Editorial

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Our Journal was first published in September 1941. Harry L. Arnold, Jr. M.D. served as the first Editor – for 41 years. Following Harry were Doris R. Jasinski, M.D. and the late J.I. Frederick Reppun, M.D.

When Fred asked if I would take over as Editor in January 1994, he advised, nay warned, that it would be a lot of work. He was right! Despite the time involved, it has provided an opportunity to review many interesting, some unusual, and occasionally controversial manuscripts. With the help of our Peer Review Panel including more than 200 members of the Hawaii Medical Association, the Editor’s tasks are lightened significantly.

During the last twelve months were six Special Issues:
• A memorial to Thomas J. Whelan, Jr., M.D. (November 1999)
• Issues in Current Healthcare and Reports from the American College of Physicians and the American Society of Internal Medicine/Hawaii Chapter (February 2000)
• The long-awaited Journal on Pain (March 2000)
• A trilogy of issues from the Third Pacific Vascular Symposium on Venous Diseases (April, May and June 2000)

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On to the next millennium.