

NEWSLETTER  
for Members of  
CALLERLAB

# Direction



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The International Association of Square Dance Callers

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## CONVENTION UPDATE

With the advent of the changes in the airfares by a number of major carriers, we urge you to contact our designated travel agency as soon as possible if you haven't already made your flight plans. Some of you may already have waited too long to reap the benefit of these special fares. It may require a Saturday night stay on one side or the other but give it a try. The savings may more than offset the added costs. Besides, if you have extra time, you could take advantage of the many special things to see and do in and around Phoenix and the entire state of Arizona.

There are a couple of items which we would like to call to your attention at this time. 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 at prior conventions.

We now have more than 850 registered to attend with close to 400 partners. A special letter was sent out to all partners who had registered as of February 1, 1985 and we are including a copy with this issue of Direction on Page 6. Dr & Mrs Jerry Downing have geared special sessions just for the partners and the special kinds of stress to which you are exposed. We have also scheduled a fantastic interest session dealing with Indian culture as a part of our American Southwestern heritage.

If this is still not enough for you, you might consider taking advantage of the many tours that are available in half day or full day trips or even an extended time period. If you are from far away and have never seen the Grand Canyon, there are tours that include hotel pickup and delivery and fly you for a guided tour of these scenic attractions. The half day tour is good, but for an added \$25 or \$30 you can get the same tour along with a two hour ground tour of the South Rim and a special luncheon. This special tour is available from a number of people including Sun Country Tours who has worked closely with us on several aspects of our convention. Of course, you are free to choose any tour guide of your choice. Because of the popularity of these tours, however, you might want to call and make advance reservations. This is part of the peak season in Phoenix. This tour is available in a 3 or 6 hour package and the cost is approximately \$155 for the longer tour.

If you might like an open air 4-wheel drive tour into the Arizona desert, this, too is available through your own travel agent or from Sun Country Tours. Four hour tours cost about \$45.00 per person and they are magnificent. Contact Sun Country Tours, PO Box 1563, Scottsdale, AZ 85252 or call 602-947-4299.

If you are planning on being in Phoenix on Saturday, the Heard Museum is a short distance from the hotel and well worth seeing. A nominal admission charge applies. Of course there are literally hundreds of shops in the Scottsdale and Camelback areas and many willing vendors to part you from your money. We do have one special attraction as part of our convention this year and that is the mock village of RAWHIDE. We will be going there for our Monday night dinner including a hayride to the cookout area and entertainment including a live rodeo specially geared for CALLERLAB. Plan on wearing jeans or other suitable rugged clothing. This includes the gals, too. Our buses leave beginning at 5:00 PM on Monday and return us to the hotel immediately after the rodeo.

In order to get some of the special airfares, our entire office staff is flying to Phoenix on Wednesday March 27, 1985. If you have any changes prior to that time, please call to insure you don't get charged for a late cancel etc. If you have a sudden change after March 26, please call us at the Hyatt Regency in Phoenix 602-252-1234. They will get the message to us and we will then take care of your special considerations. Please note that we must charge for meals that we had to guarantee if you are a no-show. A phone call is a lot cheaper than forfeiting your \$50.00 deposit.

There is also a situation that some of you have experienced about rooms at the Hyatt. If you use the Hyatt worldwide toll-free number, you will be told that the hotel is sold out. This happens whenever the hotel has a convention room block. If you do not want to send in the reservation card, then please call the hotel directly but use the 602-252-1234 number. Ask for the reservations department and tell them you are part of CALLERLAB. This will get you the special room rate of \$78. Since it is peak season for Phoenix at that time, this is a very good rate. Most of the better quality hotels are listing their rooms at \$100 and up. We realize that this is expensive for many of you so we have done everything we could to make this convention one of the best ever. The program is exciting and the speakers are all dedicated and talented. We are trying some innovations this year including using a Convention Center directly across the street from the Hyatt. We would be interested in your reactions to some of these things.

As in the past, we have scheduled a Sunday evening social hour to meet the other attendees as well as members of the Board of Governors. If you are planning on being in Phoenix on Sunday, please plan on attending this informal session beginning at 6:00 PM. Following dinner, snacks, or whatever, we have also scheduled a special orientation session for all first time attendees as well as anyone else who would like to review where we have been and what will be happening this year at our 12th Annual Convention. Our convention package begins with the opening session and six meals beginning with the noon meal on Monday. It does include the social hour but all meals prior to Monday noon are at your own expense. We guarantee to adjourn the convention by noon on Wednesday.

The Atrium level will house our exhibitors who will be displaying their wares of records, speakers, PA sets, mikes, etc. We urge you to browse and support those who provide this service for you.

The Opening session will start promptly at 9:00 AM in the Phoenix Room of the Civic Plaza. This is located directly across the courtyard from the hotel and a short 2-3 minute walk. (Maybe 6 if you amble or stroll.) The schedule shows the place for each session and clearly states if in the Hyatt or Civic Plaza. We solicit your cooperation in helping make this logistical problem seem insignificant.

#### Travel Agents and Tour Guides

From time to time, as a part of the CALLERLAB convention, we contract with local ground operators for some typical arrangements as an added inducement for you to

attend our annual conventions. Periodically, we receive letters from members who feel that we should offer this option to our own members to bid for this type of package. The Executive Committee discussed this and has adopted the following policy beginning with the convention for 1986:

Any member of CALLERLAB may, at his or her own option, submit a detailed bid for providing travel or related services to CALLERLAB. These bids must be in writing and must be received by the CALLERLAB office no later than the first Monday in May of each year preceding the convention for which the bid is submitted. The Executive Committee reserves the right to select the most appropriate vendor for these services and afford the provider an opportunity to use the mailings of CALLERLAB to promote the services selected. The bids should include special consideration for CALLERLAB as an organization as well as special considerations for any members of CALLERLAB who would avail themselves of the services for which the bid is rendered.

### The CALLERLAB Logo

The CALLERLAB Logo which contains the word "Member" may be used by members on items for personal use such as stationery, business cards, brochures etc. Similarly, the CALLERLAB Logo containing the word "Subscriber" is to be used by subscribers for personal use. Neither of these CALLERLAB Logos nor any CALLERLAB original artwork may be used on items for sale or similar commercial applications without express approval of the Board of Governors of CALLERLAB. The CALLERLAB Logo with the star in the place of the word "Member" is not for individual use under any circumstances. It is for corporate use on materials produced by or on behalf of CALLERLAB for its members. If there is a question, contact the CALLERLAB office, Box 679, McCauley Ave, Pocono Pines, PA 18350. Phone 717-646-8411.

This policy is stated to avoid confusion on the part of members and subscribers as to what CALLERLAB material may and may not be used in promotions of square dance related activity. It is an additional attempt to avoid confrontation "after the fact".

### Mainstream Emphasis Call

Jack Murtha, Chairman of the CALLERLAB Mainstream Committee, announces that the Mainstream Committee has selected the following calls as the Mainstream Emphasis Calls for the quarter beginning April 1, 1985:

TURN THRU

SPIN CHAIN THRU

### Results of the balloting for QS Calls

The tallies for the balloting for the Mainstream and Plus Quarterly Selections have been made and are shown below for your review. As several of you pointed out, two calls, Grand Parade and Load the Top, had not been in the field for the required six months and therefore should not have been included in the balloting. Since the percentage recommending retention was above 50% in each case, the inclusion was academic. The nature of a straw vote ballot is such that we try to include as much as possible to obtain information about how the callers in the field and their dancers react to selected calls. This provides more information for the respective chairmen of committees to make intelligent decisions on what you want.

To facilitate a listing, we are showing the number of favorable responses for each move counted in groups of 100. This enables you to view the consistency of feeling about retention of selected moves.

Name of Call	by 100's)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Avg
<u>Mainstream QS Calls</u>										
Chain Down the Line		82	85	89	82	83	82	79	84	83
Grand Spin		51	48	35	44	43	46	35	39	<u>43</u>
Grand Parade		52	53	68	50	46	52	61	54	<u>55</u>

This means that Grand Spin is dropped and that the current MSQS list consists of Chain Down the Line and Grand Parade.

Plus QS Calls

Spin Chain & Exchange The Gears	75	84	78	73	65	78	75	73	75
Chase the Tag	31	23	25	21	27	19	19	23	<u>24</u>
Load the Top	72	69	68	62	67	69	65	61	<u>67</u>

This means that Chase the Tag is dropped and that the current PQS list consists of Spin Chain & Exchange the Gears and Load the Top. Ping To A Diamond is also current as of the quarter beginning February 1, 1985.

We were pleased to see that 800 of you took the time to return your ballots but disappointed that more than half of you neglected to express your opinions. Let us all resolve to do better in future ballots.

Round of the Quarter

Bob Frye, Chairman of the Round Dance Committee, has announced that BUFFY has been chosen as the "Round of the Quarter" for the period beginning January 1, 1985.

BUFFY (TNT 218)

INTRO:	2 Measure Wait Apt, Pt, Pick-up & Tch;	B.	Walk & Face; Slow Side Draw Close; Walk & Face; Slow Side Draw Close;
A.	Two Fwd Two Steps; Progressive Sciz; Lock 4; Walk & Face; 2 Trng Two Steps; (Repeat)		1/2 Box; Sciz Thru; Quick Vine 8; (Repeat)
INTER:	Circle Away Two Step - Tog Two Step - Twirl 2 - Walk & Pick-up		
END:	<del>Circle Away Two Step - Tog Two Step - Twirl 2 - Side Draw Close - APT &amp; PT</del>		
SEQ:	Intro AB Inter AB End		

1985 National Square Dance Directory

The 1985 National Square Dance Directory is once again available to CALLERLAB members at a special price. Save \$2.00 now per copy on the 1985 Edition of the National Square Dance Directory for you and your club members on a special offer to CALLERLAB members. For every Directory ordered on the special enclosed card, not only will you save money, but CALLERLAB will receive a \$3.00 commission on each Directory purchased. If each CALLERLAB member would order this extremely useful publication and let his club members know about this opportunity, we could significantly improve the financial situation of our organization. Happy Dancing!

Should you require additional order cards, please contact the Home Office.

## Program Coordinating Committee

Chairman Jack Lasry has enclosed a straw poll to determine the general membership's feelings regarding the issue of the definition of "Partner".

## Crossing Rule

The deletion of the "Crossing Rule" passed by resolution in 1984 to include all programs, Basic thru Challenge, has created much confusion among both Callers and Dancers.

The Program Coordinating Committee recommends that each basic on the CALLERLAB programs, Basic thru Challenge, that includes the need for a crossing action be reviewed by the Definitions Committee for that program. The committee will then determine if the best crossing action for smooth dancing is by the right or by the left shoulder and will write the definition to include the desired crossing action. The Program Coordinating Committee feels that once the definitions include the "proper" crossing action, any misunderstanding regarding the Crossing Rule will be eliminated.

If you agree with the above statement, please indicate a "yes" on the attached ballot and return to the CALLERLAB Office at your earliest convenience.

\*\* \*\* The ballot is enclosed as a separate attachment for your convenience. \*\* \*\*

The following is an extract of the Press Release announcing the AQS for the quarter beginning March 1, 1985.

\* \* \* \* \* S T A R T \* \* \* \* \*

John Marshall, Chairman of the Advanced Quarterly Selection Committee, is pleased to announce that the AQS Committee has selected CHECKOVER for the quarter beginning March 1, 1985.

## CHECKOVER

The definition of CHECKOVER is as follows:

From right or left columns: Lead 2 (1 & 2 in the column). Checkmate the Column while 3 and 4 in the column Circulate, Cast Off 3/4, Slither, and Extend the Tag. The result will be two faced lines.

Timing: 12 Beats

## Dancing Examples:

From Zero Lines - Pass Thru - Wheel and Deal and Spread - Touch 1/4 All 8 Circulate - CHECKOVER - Couples Circulate - Boys 1/4 Thru - Flip the Diamond - Swing Thru - Right and Left Grand.

Singing Call - Heads Pass Thru - Separate Around One to a Line - Touch 1/4 - CHECKOVER - 1/2/Tag the Line - Swing Thru - Boys Run - Ferris Wheel - Square Thru 3 - Swing - Promenade.

## CURRENT ADVANCED QUARTERLY SELECTIONS

CHANGE LANES  
HARMONIZE

LINEAR ACTION  
ZING

CHECKOVER

MINI BUSY

All of the calls on the above list, with the exception of CHECKOVER, will be eligible for the "keep/drop" vote on the next ballot.

### Accreditation Dates

Effectively immediately, for all accreditations (new or renewal), the expiration date will be six years from the last day of the month in which the form is received. For example, any form received during the month of January 1985 would expire as of January 31, 1991. This will facilitate renewal notices being sent out and will simplify the recordkeeping required.

As all of you realize, in 1983 the period for renewals was changed to six years. In 1984, all accreditation periods were changed to read for a period of six years.

### Attention Callers' Partners! ! !

February 1985

Howdy Partner!

Convention time is drawing near and we're looking forward to meeting all of you!

We hope to answer any questions you might have about what to wear in Phoenix. The convention is a working time rather than a dancing time so we don't have to worry about packing petticoats, etc. Of course, you men can wear pretty much the same thing for dancing or meeting.

Pantsuits, slacks, or casual dresses are the usual attire for the daytime meetings. The Monday night dinner and rodeo at Rawhide this year calls for jeans or something equally rugged and comfortable. We understand Rawhide is quite rustic. We have a Partner's Session on Stress Management with the Downings at 3:30 PM on Monday and the buses start loading for Rawhide at 5:00 PM. We suggest you come to the Downings' session dressed ready to go for the evening. That will give everyone plenty of time to enjoy the Downings and not to worry about changing clothes before the buses arrive.

Then comes the Tuesday evening banquet! What fun to be in best bib and tucker for a change. If you have a special long gown that you enjoy wearing, now is the time. If you prefer short, wear that beautiful short dress you keep for special occasions or that very special evening pantsuit. Most of our men wear a coat and tie on this special night so we can't let them outdo us, can we?

Just a reminder that Jean and Jerry Downing have volunteered to be in our hospitality room on Tuesday afternoon for any of us who would like to ask questions or just visit with them. They are really an interesting couple.

Also, please plan on attending the Orientation Session scheduled to be held at 9:00 PM on Sunday evening in the Regency Ballroom. This session has been arranged primarily to give first time attendees and their partners a preview of what will take place during our very busy convention time. Anyone is welcome to attend -- you need not be a first time attendee to join in this informal and informative get-together. See you in Phoenix!

Sincerely,

Erna Egender, Chairman  
Callers Partners' Committee



**SPECIAL ACTIVITIES INFORMATION**

**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SQUARE DANCE CALLERS**

<b>TOUR A.</b>	<b>DESERT MOUNTAIN JEEP TOUR</b>	<b>\$45.00 per person</b>
	SATURDAY MARCH 30, 1985	8:30AM-12:30PM
	SUNDAY MARCH 31, 1985	8:30AM-12:30PM & 1:30-5:30PM
	WEDNESDAY APRIL 3, 1985	1:30PM- 5:30PM

Four wheel drive vehicles will greet you at the hotel to begin an exciting trip through Arizona's wild and beautiful desert foothills. The wilderness guide will provide a variety of facts and stories of the desert wildlife, plants and survival. There will be an opportunity to try your marksmanship with some target shooting. Wear comfortable clothes, shoes and don't forget to bring your camera. Plenty of cold beer and pop will be in the ice chest.

<b>TOUR B.</b>	<b>VALLEY OF THE SUN TOUR</b>	<b>\$14.00 per person</b>
	SATURDAY MARCH 30, 1985	1:30PM-5:30PM
	SUNDAY MARCH 31, 1985	1:30PM-5:30PM

A great way to get acquainted with our beautiful Valley of the Sun. In Paradise Valley view homes of Barry Goldwater, Johnny Carson, Glen Campbell, The Wrigley Mansion, The McCune Mansion, The Copenhaver Castle and many other outstanding country club estates and five star resorts. Take a drive up the side of Camelback Mountain for a breathtaking view of the entire valley. A look at downtown Phoenix, the Civic Center, Heritage Square and the State Capitol before heading for Tempe, home of Arizona State University and Grady Gammage Auditorium, Frank Lloyd Wrights last masterpiece. Scottsdale, "the wests most western town" is filled with shopping areas like the famous Fifth Avenue shops, galleries, the Borgata, Old Town and the Civic Center for the performing arts on the Mall.

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**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SQUARE DANCE CALLERS**

**PHOENIX, ARIZONA 1985**

**(TICKET ORDER FORM ON REVERSE SIDE)**

**TOUR C. SEDONA AND OAK CREEK CANYON** \$39.00 per person  
 SATURDAY MARCH 30, 1985 8:30AM-5:00PM  
 SUNDAY MARCH 31, 1985 8:30AM-5:00PM

From palms to pines, this will be a day long remembered. Your narrated bus tour with hostess/guide departs Phoenix heading north through the beautiful Sonoran Desert. First stop will be Montezuma's Castle for a tour of the best preserved prehistoric cliff dwelling in the southwest. Then on to Sedona with the majestic and incomparable beauty of Oak Creek Canyon and view the inspiring Chapel of the Holy Cross. This is red rock country, filled with color and wondrous rock formations. Lunch will be served at one of Sedona's fine restaurants. Next, experience Tlaquepaque, a replica of the Spanish Mission in Guadalajara, Mexico. This arts and crafts village reflects the charm and mood of Old Mexico while offering a unique selection of shops for browsing, shopping or picture taking.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION-PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE MAILING FORM**

1. All tour prices include admission fees, transportation, expert guides and lunch where indicated. All tours will depart from the Monroe Street entrance of the Hyatt Hotel.
2. Costs are based on a set minimum of 35 participants per bus or 4 people per jeep trip. Should the required number not be reached per tour a full refund will be made.
3. Please complete the reservation form and mail with your check or International Money Order payable to:  
 SUN COUNTRY TOURS, INC.  
 P.O. BOX 1563  
 SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85252

Reservations must reach our offices no later than 3/15/85.

4. Tickets may be picked up at registration. Your check is your receipt. For additional information, call (602)947-0877

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CALLERLAB - SPECIAL ACTIVITIES RESERVATION FORM

Make checks payable to:	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u># PERS.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
SUN COUNTRY TOURS, INC.			
P.O. BOX 1563	TOUR A _____	_____	@\$45. _____
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85252	TOUR B _____	_____	@\$14. _____
	TOUR C _____	_____	@\$39. _____

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL CHECKS TO REACH SUN COUNTRY TOUR, INC. BY MARCH 15, 1985