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Milton Waner, MD
2005 Gary S. Roubin, MD, PhD
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2002 Jeffrey P. Gold, MD
2001 Kenneth M. Kamler, MD
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1998 David A. Kessler, MD
1997 David M. Eisenberg, MD
1996 Richard A. Rifkind, MD
1995 Barbara L. Smith, MD
1993 Marvin L. Gliedman, MD
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1991 M. Michael Eisenberg, MD
1990 Frances D. Moore, MD
1989 Bernard M. Jaffe, MD
1988 G.T. Shires, MD

Past Prize Recipients

2014 Aleksey Lazarev, MD
2013 Rebecca Kowalski, M.D.
2011 Timothy Siegrist, MD
2010 Dean Padavan, MD
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2002 Adam Ofer, MD
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1995 Monica L. Meyers, MD
1993 Mark B. Anderson, MD
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1991 Patricia Farrelly, MD
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The 25th Annual John O. Vieta, MD

Lecture and Prize Program



Plastic Surgical Reconstruction of the External Ear

Lecturer

Charles H. Thorne, MD
Chairman, Department of Plastic Surgery
**Lenox Hill Hospital and Manhattan Eye,
Ear & Throat Hospital**



**Presentation of the John O. Vieta, MD Award
for Outstanding Performance and Contribution
to Ryan Suplee, MD**

Tuesday, May 12, 2015, 5:30pm
Lenox Hill Hospital
Bruno Presentation Room, 130 East 77th Street

**A reception will follow the lecture in the
Ellen and James S. Marcus Hearth Room**



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The 2015 John O. Vieta, MD Lecture and Prize Program honors the memory of the late Dr. Vieta, a distinguished and highly respected member of Lenox Hill Hospital's Department of Surgery for 40 years, including eight years as Director. Since its inception in 1988, this annual program has played an integral role in the hospital's ongoing commitment to medical and academic excellence.

Dr. John O. Vieta was noted for his wide-ranging professional accomplishments and his active interest in the education of young physicians. The Vieta Lecture and Prize Program, featuring distinguished lecturers from the medical field, reflects his diverse surgical and medical interests as well as his commitment to academic and educational programs.

A Lenox Hill Hospital House Staff member is selected annually to receive the John O. Vieta, MD Prize for Outstanding Performance and Contribution by a Resident or Fellow. This physician best exemplifies Dr. Vieta's professional excellence and high standards of patient care. The coveted prize includes a \$1,000 cash award, a gift and special scroll.



**2015 Vieta Lecturer:
Dr. Charles H. Thorne**

A Californian by birth, Dr. Thorne received his BA from Yale College in 1974 where he played baseball and hockey and then served for two years in the Peace Corps in West Africa. Dr. Thorne attended UCLA School of Medicine, trained in Surgery at the Massachusetts General Hospital and in Plastic Surgery at NYU. His final year of training, 1988-1989, was also spent at NYU where he completed a Craniofacial and Pediatric Plastic surgery fellowship.

In 1989 Dr. Thorne joined the faculty at NYU. He has served as Chief of Plastic Surgery at Bellevue Hospital, Director of the Plastic Surgery residency program at NYU, Section Editor for the Journal of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, President of the Northeastern Society of Plastic Surgeons, and has served as Chair of the American Board of Plastic Surgery. Finally, Dr. Thorne is the Editor-in-Chief of the oldest and most-read textbook, Grabb and Smith's Plastic Surgery.

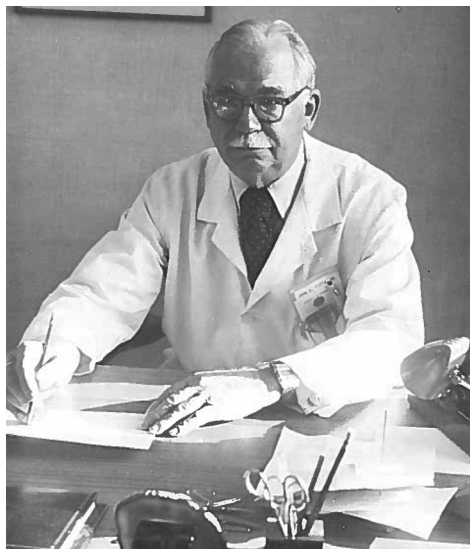
Dr. Thorne's clinical practice consists of pediatric plastic surgery and cosmetic surgery of the face, for which he has an international reputation. In March of this year Dr. Thorne and Dr. Wojciech Dec, a recent addition to the Lenox Hill Plastic Surgery staff, led a surgical and educational mission to Vietnam where they taught pediatric ear reconstruction. In September, 2015 Dr. Thorne will perform a live surgery demonstration of ear reduction at a meeting of Russian plastic surgeons in St. Petersburg. Dr. Thorne is an authority on facelifting and has spoken at many meetings on the topic: "The modern facelift: natural results with no evidence of surgery".



**2015 Vieta Award Recipient:
Dr. Ryan Suplee**

Dr. Ryan Suplee was born and raised in Sarasota, Florida. He went to Yale University for his undergraduate training, where he received a varsity letter for lightweight crew, completed his premedical requirements, and graduated with a BA in Economics in 2006. He returned to Florida for medical school. He was elected to the Phi Kappa Phi and Golden Key Honor Societies and graduated from Florida State University College of Medicine in 2010. Upon graduation from an Integrated Vascular Surgery residency at Lenox Hill Hospital this June, he will return to Florida and start at a private practice vascular surgery position in Fort Myers.

John O. Vieta, M.D., F.A.C.S.



Pursuit of excellence, stamina, determination, strength, resolve, compassion and boundless curiosity. These traits coupled with insistence on putting the patient first made John Vieta a good surgeon but an even better physician. Service in Europe during World War II sharpened his skill and taught him critical and instinctive decisiveness. He would explain to his students that the less than perfect conditions, for many different reasons, made him far better at his work.

John Vieta was devoted to his profession, his students and most of all his patients. For him, the patient came first and everything else was secondary. He challenged himself to be the best and expected the same of all who worked with him. He instilled in his students devotion to patient care. He insisted that humanitarian beliefs remain at the forefront of the progress of medicine and would always be present in the brightest and the best. He trusted that no matter how hard the struggle, there would always be good men and good women to carry it forward.

Dr. Vieta was not a one-dimensional human being. He was always juggling one or two books as well as medical magazines and texts. He fished to relax and traveled to better understand the world around him. His inquisitive mind loved a challenge. He never lost the curiosity he felt was essential to sharpen the mind. He would have loved this lecture series and the advances in medicine revealed here at Lenox Hill through these topics. He would have been deeply honored by the prize established in his name that recognizes so many students not only for their outstanding accomplishments, but also for the altruism that highlights their practice. Medicine will continue to evolve, but the humane practice of it needs to endure. That would be the lesson of John Vieta. He would look to the future with hope.



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We welcome donations to help ensure that this lecture and award program continues as Dr. Vieta envisioned.

Generous donors are the key to our success and make it possible for us to continue providing cutting edge medical lectures, and to recognize a doctor with outstanding accomplishments who practices medicine with humanitarian beliefs.

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