Myron Gordon, MD ’48  
**Lifetime Achievement Award**

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), District I/ENY presented its Lifetime Achievement Award to Myron Gordon, MD, FACOG, of the Albany Medical Center in Albany, New York, during its annual meeting in Manhattan on October 27, 2007. The Lifetime Achievement Award is bestowed annually upon a New York obstetrician-gynecologist who exemplifies a lifetime of unparalleled mentorship in obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. Gordon’s tireless and active participation in the field is highly commendable,” said Martin L. Stone, MD, of Southampton, NY.

“His steadfast commitment to quality care for females sets him apart as a true leader in obstetrics and gynecology.”

After graduating from medical school in 1948, he trained in ob/gyn at New York Medical College in New York City until 1954, while also serving in the Navy (1943 to 1946). Soon after leaving the service, he began practicing ob-gyn full time at the New York Medical College, where in 1979 he was appointed vice chair. A year later he was named professor and chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Albany Medical College, a position he held until 1995. Currently, he continues to serve as part-time faculty at the college.

Gordon’s memberships include ACOG, the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals, and the International Society of the Advancement of Humanistic Studies in Gynecology. He served as the chair of ACOG District I/ENY from 1972 to 1975 and has been dedicated to its Committee on Continuing Education, the Committee on Terminology, the Committee on Honors and Recognition, the Committee on Underserved Women and the Safe Motherhood Initiative.

In 2006, he accepted the “Wall of Fame” award from the UB School of Medicine. The award is presented each year to a distinguished resident graduate of the Department Gynecology-Obstetrics.

### 1970s

Jerald A. Bovino, MD ’71, a retired professor of ophthalmology at the Medical College of Ohio, was presented the 5th Zivojnovic Honor Award by the European Vitreoretinal Society on September 18, 2007, in Venice, Italy. He is the first American ever to win this prestigious award, which was established to recognize Relya Zivojnovic, one of the founders of the vitreoretinal surgical specialty.

A pioneer in the field of vitreoretinal and macular surgery, Bovino invented the intraoperative use of the laser during retinal detachment surgery and wrote and edited the first textbook on macular surgery. He also was one of the founders of the Vitreous Society and the American Society of Retina Specialists, where he currently serves as a founding director.

### 2000s

Rosaan Luna, MD ’93, has joined the physician team at Lifetime Health Medical Group.

Luna earned an undergraduate degree in biology from Canisius College. She completed her degree and training in obstetrics-gynecology at UB. Currently she is a member of the Quality Assurance Committee at the Women and Children’s Hospital of Buffalo.

Maxine Hayes, MD ’73, MPH

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According to an APHA statement, “Hayes has worked to help the medically underserved and the nation’s vulnerable populations. Over the past three decades, she has given voice to issues such as hunger, pediatric AIDS, health care for the homeless, smoking bans, child labor and pregnancy planning, continually working to improve the health of women and children.”

In Washington State, Hayes has served as assistant secretary for community and family health, as well as parent-child health services for the health department. She previously was medical director of the Odyssey Brown Children’s Clinic, and project and medical director of the Hinds-Rankin Urban Health Innovations Project. She has forged many alliances and partnerships to influence policy at all levels of government, particularly policies impacting the maternal and child health population.

Hayes has served as president of the Association of Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Programs, chair of APHA’s Maternal and Child Health Section and national program director for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s Child Health Initiative. She was appointed to the Institute of Medicine’s Board of Children, Youth and Families and has served as the associate editor of the Maternal & Child Health Journal since 1997. She has frequently been consulted by the U.S. Maternal Child Health Bureau on policy issues.

“Maxine Hayes is absolutely tireless,” APHA member Holly Grauer, MA, of the John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, wrote in a letter nominating Hayes for the Rodriguez-Trias award. “She is an outstanding colleague and mentor to MCH professionals and advocates throughout the country.”

Among her many publications, Hayes has written ten articles on health disparities, social justice, advocacy and the special health concerns of minority populations. She has been honored with many awards for her work in maternal and child health, including the American Medical Association’s 2002 Dr. Nathan Davis Award and the 2003 Heroes in Health Care Lifetime Achievement Award through the Washington Health Foundation. She was elected to the Institute of Medicine in 2006 and is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics.
In Memoriam

Edward Kopf, MD '55,
PLASTIC SURGEON AND LONGTIME CIVIC LEADER IN LAS VEGAS, Nevada, and a driving force behind founding the University of Nevada School of Medicine, died November 2, 2007, after a lengthy illness. He was 83.

Kopf received international recognition as one of the first plastic surgeons in the United States to call attention to the complications of silicone implants. He was the leading voice to outlaw such injections in Nevada and helped physicians in California pass similar legislation. Toward the end of his career, in the late 1980s, Kopf organized crews of doctors and volunteers to help children in Mexico.

Kopf retired in 1992 after quadruple heart bypass surgery. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Rose Kopf; four children, Charles Kopf, Karolanne Hern, Eddie Kopf and Joseph Kopf; a brother, Dr. Al Kopf; and a sister, Virginia Kopf. The family requests that memorials be directed to the Southern Nevada Drug Abuse Council, the Help Them Walk Again Foundation, the Southern Nevada Eye Bank or to Buffalo General Hospital. In the early 1980s, he served on the Governor's Committee of Employment for the Handicapped and the board of the Southern Nevada Association of the Handicapped.

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The Medical Alumni Association presents Spring Clinical Day on Saturday, May 3, 2008, at the Buffalo Niagara Marriott Hotel. The program, sponsored by the Harrington Lecture Endowment, will be held in conjunction with Reunion Weekend and will feature keynote speaker Michael F. Roizen, MD, back by popular demand.

Roizen, who is author of the New York Time’s bestseller *RealAge*, will return to present “YOU: Staying Young.” In 1999, RealAge was awarded the Best Wellness Book of the Year by the Books for a Better Life Awards. His three subsequent books have also been bestsellers.

Roizen completed his residency in internal medicine at Harvard’s Beth Israel Hospital, after which he served a tour of duty in the Public Health Service at the National Institutes of Health working in the laboratory of Irv Kopin and Nobel Prize–winner Julius Axelrod. He is certified by both the American Board of Internal Medicine and the American Board of Anesthesiology.

He is past chair of a Food and Drug Administration advisory committee and a former editor for six medical journals. He has published more than 155 peer-reviewed scientific papers, 100 textbook chapters, 30 editorials and four medical books, including a medical bestseller. He also has received 12 U.S. patents and several foreign patents. Currently Roizen serves as chair of the Division of Anesthesiology, Critical Care Management, and Comprehensive Pain Management at the Cleveland Clinic.

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