

# The Ag Educator

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May 2011

## REGION III CONFERENCE

June 21-23

Conference Cost - \$55  
\$65 after June 13th



### Lodging:

Holiday Inn Hotel (Riverside)  
2200 Burdick Expressway East  
Minot, ND 58701  
701-852-2504  
Room Rate—\$63.50  
Block Name NDAAE Region 3

### TOURS

#### Pre-Conference

Roosevelt Zoo—Behind the Scenes

Minot Milling

#### Conference Tours

Tire Refinery, Oil Wells ([www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas](http://www.dmr.nd.gov/oilgas)), Pointe of View Winery

([www.povwinery.com](http://www.povwinery.com))

More information and to Register:

[www.regioniii.ndaae.org](http://www.regioniii.ndaae.org)

Contact any officer if you want to or are attending to arrange carpooling.

### Dates of Interest:

- JUNE 21-22 REGION III CONFERENCE, MINOT ND
- JULY 31– AUGUST 3 STATE CONFERENCE, PIERRE
- NOVEMBER 15-19 NATIONAL CONFERENCE, ST. LOUIS

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## **OCCTE Update—Nora Kohlenberg ANFR:**

- **Perkins Documents:** I want to thank all of the teachers who have submitted their PIPs, Application for Program Approval and course syllabi. There was a lot of paperwork this year and I want to thank you for your time and dedication to complete the documents needed!
- **Perkins Data:** There is one more Perkins requirement that each program needs to complete yet this school year and that is entering your Perkins data for your students. The deadline for data entry is May 31, 2011. We know that several schools had a lot of snow days this year, so if your school is not able to meet the May 31st deadline, please contact Nora Kohlenberg, 605-773-474, [nora.kohlenberg@state.sd.us](mailto:nora.kohlenberg@state.sd.us), or Brad Bies, 605-773-4726, [brad.bies@state.sd.us](mailto:brad.bies@state.sd.us).
- **Teacher Academies: Standards in Practice™ (SIP™) Workshop** will be offered at both the Swan Lake and Camp Bob Marshall retreats. This is not to be confused with the Standards Implementation Workshop where teachers learned how to implement the standards in their classrooms. The Standards in Practice workshop will take the standards that teachers are now implementing and focus more on the lessons and assignments that are offered in the class. SIP will incorporate Blooms Taxonomy and help a teacher create projects and assignments that add more rigor and relevance through high-level learning. Change in student achievement happens in the interaction between teacher and student about assignments, defined as challenges to demonstrate learning. The higher the challenge, the greater the learning, given appropriate context. A schedule and workshop syllabus will be emailed to teachers.
- **CTE 101, June 2, 2011, Mitchell:** This workshop will explore Career and Technical Education initiatives as well as approved program requirements. The workshop will provide attendants with documentation and explanation of each document that is used by the Office of Career and Technical Education. This is a great workshop for new teachers and even if you are not a new teacher and want to brush up on all the Perkins requirements to understand why we have just gone through all the paperwork this winter and spring, this would be a good workshop for you as well. Please go to the following link to register for the workshop: [http://www.escweb.net/sd\\_esa/catalog/session.aspx?&session\\_id=48121](http://www.escweb.net/sd_esa/catalog/session.aspx?&session_id=48121) The registration deadline is May 30, 2011.

## **2ND ANNUAL GOVERNOR'S AG SUMMIT—JUNE 23RD SIOUX FALLS CONVENTION CENTER**

## **Changes in South Dakota Ag Education**

**Sully Buttes (Agar-Blunt-Onida)** – new program, part time position that is open until 5/20/11

**Stanley County (Ft. Pierre)** – new program, open until filled or 7/1/11

**Selby** -Austin Bishop is moving to the Belle Fourche area where his wife has accepted a nursing position and Austin will be working as a ranch hand as well as substitute teaching *Amanda Hoover will be graduating from SDSU in May and will be moving to Selby.*

**Hoven** Josette Nebeker is leaving *Noelle Rist will be graduating from SDSU in May and will be moving to Hoven.*

**New Underwood** cut the AFNR program, so Jack Von Eye will be leaving New Underwood

**Woonsocket** Malisa Niles is leaving and will be farming. *Justin Enfield will be teaching at both Sanborn and at Woonsocket.*

**Alcester-Hudson** Stacie Turnbull will be leaving as her husband accepted a position in York, NE. *Position is still open.*

**Lake Area Tech** Jason Karels and Laure (Zubke) Johnson has accepted the position to replace Richard Hetland who is retiring.

Floyd Lehman is fully retired and no longer doing adjunct. Jason Frerichs is resigning to pursue farming full time.

**Wilmot**—Kent Frerichs is retiring and his position *will be filled by Becky (Lambert) Harstad*

**Deuel** – position vacated by Jason Karels open until 6/20/11

**Mitchell Tech**—*Bob Way has been hired to replace Calvin Pietz* in Farm Business Management, retiring in June. FBM is also hiring for a NE area South Dakota Instructor.

*Rick Kriese was hired to fill the position of Roger Carlson*, Ag Tech instructor, who is out indefinitely due to a prolonged illness. Roger may return in the fall if his health allows.

**SDSU** Dr. Lon Moeller is retiring as well and they will not be hiring for his position immediately. *Ellen Thompson will be filling in to teach a few classes.*



# Summer Conference

July 31– August 3  
Pierre Ramkota

Schedule will be finalized in early June but we are looking at starting SDAAE business at 4:30PM Sunday and Ending at 1:45 Wednesday

## Banquet at Casey Tibbs

### Breakout Sessions:

Seth Derner—Integrating Standards II  
Technology Bootcamp—Etta Balo  
Capstone / SAE—Nora Kohlenberg  
Mini Lab Ideas—Michelle Nelson

### Tour / Workshop Option:

**Morris Enterprises** (rave reviews last year)  
**Livestock Reproduction Demo/Workshop—**  
Don Sutera Demonstrating MTI Ultrasound  
Equipment and Dave Koupal speaking on AI

*Post Secondary Panel—LATI, STI, MTI, and SDSU*

National FFA Updates and Application  
Changes—Craig Frederick NPS and  
Terry Rieckman

**Don't forget to tell your  
office staff to send con-  
ference registration to  
Michelle Nelson.**

If you know of someone who is pro-education and agriculture minded that would be a great in politics please speak to them or refer their name to Jason Frerichs.

We need to elect people who are looking out for our interests!

Jason's Email  
[jfrerx@gmail.com](mailto:jfrerx@gmail.com)

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### **Treynor Smith Update –**

Clint and Amy Smith finally welcomed their baby boy, Treynor, home to Lake Preston on March 24th, 2011 following nearly a month and a half stay at Amplatz Children's Hospital in Minneapolis. Happy to be home, they are now adjusting to their "new normal" and settling into a routine. Clint returned to school immediately following their return; Amy is working part-time from home this semester and will return to SDSU full-time next fall. Treynor continues to struggle with feeding, and must be fairly isolated yet to avoid sickness, but overall, is doing well. He's now weighing 8 1/2 pounds – and recently enjoyed watching the SD FFA convention online from home with his mom! The Smith's greatly appreciate the amazing support, concern and compassion shown them by all the South Dakota Ag Ed colleagues and friends during their difficult time. They are hoping that Treynor is able to have a medically uneventful summer, with a return trip to Minneapolis for a heart catheter procedure in the fall. If everything goes according to plan, his next open heart surgery will not be necessary for a year or even longer. They look forward to showing him off a bit at state conference later this summer.

### **'Family Updates'**

### **Christina Learn—**

Beresford, is getting married June 25th in Minnesota

Nathan Sanderson (**Tiffany, OCCTE**) finished his PhD and sent it off to his committee. He'll defend in June and graduate as Dr. Sanderson in August.

**Sarah Stratmeyer** - Faulkton, and husband Keith are expecting a baby on October 28th

**Roger Carlson**—MTI, home after a long stint in the hospital undergoing chemotherapy treatment. He's feeling good and at this time plans to return to school in the fall.

**Adam Franken**—Getting married May 28th in Aberdeen



**Geospatial Technology for Educators workshop scheduled for May 31 – June 3 at EROS**

Info—<http://www.sdstate.edu/abe/SDView/education-outreach/geospatial-technology-for-educators-workshop.cfm>

May be the last year for this workshop

**When:** July 6-8, 2011

**Time:** 8:00 a.m.-Noon and 1:00-5:00 p.m.

**Where:** Northern Plains Biostress Bldg.  
South Dakota State University

**Course Name:** Applied Food Safety Educational lab

**Course No.:** NFS 492/592-502

**Number of Credits:** Variable 1-2

**Departments:** Health and Nutritional Sciences & Dairy Science

**Cost:** approximately \$40 — recording fee

**What:** 2nd Annual Curriculum Swap Day

**When:** Wednesday, June 8th - start @ 12:00 PM

**Where:** Brookings High School Ag Room

We will start with a grill out - I will provide hot dogs/brats/hamburgers, everyone else please bring a salad or dessert.

**RSVP to Michelle.L.Nelson@k12.sd.us by Wednesday, June 1st.**

Please include in your RSVP what curriculum you would like to go home with - I will compile the list and send it to all participants so we can best help each other out! Also please bring one (or more) of your favorite lessons/units/activities to share.

Dr. Smith has included a PD opportunity in her article.

*Professional Development Opportunities*



## SDSU Happenings—Dr. Amy Smith

A total of 6 student teachers are scheduled to teach in the fall. The following students will be out in their respective schools beginning in August (when school begins) and then will return to campus for 3-weeks of class. Mid-September, they will return to their schools, where they will stay until early in December. You may see these student teachers at various events, including SDACTE/SDAAE conference, Range Judging competitions, National Convention, and/or State Leadership. Please help welcome them into the profession – and encourage them to consider teaching upon graduation. Thanks again to the cooperating teachers for their supervision and mentoring.

Sara Berg – originally from Baltic, SD – student teaching at Harrisburg

Meghan Lentsch – originally from Glencoe, MN – student teaching at Lake Preston

Brett Monson – originally from Webster, SD – student teaching at Flan-dreau

Alicia Reif – originally from Spencer, SD – student teaching at Tri-Valley

Mark Sandager – originally from Scandia, MN – student teaching at Canton

Matt Tripp – originally from Worthington, MN – student teaching at Jackson, MN

As you know, SDSU experienced serious budget cuts recently, many impacting the College of Agriculture & Biological Sciences. Agricultural Education as a major is quite “safe” and stable. However, due to budget

issues and timing of his retirement, Dr.

Moeller’s position will not be filled immediately. We are hopeful that within a year or so, it will be, as additional faculty will be needed to grow the program from its current status. In the meantime, SDSU graduate, Ellen Thompson will be assisting with various courses, student teaching supervision, and program-related activities. Currently, there are approximately 70 students in the major, with a sizeable class of freshmen expected to join us in the fall.

**One summer course will be offered by SDSU faculty this summer, targeted at secondary Ag Ed & FACS Ed teachers interested in serving as cooperating teachers (SEED 699- Supervision of Student Teachers). Though not mandatory, the course will be a great investment of time for new and experienced cooperating teachers, alike. It will address expectations for cooperating teachers, the roles of cooperating teacher in mentoring, supervising and evaluating, and various other topics. Upon completion of the course, teachers will be better prepared to serve as cooperating teachers – and be more comfortable with the process for observing, evaluating and critiquing student teacher progress. The course will be offered in a hybrid format – involving a few days on campus in June, some online work, and a final face-to-face meeting at SDACTE in Pierre. If you’re interested in participating in this course, contact Dr. Deb DeBates ([debra.debates@sdstate.edu](mailto:debra.debates@sdstate.edu)) or Dr. Amy Smith ([amy.r.smith@sdstate.edu](mailto:amy.r.smith@sdstate.edu)).**

## South Dakota FFA Information

### Leadership Retreats

Only 2 in 2011

- Registration has been posted to web – \$120/member - flat rate - \$100/advisor/chaperone

### State Leadership Dates December 4&5

CDE committee please plan to certify results, as always

### State Fair

- Books are on the state FFA website State Fair page. No hard copies will be sent  
- District Officers will need to work at the fair- free entrance again at gate 3

### National Convention

- Bus fees should be about \$375 again this year. This includes registration, hotel, bus and tours as well as paying for the expenses of the 6 chaperones that ride the bus

- Again this year: First come first serve for the 50 rodeo tickets  
- Volunteers for Hall of States exhibit at NC – KIMBALL?

### Chapter Visits

- Bring fall class schedules to summer conference – there will be a layout of when we need to visit your school – changes can be made, but all must be done before Christmas.  
• B&Is done in conjunction with, please offer suggestions of businesses for officers to visit in your town







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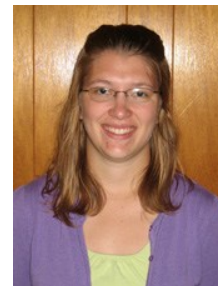
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