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FROM THE CHAIR —

Attached is your copy of our 1987-88 Membership Roster.

In looking through the pages, you'll find a number of changes. New names have been added. At the same time, some of our old timers, for one reason or another, have left the ranks of CALLERLAB. The interesting thing is that not only do we need them — but they need us. Any caller who feels that square dancing may be heading in directions contrary to his or her personal beliefs may be overlooking the fact that there is one way to have a direct input on building the future of this activity. That way is to be on the "inside"! Be a member of CALLERLAB! Take advantage of the opportunity to attend our annual convention, participate in the panels, express opinions, influence others and VOTE!

With all of the above in mind, would you help us PLEASE?

FIRST: Use this roster to see which callers among those you know are no longer on the list and write us so we may contact them.

SECOND: By checking your local area square dance directory, your caller's association roster, or your list of caller/friends, help us develop a list of those we do not presently have as members. In order to set our goals on an increased membership we need to come up with a CALLER CENSUS — a current list of names, addresses and phone numbers of individuals who are calling (as far as you know) but who are not, for one reason or another, members of CALLERLAB. These callers will be contacted in the hopes that they may join us in achieving for CALLERLAB, not only its largest membership, but its most effective means for promoting, perpetuating and protecting this great activity.

Thank you in advance. This is an ALL-member assignment!

Bob Osgood, Chairman of the Board

1987-88 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

The 1987-88 membership roster includes all of our members, subscribers, associates, apprentices and Gold Card Holders. You will notice that, in addition to the alphabetical listing with phone numbers, we have attached a sorted listing of names by state. You can look up a specific state, find the name(s) of the caller(s) you want addresses for and then look up the full details in the main portion of the roster. Those members, subscribers, associates and apprentices who did not pay their dues prior to July 15th are not listed.
It would be very much appreciated if you would take the time to review your address and phone number. Should any of the information be incorrect, kindly notify us at once so that the appropriate correction can be made immediately. We thank you for your prompt cooperation.

If you change your address, marital status, phone number, etc. at any time during the year, please notify the home office at your earliest convenience. We try to maintain up-to-date records on all of our members, subscribers, associates and apprentices, etc. and we obviously need your assistance to do so. We print and distribute only one roster each year and that generally occurs in June after the postings from the latest convention. This year because of an extremely heavy workload in the home office, the roster was not published until this time. Any changes that are made after publication are entered into our system but no new rosters are published. All labels for mailings, committee actions, straw ballots, etc. will use the new address and any inquiries will include the latest change. We do, however, print additions to the roster through our DIRECTION newsletter.

CHALLENGE DEFINITIONS

We wish to advise all of you that the Challenge Committee has approved the C1 Definitions. The definitions will be presented to the entire membership for vote at the Reno convention in March of 1988. If they are approved by the membership, they will be available for distribution shortly thereafter.

BOARD OF GOVERNOR CANDIDATES -- If you are thinking about being a candidate for the Board, you are reminded that we must have your valid petition, your biographic sketch and a current picture no later than August 1, 1987. If we do not have all of the material in the proper form, your name will appear on the ballot without the missing information if you have a valid petition. If you have submitted a valid petition and choose not to run in this election, we would need a letter requesting your name be withdrawn no later than August 15, 1987.

MAINSTREAM EMPHASIS CALLS -- PLUS EMPHASIS CALL --
3rd Quarter 1987 - Tag Family
3rd Quarter 1987 - Anything & Roll

MAINSTREAM DEFINITIONS

The changes voted and approved in New Orleans have been incorporated in a revised set of Mainstream Definitions and are now available from the home office. The cost is $1.50 per set. Just drop us a note or give a quick call. We offer same day service — your copy will be in the mail that day!

CONVENTION COSTS

Periodically, we get questions on who pays what when attending the CALLERLAB conventions. With the exception of the Chairman of the Board and the paid staff, all attendees to the annual conventions pay their convention fees, based upon single or double, and the convention room rate for the number of days attending. We negotiate a room rate based upon a complete package and, in most instances, it is far better than you could obtain on your own. Please understand, if you do not wish to stay in the headquarters hotel, you might obtain a cheaper rate but there also might be an add-on charge for the convention package because the headquarters hotel is providing us with "free" meeting space and we require a great many rooms. No other member of the Board of Governors gets a "free ride". The Chairman of the Board gets his and his partner's airfare and convention fees paid. The hotel normally provides a complimentary suite so there is no room charge to the Chairman of the Board. The Executive Secretary, the Assistant Executive Secretary and the office staff receive transportation, convention fees and room costs paid. More next issue.