MASTER’S DEFENSE TODAY:
Ms. Allie Archer will defend her Master’s thesis today beginning at 1:00 p.m. in Seaton 133. The title of her thesis is The Need for Effective Engineering: A Look at the Factors Contributing to Globally Successful and Sustainable Solutions.

TRAVELS:
Dr. Jim Steichen participated in the State Environmental Leadership Program Workshop, November 16-18, near Buffalo, New York.

UNITED WAY:
The 2011 campaign runs through December 9. If you have not received your K-State United Way contribution materials, visit www.k-state.edu/unitedway. Participating in the K-State United Way Campaign demonstrates that we supper our neighbors and help impact the quality of life for people in our community who need assistance the most. All the money raised for the United Way will stay in Riley County unless you specify your donation to go to another county. Each year the United Way Campaign brings together K-State employees, students and local agencies to support three key areas: education, income, and health. This year’s campaign goals are: 1,000 total participants, $200,000 in donations. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

GRADE SUBMISSION DEADLINES:
Grades for Fall 2011 are due by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 20. The deadline to copy grades from K-State Online into iSIS is 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 20. Grade rosters will be available in iSIS for grade entry after 5:00 p.m., Friday, December 9. If these deadlines are missed, grades MUST be submitted directly to the Registrar’s Office using individual grade change forms for each student. Grades for nonstandard courses are due 5 business days after the class ends except for classes ending during finals week, when all grades are due at the same time. Students will be able to view grades for regular courses in iSIS beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 21.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
“Thanksgiving comes to us out of the prehistoric dimness, universal to all ages and all faiths. At whatever straws we must grasp, there is always a time for gratitude and new beginnings.”

--J. Robert Moskin

LOOKING AHEAD:
November 21-25 – Fall break week
December 2 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall
December 2 – BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall
December 7 – BAE Advisory Council Meeting, Seaton 133
December 9 – Graduate School Commencement, 1:00 p.m., Bramlage Coliseum
December 10 – Commencement: COA-1:30 p.m.; COE 3:00 p.m. – Bramlage Coliseum
December 10 – COE Graduation Reception (12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.)/Order of the Engineer initiation–COE Atrium/Paslay
December 12-16 – Finals week
December 12 – College of Agriculture Holiday Party, 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Houston Street Ballroom
December 14 – BAE/ARECNS Holiday Luncheon, Seaton 142
December 15 – COE Holiday Luncheon – Alumni Center
December 16 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall
December 16 – BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall
December 23 – BAE Faculty annual evaluations due
December 26-January 2 – University Holiday-all offices closed
January 16 – University Holiday
January 17 – Spring semester begins
February 5-9 – Telefund
February 7 – Engineering Career Fair

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