



# S.F. KOLPING Newsletter

MAY 2025

## Upcoming events

Don't miss out on our Summer Bingos- mark the dates!

**May 14th** — 11:00 – 2:00 — Kolping Stitches

**May 17th** — 12 noon – 2:30 —

Installation Luncheon (Nick's Rockaway Beach)

**June 2nd** — 5:45 – 7:00 — Board and General Meeting

**June 11th** — 11:00 – 2:00 — Kolping Stitches

👉 **June 21st** — 1:30 – 4:00 — Western Day Bingo

👉 **July 19th** — 1:30 – 4:00 — Day at the Races

👉 **August 16th** — 1:30 – 4:00 — Fogust/Game Day

## Stitchers will change to the KlubHaus

We're trying something new – starting in June, come join us on the second Wednesdays of the month for KlubHaus Wednesdays. It will be a time when you can hang out, have a bite to eat and maybe start a game of dominoes, bring some stitching or start something new. We will plan to open the KlubHaus in June, July and August to see how it goes.

## Do we have your email?

We will be trying to organize a few activities in the next months, but may not be able to post them in our newsletter. Do you have an email address to which we can send updates? You won't want to miss out.

### INSTALLATION LUNCHEON – SATURDAY MAY 17TH

Get those RSVPs in for our annual **Installation Luncheon**. We will be celebrating our members, officers and activities, while enjoying a delicious meal at Nick's Rockaway Beach and listening to Greg Costanzo and friends entertain. If you don't have a ride, let us know and we'll do our best to coordinate one. See you there.

### HONORARY/LIFETIME MEMBERS

Did you know that we have a few members that have been Kolping members for **over 50 years?**

You may have been present when they received their 50-year pin, but afterwards we have no real way of recognizing these dedicated supporters. The Board of Directors has decided to change that. Going forward, any member achieving their 50 year membership will be acknowledged as our Honorary Lifetime Members. We are planning on awarding each with a letter of recognition as well as waive all dues going forward. Congratulations to:



**Heinz Beerin**

**80 years**

*(joined in Germany in 1945)*



**Julia Brinkmann**

**57 years**



**Marianne and Frank Goehringer – 50 years**

# HAPPENINGS AROUND KOLPING

If pictures speak a thousand words, this newsletter should keep everyone's ears 'abuzzin! They reflect the fun, comradery and good will our members share through our activities and events. For organizations to thrive, it is critical that they are open to new ideas, welcome new members and stay true to their fundamental values. For Kolping it has been faith, family, community and self-sufficiency.



Over the past few months we have not only hosted our "third Saturday" bingos, but participated in the **St. Patrick's Day parade**, celebrating the role of the immigrant in San Francisco – this was especially timely as we were able to promote our 100-year anniversary!





We tried out a new group – **the Stickers** – and will be morphing this into a monthly mid-week activity – **Kolping KlubHaus**. A group of budding artists enjoyed our first **Sip N' Paint**, each following a template of **Starry Night** and putting their own touch to it.



We've been able to celebrate our Christian faith with Father Paul and Deacon Bill as they presided over our **Palm Sunday Mass/Brunch** and share bread (actually quiche and frittata) with our fellow members. The Kolping also has been able to give back to the community through our grant program and support of local vendors. Best of all, we see new relationships developing, friendships made and helping hands offered.





# Community Grants

Our Kolping Family has been blessed by the members who came before us with a healthy investment portfolio. Each year, we use the proceeds from this to fund projects at local Catholic schools, soup kitchens and other local organizations whose mission align with our own. Below are some pictures of Bill, Christine, Muffy and Lisa presenting these grants.



# Hildegard Beering



One of our long-term members, Hildegard Beering, passed away in March. Hildegard enjoyed our Installation Luncheons and casino trips and was a very close friend to many of our members. She joined the Kolping in 1990.

## Get Well

Monika Weiss our Board Recording Secretary is recovering from a serious auto accident. She had Father Kolping with her in the car that day, as pictures from the scene were quite shocking. We send our warm thoughts and prayers for her full and steady recovery.

## Calling all cooks – the kitchen is ready!

Believe it or not, but our kitchen is finally back in working order again. We had a slew of repairs and replacements to make, including replacing the range and widening the door so it fit. Now we just need a few chefs/bakers to put it to use!



We welcome submissions for the newsletters and topics that might be of interest to all.

*Warmly, Lisa Brinkmann and Kathy Biesty*