The Hauptman-Woodward Medical Research Institute (HWI) is celebrating the success of the 2006 Research Intern Summer Program. Students from schools throughout the United States have participated in the summer program which was made possible largely by a $50,000 county grant supported by Erie County Executive Joel Giambra and Erie County Legislature Chair Lynn Marinelli. The 33-year old summer program is designed to help improve science literacy and to encourage young people to pursue science careers. HWI’s research scientists, including Dr. Herbert Hauptman, Buffalo’s only Nobel Laureate, offer hands-on-state-of-the-art experience in research. The experience helps the students make decisions about careers in health-related professions.

WHEN:  Tuesday, August 1, 2006 at 10 a.m.

WHERE:  Hauptman-Woodward Medical Research Institute
         700 Ellicott Street, Buffalo

WHAT:  Buffalo’s only Nobel Laureate Dr. Herbert A. Hauptman along with Principal Research Scientist Dr. Jane F. Griffin recognize the $50,000 county grant in support of HWI’s 2006 Summer Student Program.

WHO:  Joining Dr. Herbert A. Hauptman and Dr. Jane F. Griffin will be:
         - Erie County Executive Joel Giambra
         - Erie County Legislature Chair Lynn Marinelli
         - 2006 HWI Summer Students

WHY:  To recognize the generous county grant that is making it possible to continue the promoting educational excellence in science for some of the many young, bright students in our community.

Celebrating 50 years of exceptional scientific research, HWI is an independent, non-profit facility specializing in the area of fundamental biomedical research known as structural biology. Our team of more than 70 staff members is committed to improving human health by studying the causes of diseases, as well as potential therapies, at their basic molecular level. We are located in the heart of the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus in downtown Buffalo, New York, in a new state-of-the-art structural biology research center at 700 Ellicott Street. For more information, visit HWI’s website at www.hwi.buffalo.edu or call 716-898-8600.

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