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President Bob struck the bell, and Curt Lorensen led us in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Did you know that public-school children first recited the Pledge as they saluted the American flag during the National School Celebration held in 1892? President Benjamin Harrison had called for patriotic exercises in schools to mark the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America. I'm sure most of us remember when "under God" was put in as part of the Pledge by act of Congress in 1954.

Initiation of New Members - Bob called to the fore this morning four new members for induction into the club. Welcome to Bob Avery, Bill Anderson, Glen Novinger, and Dean Sotiriou. Thank you Monty, John (you know, the one with the nickname), and you other guys for bringing in these fine new members. We hope you will enjoy being in the club and participating in its many programs and activities.

Citizenship Awards -

The Schedule

Month	Day	HOLM	Day	SAMUELS	Day	SOUTHMOOR
		Master of Ceremonies		Master of Ceremonies		Master of Ceremonies
November	9		16		13	
December	7	Jerry Whitlow	21	Joe Braly	11	John Young
January	18		18		8	
February	15		22		12	
March	15		22		12	
April	12		26		16	
May	10		24		14	
	ALL	9:10 A.M.	ALL		ALL	
TIME	ON	9:30 A.M.	ON	ALL 2:30 P.M.	ON	ALL 10:15 A.M.
	Fri.	9:30 A.M.	Fri.		Tues.	

Square Dance. A reported 50-60 people had a dance floor interclub with two other clubs. Next one set for April 6, 1985.

Train Thing - Greg Hurd is the leader of the track on this project. Roundhouse meeting will be held at his place on Nov. 1 at 7:00 P.M. - this coming Thursday.

Haunted House - Bill Swigert says we still need four time slots filled. I'm not sure how the new moon will be and wouldn't want to frighten the general public. The House is open through October 31 (Halloween) - Sunday through Wednesday from 6 to 10 P.M. Tonight and tomorrow night from 6 P.M. to midnight.

Wives-to-Breakfast - The date has been changed to November 30, still plenty of time for you single men to tie the knot and bring your ladies to what is promised to be a grand occasion. A group of talented Suzuki-trained young violinists will be our entertainment for this day.

From the Gunny Sack - I can't read as a computer can, but have to sift the breath of each letter, let it sit in my head, till I get it, forget it, don't want it, or love it. I don't know what is in the thing, but I know its a thing and not me, nor a prophet, a poet or tree - so I guess I don't want it, particularly.

Etcetera- Good to see Jerry Whitlow and Scott Wickham. Thanks to Ralph and Charlie for chairing the citizenship awards at Holm and Samuels, respectively, last Friday. As of yet no one has signed up for the three award presentations in November. Be reminded that as many as can come to these presentations are welcome. Jerry Whitlow and Pat Bush are working on getting an up-to-date membership roster together and developing a document that will define the policies of the club. Next Board meeting is at Bob's house on November 13, 7:00 P.M. The drawing was split three ways. Curt Lorensen and Marlin Kent split up the cash, and Paul Barnard was given an "antique" \$500 bill probably worth at least a \$1,000,000.00 dollars. I hear the "Revenuers" are after you already, Paul. Good luck. Bridge group is on its way.

Today's Program - Tom Evans introduced our speaker this morning - incumbent State Representative Betty Neale (Republican). Ms. Neale has an impressive accounting and financing background. She started out in politics by becoming a district captain and knocking doors for Barry Goldwater. Betty was among seven freshmen when she was first elected to the legislature. Since 1976 the Republican side of the aisle has controlled the Colorado Legislature. Betty serves primarily on the Finance and Joint Budget Committees. She mentioned that the Lottery was recently audited and that it appears to have good management and a clean operation. No Lottery-Gate here. Every State agency comes under the scrutiny of the Audit Committee. The Finance Committee is the first committee to look at bills dealing with money, which I would imagine would cover a great many of them. Betty indicated that the Colorado Constitution requires that the State have a balanced budget. She also talked about problems in the criminal sentencing area. Sentences ordered are rarely carried out to their maximum extent, but the mood of the public is starting to change. It is asking its representatives to expand the sentencing period for serious crimes and, to a certain extent, is frustrated by the lenient sentences handed out to murderers, child abusers, and sex offenders. Betty also talked about the position she holds on the Mental Health Advisory Board and the need for more appropriate facilities in the treatment of the mentally. We thank Ms. Neale for addressing our club today.

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Future Programs -

November 2	Susie Hoffman - Nautilus Fitness System
November 9	Herk Koranski - International Education
November 17	Basketball - Cherry Creek Middle School
November 30	Wives to breakfast at Hilton Inn South

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