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Henry Hyde, pro-life champion, brother Knight, dies
"Few in public life have served as well," Supreme Knight says

November 29, 2007 - Former Congressman Henry Hyde "was the epitome of a Catholic gentleman," Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson said today, upon hearing of Hyde's death at the age of 83. "He was a proud brother Knight for 52 years, and throughout his long record of service in public office, his faith guided him at every step along the way. He was a dedicated defender of human life, and the Hyde Amendment, adopted in 1976, is the most important pro-life statute ever enacted by Congress. The National Right to Life Committee estimated that the Hyde Amendment has saved at least one million lives since its passage." The amendment banned federal funding for abortions.

"Had he done nothing else during his 32 year career in Congress, the Hyde Amendment would stand out as a singular accomplishment," Anderson continued, "but as chairman of both the House Judiciary Committee and the House International Relations Committee, he showed himself to be even-handed and fair, even as he was a strong advocate for positions he believed in. He will be remembered as one of the truly great Congressmen of his generation."

Greetings Brother Knights:

Well, the Thanksgiving dinner was a huge success! Thanks go out to all who participated. Over 900 people were fed and it looked to me that no one went away with an empty stomach! Thanks go out to Bernadette Klimkowski and to Debbie Birdsong for all their hard work.

The raffle for the side of beef is going well. Charlie W. sold out of all the tickets that he could get his hands on at the Thanksgiving dinner. Let's all keep the sales going.

Tickets for the New Year's Eve Party go on sale the first weekend of this month. If anyone should ask, tickets are \$10.00 per person and \$20.00 per couple. We'll be providing set ups and Knights are encouraged to bring finger foods.

Please continue to pray for our soldiers overseas that are in harms way, our Brother Knights and their families that are in need and continue to pray our rosaries for the unborn and an end to abortion.

The Christmas season is once again upon us and I believe that we all have much to be thankful for. Most of all, we have a loving God that sent His Son to us. There is no greater gift that could be given. Remember that it's not in what we receive but what we give.

May God bless each and every one of you and your families! Merry Christmas!

Vivat Jesus!
Neil Baltazor
Grand Knight

Calendar of Events

Events for the month of December:

- Dec. 2nd-Advent begins with the first Sunday of Advent
- Dec. 8th-Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
- Dec. 9th-Second and Third Degree at Nicoma Park
- Dec. 12th-Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Dec. 25th-Christmas Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
- Dec. 31st-New Year's Eve (New Year's Eve party at the hall)

An atheist was walking through the woods
What majestic trees! "What powerful rivers!"
What beautiful animals! He said to himself
As he was walking alongside the river, he
heard a rustling in the bushes behind him. He
turned to look. He saw a 7-foot grizzly bear
charge towards him.

He ran as fast as he could up the path. He
looked over his shoulder & saw that the bear
was closing in on him. He looked over his
shoulder again, & the bear was even closer. He
tripped & fell on the ground. He rolled over to
pick himself up but saw that the bear was right
on top of him, reaching for him with his left
paw & raising his right paw to strike him.

At that instant the Atheist cried out, "Oh
my God!" Time Stopped. The bear froze. The
forest was silent. As a bright light shone upon
the man, a voice came out of the sky. "You
deny my existence for all these years, teach
others I don't exist and even credit creation to
cosmic accident." Do you expect me to help
you out of this predicament? Am I to count you
as a believer? The atheist looked directly into
the light. "It would be hypocritical of me to
suddenly ask you to treat me as a Christian
now, but perhaps you could make the BEAR a
Christian?" "Very Well," said the voice. The
light went out. The sounds of the forest re-
sumed. And the bear dropped his right paw,
brought both paws together, bowed his head &
spoke:

"Lord bless this food, which I am about to
receive from thy bounty through Christ our
Lord Amen."

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