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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEES

Ballots are enclosed for your vote. Please return by May 15th. At the Board of Directors meeting in New York City on February 4, 1967 it was decided to abolish the nominating committee. This change provides that all candidates are listed on the ballot.

The following men have been nominated

- Allan Rossiter  
New York Chapter
- George Missbach  
Southeastern Chapter
- Paul Abernathy (Dr.)  
Piedmont Chapter
- Phillip Olson (Dr.)  
Los Angeles Chapter
- Erwin A. Young Jr.  
Potomac Valley Chapter
- W. "Tiny" James  
Northern California Chapter

Please use the ballot that is included with this issue, and mail immediately. The deadline is May 15th. A short sketch of each man that has been nominated follows.

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**Erwin A. Young Jr.**  
9024 Beatty Drive  
Alexandria, Va.  
Wife Joyce (1-Daughter)  
2-6 Wurlitzer playing

Has flown with United Air Lines for 22 years, has been a Captain with United for 16 years. Is now a Lt. Col. in the Air Force Reserve, flew as fighter pilot in WW II. First Chairman of Potomac Valley Chapter. Appointed Eastern Vice Pres. in 1961. Elected National Vice Pres. in 1963. Has served as Vice Pres. since 1963 through 1967. Was acting Pres. at 1967 convention in Portland Ore.



**Allen W. Rossiter** born in New York City, lifetime resident of New Jersey, attended Union College, served in the U. S. Navy from 1942-1946, and for the past 21 years an electronic field engineer for the Burroughs Corporation.

In the last 4 years as secretary-treasurer of the New York Chapter he has been largely responsible for the many outstanding programs in the New York metropolitan area. Under his leadership the tremendous growth in numbers (from 14 to 267 members) and enthusiasm has in no small measure attested to his abilities and interests in the theatre organ world. A frequent contributor to Theatre Organ-Bombardier, member of National A.T.O.E. for 10 years, member of Delaware Valley for 10 years, member of the New York Chapter for 5 years, and member of Connecticut, Niagara Frontier and Potomac for several years.



**Paul McBee Abernethy**  
Born Avondale, N. C. May 18, 1921  
B.S. Wofford College, 1941  
M. D. Bowman Gray, 1943

Diplomate American  
Board of  
Ophthalmology

1st. President of  
Piedmont Chapter  
A.T.O.E.

Owner of  
a 2/5 Wurlitzer



**George E. Missbach** Mr. Missbach was born in New York City, and now lives in Atlanta, Georgia. He and Mrs. Missbach are the proud parents of four children. He is the sales manager in Atlanta for Morehouse Cowles Inc., a firm based in Los Angeles. He has long been interested in pipe organs, and has a Henry Pilcher two manual thirteen rank instrument equipped with an Aeolian Duo-Art, fully automatic, two roll player. His other hobbies include clocks and watches, fore edged books, Japanese swords, guns, and paintings.



**Dr. Phillip C. Olson** Dr. Philip C. Olson was a member of the original Los Angeles Chapter, ATOE, and was its second chairman. His interest in theater organ began when he was attending Poly Technic High School in Los Angeles. He studied Pipe organ all through his high school years, graduating just as talking pictures came on the scene. He turned his attention to Veterinary Medicine and graduated from Washington State College in 1940. His first love, the theater organ, was never far from his heart-he spent every day off in a theater or studio that boasted a pipe organ. Phil's devotion to ATOE is well known in Southern California; any organ concert or organ activity will find him in the cheering section.



**W. "Tiny" James** has had a long and illustrious career as a theater organist beginning with his grammar school days playing the 9 rank Wurlitzer organ at the Strand Theater in Alameda, California. He was staff organist at the Oakland Fox, Oakland Paramount, and San Francisco Orpheum theaters. He is a recording artist having recorded on both the San Francisco and Oakland Fox Wurlitzer pipe organs. His latest series of albums, "Farewell to the Fox", was made with Everett Nourse on the late San Francisco Fox Wurlitzer. "Tiny" is a charter member of the A.T.O.E. and has served both as National President (three times) and as Publication Director. He was made an honorary member at the 1966 National Convention in Portland, Oregon. "Tiny" lives in Alameda, California with his wife, Ida, and their two children. He is an auditor for Alameda County.

