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Editorial

Fred Epstein and Robin Humphreys have just completed their terms on the Editorial Board of Pediatric Neurosurgery. Under their leadership Pediatric Neurosurgery more than doubled in subscriptions and established itself as a quality journal that is here to stay. We owe these 2 men, not only for their contributions to our journal, but also for their leadership in our young specialty.

It should be clear that the growth of the American Society of Pediatric Neu-rosurgeons (ASPN), recognition of pediatric neurosurgery as a speciality and our journal are linked together. If the ASPN speaks for pediatric neurosurgery, the voice is Pediatric Neurosurgery. Individuals committed to the development of our specialty need to vest themselves in our journal. We pediatric neurosurgeons must take ownership and must consider this our journal. It is time that, when one seeks answers to difficult problems in pediatric neurosurgery, our journal should be the first resource. This direction and momentum is gained only by our willingness to publish important manuscripts in Pediatric Neurosurgery.

The Editorial Board of *Pediatric Neurosurgery* is made up of outstanding individuals in the pediatric neurosciences. With the addition of Marion Walker to lead the pediatric neurosurgery section and Thomas Naidich to the already outstanding neuroimaging section, new vigor has been added.

As your Editor-in-Chief, my efforts will be directed at continuing the direction and growth initiated by those who have gone before me. While no dramatic change in content or policy are planned, reactivation of previous and the addition of new features are planned. During my term as Editor-in-Chief I would obviously like to leave my mark on our journal. I seek your criticism, both constructive and otherwise. I encourage your participation as subscribers but more importantly as contributors. This is your journal. I will have succeeded if we, the pediatric neurosurgeons, feel ownership *of Pediatric Neurosurgery*.

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