

PAST PRESIDENTS

- Richard Simonton
Feb. 1955 — Oct. 1958
- Judd Walton
Oct. 1958 — July 1961
- Tiny James
July 1961 — July 1964
- Carl Norvell
July 1964 — July 1966
- Dick Schrum
July 1966 — July 1968
- Al Mason
July 1968 — July 1970
- Stillman Rice
July 1970 — July 1972
- Erwin A. Young
July 1972 — July 1974
- Paul M. Abernethy
July 1974 — July 1976
- Ray F. Snitil
July 1976 — July 1978
- Preston M. Fleet
July 1978 — Nov. 1978
- Tommy Landrum
Nov. 1978 — July 1980

HONORARY MEMBERS

- 1959 — Jesse Crawford
- 1960 — Fanny Wurlitzer
- 1961 — Mel Doner
- 1962 — Leonard MacClain
- 1963 — Eddie Dunstedter
- 1964 — Reginald Foort
- 1965 — Dan Barton
- 1966 — W. "Tiny" James
- 1967 — Erwin A. Young
- 1968 — Richard C. Simonton
- 1969 — Judd Walton
- 1970 — Bill Lamb
- 1971 — George and Vi Thompson
- 1972 — Stu Green
- 1973 — Al and Betty Mason
- 1974 — Lloyd E. Klos
- 1975 — Joe Patten
- 1976 — Floyd and Doris Mumm
- 1977 — Les and Edith Rawle
- 1978 — Len Clarke
- 1979 — J. B. Nethercutt
- 1980 — Sidney Torch

President's Message



The new bylaws of the American Theatre Organ Society were adopted on March 22, 1981 by a vote of the members present at the special meeting of the membership at College Park, Maryland. They are now in full force and effect.

Our National ATOS Bylaws now conform with the new California corporate laws for nonprofit organizations. Nevertheless, ATOS has come to a crossroads. The article beginning on page five is intended to give the entire membership an insight into just a few of the many problems that we have been

faced with during the last few years and to clarify some of the misunderstandings.

Due to our long-standing policy of not editorializing, none of these problems have been aired in the pages of THEATRE ORGAN. We have felt the pages of our magazine should be devoted to the proliferation of information pertaining to the theatre organ, its past, present and future. The report to the membership on the following page is a deviation from our usual editorial policy. It is printed here only to inform you of what has been going on.

I have done my best to preserve and maintain the standards and ideals of ATOS and, to the best of my ability, follow what I believed to be the wishes of the membership.

*Richard R. Haight
National President*