BSE STUDENTS SELECTED TO JOIN K-STATE CANCER RESEARCH TEAMS  
The Johnson Cancer Research Center selected 47 students to participate in its undergraduate research mentoring and award program. The Cancer Research Award program promotes student participation in laboratory research, and encourages undergraduate students to consider careers in cancer research and medicine early on while they are still deciding what academic and professional paths to take. Students applied for the awards by co-writing research proposals with faculty mentors affiliated with the center. BSE students selected for the cancer research teams are: Megan Richards, senior from Stilwell; Anna Brokesh, senior from Manhattan, Tristan McCallister, junior from Liberal; Mariah Brown, junior from Valley Center. The awardees will conduct their research in the mentors’ laboratories during the spring semester, and will be recognized at the spring banquet attended by their families and faculty mentors, cancer research center supporters and university administrators. Congratulations to all, and good luck in your research!

BAE GRADUATE STUDENT WINS HONORS AT RESEARCH AND THE STATE  
Zheng Zhao, doctoral student in BAE, was one of 10 graduate students selected at K-State’s Research and the State (held on November 2) to represent the university at the 14th Capitol Graduate Research Summit on February 28, 2017, at the State Capitol in Topeka. There were 48 participants from four colleges and 20 departments presenting their research at Research and the State. In February, the 10 students will present and showcase their research in front of the Kansas Board of Regents and the Kansas legislators. Universities participating at the annual Capitol Graduate Research Summit are Kansas State University, University of Kansas, University of Kansas Medical Center, Wichita State University, Emporia State University, Fort Hays State University and Pittsburg State University. Zheng’s research is Developing multiplexed detection of blood exosomal markers for diagnosis of ovarian cancer. Mei He, associate professor in BAE, is Zheng’s advisor. Congratulations, Zheng, and good luck in Topeka!

BAE GRADUATE STUDENT WINS POSTER COMPETITION AT WATER CONFERENCE  
Vladimir Karimov, BAE doctoral candidate, won the Governor’s Award for Outstanding Graduate Research Poster at the Governor’s Conference on the Future of Water in Kansas held in Manhattan on November 14 and 15. The title of his poster was Reservoirs sedimentation in Central Kansas: Aspect of soil erodibility due to subsurface and surface flows. Vladimir’s advisor is Aleksey Sheshukov, BAE assistant professor. Congrats, Vladimir!

BABY NEWS!  
Vahid Rahmani, BAE assistant professor, and his wife, Sogand, welcomed their daughter into the world at 12:04 a.m. Thursday, November 17. Golara Sarah weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and is 21 inches long. “Golara” means “adorned with flowers.” Mother and daughter are doing well and Dad is absolutely elated! Congratulations to the Rahmani Family!

SPRING 2017 HEALTH INSURANCE INFO FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS  
Graduate Student Health Insurance for the Spring 2017 semester opens for enrollment starting December 1, 2016 and closes on January 31, 2017, with an effective date of January 1, 2017. More information regarding student-only premium plans and how to enroll can be found at United Health Care’s website and within their brochure. Note that to be eligible the graduate student must be enrolled in 3 or more credit hours during the spring semester.
PLAN TO ATTEND THE 175TH LANDON LECTURE

Temple Grandin, world-renowned autism spokesperson, livestock industry expert on animal behavior, author and professor at Colorado State University, will present Successful Education of Students with Different Kinds of Minds at Kansas State University’s 175th Landon Lecture on Tuesday, November 29, at 10:30 a.m. in the McCain Auditorium. The lecture is free and open to the public, and should not be missed!

Dr. Grandin showed signs of autism at an early age and self-describes her unique thought process as thinking in pictures. In addition to a successful teaching career, she is an accomplished livestock equipment designer and an effective animal welfare advocate. In 2010, Grandin was among Time magazine’s “100 Most Influential People” in the hero category. She is one of the authors of Emergence: Labeled Autistic and the author of Thinking in Pictures: My Life with Autism, both which inspired the 2010 HBO film, Temple Grandin starring Claire Danes.

GOT YOUR FLU VACCINATION YET?
The flu vaccine walk-in clinic at Lafene Health Center is held Mondays-Fridays, 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m., for students, faculty and staff; no appointment necessary! Be sure to take your student or staff ID card and insurance information. The cost is $22 for students and $25 for nonstudents, but is covered by most insurance companies. Call 785-532-6544 if you have any questions about the vaccine.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
“Give thanks not just on Thanksgiving Day, but every day of your life. Appreciate and never take for granted all that you have.”
--Catherin Pulsifer

LOOKING AHEAD:
Nov 21-23 – Student holiday
Nov 24-25 – University holiday
Nov 29 – Landon Lecture: Temple Grandin, Ph.D., 10:30 a.m., McCain Auditorium
Dec 2 – COE K-State 2025 Update w/General Myers and Provost Mason, 3:45-5:00 p.m., 1109 Engineering Hall
Dec 9 – Fall 2016 term ends
Dec 9 – Engineering Graduate Student Commencement Reception - TBA
Dec 9 – Graduate School Commencement
Dec 10 – Undergraduate Commencement
Dec 12-16 – Finals Week
Dec 20 – Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for submitting term final grades into KSIS; (4:00 p.m. if through KSOL)
Dec 21 – Final grades available in KSIS
Dec 26 – University holiday
Jan 2 – University holiday
Jan 16 – University holiday
Jan 17 – Spring 2017 term begins
Feb 13 – Spring census day
Mar 20-24 – Spring break
Mar 27 – Summer/Fall 2017 enrollment begins
Mar 31 – Engineering Open House
Apr 1 – All-University Open House
May 5 – Spring 2017 term ends
May 8 – Finals week
May 12 – Graduate School Commencement, 1:00 p.m., Bramlage Coliseum
May 13 – Undergraduate Commencement, Bramlage Coliseum

Please submit your news and travel information to Barb Moore bmoore2@ksu.edu