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Subject	len calabrese
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Special Notes	

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- 0 introduction and background
- 1 City Club: involvement
 - previous location (Short Vincent), father's (Senator Calabrese) involvement, Peter
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- 3 racial and religious toleration (2:50), ongoing family involvement
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- 5 community outreach, fostering community and diversity
- 6 personal background (5:45), City Club as a part of Cleveland culture
- 7 "The Soviet Table" and anti-communism
- 8 "I appreciate having a place where different viewpoints can be expressed"
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- 11 City Club: corporate and philanthropic contributions, membership dues
- 12 programming and organizational issues
- 13 institutional cooperation/collaboration
- 14 incorporation and non-profit status, Forum Foundation
- 15 non-profit funding has become more difficult
- 16 "outreach campaign for corporate support", capital improvement led to rejuvenation
- 17 longest-serving Program Committee chairperson
- 18 corporate influence has not been an issue
- 19 City Club's integrity, award to Supreme Court Justice Scalia
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- 21 City Club, memorable events/speakers:
 - 22 Anniversary of Israeli Independence (incl. details on Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver)
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 - 24 Ku Klux Klan controversy (incl. details on Rev. C.T. Vivian, founder of SCLC)
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 - 26 "Passion of the Christ" film (incl. details on Father George Smiga)
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 - 28 Capital Punishment (incl. details on Sister Helen Prejan, author of "Dead Man Walking")
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 - 30 Catholic Church molestation controversy (incl. details on Cardinal Theodore MacCarick)
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 - 32 International Human Rights event (incl. details on unnamed Canadian speaker)
 - 33 Bishop Pilla; Elian Gonzalez case
 - 34 Louis Friere, FBI
 - 35 September 11th events (panel discussion replaces scheduled program)
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 - 38 September 11th events (other)
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 - 40 September 11th events (public response)
 - Israel-Palestine Conflict (Hassan Abdul Rachman, PLO Representative to US; public
 - 41 response)

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48 Israel-Palestine Conflict (Bobby Goldberg on joint economic development)
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50 White Supremacist controversy (William Shockley)
51 City Club, free speech: motto, censorship issues
52 City Club, balanced programming:
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54 Abortion program illustrates need for balanced programming ("we needed a debate")
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56 Same Sex Marriage ("how do you do it in a way that's even-handed?")
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58 City Club, prospects for the future: technological changes
59 possible format changes
60 "I hope we will continue to become more diverse"
61 expanded forum (national, regional, local)
62 increased institutional collaboration
63 better utilize regional educational assets
City Club, importance: "we are the oldest continually running [institution of this type] in the
64 country"
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