CONGRATULATIONS:
Mr. Orlando Aguilar (BAE Ph.D. student) was selected during the Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session (held on February 2) as one of the 10 poster presenters to present his research and represent K-State in Topeka on February 17 at the Capitol Graduate Research Summit! Orlando’s poster title is *Nitrous Oxide Emissions from a Commercial Cattle Feedlot in Kansas*. There were 28 entries from 15 academic departments in the poster session this year. The Research and the State Graduate Student Poster Session is sponsored by the Graduate Student Council, the Graduate School and the Offices of the President and Provost. Good luck in Topeka, Orlando!

GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH WEEK:
Governor Sam Brownback has proclaimed February 13-19 as Graduate Student Research Week. Each year prior to the Capitol Graduate Research Summit (coordinated by the graduate schools, deans, and leaders of the graduate student organizations from K-State, KU, KU Medical School and Wichita State) one of the graduate deans works with the Governor’s Office to request a proclamation acknowledging the contributions of our graduate students to advancing research in the State of Kansas. Dr. Allen Rawitch from KU Medical School was successful in obtaining the proclamation this year.

EYESTONE LECTURE SERIES – February 15 – 8:30 a.m., Fiedler Hall Auditorium:
The next speaker in the Eyestone Lecture Series is Dr. Dixon Doll, co-founder and general partner of DCM, a venture capital firm that partners with exceptional entrepreneurs to bring disruptive products and services to global markets. Dr. Doll is a 1964 graduate of our Electrical Engineering program, and holds master’s and doctorate degrees in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan, where he was a National Science Foundation Scholar. Dr. Doll will present a brief overview of the venture capital enterprise and will then take questions from the audience. Please take advantage of this unique opportunity to hear from one of the world’s leading venture capitalists when he visits our campus on February 15.

BAE 815 SEMINAR:
Mr. Fung Xu will be the presenter in BAE 815 on Thursday, February 10. Mr. Xu’s presentation, *Process Optimization for Glucose Production from Photoperiod Sensitive Sorghum*, begins at 3:30 p.m. in Rathbone 1063.

BAE POLO SHIRTS TO BE ORDERED:
Orders are being taken now through noon on February 25 for BAE polo shirts (ladies and men’s styles available). If we order 12-35 shirts, the cost is $19 (plus sales tax); if we order 36 or more shirts, the price will be $18 (plus sales tax). There is an “up charge” for XXL ($2) and XXXL ($4). Payment will be due when the shirts are delivered. Ladies, please note: GTM only has 5 small purple shirts available. Order sheets are in Seaton 129; and if you have any questions, please contact Barb Moore bijmoore2@ksu.edu or 532-2900.

BAE GRADUATE STUDENT-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD NOMINATIONS:
BAE will present the Graduate Student-of-the-Year Award to an exceptional BAE graduate student in recognition of his or her outstanding academic performance, accomplishments, and overall contribution to the Department and profession. The award will be open to BAE graduate students who are enrolled in the BAE M.S. or Ph.D. program during the current academic year, and have filed a program of study. BAE Faculty and fellow graduate students may submit a letter of nomination detailing the candidate’s performance and outstanding accomplishments. The deadline has been extended to February 15, 2011. Each nominee is to provide Dr. Naiqian Zhang, Graduate Committee Chair, or Barb Moore a curriculum vitae and names of three references. The winner will be selected by the BAE Graduate Committee by February 28, 2011.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
“The greatest degree if inner tranquility comes from the development of love and compassion. The more we care for the happiness of others, the greater is our own sense of well-being.”
—Tenzin Gyatso, 14th Dalai Lama

LOOKING AHEAD:
February 13-17 – Telefund
February 14 – Last day to Drop with 50% refund
February 15 – Eyestone Lecture Series - Dr. Dixon Doll, speaker – 8:30 a.m. Fiedler Auditorium
February 18 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall
February 18 – BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

**February 21 – Engineering Day**, COE Atrium/Student Union

February 22 – Last day to drop a course without a “W” being recorded

February 25 – Summer/Fall 2011 course schedule on web

March 4 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

March 4 – BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

March 10 – Study Abroad Forum, 4:30-6:00 p.m., Fiedler Auditorium

March 18 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

March 18 – BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

March 21-25 – Spring Break

March 26 – Last day to drop a course

March 28 – Enrollment for Summer/Fall 2011 terms begin

April 1 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

April 1 – BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

April 7 – COE Faculty Meeting, 3:30 p.m., Fiedler Auditorium

April 15 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

April 15 – BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

April 15-16 – Engineering Open House

April 16 – All-University Open House

April 19 – Faculty Retirement Reception, 4:00 p.m., Alumni Center

April 25 – COE Staff Appreciation Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Alumni Center Ballroom

April 26-27 – Orientation/enrollment for new transfer students for Summer/Fall 2011 terms

April 28 – Black & Veatch Day

April 30 – Seaton Society, Alumni Center

May 6 – Last day of Spring 2011 term

May 6 – BAE Faculty Meeting, 1:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

May 6– BAE Teaching Faculty Meeting, 2:30 p.m., 133 Seaton Hall

May 9-13 Finals week

May 13 – Graduate School Commencement

May 14 – COA/COE Commencement

May 16 – May 2011 Intersession begins

May 17 – Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for submitting into iSIS (4:00 p.m. through KSOL) Spring 2011 final grades

May 18 – Final grades available in iSIS

May 20 – TENTATIVE: BAE Retreat

May 23 – Summer 2011 term begins

May 30 – University Holiday

May 30-June 3 – Engineering & Summer Science Institute (ESSI)

June 1-3 – Engineering & Summer Science Institute for Teachers

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Please submit your news and travel information to Barb Moore bjmoore2@ksu.edu