



BILL HEYMAN MILESTONE 2002

All of us would like to have an individual touch our lives in ways that inspire, a person we truly admire, and a person that makes us feel better about ourselves because we call him friend. Bill Heyman is one of those, in his unassuming way, who has. Many of his square dance accomplishments are of public record; there are many more behind the scenes. The sum of Bill's actions have helped to earn him this Milestone. Bill has undertaken many intricately, involved, "unsung" jobs for CALLERLAB and square dancing and has always pursued them with a professionalism and competence rarely matched. Bill's commitment of his time and resources to square dancing have been unselfish and unmatched.

In 1952 Bill began square dancing at age 12 at a summer camp. Some years later and his education out of the way, he held the position as general manager of the Chemical Bank in Zurich, Switzerland, and in 1977 started square dancing with the Swiss Squares in Zurich. The following year he began calling.

He and his wife, Peggy, were transferred back to the United States in January 1980, and in September of that year he taught his first mainstream square dance class. He continued to teach Mainstream Classes for many years.

Bill and Peggy started their square dance business in October 1982 and became Supreme Audio in 1983. That same year Bill attended his first CALLERLAB convention and continued calling in the New Jersey area through 1992. Moving to New Hampshire in 1993, he continued his calling career until pressures from business and family made it necessary for him to stop actively calling at that time.

Bill served as President of the Caller's Council of New Jersey. As an active member of CALLERLAB he served as a member of the Mainstream and Plus committees; he served as Chairman of the Plus Committee for more than five years. He served as a member of the Board of Governors for a three year term from 1993 to 1996, and assisted the Executive Committee and the Chairman of CALLERLAB in a number of special programs. He was a member of a special ad hoc committee at the Cross Fire Conference in 1985.

Most of all, Bill and Peggy have given unselfishly to their community, square dancing and CALLERLAB. Much of what they have done has been behind the scenes and out of public view. Their influence on the square dancing activity has been very widespread and long lasting.