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BOARD OF GOVERNORS ELECTION RESULTS

Bob Van Antwerp, Chairman of the Board of Governors, is proud to announce the results of the 1983 election to the CALLERLAB Board of Governors.

Elected to full five year terms of office are the following (in alphabetical order): AL BRUNDAGE, Jensen Beach, FL, CAL GOLDEN, Hot Springs, AR, MELTON LUTTRELL, Ft. Worth, TX, MARTIN MALLARD, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, and ELMER SHEFFIELD, JR, Tallahassee, FL. Elected to fill the unexpired term of Lee Kopman, who resigned his position on the Board, is BILL DAVIS, Sunnyvale, CA.

We also wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to those listed below who, though unsuccessful this time, took the time and had the interest to run for the Board:

Red Bates
John Marshall

Don Beck
Osa Mathews

Bob Bennett
Stew Shacklette

Ed Foote

CALLERLAB is, indeed, fortunate to have so many members willing to give unselfishly of their time and talents. Approximately 780 ballots were received by the office. This is by far the largest voting response CALLERLAB has ever had. It is encouraging to know that so many of you took the time to vote! About 30 of you, however, neglected to put your names on the outside of the envelope and a lengthy process of elimination and determination was required to authorize 20 of these to be counted. The remaining 10 could not be identified as paid-up members and therefore were not counted.



Happy Holidays to all of you
and your families -
Bob & Roberta Van Antwerp

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
to you and yours -
Cal & Sharon Golden

1984 CHICAGO CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Our 1984 Annual CALLERLAB Convention is scheduled for April 16-18, 1984 at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare, Chicago, IL. We have received approximately 350 registrations thus far. Remember, per the By-Laws of our organization, those members who reside in Continental North America are required to attend a convention once in every three years. Thus, if you have not attended a convention since Kansas City in 1981, you are required to attend the 1984 convention or request a waiver in writing from the Executive Committee. The request for waiver should state why you were unable to attend any of the past three conventions as well as why you cannot attend the 1984 convention. Those of you residing outside of Continental North America are required to attend once every six years to fulfill the present membership requirements.

As in the past, the 1984 CALLERLAB Convention promises to be a very exciting and informative one. We intend to utilize the round robin sessions in addition to other various and appropriate sessions. Dancing demonstrations have also been scheduled this year and we will be entertained by the "Red Boot Boys" - a group consisting of CALLERLAB members.

Many of you realize that several of the dance programs will come up for considerations and vote this year. The Mainstream List was frozen for a three year period at the Kansas City Convention in 1981. The procedures adopted by the membership of CALLERLAB provide that we may add or delete three calls from the Mainstream list in any one year. Jack Murtha, the chairman of the Mainstream Committee, will be getting a straw vote ballot out to each of you shortly after the first of the year. Similarly, the Plus Program was approved on a one year trial basis including the suggested Teaching Order.

Perhaps it is time to make some changes in these lists or perhaps freeze them for some period of time to provide stability to the activity. In any case, we urge you to think about the various programs and discuss them with the dancers for whom you call. Get their input and feedback. Discuss it at your local callers association meetings and come to Chicago prepared to present the view from your home area. CALLERLAB is made up of many diverse viewpoints. We all must, however, consider the "Dancers - Our Prime Consideration".

Our theme this year is "GOOD TEACHING IS FAR REACHING". We have more than 60 members helping us with the program this year and it should be another good convention. We sincerely hope that you can join us. If you haven't done so yet, please make your reservations with both CALLERLAB and the Hyatt Regency O'Hare!

UNITED AIRLINES TOLL-FREE NUMBER

The American Express Group Office, Washington, D.C. in cooperation with CALLERLAB offers us a group discount on United Airlines airfare. Be sure to take advantage of this special offer by calling the Toll-Free Number 1-800-424-2932 Monday thru Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Eastern Standard Time) and ask for the CALLERLAB SPECIAL DESK. Some of you may not be aware that CALLERLAB generates complimentary tickets based upon your usage factor of this service. These complimentary tickets are used by staff personnel and elected officials to reduce the CALLERLAB out-of-pocket expenses associated with the convention. The "free tickets" do not benefit any one person individually but rather benefit all of us by reducing the "overhead" that has to be charged for operation of the convention itself. Even if you book through a travel agency, please direct them to use the American Express desk so that we get the credit for the flights. Your convention committees are always looking at ways to reduce the overall costs to the individual members and this is one that offers considerable promise for all of us. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Seasons Greetings from Your Executive Committee - Jerry & Sherry Haag, Frank & Barbara Lane, Bill & Betty Peters and Dave & Angie Taylor.



CALLERLAB LIABILITY INSURANCE

As most of you know, payment of your membership and subscriber dues automatically enrolls you in the CALLEPLAB liability insurance plan. From time to time, we receive inquiries about the coverage available. Below is a brief outline of the coverage in force:

Coverage for those authorized for coverage is limited to any Bodily Injury and/or Property Damage caused by a negligent act of a caller. This, in its simplest form, means that if a caller was to blame for an injury of a dancer or property damage to a building, the policy would cover his financial liability up to a maximum of \$500,000 for each occurrence.

We are presently insured with the GENERAL ACCIDENT GROUP under Policy #GL 0053802, effective from 9/22/83 through 9/22/84. Our agent of record is Bob Coad, Lower Road, Box 79, Constantia, NY 13044 - (315/623-7765). Bob has requested that callers desiring certificates of insurance, kindly put the request in writing to avoid delayed or lost messages.

Note: Callers in the U.S. are covered including Hawaii and Alaska but Bob would suggest that callers traveling abroad secure coverage for their overseas ventures and/or commitments. This coverage is presently not extended to overseas members or subscribers. Canadian callers are not covered under our current policy but U.S. callers calling in Canada are insured.

EXPLANATION OF SPIN CHAIN & EXCHANGE THE GEARS

Periodically, we get calls in the office requesting information about how to do the figure "Spin Chain and Exchange the Gears". The Press Release was sent out with detailed explanations. It appears, however, that some of our callers are not teaching the figure correctly in that the ending wave is 90° out of alignment. To restate the orientation for all concerned:

If started from a static square and the caller calls Heads Square Thru, Touch to a Wave, *(1) SPIN CHAIN & EXCHANGE THE GEARS, **(2) Boys Circulate, Recycle, Allemande Left etc.

*(1) These waves are at the sides of the square: One wave has #1 gent holding right hands with #4 lady holding left hands with #3 lady holding right hands with #4 gent. The other wave has #3 gent holding right hands with #2 lady holding left hands with #1 lady holding right hands with #2 gent.

** (2) These waves are also at the sides of the square: One wave has #3 gent holding right hands with #2 lady holding left hands with #1 lady holding right hands with #4 gent. The other wave has #1 gent holding right hands with #4 lady holding left hands with #3 lady holding right hands with #2 gent. This is the explanation of a diagonal exchange of people in the wave except for the end dancer facing in of each wave.



Peace and Happiness During the Year
John & Freddie Kaltenthaler

Health and Good Cheer for 1984
Herb & Erna Egender

CALLERLAB SALE ITEMS

As most of you know, various items are offered for sale through our organization such as program lists, badges, decals, etc. A separate sheet is attached detailing all of the items offered along with their costs to you. These are available through the CALLERLAB Home Office.

NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE DIRECTORY

A special offer has been made available to CALLERLAB through the National Square Dance Directory. The National Directory has listings for over 10,000 square, round contra, clogging and folk dance clubs in the USA, Canada and around the world, including club contacts. It is being offered through the membership of CALLERLAB at a special price of \$5.00 per copy (plus \$2.00 postage). The National Square Dance Directory has stated that, for each copy ordered through members of CALLERLAB, \$2.00 will be donated to our organization. Since the directory costs no more than if a club or dancer ordered the item separately, let us all get behind this project and try to keep from having to raise our dues.

We urge you to take advantage of this special offer TODAY! We feel it is a very valuable directory and by ordering your copy now, you will not only help yourself, you also will help our organization.

ADVANCED QUARTERLY SELECTION

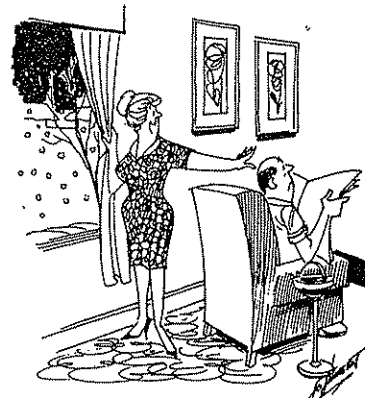
For the quarter beginning January 1, 1984, John Marshall, Chairman of the CALLERLAB Advanced Quarterly Selection Committee, has announced that there will be no new quarterly figure.

MAINSTREAM QUARTERLY SELECTION

For the quarter beginning January 1, 1984, Harold Bausch, Chairman of the Mainstream Quarterly Selection Committee, has announced that there will be no new quarterly selection.

PROMOTIONAL OFFER BY SETS IN ORDER AMERICAN SQUARE DANCE SOCIETY (SIOASDS)

Bob Osgood has established another campaign period to generate new subscriptions to SQUARE DANCING magazine. His offer is clearly outlined and SIOASDS has been the source of approximately \$1,000 since the first offer early last year. Here is another chance for you to help yourself while helping CALLERLAB!



"Don't look now, Henry, but I think your winter backache is about to begin."

Enjoy a safe and prosperous Holiday season.
Your Office Staff - Bunny Broderick & Carol Neff.