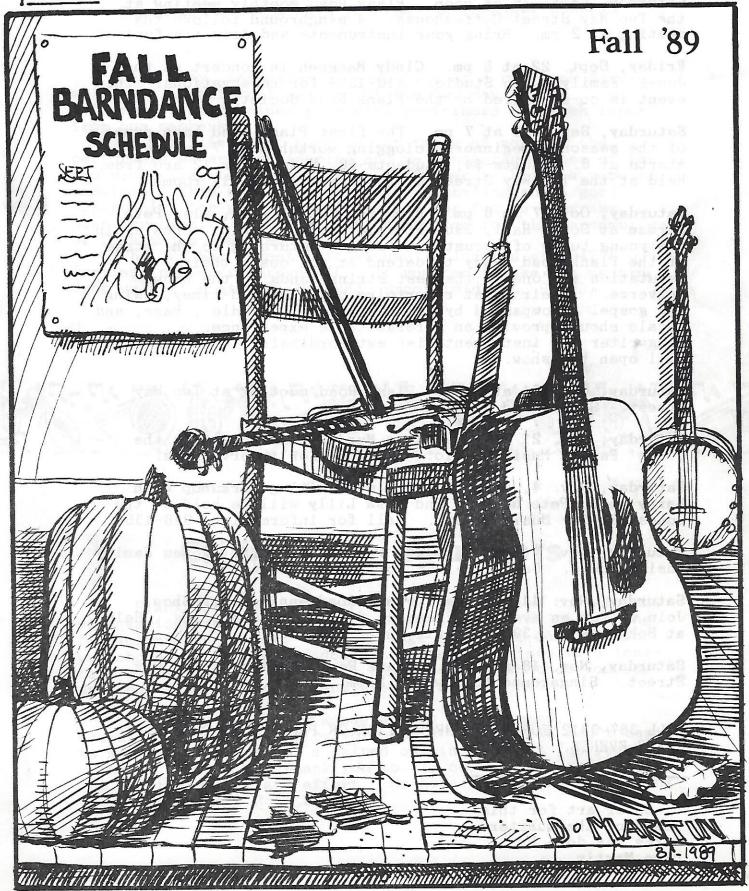


# QUARTER NOTES



## **Fall Events**

Monday, Sept. 11 at 8 pm. Plank Road 1990 concert planning meeting at the Two Way Street Coffeehouse in Downers Grove.

Saturday, Sept. 16 at noon. Plank Road monthly meeting at the Two Way Street Coffeehouse. A singaround follows the meeting at 2 pm. Bring your instruments and join the fun!

Friday, Sept. 22 at 8 pm. Cindy Mangsen in concert at the Jones' Family Music Studio. 916-1356 for reservations. This event is co-sponsored by the Plank Road Society.

Saturday, Sept. 30 at 7 pm. The first Plank Road barn dance of the season! Beginners' clogging workshop at 7, dance starts at 8. Adults-\$4, Students-\$2, kids under 12 are free. Held at the Two Way Street Coffeehouse in the big room.

Saturday, Oct. 7 at 8 pm. Ripe for the Pickin', also Pete Norman at Sokol Hall, 3907 Prairie in Brookfield. Once again the young turks of acoustic music are returning to the stage of the Plank Road ready to defend at all costs their reputation as "one of the best string bands in the known universe." Their great repertoire of folk, old-timey, swing and gospel accompanied by dazzling guitar, fiddle, bass, and vocals should provide an unforgettable experience. Songwriter and instrumentalist extraordinaire, Pete Norman, will open the show.

Saturday, Oct. 21 at noon. Plank Road meeting at Two Way Street. Singaround follows at 2 pm.

Saturday, Oct. 21 at 8 pm. Lee Murdock in concert at the Jones' Family Music Studio. 916-1356 for reservations.

Saturday, Nov. 4, afternoon. A songwriting workshop with Larry Penn, Pete Norman, and Lisa Lilly will be held at the Jones' Family Music Studio. Call for information, 916-1356.

Saturday, Nov. 4, 8 pm. Larry Penn in concert. Jones Family Music Studio. Call 916-1356 for reservations.

Saturday, Nov. 11 at 8 pm. Plank Road Anniversary Show. Join us for an evening of music, fun, and reminiscing. Held at Sokol Hall, 3907 Prairie in Brookfield.

Saturday, Nov. 18 at noon. Plank Road meeting at Two Way Street. Singaround follows at 2 pm.

CALL 387-9312 FOR MORE INFORMATION ON PLANK ROAD OR ANY OF THESE EVENTS.

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### Talkin' Tunes

Discussions to Be Held for the 1990 Concert Program

On Monday, September 11 beginning at 8 pm Plank Road will host an informal meeting at the Two Way Street Coffeehouse to consider potential performers and seek input from our members.

We will listen to portions of tapes of some of the performers we are considering and we encourage those of you who would like to see a certain performer to bring a tape if possible. This should be a relaxed gathering and a good opportunity for presenting ideas for our future programs. Dave Reynolds will be our guest conductor for this assemblage of folk music connoisseurs.

The Two Way Street Coffeehouse is located at 1047 Curtiss in Downers Grove, IL. If you can't make the meeting drop us a line at P.O. Box 283, Brookfield, IL, 60513.



# Calling All Volunteers!

Plank Road is looking for a few good folks to help out with various activities this concert season. We're looking for volunteers to help with mailings and staff concerts and workshops. Volunteering doesn't necessarily involve a long-term commitment, we'd like to hear from you whether you're interested in working on one show or all of them.

Almost all of Plank Roads events are planned, coordinated and staffed by volunteers. Though we can't begin to mention everyone who's helped out in the past few years, we would like to say thank you to all our members and helpers for all their time and effort. We hope you're enjoying being part of the Plank Road Society!

#### SWING YOUR PARTNER...

Grab your partner and rosin the bow...Plank Road's first barn dance (minus the barn) of the season will be held on Sept. 30th at the Two Way Street Coffeehouse in the big room from 8:00 to 10:30 p.m.

As an added attraction, Plank Road member and expert clogger Linda Unger will give a brief workshop from 7:00 until 8:00. She'll show us some of the basic clogging steps so that we can show off during the dance. The workshop will be free! Cost for the dance will be \$4 for adults, kids under 12 are free.

We've really become fond of our dances here on the Plank Road. They started back in the Old Quarter days in Brookfield at St. Barbara's church. Remember the many-beamed Windemere room? We've tried to have at least four dances a year since then, and this season we'd like to do more. What do you think? Let us know.

For those of you who have never attended a barn dance at the Plank Road, you should know that our motto is: "Just keep your feet moving, whatever you do!" In other words, we're not out to win dance competitions--we're out to have fun.

Once again we'll be treated to the seldom practiced, but always rhythmic, All-Volunteer String Band. If you would like to become a member of the band just show up with your instrument a little before 8 o'clock so that you can get in some semblance of tuning before the dance. There are only two rules for band members: 1. You must play the same tune that the other musicians are playing. 2. You may not stop in the middle of the Virginia Reel to rest.

Your caller for the evening will be me, Marianne Mohrhusen. I'll teach you everything you need to know before each dance. I learned a couple of new figures up at the Hiawatha Festival, so look out! The dances are definitely geared for beginners. Fiddlin' Cathy Jones will set the pace, as always.

I thought this would be a good time to print this piece I read in *A Time to Dance* by Richard Nevell:

## The Ten Commandments for Square Dancers

- Thou shalt honor thy caller and hearken to his voice, for thy success depends greatly on his words.
- 2) Thou shalt exchange greetings and be friendly to all in thy group, lest ye be labelled a snob and unworthy of the title SQUARE DANCER.
- 3) Thou shalt not ridicule those dancers possessing two left hands but shall endeavor to help them distinguish one from the other.

- 4) Thou shalt strive to dance in different squares, thereby giving to all the benefit of thy fine personality and great experience.
- 5) Thou shalt not anticipate or dance ahead of thy caller for he is of a fiendish nature and possessed of evil powers to make you appear ill-prepared in the eyes of thy fellow dancers.
- 6) Thou shalt not moan and belittle the caller, thy partner, nor the slippery floor when thou hast goofed for this is likely thine own mistake.
- 7) Thou shalt remain silent while thy caller gives advice and instructions.
- 8) Thou shalt not partake of strong drink before or during the dance, lest thy mind become befuddled and confused.
- 9) Thou shalt clean thyself diligently before the dance thereby creating a pleasant aroma for thy partner.
- 10) Thou shalt strive diligently to observe these commandments, and thy reward shall be great, for ye shall have many friends and be called SQUARE DANCER.

Some of our other favorite places to dance are:

Fermilab near Aurora & Batavia. 2nd Sundays at 7 pm; \$3. Call 897-3655.

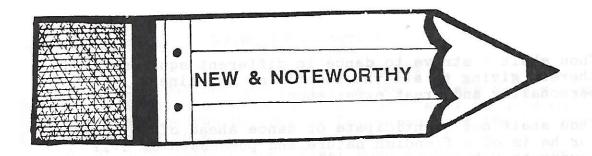
Old Town School of Folk Music, 909 W. Armitage, Chicago. 1st Wednesdays at 8 pm; \$3. Call 525-7793.

Esperanza School, 520 N. Marshfield, Chicago. 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8 pm; \$3.

Keenan O'Malley's, 2125 W. Roscoe, Chicago. Every Monday at 8 pm; \$3.

You can also get on the **Chicago Barn Dance Company's** mailing list. They usually play at the above events, and they are terrific. Their address is: 3105 West Palmer Square, Chicago, IL 60647.

--Marianne Mohrhusen



The Plank Road
board of directors:
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Paul Klonowski, Rick
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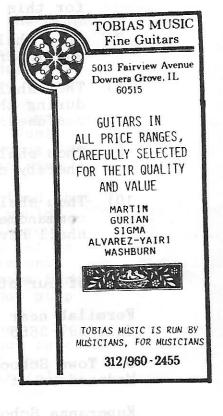
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Ad space in the Quarter Notes is now available. Call 387-9312 or 485-5829 for details, or write to the P.O. Box. We now have well over 300 members who are waiting to hear about you or your business!

"Down the Old Plank Road," Plank Road's cassette album is available by mail. Write to PRFMS, P.O. Box 283, Brookfield, IL, 60513. Include your check or money order for \$9 per tape (includes \$1 postage and handling.)

Would you like to contribute to the Quarter Notes? Call 485-5829 with your Or just type ideas. up and send in any items of interest to QUARTER NOTES EDITOR. PLANK ROAD FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY, P.O. BOX 283, BROOKFIELD, IL, 60513-0283. We do our best to include any material that is sent to us, space permitting. You can also send any comments or suggestions about the Quarter Notes to this address.







This is our friend Paul Klonowski's version of "Cripple Creek" for the banjo. We hope you'll enjoy giving it a try. (Thanks Paul!)





SQUARE DANCE LESSONS



SPONSORED BY BACHELORS 'N' BACHELORETTES INTERNATIONAL LOMBARD CHAPTER (Singles Club - Couples Welcome)

PLACE:

LOMBARD COMMUNITY CENTER ST. CHARLES AND GRACE STREETS

LOMBARD, ILLINOIS

TIME:

7:00 TO 9:30 P.M.

DATE:

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 10, 1989

CALLER:

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COST:

\$25.00 PER PERSON/\$50 PER COUPLE FOR 10 LESSONS (1 SESSION). THERE ARE 3 SESSIONS.

FOR NEW DANCER LESSONS INFO, CALL:

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NAME:		TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:
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