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Mr. Arch Jeffries led the Invocation on this last meeting before Christmas. The "magic" was apparent for this holiday season.

Today was a day that will live in infamy - Freddy Pasternak gave us his check for membership. He was sponsored by I think 81 club members at one time or another. The comment was also made \$35 was not near enough!! Glad to "officially" have you with us, Freddy.

We were pleased to have present George Meckstroth with us this a.m. George is Bob Finkelmeier's father-in-law, visiting from Cincinnati. I'm not sure a visit to our club is the proper way to impress anyone!! Thanks for coming, George. You're welcome anytime.

We had quite a selection of birthdays this week - Bill Morgan, Mike Lively, Carl Burgess, Tom Vickery, and Bill Swigert. March must have been a very re-productive month!! The club serenaded these people in its usual glass-shattering tone.

Joe Marci reported that our yearly fundraiser went very well. All trees had been sold out, and profits will be better than last year. Now that we have the funds, let's see if we can think of even better ways to serve our youth!! Joe also indicated that several people will be needed Sat. a.m. to help clean-up. GOOD JOB, GUYS!! We all ove Joe Marci and Frank Middleton for Administration, and Randy Hampton for manpower a great round of applause for spending the many hours needed and the perseverence required to make the tree lot the sucsess it was.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

The last announcement was made for the Christmas Basket delivery. All those signed up were to meet at Howard Engleberg's house Sat. at 10:30, then go out and distribute the food and presents to those less fortunate than ourselves.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Oscar announced that the Annual Monaco South X-mas Party was again this year a smashing sucsess. We had approximately 40 members and their significant others attend, and bring an hors'douvres. A drawing was held to raffle off lottery tickets, and the table decorations. Entertainment was provided by Englewood High School Singers, which was excellent. A good time was had by all!!

VISITATION

President Curt told us about a planned visitation to the South Denver club. This was to be held at Strawberry's on Mon., Dec. 22, at noon. Since this is to be an official visitation, Curt urged all those who can to come.

EXCELSOIR CHRISTMAS PARTY

Bill Swigert reminded us that tomorrow, Dec. 20, was the annual X-mas Party at the Excelsior School for girls. In conversations with Ron Cisco who is planning the activity again this year, the girls are very much looking forward to seeing us. There will be approximately 60 girls there, all of which will not be home for Christmas. It promises to be an enjoyable time.

PROGRAM

President Curt introduced our first guest speaker for the morning. This was Marian Ernst, who is an Audiologist who works with hearing impaired children. Marian stressed that the most important discovery this century in her field, was the Hearing Aid. There is so much a person picks up in everyday life through the use of their hearing, that people that are impaired in this area are at a great disatvantage. Also, we have been lucky in the Denver Area, because much early research had been done in Denver, which meant that the hearing impaired got treatment here they would not have received elsewhere. Thank you, Marian, for an informative Part I of your talk. We are looking forward to Part II.

President Curt then announced that Reindeer had been detected on the roof, and that a special visitor had arrived. It was none other than the Bearded Wonder, Bill Litchfield. Mr. Claus then commenced to give out indicators of each persons membership status. A sample of which was:

Dean Satiriou - received a small donkey (something about Drivers Education?)

Dr. Ed -was given a pair of ½" pliers for those hard-to-get teeth

Lupe Salinas - got a button saying"work never killed anyone, but I'm not taking any chances"

Mike Miller -received a small X-mas tree that, when twirled, opened up revealing a Ohhh Santa, not nice.

Randy Hampton-since Randy ownes Kentucky Fried Chicken's, he got a very pretty bow in a Burger King bag. Ho, Ho, Ho.

Lastly, Santa left a Coors Truck in the parking lot for Tom Vickery, so he could go wee, wee, wee all the way to work, but Tom walked right by it and went on his merry way.

It was a fun visit, and I think everyone had a good time!!! CALENDAR

December 20	Tree Lot Cleanup
	Christmas Basket Delivery
	Excelsoir Christmas Party
December 22	Visitation to South Denver at Strawberry's
December 26	Kids To Breakfast

MIKE MILLER AWARD

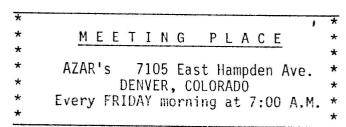
Who else should win, but Mike Miller. Also winning were Pat Bush, Charlie Korsoski, and Howard Engleberg.

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