

YEAR END CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

In September, 2014 the Board and invited ATOS members participated in a Retreat with Dr. William Weary. At the conclusion, I appointed two major committees to implement the decisions made at that Retreat. The first is the Retreat Forward Committee, Chairman Dr. William Coale, which is designed to map our path forward toward the goals envisioned at the Retreat.

The second is the Finance Committee, Chairman Mark Renwick, to revise financial procedures and create an annual budget.

Later in the year several other committees were appointed, such as the Bylaws and Policies, Chairman Jack Moelman, charged with revising and updating our present Bylaws and Policies.

I also appointed a Communications Committee with the task of updating and modernizing our lines and means of communication within the organization and within the Board itself.

This year a second Chapter Census was conducted by the Chapter Liaison Committee, Chairman Don Phipps, with the goal of being aware of the various chapters of ATOS with their successes and their needs.

During this year the ATOS Website has undergone many changes and upgrades but more still needs to be done. This is our main line of communication with the members and the world at large. It must present our message clearly and persuasively.

While all this was a good start toward implementing the recommendations from the Retreat, it is just a beginning. More work must continue to keep ATOS a viable organization for the future.

Locations for the next several conventions have been named: 2016 Cleveland, Ohio, hosted by the Western Reserve Chapter, 2017 Tampa, Florida, hosted by the Central Florida Chapter, 2018 Los Angeles, California, hosted by the Los Angeles Chapter.

It has been my privilege to preside over short, yet quite productive, Board meetings throughout the year and, in fact, during my entire tenure as Chairman. For this I thank the members of the Board who worked together toward the goal of bringing ATOS into the modern world as a successful corporation instead of an outmoded hobby.