rocco as our contractor. They will begin tearing out the damaged ceiling, installing a larger drainage area in the back, sheet rocking the ceiling and replacing the floors. Hopefully, by Easter we will be ready for an official "Open House."

#### The Apartment

The apartment over the Kolping Hall is officially rented as of February 20th. Rather than rent it as a residential dwelling, we will be leasing it to a local nonprofit – YouthSF. YouthSF's mission is to help build relevant skills in technology and robotics for middle school students in our local schools. They have worked together with students from Riordan and Lowell to help the younger kids build robots, learn 3-D printing and develop tools that can be used to enrich the lives of kids who may not otherwise have this opportunity.

We're especially excited as we hope to sometimes be invited to observe the creation making process and listen in on some of their speakers!!

## Got time on your hands?

We would love to have some volunteers to help with miscellaneous projects that come up at the hall. Once we are back "up and running", it would be great to have a few committees/teams to help with things like setting up the potlucks, running the bingo games, decorating, etc. We don't need help often, but having a list of people to ask when we do, would be great. Let Lisa know if you have interest. We'll find you a job!

### Thank you!

Next time you see Kathy Biesty, take a minute to thank her for helping me to get out these newsletters! They always look great and we couldn't do it without her. Thank you, Kathy!

(You're welcome Lisa, happy to help! – K.)