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## From the President's Desk ...

They say good things are worth waiting for and that has never been truer than our upcoming Kolping convention in Cincinnati.

What was supposed to take place in September 2020 will finally be realized over September 9-11th. These conventions are one of the few opportunities individual families have to recommend programs, projects and changes that can make positive impacts for all Kolping families throughout the U.S. It was at the conventions that we decided to have a national Lenten project and initiate our relationship with Kenya. Other ideas that came about from discussion at a convention was resurrecting our scholarship program and having a centralized website - [www.kolping.org](http://www.kolping.org). We need to hear your ideas on how to grow, retain our presence and keep the message of Father Kolping relevant in our world today. We encourage every member to talk with their Kolping local representatives and officers to develop recommendations so we can put them on the agenda, discuss them at the convention...and hopefully implement them over the next years.

I hope you are all planning your trips and making hotel arrangement! They have a great schedule of activities and events for all to enjoy. And most importantly, we'll have time to see old friends and make new ones. Let's all give a big shout out to the Cincinnati convention committee that has spent endless hours planning, replanning and planning again!

On another note, we are in the process of reviewing our scholarship applications and are happy to report that we receive 22 submissions. All applicants were asked to answer three essay questions, which required thought and time. We will announce the winners in June. Thanks again to the scholarship committee of Marilee Uhlhorn, Anna Stukenborg, Monika Weiss and myself who have spent hours preparing the guidelines and reviewing the submissions.

Finally, Helene Strand, our long time National Secretary, is sadly (for us) ready to hand over the reins to another member. If you are interested in serving on the National Board as Secretary, please contact me or one of your Kolping family officers. We can explain what's involved.

I'm already looking forward to seeing as many members as possible in September. And for those members who may not be able to make it, we'll try to take lots of pictures to post to our website, so you can share the fun in spirit. I wish you all a good summer.

Lisa

*The love of family and friends is the glue that holds your heart together.*

# A Praeses Proclaims...

## “LORD, SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT, AND RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH”

By Deacon William McLoughlin  
Praese of the San Francisco Kolping Society



Pentecost Sunday is June 5th this year. We sing out at Mass from Psalm 104, “Lord send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth”. The celebration of God’s Spirit being alive in the world forever is happening this day.

Do you remember how the Apostles and other disciples were scared and hiding in the upper room behind locked doors, even though they knew Jesus had risen from the dead? These chosen disciples who for 3 years openly walked, talked, and broke bread with Jesus, now huddled silently with each other. They were afraid to go outside. So many problems, doubts, and fears kept them frozen. They needed something more.

Then the Risen, Glorified Jesus, came among them into that locked room. Jesus talked to them, showed them His hands and His side. He said, “Peace be with you.” The disciples rejoiced. Jesus told them, “As the Father has sent me, so I send you”, and Jesus breathed on them saying, “Receive the Holy Spirit”.

Then, EVERYTHING CHANGED.

Filled with the Holy Spirit the disciples burst out from that upper room and shouted in every language to all the world proclaiming the mighty acts of God. This very diverse group of men and women were unified in the same Spirit, that Spirit whom Jesus had promised them many times before. For the last 50 days since Jesus’ Resurrection the disciples had been quiet, afraid. But now they could

not be stopped. All together they rushed out boldly to renew the face of the earth.

And now for all of us together nearly 2000 years after the First Easter and the First Pentecost, we are filled with the same Holy Spirit. We are also rejuvenated to proclaim the mighty acts of God. We have joined Blessed Father Kolping to charge the world with the Love of the Risen Jesus Christ with our words and actions. MAINLY OUR ACTIONS.

Our Kolping Family provides a way for us to bring to others the comfort, confidence and care the Holy Spirit offers. The gift of the Holy Spirit is not something we earned, but rather a free gift given for us by Jesus to answer His call: “As the Father has sent me, so I send you”.

Those same worldly and personal problems the early disciples dealt with (conflict, disease, wars, hunger, thirst, persecutions) we are faced with today. The Holy Spirit is here to help us today, as we feel tongues of His Fire above our heads, with Jesus’ breath of life filling our nostrils. Today each of us has been chosen and sent by Jesus personally. Great work can be done through our Kolping Families. Kolping Ukraine, Poland, Romania Slovakia, Hungary, Austria, Germany, Kenya need our help and prayers. We can send what we can, and pray together through our Kolping Families.

We celebrate Easter every day of the year, after all, we are an Easter People. And we can proclaim the

gift of the Holy Spirit through our actions every day as we celebrate Pentecost together. We invite the Holy Spirit to be alive in every Kolping member.

Boldly let us pray together: “Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love”.

### **Please Remember To Pray For All Our Dear Departed Members Who Have Gone To Their Eternal Rest**

#### **CHICAGO**

*Alfred Mayer  
Ernest Schuetz*

#### **CINCINNATI**

*Henry Arents  
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# 43rd National Kolping Convention

**Cincinnati, Ohio September 9 - 11, 2022**

Dear Kolping Brothers and Sisters,

We are SO looking forward to greeting all of you here in Cincinnati this September, and would like to give you more details of what to expect while you are here.

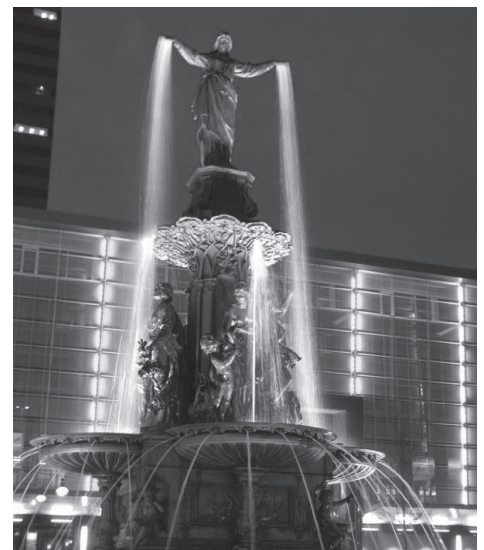
On Friday evening, September 9th, we will have the opportunity to catch up with one another and to meet new friends at the Embassy Suites Hotel, beginning in the hotel atrium and then convening to a private meeting room for more refreshments and conviviality.

On Saturday, September 10th, we will begin the day with a Mass at the hotel, and while the Board members and delegates are meeting all day at the hotel, the non-delegates will have the opportunity to visit the Newport Aquarium in Newport, Kentucky, followed by a lunch at one of our breweries in the Over-the-Rhine district in Cincinnati. Afterward, the group will be treated with a tour of the city by Rick Pender, author of "100 Things to Do in Cincinnati Before You Die". In the early evening, everyone will be transported to the Kolping Center on the outskirts of Cincinnati for dinner, dancing, and the presentation of awards.

On Sunday, September 11th, we will begin the day with Mass at the historic Mother of God Church (Mutter Gottes Kirche), built in 1871 for the German-American parish in Covington, Kentucky. Be sure to bring your flags, as we will march about a block and a half to the church. After Mass, we will make our way over to the Newport, Kentucky boat landing, where we will board a riverboat to take a 2-hour lunch cruise on the Ohio River. The rest of the day will be free for all participants, so be sure to take some time to explore the sights and sounds of the Greater Cincinnati area. A shuttle runs every 15 minutes from the Embassy Suites Hotel in Covington, Kentucky, going from Covington to Newport, Kentucky to Downtown Cincinnati.

The city of Cincinnati has gone through a bit of a Renaissance since our last convention here in 2010. Our old, German immigrant-settled neighborhood called "Over-the-Rhine" has gone through major renovations, and it is now a destination district, with unique shops, restaurants, bars, and housing developments. In fact, the old Kolping Haus, originally bought by Cincinnati Kolping in 1930 in the Over-the-Rhine district, is now the home of four condos and a small business. This area is easily accessible by the Cincinnati streetcar.

There are lots of things to do for the family in the Greater Cincinnati area, including the Newport Aquarium, Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, Kings Island Amusement Park, numerous parks, the Museum Center, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, the Cincinnati Reds baseball team, the Cincinnati Bengals football team, the FC Cincinnati soccer team, and many other venues. For those so inclined, the Hard Rock Casino is also in Downtown Cincinnati, and the Cincinnati Art Museum and Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center are great places to visit. So are Findlay Market, Ohio's oldest public market; Music Hall, home of the world-renowned



Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra; the Aronoff Center for the Arts and Playhouse in the Park for live theater; and you can go on brewery tours, a gangster tour, ghost tours, and even rent a Pedal-Wagon. So build your vacation around the Kolping National Convention! In the next month, we will be putting information on our website with details about sights to see in the Greater Cincinnati area.

Remember, the deadline for sending in your registration form is July 23, 2022, and the deadline for making hotel reservations is August 19, 2022. Information for making these reservations was in April's Kolping Banner and is on Cincinnati Kolping's website at: [www.kolpingcincinnati.com](http://www.kolpingcincinnati.com).

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Pelzel at [nancypelzel@aol.com](mailto:nancypelzel@aol.com) or 513-385-3120.



## Chicago Kolping honors St. Joseph

Our first activity of the new year was to celebrate the feast of St. Joseph, patron of the Kolping Society. We chose this special day to honor St. Joseph and to thank God for bringing us safely through the Covid pandemic and the threat of nearby development which would have negatively affected our Kolping Center. Our Praeses Fr. Mike gave an inspirational talk on the life and work of St. Joseph and then blessed our Kolping Center and all our members for having survived the threats. We welcomed and formally recognized the wonderful people who have joined Kolping during these difficult times. Fr. Mike welcomed them and awarded them their Kolping pins.

Then, we all celebrated with a delicious spaghetti dinner and enjoyed being together again.

We are not without some sad news. We have lost 2 long time and very faithful Kolping members. Ernest Schuetz has been a member for over 35 years. He and his wife Barbara have supported all of our activities all the time.

Alfred Mayer, long the head chef of Chicago Kolping came to Kolping as a young man and gave of his time and talents for over 65 years. He took over the Roast Beef Dinner, our main fundraiser, from Peter Hild. He initiated our famous Winter BBQ where steaks are grilled outside in January. It started as "lets do something different" and became a much anticipated affair for over 25 years. Both affairs continue to this day.

Over the years, everyone has enjoyed Alfred's suburb dinners. Now God has called him home to his very richly deserved reward. Our deepest

sympathy to his wife Barbara and his family who were always his righthand helpers. We share their loss.

We are, however, looking forward to a bright future. On July 9, Chicago Kolping will celebrate 150 years in Chicago. We thank God for all that has been and all that is yet to be. We will celebrate in our Kolping Center and are in the process of finalizing plans. Keep the date in mind and join us if you can in this very happy celebration. A detailed invitation will follow.

Carol Ideler





Dear Parents:

Don't spoil me. I know quite well that I ought not to have all I ask for—I'm only testing you.

Don't be afraid to be firm with me. I prefer it. It makes me feel more secure.

Don't let me form bad habits. I have to rely on you to detect them in the early stages.

Don't make me feel smaller than I am. It only makes me believe stupidly "big."

Don't correct me in front of people if you can help it. I'll take much more notice if you talk quietly with me in private.

Don't make me feel that my mistakes are sins. It upsets my sense of values.

Don't protect me from consequences. I need to learn the painful way sometimes.

Don't nag. If you do, I shall have to protect myself by ignoring you.

Don't make rash promises. Remember that I feel badly let down when promises are broken.

Don't forget that I cannot explain myself as well as I should like. That is why I'm not always very accurate.

Don't tax my honesty too much. I am easily frightened into telling lies.

Don't be inconsistent. That completely confuses me and makes me lose my faith in you.

Don't put me off when I ask questions. If you do, you will find that I stop asking and seek information elsewhere.

Don't tell me my fears are silly. They are terribly real and you can do much to reassure me if you try to understand.

Don't ever suggest that you are perfect or infallible. It gives me too great a shock when I discover that you are neither.

Don't ever think that it is beneath your dignity to apologize to me. An honest apology makes me feel surprisingly warm toward you.

Don't forget how quickly I am growing up. It must be very difficult for you to keep pace with me, but please do try.

Submitted by Laura Mahrenholz

Taken from the 1979 Kolping Banner

## National Endowment Fund

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

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Detroit Kolping \$1,500

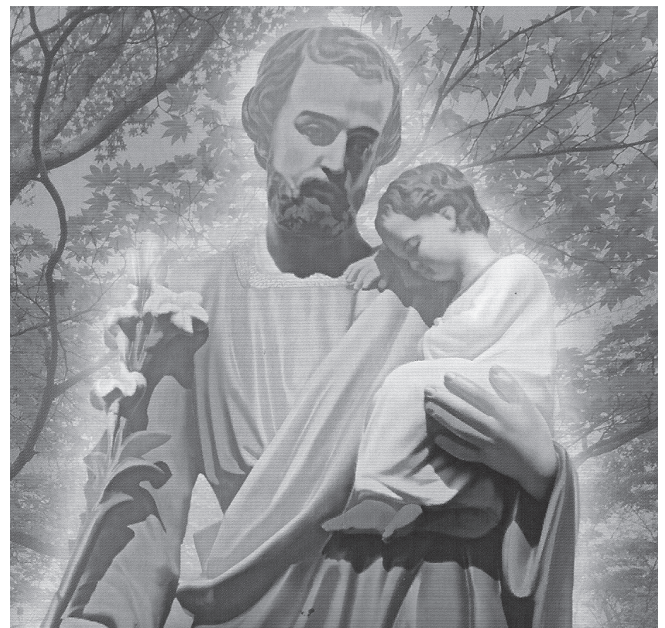
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In Memory of Gertrude Krappmann, deceased member of the Detroit Kolping Society  
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Fathers are timeless, living on through their children,  
Doing all that they can to light the world  
Through faith, hope and love.

**Happy Father's Day**  
**From the Editor and Staff of the Kolping Banner**

# International Kolping



## Vocational training in Timor-Leste

In the Diocese of Baucau, Kolping helps its currently 707 members with education and training. Kolping members learn how to produce tofu, for example. Since the soy product is one of the staple foods in the region, there is a good market for it. As Timor-Leste also lacks skilled workers, Kolping trains its members as tailors, carpenters or shoemakers.

“We empower our members and help them to start their own small businesses,” says Bonifacio de Jesus Moreira Soares from the Kolping regional office in Lospalos/Baucau. There is a huge demand; in the town of Lospalos, for example, there is only one shoemaker. “That’s why we seize this opportunity and teach shoemaking. The graduates can then open their own store. By hiring others, they then even become employers.”

Kolping also offers the opportunity to learn the trade of a carpenter and weaver so that the knowledge of traditional woodcarving and weaving patterns is not lost – there is a great demand for their products. The production of coconut oil and snacks also provides a good livelihood.

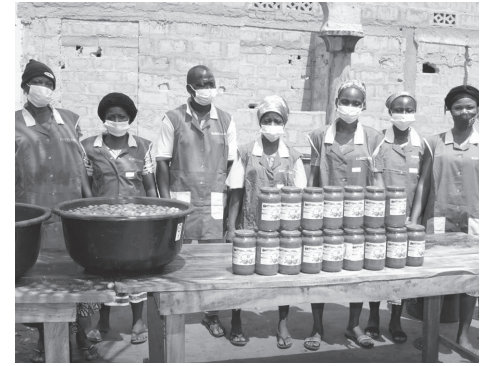
66 participants have already received their certificates for the production of Tempe (a product made from fermented soybeans). The association continues to support and advise them, for example, on how to sell their products.



## Coronavirus aid - This is how donations help

The pandemic continues to endanger the lives and livelihoods of many people around the world. KOLPING INTERNATIONAL is helping with donations from the Corona Fund, alleviating hardship, helping the hungry, supporting trainees and providing seeds or a micro-credit to help families help themselves.

In December, KOLPING India distributed meals, food and blankets to the most vulnerable in Chennai and surrounding areas. More information and pictures about our Coronavirus aid are available at <https://www.kolping.net/en/donate/corona/partner-countries/>



## #kolpingworks in Togo:

Tomato producers in Togo suffered great losses in 2020. Exports to Benin and Nigeria were not possible due to the pandemic-related border closures and also the domestic demand declined during the lockdown. OKTG (Œuvre Kolping du Togo) is committed to working alongside these small producers, helping them to acquire the necessary know-how in local processing and natural preservation of tomatoes.

The Kolping Family Attitogon in the diocese of Aného now processes their tomatoes, produced with the help of compost, into tomato puree without additives. Thanks to the transformation, the product is better preserved and more appreciated on the market.



## #kolpingworks in South Africa

Under the hashtag #kolpingworks, we collect examples from our Kolping Families of the impact Kolping has around the world. Here is an example from South Africa. The KOLPING Work Opportunity Programme (WOP) offers Life Skills and Vocational Skills to unemployed youth to enhance their chances of gaining an income.



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## International Kolping



### Focus on project

#### **MALAWI: ESCAPING POVERTY WITH GOATS AND CHICKEN**

A couple of goats or half a dozen chickens – small animals help sustainably. Milk and eggs are consumed, and what the animals leave behind fertilises the barren fields.

Animals are a great blessing for poor farming families. They provide food, and the valuable fertiliser helps their crops to thrive. What they do not consume themselves brings an additional small income. Animal husbandry is traditionally a women's work, and they are the ones who manage the income. They often finance school fees, books and school uniforms for their children – almost unattainable

without the additional income. It is important to have some savings as a nest egg to pay medication or a visit to the doctor.

The “new breeders” are not left alone with their animals – KOLPING is there to help with training on animal care and efficient farming, and veterinarians monitor the health of the animals on a regular basis. Animal husbandry is always a group project of a Kolping Family. As per tradition, the first kid or the first chicks are passed on to others. The Kolping principle is lived out here: individuals can only do well if the whole community does well.

With your donation, you can assist even more families to have animals! With just 80 euros, a family can receive two goats.