Dates to Remember:

- **Wednesday, December 7**th, 2011 is the last day of classes.
- **Thursday, December 8**th, 2011 is Reading day.
- **Friday, December 9**th, 2011 final exams begin.

Department Events:

- **Colburn Club Holiday Party**
  
  Wednesday, December 7, 2011
  
  6:00 – 10:00pm
  
  Klondike Kate’s
  
  The Colburn Club requests $5 from each attendee to help pay for the event. Families are welcome to attend.

  - There will be an open bar that offers beer, cider, and soda.
  - There will be a dessert bake-off between research groups complete with a traveling-trophy prize and bragging rights.
  - George is organizing a Holiday Band to perform for a portion of the party and is seeking woodwind, brass, and percussion players. He has a few extra woodwinds, drum set, congas, marimba, and percussion toys if needed but would like people to provide their own instruments and music stands if they can.

- You are cordially invited to Carissa Young’s Ph.D. defense entitled "Interrogation of Quality Control Mechanisms and Protein Trafficking in Saccharomyces cerevisiae". The defense will be held on Wednesday, December 14th at 1:30 PM. Please note that the location is Delaware Biotechnology Institute (DBI), Room 102. Refreshments will be available at 1:15 PM. An abstract for the presentation is included below.

  "Interrogation of Quality Control Mechanisms and Protein Trafficking in Saccharomyces cerevisiae"

Seminars/Workshops:

- **CCEI Seminar**
  
  Dr. Berend Smit – Chancellor’s Professor, University of California, Berkeley
  
  Tuesday, December 6, 2011
  
  10:30am – 11:30am in 366 CLB
  
  “Computational Carbon Capture”

- **Women in Engineering Seminar**
  
  Marsha Petrova, UD Alumnus
  
  Thursday, December 8, 2011
  
  11:00 – 12:30pm in 102 CLB
  
  “Using Social Media to Enhance Your Engineering Career”
Publications/Articles:
- Advisement: Academic advisement website given fresh look, greater visibility [http://www.udel.edu/udaily/2012/nov/academic-advisement-113011.html](http://www.udel.edu/udaily/2012/nov/academic-advisement-113011.html)
- Professional Education: Online newsletter showcases benefits of UD’s collaborations with industry [http://www.udel.edu/udaily/2012/nov/professional-education-112911.html](http://www.udel.edu/udaily/2012/nov/professional-education-112911.html)
- Research impact and excellence: UD listed among world’s top research universities [http://www.udel.edu/udaily/2012/nov/ranking112911.html](http://www.udel.edu/udaily/2012/nov/ranking112911.html)

Jobs/Recruiting:
- Available positions can be found on the Chemical Engineering opportunity website [http://www.che.udel.edu/opps.html](http://www.che.udel.edu/opps.html), so be sure to check it regularly.

From other Departments:
- MSEG Seminar
  Dr. Chaitanya k. Ullal, Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry
  Wednesday, December 7, 2011
  10:00am in 219 Brown Lab
  “Leaving Flatland: Imaging Three Dimensional Polymer Nanostructures with Visible Light”
- Hallenbeck Graduate Student Seminar
  Wednesday, December 7th at 12:10pm in 336 Ewing Hall
  Speaker: TBA
  Title: TBA
- Hallenbeck Graduate Student Seminar
  Dimitry Leykekhman, University of Connecticut
  Thursday, December 8th at 11:00am in 336 Ewing Hall
  “Issues with Finite Element Descretization of the Advection Dominated Optimal Control Problems”
- Applied Math Seminar
  Mette Olufsen, North Carolina State University
  Thursday, December 8th at 4:00pm in 336 Ewing Hall
  “Modeling Cardiovascular Dynamics and its Control”
- Probability Seminar
  Alejandro de Acosta, Case Western Reserve University
  Friday, December 9th at 3:30pm in 336 Ewing Hall
  “Large Deviations for Additive Functional of Markov Chains”