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This is the official notice of the 16th Annual CALLERLAB Convention to be held at The Opryland Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee on March 20-22, 1989. Items of business 👯 📆 be voted on include: By-Laws Changes, the Accreditation Procedure, Mainstream Program additions, shelf life of quarterly selections, summer Plus QS selections, retention of MSQS and PQS programs and such other matters as may properly be brought before the general membership. If you are not present and choose to disagree with any votes taken at the convention, you may register your dissent by writing the Home Office within thirty (30) days following the announced results of the convention. Any resolution which receives more than 75% disapproval from othose not present will be scheduled for additional discussion at the next scheduled meeting.

ُ خُوْم Proposed By-Laws Changes

The following By-Laws changes have been approved by the Board of Governors and pare presented here for your ratification. These changes will be voted upon at our 1989 Nashville Convention at the opening session.

Article II Section 5

(c), ... invited to attend the next meeting of the corporation ...

Action - delete "annual"

Atticle II Section 7

cannual CALLERLAB Convention or Overeas Mini-Lab Convention, in any four (4) year period and each member residing outside North America shall be required to attend at least one (1) annual CALLER-AB Convention or Overseas Mini-Lab Convention in any eight (8) year period, ...

Action - add or Overseas Mini-Lab Convention in two (2) places

Article II Section 11

... the annual CALLERLAB Convention. Subscribers receive insurance and may vote on Convention resolutions reported by the Convention Flash issue of DIRECTION, in a manner prescribed by the Board of Governors. Subscribers have no other voting privileges, and may not serve on committees. Membership in CALLERLAB...

Action - replace (but have no vote) with underlined above

Article II Section 17

Special meetings of the members or of prospective members, for any purpose ...

Action - add underlined above

The following change to the By-Laws was approved by the Executive Committee and is proposed for your ratification at the opening session of the 1989 Convention.

IV. Executive Committee

Section 1. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee shall consist of five (5) voting members of the Board of Governors. The Executive Secretary and Assistant Executive Secretary shall also serve on the Executive Committee but shall do so in a non-voting capacity. If not otherwise selected to serve on the Executive Committee, the immediate past chairman may also serve during the first year of the chairman's term in a non-voting capacity. If not otherwise selected to serve on the Executive Committee, the chairman-designate may also serve in a non-voting capacity.

Action - add underlined above

These proposed changes include areas that need alteration because of the intent of an Overseas Mini-Lab and subscriber voting on post-convention ballots. These changes will be presented to the Board and full membership and presented in Nashville in 1989 for ratification.

Note: The following proposals reflect some ideas which will be discussed at the 1989 Nashville Convention and which, by California Code, are required to be sent to the membership as possible items which affect the membership and may be voted on.

Proposal Re. Mainstream Program

It is recommended that we allow calls to be added to the Mainstream list after two (2) years of widespread use.

Proposal to Change the Life of a Quarterly Selection

BE IT RESOLVED that the life of any quarterly selection be reduced from the present three (3) years to two (2) years. At the end of two years, the quarterly selection would be dropped from the QS program and be voted upon for addition to the appropriate list as a permanent basic. In the event the call is not accepted as a basic on the appropriate list, it would be "dead".

Proposals Regarding the Accreditation Procedure

Two proposals regarding the Accreditation Procedure have been made. The first recommends that Subscribers, in addition to members, be permitted to serve as

accreditors. It should be noted that Subscribers meet all requirements of full membership except for convention attendance.

It is recommended that the Accreditation Procedure no longer be mandatory as a requirement for callers affiliated with CALLERLAB as Members or Subscribers.

Mainstream Quarterly Selections

The current MS quarterly selections are HANG A RIGHT (LEFT) and CLOVERFLO.

Plus Quarterly Selections

The vote on the Keep/Drop ballot for RELAY WITH A STAR was spirited with many of you voicing strong opinions about its selection in the first place. With more than 750 ballots received, the result was a vote to DROP RELAY WITH A STAR, with more than 85% favoring the drop. There will be more discussion on this issue in a future issue of DIRECTION. (Press release is attached.)

The current Plus Quarterly Selection is: ZIP TO A DIAMOND.

Advanced Quarterly Selections

The current Advanced quarterly selections are:

COUNTERACT (to be voted on in Nashville)

SHADOW THE COLUMN

LOCK THE TOP

(Press release is attached.)

1989 Nashville Convention Update

More than 750 people are already signed up to attend our 16th Annual Convention in Nashville on March 20-22, 1989. There is still time to register and obtain rooms in the hotel. Please note that if you are registering now, you should send in the full convention fee since the convention fee is supposed to be paid in full by February 15, 1989. The convention fees for 1989 are \$160/single; \$270/couple.

Special Dietary Considerations

We would like to remind you that if you or your partner have special dietary needs, please advise the home office at your earliest convenience so that arrangements can be made to accommodate you. Please do this even though you may have done this for prior conventions. By notifying us of your <u>specific</u> needs in advance, we will have informed the hotel staff and they will be prepared to meet your requirements graciously. We must receive your dietary considerations prior to March 15, 1989.

Dues Reminder

Dues should be paid no later than March 31, 1989 or you will be considered delinquent. Dues for the period April 1, 1989 through March 31, 1990 are as follows:

Members, Subscribers, Apprentices in the US	\$65.00		
Members, Subscribers, Apprentices in Canada			
Members, Subscribers, Apprentices Overseas	50.00		
Associate Members in the US (To be an Associate, you must	35.00		
Associate Members in Canada have attended 3 conventions	30.00		
Associate Members Overseas and be retired from calling.)	20.00		
Affiliate Organizations (First year)			
(Renewals)	60.00		
Insurance through Affiliates (US)	30.00		
Insurance through Affiliates (Canada)	15 .:00		

Advanced & C-1 Definitions

Reprinted copies of the Advanced and C-1 Definitions are available now from the CALLERLAB Home Office. The cost is \$2.00 each.

Mainstream Emphasis Call

1st Quarter 1989 - Cross Run & Cross Fold

Plus Emphasis Call

1st Quarter 1989 - Crossfire

Contra of the Quarter

1st Quarter 1989 - Rutger's Promenade 2nd Quarter 1989 - Cathy's Wedding

Round of the Quarter

1st Quarter 1989 - One More Time

Traditional Dance of the Quarter

1st Quarter 1989 - The Grand Square Quadrille

Fund Raising Update

The CALLERLAB Foundation Fund Raising efforts continue to do well with many states now on the roster of those making contributions. Project Coordinator Jerry Junck has secured state chairmen for each state now and several states have met or exceeded their goal. Total funding is now more than \$45,000.00 and is growing every week. As you all realize, the first identified project has been the promotional video tape. Thanks to all of you who have helped in this effort. Please continue to solicit donations since other projects will be possible with additional funds. Again, thanks for helping us help YOU!

Promotional video tape

Jack Berg, in conjunction with guidance from the Executive Committee, has been hard at work for the past few months getting the job done. He made the arrangements for dancers, the hall for dancing, studio time, the caller (not him) and announcers and actors to complete the various tasks assigned. He negotiated with the writers to take the rough input and complete the task and the result will be two 30 second spots and one 60 second spot. While the prices for distribution are not yet firm, it appears that the VHS formatted tapes should be available in the range of \$5.00 including postage and the one inch (1") tape for studio use should be available for approximately \$15.00 including postage. These tapes are designed to be used as PSA's (public service announcements) thus, your local TV station should not charge you to air the same.

The work which has now been completed includes all of the script writing, all of the dancing and calling shots with retakes as needed and the preliminary editing. By the time you get this issue of <u>DIRECTION</u>, the complete job should be finished. Our intent as of this writing is to have the VHS and 1" tapes available for viewing and distribution in Nashville. The final editing and cutting is scheduled for Friday, February 10, 1989. We will be issuing a press release as soon as we firm up the final pricing and plans for distribution. Stay tuned! You might also take time to thank Jack Berg for a job well done. He received NO MONEY for his services.

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PRESS RELEASE (For Immediate Release - March 1989)

Damon Coe, Chairman of the Advanced Quarterly Selection Committee, is pleased to announce the Advanced Quarterly Selection Committee has chosen LOCK THE TOP as the quarterly selection for the period beginning March 1, 1989.

LOCK THE TOP Tim Marriner, Author

Starting formations: For Advanced: Call is limited to 1/4 or 3/4 Tag with outsides in couples or mini-waves. For other programs, additional allowable formations include 1/4 or 3/4 Lines.

Action: Centers Lock It as Outsides Single or Partner Hinge, all finish with a Fan The Top.

Ending formation: For Advanced: Will always be parallel waves. When 1/4 or 3/4 Lines are used, ending formation will be parallelograms.

Timing: 6 to 8 beats

Dance example: Heads Square Chain Thru, Wheel Thru, Partner Trade, Pass Thru, 3/4 Tag, LOCK THE TOP, Swing, Slip, Swing, Right & Left Grand

Singing Call: Heads Promenade 1/2, Pass The Ocean, LOCK THE TOP, Swing Thru, Explode and Square Thru 3/4, Swing, Promenade.

AQS KEEP/DROP BALLOT RESULTS

The call ANYTHING AND CROSS was voted to be dropped as an Advanced Quarterly Selection.

The current Advanced Quarterly Selections are:

COUNTERACT

SHADOW THE COLUMN

LOCK THE TOP

***** END *****

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you for the coverage you have given the Square Dance Activity in the past and for your continued support in the future.

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PRESSRELEASE (For Immediate Release - February 1989)

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Ken Ritucci, Chairman of the Plus Quarterly Selection Committee, announces that the results of the recent "keep/drop" ballot was to <u>drop</u> the call RELAY WITH A STAR.

The total response to this ballot was tremendous -- over 700 ballots were returned! The decision to drop RELAY WITH A STAR was overwhelming with votes to drop this call outnumbering those to keep it by a 7 to 1 margin.

The only current Plus Quarterly Selection is ZIP TO A DIAMOND.

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