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BISHOP EMERITUS GOSSMAN, 83, DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

RALEIGH — Our Beloved Bishop emeritus F. Joseph Gossman, who served 31 years at the helm of the Raleigh Diocese of the Catholic Church during a period of vast growth, died Monday after a long illness. He was 83 years old.

Gossman became the fourth bishop of the Raleigh Diocese at age 45, succeeding Bishop Vincent S. Waters, and served from May 19, 1975 until his retirement June 8, 2006. Gossman was also a 4th Degree Knight and was also a member of our All Saints Council 9709. He received honors with Knights in full Regalia at his funeral mass.

He was a strong proponent of the sanctity of human life and spoke out on issues involving human dignity – from the plight of the poor, to care and concern of immigrants, to strong opposition to capital punishment.

“He was a very holy man, a straight shooter, a clear communicator,” said Ron Doggett, who knew Gossman from the time the bishop came to Raleigh. “I used to tease him about his sermons being too long. But he always wanted to make sure he got his message across about being good Catholics and good Christians, and good servants of all those in need in our community: those who are hungry, those who don’t have a home or shelter, those who are ill.



Bishop F. Joseph Gossman questions children in the congregation of Sacred Heart Cathedral following his sermon on the meaning of Ash Wednesday in 1999.

ALL SAINTS COUNCIL 9709 RECEIVES 25 YEAR AWARD

When Council 9709 received its Charter from Supreme on Jan. 6, 1988, all the members had opted to have the name of the Council be "All Saints." Not many know why, but the District Deputy who coordinated that original Charter for the Council, Brother Tony Anello, knows perfectly well why that name was chosen.

This year Council 9709 celebrates 25 years as All Saints Council located at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in North Raleigh. This proud distinction will be celebrated at our October 1st meeting with the presentation of a plaque by a Knights of Columbus State Officer. Many of our founding members, including Larry Dudley, PGK, will be invited to attend this special event.

Our council has grown to almost 250 members and has become one of the most active councils in North Carolina. We continue to grow through our many good works and charitable donations draw recognition from the church and community.

ALL SAINTS COUNCIL 9709 GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Golf Tournament, though rained on was a huge success. Over \$1900 were raised for Catholic Parish Out Reach this year, nearly doubling last year's take. Thanks to James Powers and the many Knights that weathered a stormy day to participate in this year's event. This comes at a good time for the CPO considering they are experiencing a 20% increase in the numbers of families using their facilities since this time last year.

DURHAM BALL GAMES SALES ARE OUT OF THE PARK

Brother Mike Wrzesien and several other Brothers working the Durham Ball Park Concessions stand have set new records in sales revenues and tips. A portion of the sales and the tips are filtered into our Council accounts and have far exceeded the Council's budgeted estimates. When the budget was drafted for this Fraternal Year, we predicted revenues of \$4100.00; to date we have far exceeded this prediction with over \$5000.00 in deposits. We still have remaining games for September that will continue to add to our account. We have wowed Center Plate with our record sales.

COUNCIL WINS PRESTIGIOUS FOOD FOR FAMILIES AWARD

The Council received the prestigious "Food For Families" reimbursement Program plaque. The inscriptions on the plaque read, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food." Genesis 1:29. This award was given for our Councils generous donations of over \$2500 to local food banks and agencies that feed the poor. I don't doubt that we will once again achieve the award this fraternal year as well. Thanks to everyone for your continuous generosity and support of Catholic Parish Outreach and all the volunteer hours worked there by our Brothers.

THANKS TO OUR COUNCIL FOR SUPPORT AND PRAYERS

I would like to say special thanks to all my fellow Knights and friends for all your prayers and support following the passing of my wife's mother Rita. That was a sudden, unexpected event, and Peggy and I were on the road just hours after receiving notification of her passing. It was good to have the family get together one more time and celebrate her very special life. Her husband John T English passed the previous year in April. They are once again joined together, and her family lives on sharing their memories.

FROM THE GRAND KNIGHT:

My Brothers:

This is my official first newsletter to our Council; I have grown even more appreciative of our Council and all you do in the name of fraternity.

I look back at this past month and think about the support you have given me, by the efforts by a select group of Knights that went out and built a wheel chair ramp for our past District Deputy Haydon Ware. I know how much these efforts mean to Haydon and his family. Thanks to Larry Dudley who funded the ramp out of his own pocket not knowing that we would reimburse him. Thanks to Ray Martin that brought his tools and his skills to this project to direct and make short work out of a otherwise big project. Thanks to the other Brothers that gave their time as well.

I trust that we will continue to do great things this year that wouldn't only inspire our membership, but inspire other Catholic gentlemen to want to call themselves Knights!

Thank you again for your confidence and support. I look back with a great sense of accomplishment and pride in our Council. May Christ bless you and your families fully in the coming year and give you the strength and fortitude to accomplish even more.

Vivat Jesus,



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(More details available at www.kofc9709.org)

August 2013

- 6 - Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Founders Rm
- 10 - CPO Golf Tournament, 1 p.m., Wil-Mar Golf Course
- 20 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., Lafayette Village Grill
Lafayette Village of the Neuse Road
- 27 - Planning Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm

September 2013

- 3 - Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Founders Rm
- 11 - Second Degree, 7:00 p.m. Anthony Hall Founders Rm
- 13 - LAMB kick off 6:00 pm Columbus Club
- 14 - WHIN program 7:15 am Claire Hall
- 15 - Migrant Ministry 11:30am Claire Hall collection of food
- 16 - Social Gathering, 6:30 p.m., Manchester's Restaurant
- 19 - CPO Volunteers 9:00 a.m. Catholic Parish Outreach
- 21 - Council Picnic - 4:00 p.m. (Location on calendar)
- 24 - Planning Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Conference Rm

October 2013

- 1 - Business Meeting 7:30 p.m., Anthony Hall Founders Room
- 12 - Blood Drive 8:00 a.m., Clair Hall
- 20 - Social Gathering 6:30 p.m., Carolina Ale House
- 26 - 4th Degree Exemplification: 1:00 p.m.
- 27 - Harvest Moon Fest 11:00a.m. - 2 p.m. Clair Hall
- 29 - Planning Meeting 7:30 p.m. Anthony Hall Conference

FOR THE FIRST DEGREE KNIGHT . . . ELECTED OFFICERS

GRAND KNIGHT - The Grand Knight is responsible for the welfare of the Council. He presides over Council meetings, acts as an ex-officio member of all Committees, appoints the Membership and Programming Directors, convenes officers for a monthly meeting and ensures all necessary reports are submitted to the State and Supreme Councils. The Grand Knight's signature appears on all checks drawn.

DEPUTY GRAND KNIGHT - The Deputy Grand Knight assists the Grand Knight with Council affairs and fulfills all the duties assigned him by the Grand Knight. Should the Grand Knight be absent from a Council meeting, the Deputy Grand Knight will preside. He is also Chairman of the Council's Retention Committee.

CHANCELLOR - The Chancellor assists the Grand Knight and Deputy Grand Knight in the execution of their duties and oversees the Council in both their absences. He is charged with strengthening the members' interests in Council activities and is also Chairman of the Admissions Committee.

WARDEN - The Warden is the "watchdog" for Council property and degree paraphernalia, except the property of the Financial Secretary, Treasurer and Recorder. He is responsible for setting up the Council Chambers for meetings and ceremonial work and appoints and supervises guards during ceremonial exemplifications.

TREASURER - The Treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping and maintaining of records of all Council funds and accounts. He is responsible for depositing money into the Council's accounts and provides certificates of such monies to the Grand Knight. He is also responsible of payment of all expenses.

RECORDER - The Recorder is responsible for maintaining a true record of all actions of the Council and its correspondence.

ADVOCATE - The Advocate is the legal representative of the Council and serves as the Council's attorney at trials and investigations of interest to the Council. While he does not need to be a member of the legal profession, he should be familiar with the Council By Laws, Methods of Conducting a Council Meeting and Robert's Rules of Order.

INSIDE AND OUTSIDE GUARDS - The Outside Guard tends to the outer door admitting visitors and members to the inner door. Once at the inner door, the Inside Guard checks to make sure that membership cards are current.

TRUSTEES - The Board of Trustees consists of three members elected by the Council and the Grand Knight, who serves as Chairman. They oversee the work of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer, and with the Deputy Grand Knight, serve on the Council's Retention Committee. Only the three-year Trustee is voted, with the others continuing their terms.

COUNCIL 9709 ADDS TWO TO ITS ROLLS

With less than two months into the fraternal year, All Saints Council 9709 added two new members to its rolls. The Council's State Champion 1st Degree team conducted a 1st Degree Ceremony at the July 2nd business meeting, bringing in two new members.

Congratulations to new Brothers Frank Rothel and Josh Riley, who took the first step to full Knighthood on July 2. Brother Josh Riley is the son of Brother SK James Riley from Council 7547, Past Grand Knight and Faithful Navigator. Council 7547 is the Council that GK Brian Denison transferred from.

The new members bring to a total of 2 for the new inductees for the Council in fraternal year 2013-14, leaving the Council fifteen new members shy of our goal to achieve the Fr. McGivney Award.



COUNCIL 9709 BIDS FAREWELL TO THE DUDLEY FAMILY

Farewell to Brother Larry Dudley and his family. Larry and his wife attended the May 21 Social Gathering at Dino's Capri Restaurant where they announced their move to South Carolina.



The Dudley's made their way to North Carolina via New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts in 1977, and but for a brief stint in South Carolina have become long-term residents of Raleigh. Brother Larry has been a Knight for 22 years and has served as an officer for the past ten years, including being Warden, Recorder and Deputy Grand Knight in other KofC Councils. Larry was the Charter Grand Knight, founding all Saints Council with men from St Francis from St. Luke Parish.

After that he assumed other officer roles as required in a new struggling council. As the council grew, Larry was the council conscience keeping us on the straight and narrow with rules of the order and Supreme Directives. Larry was instrumental in constructing handicap ramps with others in the council. He supplied many of the tools required along with the construction knowledge. Along with others in the council, he assisted in a vast array of activities, it seemed he was everywhere.

Patty worked as a Registered Nurse and a Real Estate Agent in North Carolina. Brother Larry ran Century Services, a company that does home maintenance, small additions and repair work, sometimes alone and other times with their daughter - Heather.

They have four children: Suzanne in Charlotte, Bill in Raleigh, Amy in Winston-Salem and Heather in Union, S.C. Brother Dudley and Patty purchased a home in SC with a full wrap around porch to join other family members in their retirement.

They will be missed. Brother
Godspeed, Larry and Patty Dudley, 2010 Council photo

BECKERS CHOSEN AS FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR AUGUST

The August "Family of the Month" award goes to Brother Steve Becker, wife Cecilia, and their daughters Allison and Tori. The Beckers are receiving the award for family participation in Operation LAMB, Lenten Suppers, March for Life, Catechism Play, Durham Bulls, website storefront, as well as many other activities and events during this past year. Brother Steve has been a Knight since April 2008 and has earned his 3rd Degree. He and wife Cecilia have been married for 27 years and have two children: Allison, 15, is a Sophomore "A" student at Cardinal Gibbons High School (CGHS), and Tori, who just turned 10 in August, is a third grader at TFS. The Beckers adopted Tori from Russia, in May 2009.



The Beckers have been members of St. Francis for 17 years and have been active lectors for 12 years.

Steve leads the Men's Ministry, and participates in Migrant Ministry, WIHN ministry, and volunteers at TFS.

Cecilia works as an Executive Assistant at Quintiles, volunteers at TFS, and was the person who encouraged Steve to join the Knights in the first place. Allison also has been busy in the past year, preparing for her Confirmation which occurs on October 5th. She has been a Cantor at Sunday Mass for several years, very involved in the St. Francis youth ministry, and a Girl Scout for 9 years. However, she decided this year to shift her talents to being a lector with her Mom and Dad. When Steve and Cecy lector, they do so together and are proud to now be sharing this privilege with Allison. Allison also has supported Operation LAMB for several years and is very active at CGHS. She was in the drama program last year and joined the CGHS Drum Line this year, performing at the CGHS football games and other school events. She is also a babysitter and would like to serve in a volunteer capacity this summer (possibly at a local hospital). Her sister, Tori, followed Allison's footsteps and joined the Girl Scouts last year.

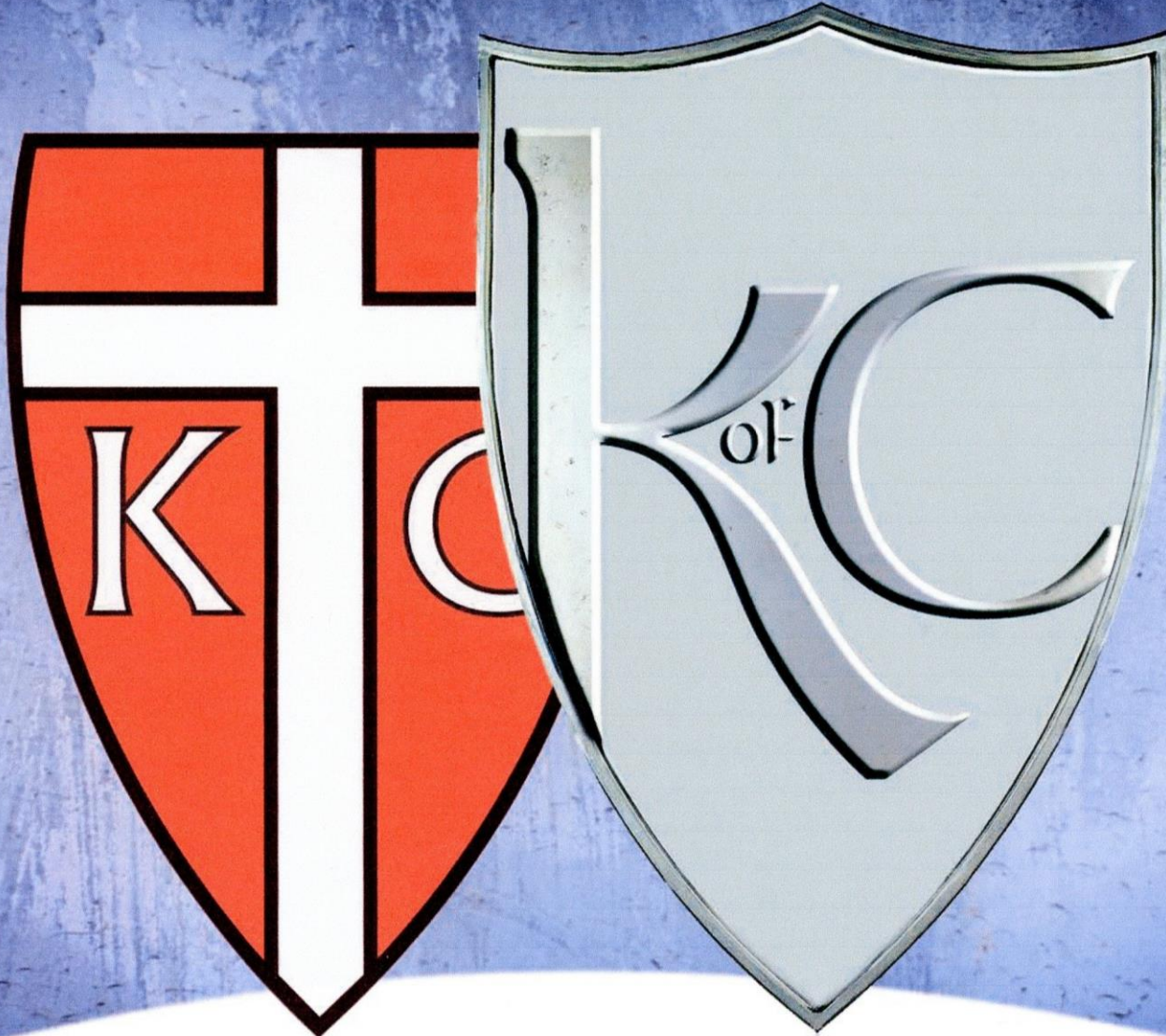
After receiving his undergraduate degree in Finance at the University of Florida, and later receiving his MBA from UNC, Brother Steve has been with IBM for the past 24 years. He is currently working as a Financial Program manager on the Software Group dedicated Acquisition Integration Team. He has been involved in financially integrating over 40 companies worldwide in the last 8 years.

BROTHER JOHN BUICO IS AUGUST'S KNIGHT OF THE MONTH



Council officers have selected Brother John Buico as Knight of the Month for August 2013 for his dedicated support of LAMB and the Durham Bulls games. Brother Buico has been Past Grand Knight, Past Faithful Navigator, and Past District Deputy in his previous Council.

Brother Buico is new to the St. Francis community *and* became a member just this year after moving from Wilmington beach area of North Carolina. John has consistently supported all Knights activities since and before coming into our Council. I first meet John when I showed up to my scheduled shift for LAMB drive and John had filled my position. John latter began working shifts with our crews at the Durham ball games about the time sales began to skyrocket.



**OVER THE YEARS, OUR STRENGTH
CONTINUES TO GROW.**

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BROTHER DICK NOVACEK APPOINTED DISTRICT WARDEN

District Deputy Brother Dick Bridges announced at the Council business meeting August 6 that Brother Dick Novacek had accepted an appointment as District Warden for District 9. District 9 includes four Councils: Immaculate Conception Council 3390 in Durham, All Saints Council 9709 in Raleigh, St. Luke the Evangelist Council 12455 in Raleigh and Pope John Paul II Council 13812 in Durham.

The District Warden assists the District Deputy in the execution of his duties, attending events that the District Deputy is unable to attend. He also plays an important role in the annual Installation of Officers ceremonies for District Councils. Typically, a District Warden has been a Grand Knight. New District Warden Dick Novacek is a Past Grand Knight of Council 9709.

The District Warden position can also be a stepping stone for the position of District Deputy. A District Deputy officially represents the Supreme Knight in his District and is reimbursed for mileage, lodging and meals for the performance of his duties. The District Warden is not reimbursed for expenses. A District Deputy can serve up to four consecutive one-year terms with an additional one-year extension. There are 29 District Deputies in North Carolina. Each District Deputy can have one or more District Wardens.

Regional District Deputies and State Chancellors are positions established by the State Council of North Carolina and are not recognized by the Supreme Council. Their expenses are reimbursed by the State similarly to how District Deputies are reimbursed by Supreme. There are seven Regional District Deputies and two State Chancellors in North Carolina.

Worthy Brothers All,

The 43rd Annual State Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament is just one month away. We have a great tournament planned and you will really enjoy the course at Kings Grant Golf and Country Club, in Fayetteville NC. Currently, Team Entries and Hole Sponsorships are coming in slowly. It would greatly assist us with our planning if you could get your teams registered.

We are also requesting that you please inquire at your next council or assembly meeting about sponsoring a hole for \$100.

Funds generated will go the Military Order of the Purple Heart "Home for Christmas Fund," sending Purple Heart recipients from the Fort Bragg Warrior Transition Battalion to be with their loved ones during the Christmas Season.

Our Council St. Michael the Archangel 15250 at Ft. Bragg and our sister Council Sons of Mother Seton 9847 extend a hardy welcome to Fayetteville and promise to make this golf outing a memorable experience for all of you.

All information and registration forms are attached. Your team still can take advantage of early registration for a discount. We will have early event registration and a hospitality greeting area in the breakfast lounge on Friday night from 4:30 to 9:00 PM at the Fairfield Inn (See hotel information attached).

Looking forward to seeing you there. Date: October 5 - 6, 2013

Fraternally,

David Sinnk, 43rd Annual State K of C Golf Tournament Chairman
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