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**President Elect
Kelly
Dunkelberger**

Meet your President Elect

Kelly Dunkelberger has taught for 12 years with 7 in Centerville, 3 in Alcester-Hudson and the last two in Parker (and plan on staying).

Kelly and her husband Dean live near Chancellor with her son Geoff, and daughters Vanessa and Elizabeth. Kelly loves working with the students and loves to see them succeed after they have tried and failed but still try again. She always teaches them that you have to mess things up before you can get them right and feels this helps them try harder, but not get discouraged.

Kelly's family has been through a rough couple of months and her students have been really good to them and have shown their support and how much appreciation they have for her through the hard work and things they have done. Kelly's advice to young teachers is

"Don't let yourself get burnt out LOL!!! That is easier said than done. The whole aspect of Ag

teaching and FFA is so much fun and SOOO rewarding but you have to balance work and life. Take one night a week where you don't do anything school related and just do your own thing. Whether it is read a book or hang out with your family!!!"



**The Dunkelbergers— Dean, Kelly,
Geoff, Vanessa, and Elizabeth**

ACTE Region V Winner

John Rist was selected as the ACTE Region V Carl Perkins Community Service Award winner. This award is presented to ACTE members who have used CTE to make a significant impact on a community/humanitarian cause through leadership in programs and activities that promote community involvement.

When asked about his involvement John stated: "I've always been an advocate for community service involvement from the local FFA chapter's that I've worked with over the years. I'm proud of my students' accomplishments and believe that their sense of

responsibility and involvement that they get from working with all levels of local service groups and leadership in the process is an essential part of our success. Our chapter officers take pride in being the group in our community that people come to when they want to "make things happen."

John is now a finalist for National ACTE Carl Perkins Community Service Award. He will compete at VISION 2016 in Las Vegas, November 30th– December 3rd. Congratulations to John Rist and best of luck!!!



**John Rist with daughters: Jenna,
Noelle, and Ali**



**John Rist
Viborg
ACTE Region V
Carl Perkins Community
Service
Award Winner**

Family News

Engaged: Mark Misar (Bon Homme), Ashley Wiekamp (Watertown), Eric Fritz (Madison)

Expecting: Meghan & Tyler Peterson (Deabrook), Kelly & Nate Keller (Arlington), Jessie & Justin Knutson (Centerville)

New addition: Devin & Evan Papousek (Wagner) welcome Rhyden Allen and Elisa & Mark Misar (Bon Homme) welcome Emmett James

“The most wonderful place to be in the world, is in someone’s heart and in their thoughts and prayers.”

Jeff Hoffman- on the road to recovery

Kelly Dunkelberger- rebuilding after a fire

John Rist- battling cancer

<http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/johnrist>



Important Dates

June 28th-30th: East River Leadership Retreat- Swan Lake

July 12th-15th: West River Leadership Retreat- Camp Bob Marshall

July 31st- August 3rd: SDACTE/SDAAE Conference in
Sioux Falls

August 17th: State Fair Entries Due to Dave VanderWal

October 1st: FFA Rosters Due

October 19th- 22nd: National FFA Convention

November 18th: State Leadership CDE paperwork Due

December 1st: Last day to submit rosters

December 4th & 5th: State Leadership CDEs in Pierre



NAAE Committees

Currently we need three members on the following committees, finance, public policy and strategic planning. Each of these positions is for the 2016-2019 period. Please consider serving on a committee, to better understand the structure, organization and operations of the NAAE. The committees are doing some great service for NAAE members and it truly does not take up too much time out of your schedule to attend the virtual meetings. We are really counting on Region III to step up and make sure we have all of our positions filled. If you have any questions feel free to contact Glenda Crook at crookgl@lodischoolswi.org. If you are interested in serving on a committee you should submit an MOU, letter and resume to NAAE as soon as possible.

Stop! Collaborate and Listen!



Meet the New FFA Executive Secretary

Originally from small family dairy farm near Salem, SD, Beth is a recent graduate of South Dakota State University with a degree in Agricultural Communications, Education and Leadership. Throughout her time at State, she was actively involved in Sigma Alpha Women's Sorority, Little International, Agricultural Future of America (AFA), youth ministry and worked on the SDSU Dairy Research and Training Facility as a student employee. A former South Dakota Department of Agriculture Legal intern,

Beth enjoys promoting and advocating for agriculture not only on the local level but on the global scene through her international travel experience as well. With experiences on the chapter, district, and national level of the organization, she is a very proud FFA alumna. With her training in leadership development and organizational management, she is excited about the opportunity to return to her roots and work for the organization that cemented her passion for agriculture.



Beth Mayrose
FFA Executive
Secretary

Professional Development Opportunities

Governor's Ag Development Summit— June 2, 2016 in Brookings

**CEU contact hours available
Registration and an agenda can be found here: <http://www.sdagsummit.com/default.aspx>

There is also an optional ag tour on June 1 (limited seating).

SD Professionals Range Camp – June 8-10, 2016 in Sturgis

**CEU contact hours or graduate credit available

Hummert Greenhouse Operations and Management – June 7-9, 2016 in St. Louis, MO
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SD AFNR Summer Teacher Academies –
June 28-30 in Viborg and July 12-15 in Custer (in conjunction with FFA Leadership Retreats)

** CEU contact hours or graduate credit available

Purdue Introduction to Food Science –

June 6-July 1, 2016, online

**graduate credit available through Purdue
Purdue University Department of Food Science is planning to offer the annual “**FS 690: Introduction to Food Science**” (3.0 credit hours) online course for high school educators or anyone interested in learning about food science. The course will be from June 6-July 1, 2016. Space is limited. The 2016 course flyer is attached. Registration is available at: <https://www.distance.purdue.edu/regform/courses/default.aspx> (scroll all the way down to find the course)

If you have any questions about the course content/logistics, please contact Dr. Andrea Liceaga (aliceaga@purdue.edu).

**Inquiries about course registration, cost, etc. should be addressed to Purdue Digital and Professional Education: mmcbrite@purdue.edu

National Farm Business Management Conference – June 12-16, 2016 in Sioux Falls

Find more information here: <http://www.nfbm-conference.org/2016/>

Lake and Stream Ecology and Water Quality Workshop – June 1-3, 2016 in Custer

**CEU contact hours or graduate credit available
More information and registration can be found here: <http://www.neglwatersheds.org/waterquality.html> (Registration due May 15)

Soils Days Adult Program – June 21-22, 2016 in Wall

**CEU contact hours or graduate credit available
See attached brochure for information and registration (due June 11).

RuralX Summit – July 19-20, 2016 in Aberdeen

Information and registration can be found: <http://www.dakotaresources>

Professional Development Opportunities

SDACTE Summer Conference – July 31-August 3, 2016, Sioux Falls

**CEU contact hours or graduate credit available
Register here: [https://www.regonline.com/
Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1794809](https://www.regonline.com/Register/Checkin.aspx?EventID=1794809)

This year's schedule includes keynote speaker Dave Burgess, author of [Teach like a Pirate](#), as well as several hands-on in-depth sessions, engaging industry tours and fast-paced breakout sessions. You are guaranteed to **leave with fresh ideas** for the upcoming school year!

More details regarding the conference can be found at <http://doe.sd.gov/ocet/training.aspx>. This website includes a schedule at a glance, and will be updated with specific session details frequently.

NAAE Summer Virtual Book Club – Summer 2016, online

**CEU contact hours available for those that participate (make sure you receive your certificate from NAAE, this must be submitted to the SD Dept. of Ed certification office to receive the contact hours)

Must be an NAAE member. Visit the [NAAE Virtual Book Club group on Communities of Practice](#) for complete details and to register by June 3.

SD Master Gardeners Program – Summer 2016

Find more information here: [http://igrow.org/gardens/
master-gardeners/sdsu-extension-master-gardener-
training-for-2016/](http://igrow.org/gardens/master-gardeners/sdsu-extension-master-gardener-training-for-2016/)

Deadline was April 30, but they may still take applications as they were not full. Locations this year are Sioux Falls, Brookings, Aberdeen, and Rapid City. There will be 5 in-person meetings (one half-day orientation session plus four full day hands-on training sessions), everything else will be online.

AFNR Winter Professional Development Conference – January 6-7, 2017 in Brookings

** CEU contact hours or graduate credit available
More details on schedule and registration will be available this fall.

**Professional Development Opportunities are
endless! Don't forget to apply for
professional development stipends!**

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