American Theatre Organ Society

I am pleased to tell you that a gift has been given to our Library from one of our favorite concert artists, Gaylord Carter. He is donating all of his "Flicker Fingers" memorabilia, which consists of tapes, recordings, airchecks of his programs, and all of his movie music. What a wealth of material to be used in the future by fortunate ATOS members. Gaylord, we love you and thank you for your generosity.

In the March/April issue of THEATRE ORGAN, there appeared an article telling of a \$1,000 challenge grant from the Fleet Foundation of San Diego. These funds need to be matched. To date, we have received only one check for this purpose. Do you want a library? Are you interested in young organists? Your responses to these questions are the only way your directors will know your wishes. We need to hear from you!

It is with mixed feelings that I write my last message to you as your president. The deadline for this issue is June 1, and at this particular time I am inundated with the tasks of any executive preparing for an important annual meeting: copying reports of all committees for thorough study by each director before they meet, trying to be sure I've left nothing undone that I ought to have done, and continually jotting down ideas and recommendations to bring to the Board. I've discovered that any president should have the patience of Job, the stamina of Samson, and 48 hours in each day. But regardless of the responsibilities, it has been a most meaningful and rewarding experience and I shall always treasure the joy and pleasure I have derived from getting to know so many wonderful ATOS members. How I wish I could be a member of each chapter.

My most sincere appreciation to the present Board of Directors and a welcome to the new additions, who I am sure will join in working toward reaching our stated goals. Also, special thanks to our editor and the many, many members who have contributed their time and talents.

I continue to ask each of you to bring in at least one new member each year, and to aid the Young Organists Awards Fund and the Archives/Library with your monetary gifts and bequests in your wills. ATOS needs YOU.

Thank you for the honor and privilege you bestowed upon me in allowing me to serve as your president. It has been a wonderful two years, a time in my life that will always be very special.

Sincerely, Lois F. Segur

