At the request of the Strategic Planning Committee of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons, Education Division, we have initiated our bimonthly newsletter for the members of the Pediatric Section, this being issue No. 1.

The objectives of the newsletter are to inform section members of section activities and summarize information that will aid in primary objective patient care and continuing education.

PEDIATRIC ANNUAL MEETING, NOV. 30-DEC. 2
SETS ATTENDANCE RECORD

The plenary meeting of the Pediatric Section was held in the Four Seasons Hotel in Toronto, co-sponsored by the Hospital for Sick Children, Neurosurgery Service. There were 126 enrollees in the meeting, making this the largest sectional meeting ever held. The scientific quality of the papers were uniformly above average, very good discussions followed and the overall comments of those attending the meeting were that of an excellent gathering.

Our hosts organized banquets and receptions that allowed for an interchange of communications between the members, guests, and residents who participated in the meeting. The social events were enjoyed by all.

Support was received from various exhibitors, shunt manufacturers and related companies.

Our warmest thanks to our hosts in Toronto.

THE KENNETH SHULMAN AWARD OF 1983:

The Kenneth Shulman Award was endowed by the widow of Dr. Shulman as a tribute to his dedication to the development of pediatric neurosurgery. The award is given to the best pediatric neurosurgical paper in the annual December meeting of the Pediatric Section.

The Kenneth Shulman Committee decided that the winner of this year's award was Kim H. Manwaring, M.D., Resident at the Barrows Neurological Institute, Phoenix, Arizona. The award was announced by the Chairman of the Committee, Harold Hoffman, M.D., following the final presentation on December 2, 1983. The award consists of $500 from the Kenneth Shulman Fund that will be mailed to him together with a certificate.

THE PAOLO-RAIMONDI LECTURE OF 1983

In the annual meeting of the Pediatric Section of the AANS, the Paolo-Raimondi Annual Lecture is hosted.

This year, the lecture was given by Derek Harwood-Nash, M.D., Radiologist in Chief, The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto. He discussed in detail and at length the neuro-radiological diagnosis of the cranio-cervical junction.

The Pediatric Section wishes to thank Dr. Harwood-Nash for his excellent presentation at the December meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE PEDIATRIC SECTION

The next meeting of the Pediatric Section will be an interim meeting that will take place in the annual general meeting of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons in April in San Francisco.

The next plenary meeting of the Pediatric Section of the AANS will be hosted by the Neurosurgery Service of the Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah, December 12, 13, and 14, 1984. Our hosts, Drs. Jack Walker and Bruce Storrs, assure us a wonderful affair.
THE DONALD MATSON AWARD:

The neurosurgical resident who prepares the best scientific manuscript has traditionally been the recipient of the Donald Matson Award at the American Association of Neurological Surgeons' Annual Meeting.

The Donald Matson Award Committee, chaired by Dr. Robert McLaurin, is currently reviewing various aspects of the award, specifically, the number of manuscripts submitted in a given year and whether or not effort should be made to encourage greater participation.

THE FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Pediatric Section completed the third quarter in a favorable financial state. This does not take into account expenses incurred for the annual meeting of Toronto, December 1983. The third quarter financial statement was circulated in the annual meeting in December 1983, with income over expenses of $9,123.51, allowing for a total equity of approximately $23,300.00. The final quarter statement will be presented in April meeting of the AANS.

MEMBERSHIP AND REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

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Five new members have been elected to the Pediatric Section of the AANS at the December 1983 annual meeting. They are: A. Leland Albright, M.D., Pittsburgh, Frank Gamache, M.D., New York, John C. Hawkins, M.D., Jacksonville, Allen S. Joseph, M.D., Washington, D.C., Arden F. Reynolds, M.D., Oklahoma.

The current membership is thus at an all-time high of 135 members.

Material for the next issue of the Pediatric Newsletter should be directed to the newly elected Secretary-Treasurer, Michael Scott, M.D., New Eng. Med. Ctr., Boston, MA 02111.

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