WELCOME TO CHICAGO! WELCOME TO THE 11th CALLERLAB CONVENTION!

The theme for 1984 is "GOOD TEACHING IS FAR REACHING". All of our topics this year are geared towards supporting this theme. We have an excellent program planned for your enjoyment and education. We encourage all of you to participate freely and speak up when you have a point you wish to make. The balance of this issue is designed to reflect the activities scheduled and to provide you with an idea of what is to be discussed. Please recognize that we do not plan that everyone can go to every session. Rather, we planned to have something for everyone from which to choose and make hard decisions. Committee work is important and we urge you to attend all committee meetings in which you have an interest. We also recognize the importance of planned interest sessions that will help fill out your calling credentials. We have a number of these scheduled during the convention. All sessions are scheduled with start and stop times that will be followed closely. Please try to be on time.

Sunday April 15, 1984

8:00 AM TWA/NWO Convention Headquarters

9:00 AM Registration Area Helpers include Bob & Liz Wilson, Jim & Doris Howatt and our own Staff Secretary Bunny Broderick.

Noon Exhibit Area to be set up. Joe & Jane Kettler are coordinators for this segment of our program. A separate list of exhibitors is included elsewhere in this packet of information. Area is in the Fountain rooms ground floor level. Area will remain open until 11:00 PM except for Social Hour.

1:00 PM Board of Governors - New Board Member orientation and Executive Committee meeting in BOAC room (located on lower level with International rooms).

2:00 PM Board of Governors - Pre Convention Meeting and selected committee reports. Meeting to be held in BOAC room lower level.

6:00 PM Social Hour with punch and snack food. This meeting is to provide free form unplanned dialogue in a relaxed atmosphere. The ROSEMONT Ballroom on the ground floor level will be used for this special.

7:30 PM Board of Governors Dinner - DIPLOMAT/VISCOUNT Room - off pool level 2nd floor.

NO SMOKING IN ANY OF THE MEETING ROOMS PLEASE!
Sunday evening continued:

9:00 PM  Orientation Session for all first time attendees and all previous members who would like to be updated on what has happened since our start 11 years ago. Meeting to be held in the ROSEMONT Ballroom Section AB. Chairman of this discussion is Bob Osgood assisted by Jerry Helt, Ken Kernen, Jack Murtha and Gloria Roth. An opportunity will be available to ask questions of the panelists.

Board of Governors (continued) in BOAC Room lower level.

11:00 PM  All activities cease for the night. Exhibit Area secured. Breakfast on your own on Monday morning. Schedule begins at 7:00 AM. Goodnight.

Monday April 16, 1984


7:30 AM  Board of Governors Breakfast and Meeting in DIPLOMAT/VISCONT. Pool level on Second Floor.

8:00 AM  Registration Opens on Main entry level. Registration will remain open throughout the morning hours to handle any late arrivals.

9:00 AM  Opening session and general meeting. Chaired by Bob Van Antwerp, Chairman of the Board. This session will include selected committee reports, introduction of the Board and all committee chairmen and a swearing in ceremony of the newly elected Board members. A brief schedule review will be conducted by the Executive Secretary. Meeting in ROSEMONT ABCD.

10:15 AM  Coffee Break to include Tea, Coke and Tab.

All delegates are expected to attend the following sessions according to the first letter of their last names. These topics are so important to all of us that we felt this was the best way to cover the issues. Please cooperate by following our plan.

10:30 AM  UNDERSTANDING DEFINITIONS – Frank Lane moderator assisted by Jerry Haag and Don Beck. This meeting will be held in the ROSEMONT Ballroom sections AB. This subject is designed to use a few specific figures and make sure that we all understand what it is that we have to work with. Perhaps a few illustrative examples of some good and some bad uses as well as emphasis on correct teaching, styling and timing. This session will be repeated at 1:30 PM for those whose last names begin with L - Z. This session will be taped.

L - Z  METHODS OF COMMUNICATION – Jim Mayo is moderator assisted by Ernie Kinney and Jack Murtha. This meeting will be held in the ROSEMONT Ballroom sections CD. This subject is designed to illustrate some of the key ingredients of our communications skills in teaching people how to dance and/or call. Communications is frequently overlooked and learning does not necessarily occur just because we said something. Various methods will be shown and discussed by this panel. The session will be repeated again at 1:30 PM for those whose last names begin with A - K. This session will be taped.
Monday Continued:

Noon  Luncheon for all - included in package. International ballroom level down steps near main lobby. No grace but please fill in all tables completely to help the hotel staff. If you want to sit with someone special, please arrive together but do not save places for anyone. Your cooperation is appreciated.

1:30 PM  METHODS OF COMMUNICATION - Jim Mayo moderator assisted by Ernie Kinney and Jack Murtha. Same as AM session. This session will also be taped.

Names  UNDERSTANDING DEFINITIONS - Frank Lane moderator assisted by Jerry L - Z Haag and Don Beck. Same as AM. This session will also be taped.

3:00 PM  Coffee/Tea/Coke/Tab break

Note:  Beginning at 3:30 PM in NWO on Monday and continuing through the balance of the convention on Tuesday, we will have selected members of the Board of Governors available for informal talks with any who would like to discuss the future of CALLERLAB, what we are doing, what we should be doing or the future of square dancing. Exhibit areas will be open during all interest and committee meeting times and all open times. Exhibit areas will be closed during all general sessions and banquets.

3:30 PM  Committee meetings and interest sessions mostly in the International Rooms lower level. Partners' sessions on ground floor level.

LEADERSHIP  interest session with Stan Burdick moderator assisted by Norm Cross and Mike Seastrom. An analysis of leadership and how it relates to our jobs as callers. Dancers do not survive by choreography alone. Find out how and why leadership makes the difference. This meeting will be held in BOAC. This session will be taped.

BUSINESS SIDE OF CALLING - Moderator is Bill Peters assisted by Ted Frye (Square Tunes Records) and Francis Zeller (Zeller Enterprises). A look at how we operate as entrepreneurs in our business relations with other callers, clubs and in our financial dealing with others. This meeting will be held in AIR FRANCE. This session will be taped.

STYLING  with Lois Wolfson as moderator assisted by Bob Comyn and Kris Crisler. This session will deal with how we introduce proper styling in our classes and the importance styling plays in dancer longevity. Some pitfalls to avoid as well as trouble spots will be emphasized by the panelists. As callers, our job is to teach correctly with proper definition and styling. Leadership is doing -- not just talking about it. The meeting will be held in AIR CANADA. This session will be taped.

MUSIC  with Jerry Schatzer as moderator assisted by Jack Berg, Wade Driver and Dan Nordbye. This topic provides the basic tools we all work with - music. Jerry and his panel will show you how to improve your teaching with an understanding of music and how to enhance the learning experience by the proper selection and use of music. Various illustrations of selected type music will be used to bring out key points. The session will be held in SWISS AIR. This session will be taped.
Mainstream Committee - Jack Murtha Chairman. This committee will address the key questions of what moves should be dropped or added to the Mainstream list and if any changes in teaching order should be recommended. Jack and his committee will consider the vote of the membership previously sent out as well as his committee recommendations made over a three year period. There are pros and cons to each side of this issue and if you are interested in this segment of our activity, please attend and provide some input. Meeting in SAS.

Advanced Committee - Kip Garvey Chairman. Kip and his committee have an ambitious schedule for this convention and each member of the Advanced Committee has received his planned agenda. The meeting will take place in OLYMPIC, with Darryl Lipscomb chairing this session.

Formations Committee - Bill Davis Chairman. Bill and his committee will review the various possible formations which can be created using our established lists of calls to determine the best suitable name for each formation. This meeting will be held in PHILLIPINE.

Teaching in Schools Committee - Mike Degmetich filling in for Larry Ingber who couldn't make it this year. This session will continue to address a discussion of how to introduce and use the schools for our early programs. A compilation of various resources available for use in schools will also be addressed. This meeting will be held in KLM.

Rural Area Considerations Committee - Tom Mohney, Chairman. Tom has conducted surveys and made a considerable effort to solicit your views on rural area considerations. He has tried to interpret your desires and is working with the other committees that impact the rural area considerations. Since many of us actually call in relatively isolated areas, Tom deserves our support. This meeting will be held in ALITALIA.

Timing Committee - Dick Leger Chairman. A review of the timing charts previously adopted and a continuing study of how best to implement proper timing in our teaching program (see also Timing Interest Session). This meeting will be held in MEXICANA.

Partners' I - A special interest session for all partners of callers. This session will be chaired by Anna Dixon and she will be assisted by Teresa Woods and Carole Aubut. How do you introduce fashions in your classes? Are there special considerations for demonstrations and exhibitions? Attend this interesting session and ask some pertinent questions. This session will be held in UNITED AB, just off the main lobby level next to the ROSEMONT Ballroom.

5:00 PM This is scheduled as open time to socialize, chat and get ready for the banquet. The Exhibit areas will be open but must close at 6:00 PM to enable our exhibitors to get ready for dinner. Some committees have asked for meeting time as listed below:

Plus Committee - Mike Seastrum, Chairman. AIR CANADA/AIR FRANCE

Mainstream and Mainstream QS Joint Meeting with Jack Murtha and Harold Bausch. This meeting will be in SWISS AIR/OLYMPIC.
6:30 PM Doors open for banquet. Please fill in all tables completely and do not save spaces for anyone. If you want to sit together, please enter the room together. This will help us and the hotel. Your cooperation is appreciated. A blessing will be asked before we begin eating. This will be in the ROSEMONT Ballroom.

7:00 PM Banquet - Blessing by Marshall Flippo. MC - Stan Burdick. Entertainment by the Red Boot Boys. This banquet will also include the presentation of 25 year certificates and the Small World Awards for our overseas callers.

9:00 PM Post Banquet - Visit our Exhibitors, browse and purchase what interests you most. This service is for your benefit. Support our exhibitors.

9:00 PM Challenge Committee - Ed Foote Chairman. Ed has requested that his committee meet at this time. Room is ALITALIA.

11:00 PM All activities cease for the night. Exhibitor area secured. Goodnight.

Tuesday April 17, 1984

7:00 AM CHOREOGRAPHY SESSIONS -

PLUS CHOREO - UNITED AB with Darryl McMillan, Gerald McWhirter and Ivan Midlam.

MAINSTREAM - AMERICAN/BRANIFF with Joe Casey, Martin Mallard and Gene Trimmer.


CHALLENGE - SAS with Chuck Stinchcomb, Mike Jacobs, Norm Poisson and Anne Redden.

TRADITIONAL/CONTRA - BOAC with Stew Shacklette, Hillie Bailey and Ken Kernen.

7:30 AM Board of Governors Breakfast - DIPLOMAT/VISCOUNT - Pool level.

8:15 AM Breakfast for all - Continental Breakfast - International level.

9:00 AM RECREATIONAL REINFORCEMENT - Jon Jones moderator assisted by Don Hanhurst and Jack Lasry. All will attend this session. The exhibit area will not be open at this time. This session will be in the ROSEMONT Ballroom and will be taped.

10:20 AM Coffee/Tea/Coke/Tab break.

10:45 AM Interest sessions and committee meetings mostly on International level.

DEVELOPING MAINSTREAM AS A FOUNDATION - Dave Taylor as moderator assisted by Bob Hester and Eddie Mayall. This session will deal with methods by which we can make mainstream a viable program in both our teaching and calling. Let the dancers enjoy mainstream so that when they get the inclination, they can then move into Plus programs with a minimum of difficulty. Session will be in SAS and will be taped.
COMPUTERS - Clark Baker moderator assisted by Pat Grymes. This subject drew a great deal of interest last year and we decided to repeat it again this year but in an expanded fashion. Clark has a handout and it is hoped that there will be a free interchange of ideas among those of you who are currently using computers somewhere in your calling. (CAUTION: Computers can become addictive - see cartoon to the right.) Session will be held in BOAC and will be taped.

TIMING - Bob Bennett is moderator assisted by Don Beck and Mike Degmetich. This session will deal with methods by which you teach dancers to move to music and to dance to the music. It will use the approved timing list as the base and show how to go from there. Time permitting, it may also deal with the other aspect of timing, that is the delivery of the call to enable the dance to progress smoothly and effortlessly from one call to the next. Session will be in PHILIPINE and will be taped.

Mainstream QS Committee - Harold Bausch, Chairman. The straw vote taken with Direction serves as the basis of preparing the resolution for the MSQS committee. Other topics may include modification to the existing program or elimination of the program. If QS moves are important to you and your dance programs, then attend this session in AIR FRANCE.

Challenge Committee Interest Session - Ed Foote assisted by Dave Lightly, Ben Rubright and Tim Scholl. This is designed for all who would like to know more about Challenge Dancing and Calling. Room is ALITALIA.

Contra Committee - Art Seele, Chairman. The contra committee would like to generate interest by all callers to learn to use contras as a teaching vehicle to help the dancers move to music. It helps the callers call to the musical phrase as well as letting the dancer dance to the beat. There may be some dancing coupled with this session. Session will be in MEXICANA.

Caller-Coach - Jon Jones, Chairman. There are several key items that must be discussed at this important meeting. Among the topics to be discussed will be the eligibility for becoming a Caller-Coach and the renewal requirements for recertification. Should the Education Grants Program be continued? Meeting will be held in SWISS AIR.

Styling Committee - Melton Luttrell, Chairman. A continuation of the committee work completed on the Mainstream and Plus Programs. A discussion of how best to cope with suggested styling for QS moves at various programs. Meeting to be held in OLYMPIC.

Ways & Means Committee - Cal Golden, Chairman. A review of the budget and considerations on how to fund future activities. A financial report will be available. Meeting to be in AIR CANADA.

Research & Development - Karl Edwards, acting Chairman for Carl Anderson who was not able to make it this year. Session to be in KLM.
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Partners' II - Small groups of people to discuss whatever that group wants to cover. Topics can range from how to help your partner, to how to cope with pressure. A detailed listing of who will be in which room will be posted later. Rooms include: AMERICAN, BRANIFF, NWU, TWA, UNITED A and UNITED B.

12:15 PM Lunch for all - included in the package. ROSEMONT ABCD. Please fill in the tables completely and do not try to save any spaces. This really helps the hotel and will speed up your luncheon.

1:30 PM Committee Meetings mostly on International level.

Contra - Art Seele, Chairman. A Continuation of the AM session. Session will be in MEXICANA.

Plus Committee - Mike Seastrom, Chairman. A review of the Plus Program to include retention or dropping of any calls as well as disposition of calls dropped from MSQS, if any. This session will also include whether to limit the size of the Plus Program and how to make additions or deletions from the program. If you regularly call Plus Program Dances, then you should attend this session. Meeting will be in AIR FRANCE.

Glossary Committee - Fred Willing, Chairman. Each of you received a preliminary mailing of the proposed glossary which should serve as a start to a workable list. If you have ideas and haven't sent them in to Fred or the office for consideration, then attend this session in KLM.

Ethics - Jim Mayo, Chairman. The Professional Ethics Committee has been active over the past year and has a few major items that must be considered to help in the recommendations to the Board. This meeting will be in PHILLIPINE.

Round Dancing Committee - Bob Frye, Chairman. Bob has a planned agenda and this will include discussion on both ROUNDALAB Phases I & II as well as some other matters that have arisen. Meeting will be in SAS.

Advanced Committee - Kip Garvey, Chairman. A continuation of the Advanced Committee agenda. Session will be held in SWISS AIR with Bill Davis acting as chairman in Kip's absence.

Caller Training - Bill Peters, Chairman. This session is open to all Caller-Coaches, as well as those who are actively engaged in the training of other callers. Previous correspondence has been sent out encouraging each Callers' Association to send a representative. A proposed Callers' School Curriculum will be used as the starting point for discussion. It is hoped that we can resolve the wording and content to the satisfaction of all who are present and get it to the membership for a vote. This is scheduled to start at 1:30 PM but we have allocated two additional time slots to complete this important work. Sessions will be in AIR CANADA.

Dance By Definition Committee - Ernie Kinney and Frank Lane, Co-Chairmen. A continuation of the Teaching booklet started some years ago. Session will be in OLYMPIC.

Recruitment (Membership) Committee - Orphie Eason, Chairman. A review of current policies as well as the development of some type of outreach program to expand our membership. Can we or should we develop more kinds of affiliation with CALLERLAB? Meeting will be in BOAC.
Partners' III - Special Events with Koko Sutton as moderator assisted by Eleanor Williams. This session is also a free form forum dealing with the many kinds of special events from class graduations to major festivals and afterparties. While there are no predetermined resolutions to be derived as a result of this meeting, the meeting will be beneficial for all who attend. Meeting will be in UNITED AB.

Benefits Committee - Jerry Haag, Chairman. A review of the current benefits as well as the future considerations. How can we get liability insurance for our Canadian members? Meeting to be held in ALITALIA.

3:00 PM Coffee/Tea/Coke/Tab Break.

3:30 PM Committee meetings - all located in the International rooms on the lower level meeting floor.

Plus QS Committee - Jerry Schatzer, Chairman. This session will discuss the straw ballot results of the membership vote. A discussion on what to do with MSQS moves not accepted by MS or Plus Committees. A discussion on what to do about tight deadlines for QS ballots. Meeting will be held in AIR FRANCE.

Advanced QS Committee - John Marshall, Chairman. A discussion of the program, its merits and accomplishments as well as possible changes to improve it. Meeting to be held in SWISS AIR.

Communications & PR Committee - Norm Cross, Chairman. A discussion of the new Press book furnished each delegate. A discussion of how to better tell the square dance story in our home areas. A review of the CALLERLAB & YOU booklet now available for distribution. Meeting will be held in PHILLIPINE.

Accreditation Committee - Gloria Roth, Chairman. There are several items that need to be resolved at this meeting including the changing of the period of initial accreditation from five to six years. We also have a couple of request for waivers that need the committee recommendation prior to being sent to the Board for final action. Meeting to be held in BOAC.

Traditional Committee - Stew Shacklette, Chairman. A discussion of our committee goals and objectives. The results of the Traditional Dance of the Quarter and much more. Meeting to be held in MEXICANA.

Record Producers Committee - Don Williamson, Chairman. A review of the Record Tune Clearinghouse and its associated reports. What is included and what is possible. What input is needed from participating producers and how the office can help the various producers with proposed tunes etc. Meeting will be held in KLM. (A post convention meeting will also be held with a location to be announced.)

Mainstream Committee - Jack Murtha, Chairman. A final resolution-writing session for presentation to the general membership. Meeting to be held in OLYMPIC.

Caller Association Committee - Gordon Sutton, acting Chairman for Dave Hass who was not able to attend this year. A discussion of the role of this committee and how it can help all caller associations throughout the world. Meeting will be held in SAS.

Caller Training Committee - Bill Peters, Chairman. A continuation of the previous session in AIR CANADA.
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MSQS Committee - Harold Bausch, Chairman. A final resolution-writing session for presentation to the general membership. Meeting to be held in ALITALIA.

5:00 PM Open time scheduled. Some planned meetings to wrap things up include:

Plus Committee - Mike Seastrom SAS.

Mainstream and MSQS - Jack Murtha and Harold Bausch MEXICANA.

Caller Training - Bill Peters AIR CANADA.

6:30 PM Doors open for banquet. Please fill in all tables completely to help us and the hotel better serve you. A blessing will be asked prior to eating. ROSEMONT ABCD.

7:00 PM Awards Banquet - Blessing by Don Hanhurst. MC - Ernie Kinney. Awards will be presented after dinner and we will also have a short talk by the Chairman of the Board.

9:30 PM Open time for browsing in Exhibit areas and to socialize with your peers.

Wednesday April 18, 1984

7:30 AM Board of Governors Breakfast and selected Committee heads. DIPLOMATIC/VISCONT Room on Pool level.

Breakfast for all on the International level. This is a full breakfast and is included in your package.

9:00 AM General Business meeting for all. ROSEMONT ABCD. Presentation of committee reports and resolutions. Each dues paid member gets one vote.

Noon Adjournment for all except Board of Governors.

12:15 PM Board of Governors Luncheon and Post-Convention meeting in DIPLOMAT/VISCOUNT on Pool level.

4:00 PM Board meeting ends.

4:30 PM Hotel and CALLERLAB Staff Debriefing meeting.

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