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# SHEA News

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## **Free-Standing Newsletter**

A free-standing newsletter for the society membership had its inaugural (re)publication this summer ("re" because at SHEA's inception there was a newsletter that was incorporated into the *Journal* when it became our official organ).

Now we will have two Newsletters! How's that for membership perqs? The freestanding Newsletter, for the present, will be a quarterly publication with more in-depth recountings of **SHEA** triumphs and glories. The **SHEA** pages in the *Journal* have been renamed "SHEA News" to avoid confusion with the free-standing Newsletter. The News pages will continue to be used for items requiring more timely presentation to the membership.

Please direct any potential news items (for either publication), comments, inquiries, job openings, and so on to the address listed in the "Brief Items of Interest" notice on the next page.

### SHEA Election Results

The results of our annual election announced at the SHEA luncheon during ICAAC are as follows: Dr. Peter Gross, vice president (he will become president-elect in 1993 and president in 1994); Dr. Elias Abrutyn, treasurer; Dr. Loreen Herwaldt, councilor; and Dr. Ludwig Lettau, councilor. Congratulations!

## **SHEA Nominating Committee**

Dr. August J. Valenti has been appointed chair of the Nominating Committee for 1992. The Committee will develop a slate of candidates for the election to be held in the spring of 1992 for offices to be filled in January 1993. The time of this election represents a change from prior years- preceded our fall luncheon at ICAAC-to an election that is now timed to precede our annual spring meeting. Newly elected officials will continue to begin their duties

in January.

The Committee will nominate candidates for vice president, secretary, and two councilor positions. Members of SHEA who wish to suggest names to the Committee for consideration as candidates should submit the name(s) in writing to Dr. Valenti by December 12, 1991. His address is Maine Medical Center, 22 Bramhall St., Portland, ME 04102. Telephone (207) 774-5711; FAX (207) 774-7831.

## SHEA Membership Survey

The first issue of the freestanding Newsletter had a two-page membership survey that will yield important information for develop ing services for our members and that will give useful demographic information that members can use in negotiations with their hospitals. If you haven't filled out your questionnaire and returned it to Dr. Bruce Hamory, please do so soon!