CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2011 QUARTER-SCALE TRACTOR TEAMS!
The 2011 ASABE ¼-Scale Tractor International Student Design Competition was held in Peoria, Illinois on June 2 through June 5. We are proud to report that the K-State ¼-Scale Tractor Team won first place overall; and K-State’s X Team placed second overall! At this year’s competition, 27 universities were represented, including 4 from Canada.

The A Team placements are as follows:
1st place – Written Report
1st place – 1050 Hook 1 Pull
1st place – 1050 Hook 2 pull
3rd place – 1500 Hook 3 pull
2nd place – 1500 Hook 4 pull
1st place – Design Performance
1st place – Overall

A Team members at competition: Doug Grollmes, A Team president, BAE junior (Circleville, KS); Clay Reinecke, vice president, BAE senior (Centralia, KS); Brett McClain, secretary, BSE senior (Phillipsburg, KS); Nicholas Depenbusch, treasurer, BSE senior (Nashville, KS); Jonathan Zeller, shop foreman, BSE senior (Overbrook, KS); David Becker, BSE senior (Melvern, KS); Bradley McVey, BSE junior (Fredonia, KS); Doug Niehues, BSE junior (Goff, KS).

X Team members at competition: Justin Sales, X Team president, ATM sophomore (Valley Falls, KS); Ben Bellar, ATM sophomore (Howard, KS); Brad Ellenz, ATM sophomore (Beloit, KS); Cody Hommertzheim, ATM freshman (Pratt, KS); Andrew Koch, BSE sophomore (Auburn, KS); Isaac Spear, BSE freshman (Littleton, CO).

Additional 2011 Team members include: Andrew Broeckelman, BSE senior (Selden, KS); Denton Haag, ATM senior (Bartley, NE); Devin Mangus, BSE junior (Kanorado, KS); Joshua Ogle, BSE senior (Manhattan, KS); Austin Smith, BSE senior (Wichita, KS); Dillon Thompson, BSE junior (Burdeitt, KS).

Team advisors: Jim Schmidt (BAE Alumni), Ed Brokesh, J. Pat Murphy, Darrell Oard, Lou Ann Claassen.

Congratulations to everyone associated with the K-State ¼-Scale Tractor Team and in your excellent representation of the Department, College and University!

BAE PAPER SELECTED FOR ASABE SUPERIOR PAPER AWARD:
Evaluation and Characterization of Sorghum Biomass as Feedstock for Sugar Production has been selected for an ASABE Superior Paper Award. Authors of this paper are: Donghai Wang, Karnnalin Theerarattananoon, Xiaorong Wu, Scott Staggenborg, Jonathan Propheter, and Ron Madl. Congratulations to all!

BAE PROFESSOR NAMED EDITOR-IN-CHIEF:
Kyle Douglas-Mankin, BAE professor, has been named editor-in-chief of the new Journal of Natural & Environmental Sciences, an international, open-access journal that publishes peer-reviewed, original research on environmental problems around the world and concerned with the sustainable use of environmental resources.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:
“The leaders who work most effectively, it seems to me, never say “I.” And that’s not because they have trained themselves not to say “I.” They don’t think “I.” They think “we”; they think “team.” They understand their job is to make the team function. They accept responsibility and don’t sidestep it, but “we” gets the credit. This is what creates trust, what enables you to get the task done.”

--Peter F. Drucker

LOOKING AHEAD:
June 8 – Durland parking lot (remainder) painting
June 23–24 – Orientation and enrollment for new freshmen
July 4 – University Holiday
July 7 – Durland parking lot (red stalls) painting (rain date for June 8)
July 14 – Dialogue on Sustainability, Engineering Complex Atrium
July 15 – Last day to update Spring 2012 class schedule by college/department
July 27 – MAPS poster presentation, Engineering Complex Atrium
August 1 – August 2011 intersession begins
August 3 – Center for Sustainable Energy poster presentation, Engineering Complex Atrium
August 12 – Summer 2011 term ends
August 12 – Last day for transfer work to be recorded and incompletes removed for Summer 2011 August graduates
August 12 – Last day for graduate students to submit documents for August graduation
August 15-16 – Fall 2011 International Student Orientation
August 17 – Graduate School new student orientation
August 18 – Orientation and enrollment for new transfer students for Fall 2011 term
August 19 – August 2011 intersession ends
August 19 – Orientation and enrollment for new freshmen students
August 20 – Residence halls officially open
August 21 – Welcome Back Rally for Students, Engineering Complex Atrium
August 22 – First day of fall semester classes
August 22 - $50 special handling fee for late enrollment begins
August 23 – Welcome Back Picnic, Engineering Complex Plaza
September 5 – University Holiday
September 8 – COE Fall Convocation, 3:00 p.m., Fiedler Hall Auditorium
October 6-7 – College of Engineering Advisory Council
October 10 – Engineering Scholarship Day

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