

KOLPING SÄNGERCHOR

Cordially invites you to our Annual

Weihnachts Konzert and Christkindlmarkt

NOVEMBER 29

2:30 P.M. TO 5 P.M.

10235 Mill Road
Cincinnati, OH 45231



ALL TICKETS **\$10.00** (babies on lap, free)

TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE FROM CHOIR MEMBER OR BY MAIL.

Send check made out to "Kolping Sangerchor" with SASE to:

Christy Westendorf - choir (questions 513-403-3227)
2785 Oxford Trenton Road
Oxford, OH 45256

Christkindlmarkt beginning at 2:30 pm, featuring home baked cookies
and items for the holidays!

Desserts, coffee and tea served at 3 pm.

Concert beginning at 4 pm.



Cincinnati's 150th Schützenfest Anniversary Plans

As Kolping is celebrating the 150th Anniversary of Cincinnati's first Schützenfest in 2016, we want to keep you up-to-date on our exciting plans to mark this very significant milestone. Herr Jim Slouffman is spearheading our 150th Anniversary Planning team for special ways to celebrate this important fest!

Schützenfest Survey

Andrew Hessler spearheaded the effort to reach out to members and non-members to anonymously fill out an on-line survey he crafted to illicit ways to improve Schützenfest. To quote Andrew, we received a "gold mine of information". We were able to confirm things we are doing well and what we can do to make things even better. Andrew deserves a pat on the back for coming up with fresh ideas.

Parades & Shooting Events

One area of consistent survey feedback is the need to improve upon the whole atmosphere, participant's attire, and pomp and circumstance surrounding our Parades and Shooting Events. We will be working with the Schützen Klub on these efforts.

New Public Shooting Event Planned

We are working to create a new shooting event for Saturday that involves both members and non-members. More details to come but the plan is to create an event that involves shooting teams to compete against one another. The participants are likely to be limited to being GACL members.

German Schützenvereine (Shooting Clubs) Inclusion

Our goal is to include some shooting clubs from Germany in our special celebration. We are working with the Munich Sister-City organization to hopefully bring a team in from Munich. Additionally, as Lohne has one of the largest and most traditional Schützenfests in Germany, we are reaching out to them to see if they want to participate. These folks will be able to participate in our new public shooting event.

Our plan is to provide the people from Germany free lodging, similar to how we have done things in the past with families hosting our foreign guests.

IMPORTANT:

- Please let us know if you have any friends and family in Germany that would like to bring over members of their local Schützenverein. We want as many people from Germany as possible.
- Please let us know if you are willing to host some of our guests from Germany.

New Opening Ceremony (Tentative)

Our goal is to have a new opening ceremony that will involve certain dignitaries. Our plan is to create something significant to attract TV stations to cover this event.

As part of this ceremony, we want to announce the special proclamations that Herr Slouffman is so creatively obtaining.

Entertainment

To help celebrate our significant milestone, we will incorporate some contemporary entertainment from Germany. Details to come but we trust you will enjoy this added fun.

In addition to the added flair our German based entertainers, I am excited to announce have a nationally known, Grammy nominated performer all three (3) days next year! More details and links to come.

Of course, we will have some of our favorite local acts to provide great entertainment as well.

The survey was very helpful in deciding on entertainers and our overall setup.

Bottom line, we have some very fun and exciting entertainment plans in store for next year!

New Schützenfest Mass

As recommended by Kevin Luken, we are going to start a new tradition of a Schützenfest Mass the Sunday before Schützenfest at Old St. Mary's Church. After this July 10th mass, we plan to have a nice and relaxed gathering at Kolping to enjoy some nice fellowship, simple bites to eat, and nice refreshments. We want to take time to ourselves before the final push to get everything ready for Schützenfest. More details will be provided.

Miscellaneous

- We are looking into creating some commemorative mugs / steins with Rookwood Pottery.
- We are looking to create a special "Schützenfest Beer" with one of the local breweries.
- We are looking to create something to incorporate the popularity of Craft Beers in Cincinnati.
- We are working on ways to continue to make Schützenfest a family-friendly environment, where the whole family has something to do and makes them want to stay and have a good time.
- Mike & Nancy Pelzel, our resident historians, are putting together a wonderful publication to cover Schützenfest's history in Cincinnati. It will be a fun and interesting read.

Closing Comments

As you likely know, Kolping's wonderful legacy in Cincinnati started in 1924. Therefore, we have a very unique opportunity to be able to grow our membership by attracting your children, grandchildren, brothers, and sisters to become part of our family. Please reach out them to have them join us at Schützenfest 2016. It would be great if they can help volunteer and eventually become members but, most importantly, we want them to come out and have a fun time! As they see the fun things going on at Kolping, we hope to attract them to become new and active members.

As the wise owl Andrew Hessler recommended, we want to make Schützenfest 2016's theme "A Festival of Thanks and Friendship". We want to thank all of our members and volunteers for everything they do and to also help bridge the divides that sometimes separate us. We want to encourage everyone to have fun and be part of Schützenfest in one way or another. Help us work together and become closer as a family.

Treu Kolping,

Jim Stukenborg (schutzenfestcincy@gmail.com)
2016 Schützenfest Chairperson

Kolping History Book

The Kolping history books have arrived from the publisher – all 3600+ pounds of them! We have personally delivered some of the books and plan on distributing many at the **Kolping Seniors Meeting on November 10th**. For the Seniors who cannot make that meeting and for everyone else who has purchased a book, we have set up a general distribution time for most people to pick up their copies, which is as follows:

Date: Sunday, November 15th
Time: 1:00 - 4:00 P.M.
Place: Kolping Klubhaus
10235 Mill Road, Cincinnati, OH 45231

Come out and enjoy the camaraderie and pick up your little bit of history! By the way, each book is 5 ½ pounds, so if you have more than 2 books to pick up, bring someone strong! We will have extra books on hand, so if you would like an additional copy, or know someone who would like one, they are still available at \$35.00 a copy. If you cannot make it on November 15th, please contact us so that we can make arrangements for you to receive your book(s).

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your kindness and support in helping this book come to its completion. It has been a life-changing experience for us!

Mike and Nancy Pelzel
6205 Twinwillow Lane
Cincinnati, OH 45247
Ph: (513) 385-3120
E-mail: pelzelfest@aol.com

Fr. David Hiller, O.F.M.. Endowment Fund

The following people have made donations to the Fr. David Hiller Fund in honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Lois & Jim Kemper. We congratulate them on reaching this milestone in their lives and pray that God will bless them with many more happy years.

Williams Family
Mitchell & Mike Mitchell
David Williams
Carol & Allen Cliffe
Mary Jo & Tom Shannon
Mary & Ted Tegenkamp

Michelle Willieam
Lonita & Mike Williams
Julie Hawkins & John Williams
Rita & Tom Musbach
Amy & Paul Ahrnsen

Monica Williams
Todd & Michelle Williams
Maria & Karl Von den Benken
Magda & Ben Geers
Susan & Brian Griffin

Thank you very much for supporting the Fr. David Hiller, O.F.M. Fund

Ted Tegenkamp, Treasurer
Phone: 513-941-6439

Kolping Society's **Children's Christmas Party**

DECEMBER 20, 2015

Doors open at 2:30
Party from 3- 5 pm.



Call Amy Ahrnsen at 513-542-8554
For reservations before December 15th.

Leave your name, phone number and # of children attending

Enjoy a day of entertainment and crafts with the children and
grandchildren!!

All Kolping member's children and grandchildren are invited.

If you'd like to help out by donating items to decorate the
Gingerbread houses, please call the office @ 851-7951 or let
Amy know what you like to bring.
(ex. marshmallows, skittles, etc.)



NOTICE

Upon the death of a MEMBER, please call the President of the Kolping Society or one of the Bereavement Committee members. In order that the membership can be aware that a MEMBER has died, the family of the decedent should be willing to place in the Death Notice that the decedent is a Member of the Kolping and at what time Kolping members should assemble for prayers. (This should be mutually agreed upon by the family and the Kolping representatives). The Board of Trustees

Euchre Schedule 2015

Kolping Center - 10235 Mill Rd., Cincinnati, Ohio 45231

Sunday's at 1:30 p.m.

**November 8 & 22
December 6 & 20**

Be sure to come early to register. We begin playing at 1:30 p.m.

For info call: Doris Wilke, 513-521-5019 or 513-519-1167

***St. Nicholas Day Celebration
A German Heritage Tradition***

The German Heritage Museum celebrates the beginning of the Advent season with its St. Nicholas Day Celebration on Sunday, December 6, from 1-5 PM.

St. Nicholas is scheduled to meet and greet children and guests from 2 to 4 PM. Members of the Cincinnati Carvers Guild will display their beautiful wood carvings. Refreshments, including chocolate drinks, cookies and Kuchen, will be available. The German Heritage Museum Choir will sing German Christmas songs at 3 PM. Gift items are available, including German Heritage Museum t-shirts. Authors Dann Woellert and Elfe Vallaster Dona will also have their German heritage books available.

The German-American Citizens League, which was founded in 1895, opened the German Heritage Museum in 2000 to showcase the German heritage of the region. It is located at 4764 West Fork Road. For more information on the German Heritage Museum, go to: www.gacl.org.

Important Phone Numbers

- President — Walter Amrein, 513-367-1511
- V. President — Richard Ellensohn, 513-742-5895
- Membership — Nancy Ellensohn, 513-742-5895
- Sick Comm. — Christa Olding, 513-385-1476

Sub Group Presidents:

- Brewing Klub — Mike Seibel, 513-256-8213
- Sängerchor - Chuck Merk, 513-941-3864
- Schützen Club — Mickey Moore, 513-729-4675
- Seniors — Christa Olding, 513-385-1476
- Sports Club — Walter Dewar, 513-312-8551
- Young Families — Paul Ahnrsen, 513-542-8554
- House & Grounds — Werner Wilke, 513-521-5019

Kolping Center

- Clubhouse Rentals — 513-851-7951 then press 1
- Business Office — 513-851-7951 then press 1
- Clubhouse — 513-851-7951 then press 5
- Hall, 513-851-1951 then press 4

KOLPING GOLF LEAGUE

The 2015 Golf League will resume on Thursday, April 16th at Beech Creek Golf Course on Hudepohl Lane. We will play each Thursday-tee times approx. 9:30 a.m. – until cold weather returns. Cost is \$12.50 per golfer for 9 holes and cart rental.

Cost is also \$12.50 if walking. We will use a scramble format as last year and teams will be decided by random draw each day. Men and women are invited to participate, new golfers are welcome. Questions, call Tom Musbach, 513-793-



Society News

Grove Clean up

Since most of the leaves came down with the last rain Bill Adelman, Ray Kunze, Ted Leuker, Norb Schomaker, Werner Wilke and Gus Schroeder cleaned up all the leaves. It looked very good when they finished but we know it will not last because some of the trees stubbornly hold onto their leaves for future drops. Thanks guys for doing a good job. Picnic tables are now in storage thanks to Bob Schindler and Ted Tegenkamp. For some reason we are short 10 tables (62 were moved and we should have 72).

Guenther Stark once again winterized the outside water systems as he has done for many years. He keeps telling us he can't do it anymore but he does it anyway. Thanks Guenther for your dedication and effort.

Gary Gerdes our resident watering expert rolled up all the hoses since he is done for the season watering the festival grounds. The grass looks good and by springtime it should be fit to walk on. Thanks Gary for taking care of a thankless but important job several days a week this past fall.

Carpenters

Ferdi Kappen and Manfred Ellers made and installed another table top on to a tree stump in the picnic area. Now there are two until the stumps rot away.

Ever since Schuetzenfest these guys have been working to modify the portable bar they fabricated prior to Schuetzenfest at the urging of Jim Stukenborg. (All it now needs is a motor with remote control.)

Speaking of Schuetzenfest, Jim Stukenborg and his wife Anna are already planning for the next Schuetzenfest. We owe them a great big Thank You for moving this festival into the big times. Thank for your efforts.

Wheels

There are two drop seeder wheels laying behind the garage that need to be picked up or be taken to the scrap yard. They have been laying around for a couple of years and that is long enough since there is nothing we can use them for.

Books

Nancy and Mike Pelzel are now distributing the book that they have authored for the Society documenting the past 90+ years. This book turned out wonderful -51/2 lbs. of facts and pictures about our members, Society events and activities. Nancy & Mike did a lot of leg work gathering the information, finding family members of the early members seeking pictures and information. We are told that the information contained in the book is a small portion of what they received on info from all these sources. Thanks Nancy & Mike for a wonderful job well done.

Chairs

The hall chairs are really beginning to show their wear. It seems like every week Mike Hasenfratz or John Hammon find broken ones that need some welding. Mike & John are the chair cleaners and are doing a wonderful job. Maybe it is time to budget for replacement chairs – maybe one hall at a time.

Signs

We need to post a couple of signs at the main entrance of Mill Rd. advising truckers that the parking lot is not a turn around. Only semis' making deliveries to us should be allowed on the parking lot.

Ted Tegenkamp

DEATHS

Margaret Mohs, wife of Hubert Mohs and mother of Diane, Paul, Doris, Nancy and Mike passed away on October 27th, our sympathy to her family.

Celestine (Babe) Schiering caretaker for 5 years of the clubhouse and hall on Winton Road passed away on October 16th at the age of 98. Our sympathy to her children, Dorothy, Melvin, Sandy and Linda.

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Happy Birthday to all our members who are celebrating in November

11/1	Stukenborg	James
11/2	Chouteau	Dale
11/3	Noll	John
11/4	Ostendorf	George
11/5	Eckstein	Anthony
11/5	Talkers	Jeff
11/5	Hull	Wendell
11/5	Klosterman	Charles
11/8	Egbers	Thomas
11/8	Schomaker	Norbert
11/8	Hausfeld	William
11/8	Klosterman	Theodore
11/9	Cromer	Brian
11/9	Wilke	Theodore
11/10	Rosen	Emmi
11/10	Talkers	Ralph
11/11	Schantz	Konrad
11/11	Brunzman	Dennis
11/11	Murray	John
11/12	Grote	Ursula
11/12	Brunzman	Michael
11/13	Ellers	Manfred
11/14	Stegman	Johanna
11/14	Welage	Susan
11/14	Lewis	Greg
11/15	Wilke	Doris
11/17	Sersion	Jean
11/17	Brickweg	Kurt
11/18	Wagner	Carl
11/18	Pelzel	Nancy
11/18	Kemper	Kenneth
11/19	Schindler	Robert
11/19	Abeln	David
11/21	Geers	Bernard
11/21	Wienkamp	Karen

11/21	Abt	Stephen
11/22	Keck	Robertta
11/22	Adams	Roger
11/23	Schmidt	Larry
11/23	Reynolds	Charlie
11/23	Rumpke, Jr.	Harry
11/23	Mushaben	Thomas G.
11/25	Yoder	Carol
11/25	Griffin	Brian
11/26	Gardner	Judy
11/26	Ostendorf	Richard
11/26	Reis III	Joseph
11/27	Meyer	Beverly
11/28	Schoenberger	William
11/28	Von Den Benken	Maria
11/30	Willenbrink	Barbara
11/30	Schroer	James
11/30	Knizner	John

SICK LIST

Gerd & Agnes Oevermeyer	Sis & Gene Meisyer
Ted Segbers	Liz Kramer
Marlene & Charlie Lintz	Evlyn Busam
Bob Stehlin	Heinz Kuhl
Terri Beiter	Barbara Bauer
Agnes Schlake	Hank Gerbus

Don't forget to stop and visit, send a card or give them a phone call. News from friends is always appreciated. Be sure to remember all our sick and shut in members in your prayers.

SPORTS CLUB

The fall season is over. It was a successful season. We had teams who won their league and some were successful in the tournaments. Our winter training program will begin in December and go through February.

Happy Thanksgiving

Walt DeWare

DECEMBER MASS/ GENERAL

MEETING & CHRISTMAS PARTY

Please join us on Sunday, December 6th, for mass at 11:00 a.m., Lunch, General Meeting and Christmas Party will follow mass.



Schützen Klub

Shooting night is November 20 at 8:00 p.m. Team sign up and practice starts at 7:00 p.m. This month is our **TURKEY SHOOT** night. Thanks to Paul Wienkamp for handling this event.

- High Practice Shooter:** Sept, Nick Krummen (68)
Oct., Paul Ahrnsen, (67)
- High Individual :** Sept., Brian Sunderman (68)
Oct., Dan Mueller
- High Tam:** Sept., Team Adams (326)
Oct. Team Sterwerf (328)

Work Schedules will be available to teams to sign up for Targets, Bar, and Food, or Tickets.

December is filled, but Jan needs tickets. Work Schedule for **Nov. is: Targets: Team Stegman. Food: Team Wilke, Bar: Team Blum, Tickets: Team Drees.**

If you have any Shooting Club questions, contact the president at: mmoore82028@cinci.rr.com

Election Results

President – G. Trey Seibel
V. President – Michael Seibel

Board Members

- Ann Gerbus
- Rick Hill
- Tom Musbach
- Nancy Pelzel
- Paul Wienkamp

Congratulations and Best Wishes for your two year term on the Board

As in the past, we will be collecting canned goods. This year. Our crammed donations will be given to the Mt. Healthy Alliance. The Mt. Healthy Alliance serves the 45231 zip code for needy families providing food and other services. Their motto is “Transforming lives in the 45231 communities by providing services with Christian love and dignity.” For the month of October, the Mt Healthy Alliance fed 640 families in the 45231 area

At the December Meeting/Christmas Party, we will provide 1 door prize ticket for each canned donation. As an incentive to further boost our canned goods donations, the Mt. Healthy Alliance is especially in need of canned meat, canned fruit, pasta, and Rice mixes. For each of these items donated you will receive double your door prize tickets!

The Mt. Healthy Alliance is very appreciative of our willingness to donate. Let’s stock their shelves. Please visit: www.mthealthyalliance.org for more information or call Barb Hessler, 513-742-8842.
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Kolping Seniors

SENIOR CHRISTMAS PARTY

11:30 A.M.

Tuesday, December 8, 2015

RESERVATIONS a MUST:

Call: Christa Olding, 513-385-1476
Doris Wilke, 513-521-5019

Senior members – Free Guests \$10.00