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FIRST INTERNATIONAL CALLERS' CONVENTION - APRIL 8, 9, 10, 1974

In what has to be the most prolific meeting to date, CALLERLAB '73 held at Asilomar, February 4, 5, and 6, was an action-packed session. For one thing it was the largest get-together of CALLERLAB members so far. The eighteen who showed up for the meeting represented a powerhouse of square dance knowledge and influence. They included Don Armstrong (Charter Member), Stan Burdick (Active Member), Marshall Flippo (CM), Cal Golden (AM), C. O. Guest (AM), Lee Helsel (CM), Jerry Helt (AM), Bruce Johnson (CM), Arnie Kronenberger (CM), Frank Lane (CM), Jack Lasry (AM), Johnny LeClair (CM), Melton Luttrell (AM), Bob Osgood (CM), Bob Page (CM), Bill Peters (AM), Dave Taylor (CM), and Bob Van Antwerp (CM).

Prime among the group's decisions was to produce CALLERLAB's First (International) Callers' CONVENTION. After considerable conversation and a great deal of careful consideration, the group unanimously agreed to the place and date. All those present, feeling the importance of the CONVENTION aspect as a means of implementing many CALLERLAB goals, have agreed to be present at the CONVENTION as well as at the CALLERLAB '74 meeting just preceding the session. In addition, they have all offered to help in any way possible during the entire CONVENTION period. They voiced the hope that those members of CALLERLAB not present at the '73 meeting would join in this support. Here, for your calendar reminder, are the vital statistics.

THE FIRST ANNUAL (INTERNATIONAL) CALLERS' CONVENTION (Tentative title; subject to change)

DATES: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, April 8, 9, and 10, 1974.
Also Board of Governors' Meeting, Sunday, April 7 (see schedule, pg. 2).

PLACE: The MARRIOTT MOTOR HOTEL
Interstate 70 and Lambert Airport, St. Louis, Missouri

PROGRAM PLANNING: Lee Helsel

GENERAL CHAIRMAN: To be assigned
(With Assistant General Chairmen Jim Mayo, Don Armstrong and Bob Page)

PURPOSE OF THE CONVENTION: To initiate a CALLERLAB-sponsored and caller-oriented leadership program. To bring together, on a personalized basis, the outstanding callers from all parts of the world for a three-day period of evaluation, study and fellowship devoted to raising the professional standards of calling.

WHO WILL ATTEND: Each Charter Member, each Active Member, and each Invited Member of CALLERLAB in good standing will submit the names of five area caller leaders whom he would like to personally recommend. These names will be checked

for duplication at the CALLERLAB office and personalized invitations bearing the name of the member doing the inviting will be mailed out. In order to give those invited one year's notice prior to CONVENTION time, invitations will be sent out immediately upon receipt of lists. (Goal: To have invitations mailed out by April 10, 1973.)

COST: A CONVENTION fee of \$50.00, payable to CALLERLAB, will be charged each person (or couple) attending the CONVENTION. The hotel package, yet to be confirmed, will be approximately \$40.00 per person (double occupancy) or \$55.00 per person (single occupancy) for two nights. In all probability a banquet and one lunch will be included in this package. Members of the Board of Governors will have an additional charge for their room and one meal on Sunday of approximately \$20.00 per person for double occupancy and \$27.00 for single. This will include dinner on Sunday night. The exact costs will appear in the brochure which will be sent to you as soon as it is printed. The Marriott Hotel will furnish excellent meeting, display and banquet facilities for the group.

FINANCIAL CHAIRMAN: Arnie Kronenberger. (Make Advance CONVENTION Registration payments to him. A good number have already done this.)

FACILITIES: Jerry Helt and Frank Lane (with help by Bob Wickers, on the scene in St. Louis).

CONVENTION PUBLICITY: Stan Burdick.

COORDINATION: Bob Osgood (General Secretary) and Bob Van Antwerp.

Approximately one-third of the time at CALLERLAB '73 was spent in discussing the importance of this first CONVENTION. The eighteen members present were in complete agreement with the timeliness of this event. Their pledge to support the CONVENTION and the CONVENTION Committee was indicative of their determination to place CALLERLAB in an "action-service" status. It is still too early to come out with a detailed program. The following tentative schedule, including the all-important annual CALLERLAB '74 meeting the Sunday just preceding the CONVENTION, appear here as a tentative schedule (this will be updated in future issues of the DIRECTION Newsletter).

TENTATIVE CONVENTION SCHEDULE

It was decided that on the Sunday just preceding the CONVENTION there would be a full day meeting of the governing board of CALLERLAB for a combined purpose of (1) conducting the regular 1974 Annual Meeting, and (2) taking care of the last minute details and brief all members on the coming CONVENTION. In order to free Board Members as much as possible for Saturday dance commitments, the Board Meetings have been set up to start Sunday afternoon. It is assumed that the Board will also need a minimum of two hours to wrap up their business at the close of the CONVENTION, so this time has been allowed in the schedule.

Sunday, April 7, 1974

Noon - Board of Governors Members check in

2 - 5 pm - CALLERLAB '74 - Board of Governors' Meeting #1

6 - 7 pm - Possibly dinner together

7 - 10 pm - Board of Governors' Meeting #2

Monday, April 8, 1974

9 am - 12 noon - Board of Governors' Meeting #3

12 noon - 1:30 pm - Possible lunch for Board Members

2 - 3 pm - CONVENTION Registration

3 - 5:30 pm - CONVENTION KICKOFF - Session #1

8 - 11 pm - CONVENTION Session #2

Tuesday, April 9, 1974

9 am - 12 noon - CONVENTION Session #3

2 - 5 pm - CONVENTION Session #4

7 - 9 pm - CONVENTION BANQUET - Session #5

9 - 11 pm - CONVENTION Session #5

Wednesday, April 10, 1974

9 am - 12 noon - CONVENTION WRAP-UP - Session #6

2 - 4 pm - Board Evaluation and Wrap-Up Meeting

The group made it clear that this first CONVENTION, which will set the format for future annual CONVENTIONS, is not to be "just another big square dance festival." All members appeared determined to make it a meaningful, solution-oriented, assembly of top caller leadership. Program Planner Helsel issued his request to all CALLERLAB members to submit suggestions and ideas that can be considered by the planning group. He will need your ideas no later than May 1, 1973.

Some Background: During the many hours of discussion relative to the CONVENTION it was decided that rather than wait another year and put off the CONVENTION idea any longer, it be held in 1974. The week just preceding Easter appeared to the majority to be as nearly an ideal time for the CONVENTION as any suggested. The Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday (just preceding Easter) were decided upon only after a great deal of debate. Initially it was thought that perhaps a weekend (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) would be the best time for the majority of invited callers. While weekends would be booked solid at this time of year for most traveling callers, the thought was expressed that because this meeting was primarily geared to home-club callers whom we wished to attract, the dates selected should be best for them and for that reason we would be in a position to cancel our dates, giving those sponsoring the dances a year's notice in which to replace us. Then it was pointed out that with all CALLERLAB callers "not available for calling dates" on the same weekend, we could be hurting the activity more than we would be helping it. The good public relations we are so earnestly seeking would be dealt a rather disastrous blow. Because of this factor, the group decided unanimously to select Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday as meeting days. It was further felt that with an energetic "personal encouragement program" waged by each Member of CALLERLAB toward those people he is sponsoring, the majority of

those invited would be able to take time off to attend.

Because the calling profession is a husband-wife situation, the members felt that wives should be invited along with their husbands to attend the CONVENTION. It was decided that drop-in attendance would not be accepted and that those participating would enroll for the entire three-day session.

Because of the necessity of having an annual CALLERLAB meeting and because a briefing of members was necessary prior to the CONVENTION, it was decided that the annual meeting of the Board of Governors would take place on Sunday afternoon and Monday morning, April 7 and 8, 1973.

In order to provide working funds for the CONVENTION, the members voted to consider their \$50.00 CONVENTION fee due and payable immediately. A number of those present have paid. To all others: "We would appreciate your \$50.00 before April 30, 1973."

A great deal of discussion was spent in deciding on the location of the First CONVENTION. The final nod went to St. Louis, Missouri. St. Louis is 1,239 miles from Boston and 1,842 miles from Los Angeles, pretty close to the middle of the country, easy to reach by train, plane, bus or automobile and equally accessible to those in the extreme fringes of the country.

Who to Invite: The goal is to have one hundred callers (and the wives of as many of them as possible) present at the First CONVENTION. The MARRIOTT MOTOR HOTEL facility will allow for slightly more than this, but for our initial CONVENTION venture it was decided to keep the size of the attendance down. Each person attending will be personally invited. On the last page is a small sample of the type of invitation that will be sent. With it will go an illustrated promotional folder that is now being prepared. The names of those to be invited will come from you. The five names that you submit to us prior to April 8, 1973, will be cleared through a card file to avoid duplication and these people will immediately be sent a copy of the invitation and the descriptive brochure on the CONVENTION.

WE INTERRUPT TO EXPLAIN A NEW PROCEDURE FOR CALLERLAB

As these notes and the minutes of the recent meeting will disclose, a direction for CALLERLAB has been established and a giant step taken in our organizational procedure. Up to this point in time there have been three CALLERLAB meetings. The first, or founding session in which we got our name, established our ten goals and came up with an original statement of purpose, occurred in February, 1971. The fifteen American Square Dance Society Hall of Fame members who were a part of this meeting are known as Charter Members (CM). Before this initial meeting had ended, those present selected ten veteran callers to join the group the following year. In February, 1972, eleven members attended and they, in turn, invited an additional fourteen to be members of the group. In February, 1973, eighteen members were present. At this time there were thirty-nine on CALLERLAB's membership list. Of these, Ed Gilmore had passed away, leaving thirty-eight. From this group, twenty-three were either Charter Members or Active Members (AM), having attended at least one annual meeting. Of the remaining fifteen Invited Members (IM), some have failed to communicate and others, with scheduling problems, have indicated an interest in being a part of the group and attending a meeting in the future.

To this point the three-day annual meetings have proved to be excellent in-

doctrination sessions for the new members with each one encouraged to give his views and with ample time to fill each newcomer in on past projects and procedures. Of significant value have been the periods between sessions and meal times when many of these leaders have had the opportunity to get to know each other well and for the first time. Because of the working relationship and the fraternal enthusiasm that has grown among these members in the past three years, an excellent potential for direction has emerged. With the often stated goal of wanting to eventually enlarge the size of CALLERLAB to include all callers, everywhere (to be inclusive rather than exclusive), a governing group was needed.

(Let's cut for a minute to the tape transcript and a portion of the dialog where some of this began to resolve itself:)

Melton Luttrell: We've been talking about two things. One, a group that includes all callers and another which would be a small group that could sit down and discuss things around the table.

C. O. Guest: You could have the first group be as large as you wanted it to be and then have this group (existing members of CALLERLAB) serve as a Board of Governors.

Marshall Flippo: What about holding our present group right where it is with its present three years' collection of members and consider this the steering committee.

C. O. Guest: This will probably be the steering committee or Board of Governors. We can make everybody's membership status the same, but those elected to membership to this point will also be in a directional capacity.

Dave Taylor: I like the idea of a Board of Governors.

Stan Burdick: I endorse the idea of a General Secretary in Bob and I hope that Arnie will stay on for another year as Chairman. Your knowledge, experience and background is important and I feel that you're the one for this job for the coming year.

MOTION: It is moved that, for the forthcoming year, Arnie Kronenberger again be the Chairman of this group by acclamation.

Motion made by Stan Burdick, seconded by Marshall Flippo. Carried unanimously.

MOTION: A Board of Governors shall be established which shall consist of all Charter Members and all present Active Members in good standing.

Motion made by Dave Taylor, seconded by Bob Page. Carried unanimously.

And so, logically, those (CM) and (AM)'s who are members in good standing have evolved into the CALLERLAB Board of Governors. It was decided that a small group such as these twenty-three, serving as a Board of Governors, could most efficiently handle the direction of CALLERLAB, with three of the members, Bob Osgood (General Secretary), Arnie Kronenberger (Treasurer and liaison with the American Square Dance Society), and Bob Van Antwerp (Member-At-Large), serving as the Executive Committee or "work force" at CALLERLAB's home office. With the size and membership roster of the

Board of Governors and Executive Board remaining fixed and with each member set to perpetuate himself, it is highly logical that we also consider an Advisory Board to be made up of other outstanding leaders in the calling profession.

At the recent meeting, when it became apparent that there would be a CALLERS' CONVENTION in 1974 and that the three-day Annual Meetings at Asilomar would be discontinued in favor of the CONVENTION, a different method of inviting new members unfolded. In the first place, now that we have a governing board established, we appear to be ready to invite new members on a personal, gradual basis to become (regular) members of CALLERLAB (but not as members of the Board of Governors). At this time there is no indication of any need for other types of memberships -- just the one -- and that all of us, Board Members and all newcomers invited into the group, are members of CALLERLAB. What better way to involve new members than to invite them to attend the CONVENTION, as we are doing for this next year, on a personalized basis, and then, when they are present with us over a period of three days, fill them in on CALLERLAB, indoctrinate them concerning our purposes and goals and then invite them all to be members?

The short one-day Governors' Board meeting to immediately precede the CONVENTION will have its schedule full just covering the year's CALLERLAB business and putting the finishing touches on the CONVENTION. To try to involve itself with a careful indoctrination of new members at that meeting would be fair neither to the Board nor to the newcomers involved. On the other hand, now that the size and membership of the Board of Governors has been established, there is actually no need to involve others in the business meeting, particularly when the big task of "selling the CALLERLAB idea" can be done so much more thoroughly as a regular part of the CONVENTION program. And so, out of all of this has come a plan. Those you invite to attend the 1974 CONVENTION will be the first ones to be invited as members of CALLERLAB under the new format. The twenty-two names that were selected in the final hours of the recent CALLERLAB '73 meeting will all be invited to attend the CONVENTION and then, like the others present, will receive an invitation to join CALLERLAB as a regular member. Here are the first twenty-two who will definitely be invited:

Red Bates	Max Forsyth	Sam Mitchell
Dick Bayer	Don Franklin	Raymond Smith
Al Brownlee	Jim Hilton	Fred Staeben
Chuck Bryant	Jon Jones	Bob Wickers
Louis Calhoun	Ernie Kinney	Don Williamson
Curly Custer	Lee Kopman	Francis Zeller
Johnny Davis	Angus McMorran	
Bob Dawson	Jack May	

It was suggested that those invited to attend the CONVENTION be experienced square dance callers, with some indication of leadership quality. In selecting names, CALLERLAB is desirous of covering as many geographical areas as possible. Some Canadian callers should be included in this initial venture. If you feel particularly strong about some one or two additional callers, list them as "stand-bys" and letters of invitation will be sent to them only if a total of one hundred (plus wives) do not register. In choosing callers, select with care those you feel will carry home to their areas the information and assistance they will be receiving at the CONVENTION. A sincere dedication to the activity, a number of years of experience in calling leadership as evidenced by successful home programs, a

positive mental attitude and an obvious dedication to the square dance activity as a whole, should be the criteria upon which each of our selections should be made.

Once the names have been submitted, wait just a little while (three weeks should do it), then start your campaign of personally encouraging each of these appointees to attend. In addition to your help in hand picking an outstanding group to attend this first CONVENTION, everything that you can do to support the CONVENTION, to help your CONVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE, to accept responsibilities at the CONVENTION and to be present at the CALLERLAB '74 Meeting, as well as attend the CONVENTION itself, will have an all-important bearing on the success of this event. Just imagine the impact of this first CONVENTION with all members of CALLERLAB plus this hand picked group in attendance! The potential for great benefit to the calling profession in particular and to square dancing in general, should be obvious.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The EXTRA page enclosed with this Newsletter is your Personal Invitation Form. In order that those being invited to attend the CONVENTION have a year's notice to reserve the dates, we'll need their names and addresses right away!

There's a Great Deal Involved with Putting on a CONVENTION. Here's More.
The CONVENTION was indeed the key point of business of the entire CALLERLAB '73 Meeting. An importance was placed on the advantage of having a small CONVENTION (100 callers and their spouses) for the initial one. It was felt that the first CONVENTION must be a good one and deliver a useful service to the people who showed up. This can best be accomplished within the framework of limited size. If you involve too many people it may become unwieldy. Also, there is the advantage of "personal invitation." Let's face it, there's a great snob appeal in being invited. The importance was stressed on spreading attendance representation over a wide, geographic area. One suggestion was made that the CONVENTION be set on a five year program, growing little by little each year, but always with participants being invited on a personalized basis the first time they attend.

A great deal of discussion was carried on relative to whether the first CONVENTION should be held in 1974 or wait until 1975. The majority agreed that with everyone contributing and sharing in the responsibility it was important to hold the first CONVENTION in 1974. Finally, the following motion was made by Bob Van Antwerp and seconded by Don Armstrong.

MOTION: That we hold the First Callers' CONVENTION on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 8, 9, and 10, 1974.

The motion was passed.

MOTION: That the site for the 1974 Callers' CONVENTION will be St. Louis, with an alternate selection of Kansas City if the first choice is not available.

Motion made by Bob Page, seconded by Frank Lane. Carried unanimously.

All invitations should make it very specific that any attendance at the CONVENTION is for the entire period of three days.... it was suggested that, aiming for continuity, we (as soon as possible) establish our dates and facility for 1975. If the pattern is to be the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday preceding Easter, the dates for 1975 will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 24, 25, and 26, 1975....

considerable time was spent discussing possible fees for the CONVENTION, the following motion resulted.

MOTION: That the fees for attending the three-day 1974 Callers' CONVENTION be \$50.00. That all those attending pay the full registration fee and attend the complete CONVENTION.

Motion made by Dave Taylor, seconded by Bob Page. Carried unanimously.

Don Armstrong made the suggestion that the group give the committee leeway to make decisions for the group in all matters pertaining to the CONVENTION. No one disagreed.

It was decided that a special personalized type of invitation be designed and also a leaflet describing the CONVENTION program, facilities, etc. be printed and that the two be mailed to those invited. A complete deadline schedule was requested.

Deadline Schedule for First Square Dance Callers' Convention

March 20, 1973 the fourth issue of DIRECTION, with information on the CONVENTION goes to all members.

March 22, 1973 the complete roughs of brochure and invitation go to artist.

April 2, 1973 invitations and brochures to printers.

April 8, 1973 deadline for all CONVENTION participation invitation lists.

April 9, 1973 CONVENTION invitations and descriptive leaflets received from printers.

April 10, 1973 begin mailing out invitations.

April 16, 1973 initial CONVENTION schedule planning meeting. Basic schedule and subjects determined. (At this point the planning sessions assignment of committees, committee meetings and the settling of mechanical details have not been established but will be finalized between April 16 and July 16, 1973.)

July 22-27, 1973 CALLERLAB CONVENTION planning sessions and committee meetings may be held coincidental with the Asilomar Summer Session. Planning Chairman Lee Helsel, on the Asilomar staff along with Bob Van Antwerp, Bruce Johnson, Don Armstrong, Bob Osgood and Manning Smith are all at that session. It may be convenient for others, particularly those in the area, to be on hand for the meeting and to be present for the planning.

August 25, 1973 possibility of an interim meeting on the East Coast in conjunction with the Brundage-Johnston Callers' School. Present will be Earl Johnston, Al Brundage, Jim Mayo and Jack Lasry. Possibly others convenient to the area may be able to attend. If such a meeting can be arranged, check the possibility of the General Chairman making the trip to be with them.

Other task force and planning sessions can be set up as needed and will be announced in the next issue of DIRECTION.

September 1, 1973 next issue of DIRECTION Newsletter goes to all members

with complete rundown of schedule, speakers, job assignments, etc.

January 4, 1974 DIRECTION Newsletter with progress reports to all membership.

February 3, 4, and 5, 1974 CONVENTION Planning Meeting coincidental with Winter Asilomar Session. Committee reports and progress meetings and any other interim matters of business. Present at this session and on staff: Frank Lane, Marshall Flipppo, Bob Page and Bob Osgood. It is possible that other members in the area, including Lee Helsel, Planning Chairman, can attend.

Other Business at CALLERLAB '73

There was a great deal more than just the Callers' CONVENTION that was covered at the February session. However, it was mutually decided that we concentrate our combined energies on this one project and make it the Best CONVENTION possible. We agreed that our goal of developing Caller Leadership could most effectively be supported by the CONVENTION and that it should, therefore, take precedence over all other matters of business. Naturally, individuals and committees working on other important projects will continue on as they have, but the really BIG emphasis will be CONVENTION.

In a quick recap (figuring that we'll cover additional results of the Annual Meeting in the next two issues of DIRECTION) we did come up with two motions (made by Lee Helsel and seconded by Bob Van Antwerp).

MOTION: The \$25.00 membership fee be imposed as of January 1, 1973 for the calendar year 1973.

A further motion was made regarding the appointment of a Treasurer for CALLERLAB.

MOTION: That Arnie Kronenberger be appointed as Treasurer of CALLERLAB.

Also, considerable discussion was directed to a Caller's Code of Ethics and Bob Van Antwerp will continue work in this direction. Bill Peters is compiling for the group everything that can be helpful in setting curriculum for callers' schools. He'll be working closely with those assigned to that task force and what he wants is anything at all in the way of nitty gritty training techniques. He would like to know what you teach to new callers but, more important, he wants to know HOW you teach it step by step, A, B, C manner. How do you teach timing, clarity, rhythm, choreography, programming, the use of judgment, etc. Bruce Johnson reported on the outcome of the questionnaire as it referred to calling fees on the road and his findings will appear later. Both Johnny LeClair and Don Armstrong reported on "special projects" that they are involved in and which may prove to be very financially rewarding to other members of CALLERLAB. Frank Lane gave his report on the progress of "A Contemporary History of Square Dancing" handbook and asked for summaries of area histories that might be included in the collection. At the conclusion of the meeting, just before noon on Tuesday, the members gave a big vote of thanks to Arnie Kronenberger for an excellent job as Chairman.

FINAL SHOT

To say that this meeting was a busy one was putting it mildly. However, the work

is just beginning and from the eighteen hours of sessions will perhaps come hundreds of hours spent in all parts of the country in planning our first CONVENTION. As a reminder, here are some of the PRIORITY to-do items that involve YOU.

1. Your list of callers to be invited for the CONVENTION. Be sure that you fill out the coupon on the last page and enclose names and addresses if you have them. But don't wait - if you don't have the addresses, we need the names yesterday.
2. A "suggestion list" of subjects for the CONVENTION which will be handed along to Lee Helsel and his Planning Committee.
3. Your 1973 membership dues are due and payable. If you haven't sent them in yet, send them to Arnie in care of the CALLERLAB address.
4. In order to help us offset the costs that are bound to arise in planning the CONVENTION, your registration fee of \$50.00 will be accepted at the present time. Incidentally, you will be sent a registration card for the CONVENTION the same as our new members so that you can fill it out and return it to us. We'll also send you a copy of the brochure.
5. Arnie would like to hear from you relative to your impressions of the recent CALLERLAB meeting. Any thoughts you have that will help steer the group during the coming year will also be appreciated. Incidentally, if you find that you can make either the Summer or Winter '74 Asilomar planning sessions, let us know so that we can hold a place for you.
6. Send in your material and ideas for the "exchange" section of DIRECTION. In case you wondered, we haven't forgotten this entirely and here is some material received from Marshall Flippo, which he passes along to you. Why not send your thoughts in for the others to enjoy.

SOME EASY FIGURES FOR YOU -- from Marshall Flippo

Heads cross trail thru go around one
Make a line go forward and back
Right and left thru, pass thru
Bend the line
Star thru, right and left thru, rollaway
Star thru, California twirl
Right and left thru, pass thru
Bend the line, star thru
Right and left thru, rollaway, star thru
California twirl, right and left thru
Pass thru, bend the line
Cross trail thru, pass one girl
Left allemande

Heads star thru, pass thru
Right and left thru
Star thru, square thru three quarters
Bend the line, right and left thru
Square thru three quarters
Bend the line, star thru, dive thru
Pass thru, star thru
Square thru three quarters
Left allemande

Head ladies chain, swing thru, star thru
Swing thru, star thru, California twirl
Right and left thru, pass thru
Bend the line
Pass thru, California twirl
Square thru three quarters
Bend the line, swing thru
Star thru, California twirl
Right and left thru, dive thru, pass thru
Star thru, two ladies chain
Star thru, swing thru
Star thru
Left allemande

Heads half square thru
Half square thru the outside two
Bend the line, right and left thru
Star thru, half square thru
Bend the line, right and left thru
Star thru, center two California twirl
Right and left thru, rollaway
U turn back
Left allemande

Heads half square thru	Heads pass thru, separate around one
Right and left thru	Make a line, go up and back
Do sa do to a wave	Star thru, centers right and left thru
Boys trade, girls trade	Star thru, pass thru, go around one
Swing thru, boys run, bend the line	Make a line, go forward and back
Square thru three quarters, bend the line	Star thru, centers right and left thru
Right and left thru	Star thru, left allemande
Square thru three quarters, bend the line	
Star thru, right and left thru	Heads pass thru, round two, make a line
Do sa do to a wave	Box the gnat, go right and left thru
Boys trade, girls, trade	Pass thru, bend the line
Swing thru, boys run, bend the line	Star thru, right and left thru
Star thru, right and left thru	Dive thru, star thru
Centers turn full around	Square thru three quarters
Pass thru, star thru	Separate around two, make a line
California twirl, left allemande	Box the gnat, go right and left allemande

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY (An editorial)

This appears to be the opportunity we've been looking for, the chance to really do something tangible for the caller-leadership of square dancing. For years we've been saying, "Oh, if we (the callers) hadn't dropped the ball, we wouldn't be seeing the problems that have arisen in recent years." Well, be that as it may, and regardless of the statement "We should have done this ten years ago," we are doing something about it NOW! And though we might have done fine things if we had taken this action a decade ago, we now have a greater background of experience and knowledge that can guarantee the effectiveness of this group.

We know that everyone is busy and that it's difficult to find time to work on committees, to help with the CONVENTION and to attend meetings, but let's face it -- if we don't do it NOW, chances are that we may never have another opportunity. Those of you getting this Newsletter have been selected as being the most influential caller-leaders in the country today. Others will follow you -- not YOU separately perhaps, but the combined YOU that CALLERLAB membership represents.

There have been great changes in our leadership picture in the past five or ten years. Leaders respected by the whole square dance world have dropped out of the picture, for one reason or another. How long will it be before others of us are out of it too? That's a question that none of us can answer. But you are a very active part of it now and by working together we stand a mighty good chance of building professional guidelines for the callers of the future. This may be a job that no other group of callers will be able to do now, or in the future, when it may be too late.

If you are dependent in part or solely upon square dancing for your livelihood, then you have a stake in the future of this activity that you will want to protect. If you feel that square dancing has already been a rich and rewarding part of your life and for that reason would like to help perpetuate it for the future, this very well could be the answer. If you are disturbed with the directions square dancing has taken in recent years and would like to do "something about it," fine. That's the way the rest of us feel, so let's stick together and build strength in what we've started. Begin now, by sending in your '73 membership dues and help to support our major project -- the CONVENTION -- by sending in your registration fee. We can do wonders by working on this TOGETHER!