

**DEPARTMENT OF
GYNECOLOGY - OBSTETRICS**

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**MESSAGE FROM
THE CHAIRMAN**

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

It is with great excitement that we bring you our first departmental newsletter.

For over 150 years, since being organized in 1846 as the Department of Obstetrics and Diseases of Women and Children, the Department of Gynecology-Obstetrics has been known nationally for its clinical and teaching excellence. Over the past five years, our priorities have expanded, with research crowning the strong tradition of patient care and teaching. We have established new basic science laboratories for research into women's health issues, strengthened our affiliations with University basic science and clinical departments, secured outside research grants, and begun recruiting academic research scientists.

We look forward to updating you about our department.

Sincerely,

John Yeh, MD

Professor and Chairman

OUR DEPARTMENT**Full Time Faculty**

Two of our newest faculty recruits are already making great strides in our field. Dr. Ali Ghomi, a graduate of our residency program, received the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists Surgery Award for a prize paper in 2004, and Dr. Armando Arroyo received a \$50,000 research grant from the University at Buffalo, Interdisciplinary Research and Creative Activities Fund (IRCAF) to support a proposal titled "Role of Hyperpolarization-activated cation (HCN) channels in Gonadotropin releasing hormone (GnRH) secretion." Both physicians also provide clinical care through our hospital affiliations and the University's private practice. In addition to these outstanding accomplishments, our esteemed colleague, Dr. Ronald Batt, received a grant from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists for his work on the history of endometriosis.

Visit by the UB President

On September 15, 2004, John B. Simpson, the 14th President of the University at Buffalo, Satish Tripathi, Provost, and Margaret Paroski, Interim Dean, spent several hours meeting with the faculty and staff of our Department. We were honored by the visit and appreciate the unprecedented opportunity to meet with the President as a faculty to discuss our mission and goals. The visit underscored the President's commitment to evaluate at first hand the strengths and opportunities of the University; to focus resources and energy to higher levels of achievement, to engage the faculty in a unified effort to set higher goals, to increase research activity and distinction, and to elevate the University to the top echelon of public research universities in North America. The Department is eager to work with President Simpson to achieve these objectives.

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information on critical and timely women's
health issues.*

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