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Dear former student and friend of the department,

On behalf of the Department of Biomedical Engineering, welcome to our first issue of the newsletter. Our Department has seen significant growth over the last few years and efforts by the faculty, students, and alumni/ae have generated a lot of publicity. It seemed fitting to use the Department's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary to put together a newsletter highlighting developments from this calendar year:

- Biomedical Imaging Expert Ge Wang joins Rensselaer as Clark and Crossan Professor [\[More\]](#)
- Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute announce academic collaboration [\[More\]](#)
- Leo Wan receives NSF Career Award [\[More\]](#)
- Deepak Vashishth named CBIS Director [\[More\]](#)
- Juergen Hahn elected to AIMBE College of Fellows [\[More\]](#)
- Rebecca Wachs is one of three finalists for the 2013 Lemelson-Rensselaer Student Prize [\[More\]](#)
- Undergraduate students Maureen Newman and Alexandra McGregor awarded NSF Graduate Research Fellowships [\[More\]](#)
- Eric Ledet selected for Trustees Outstanding Teacher Award [\[More\]](#)
- BME celebrates graduation of record number of students: 99 BS, 14 MS, and 8 PhDs awarded in May [\[More\]](#)
- Xavier Intes named Associate Editor of Biomedical Optics Express [\[More\]](#)
- Ryan Gilbert promoted to Associate Professor [\[More\]](#)
- Lingling Zhao receives 2013 Ajit Prabhu Graduate Fellowship [\[More\]](#)
- Mariah Hahn appointed to Editorial Board of Scientific Reports [\[More\]](#)
- Juergen Hahn appointed journal editor [\[More\]](#)
- Leo Wan named 2013 Pew Scholar [\[More\]](#)
- Collaboration between Center for Disability Services and the Biomedical Engineering Capstone Design Course wins Program Innovation Award of the Cerebral Palsy Association of New York State.

The Biomedical Engineering Department will have a reception at the BMES Annual Meeting in Seattle to celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary (Thursday, 09/26, 8:00pm-9:30pm). Please stop by the reception if you happen to be at the conference or feel free to e-mail/call me if you have questions about our ongoing activities. Also, if you are going to be on campus, please do not hesitate to stop by and say hello.

Best regards,

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