

VIEWPOINT

2012-2013

2012-2013 SDACTE Board of Directors

1st row: Dodie Bemis, Executive Director; Beverly Rieck, President Elect; Dianne Rider, President; Terry Rieckman, Past President; Tiffany Sanderson, DCCTE Liaison; 2nd row: Adam Franken; Ag President; Annika Russell, Post Secondary Liaison; Brendan Streitz, Business/Marketing President; Mary Remund, FACS President; Erik Person, Administration/Special Services President; and Jim Mahoney, T & I/Tech Ed President.



Another Great Year

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September 2012

Stipends Available!!

The Board Highly Encourages you to Attend the following events!!!

National Policy Seminar, March, Washington DC

Region V, April, Salt Lake City, UT

Visit the [SDACTE Website](#) for Applications

Conference Wrap-Up

Over 275 secondary and post secondary teachers, administrators, and counselors gathered to be enlightened, entertained, celebrate the 40th anniversary of the annual Career and Technical Education Conference. This year's conference included keynote speakers Brian Blasko, who had the audience "Cruisin' Through Life at 35 MPH," and Michael Oster, who gave some insightful suggestions for a positive attitude. Participants received special gifts commemorating the anniversary at each of the general sessions. This issue of the newsletter contains a capsule of our conference, including the award winners, scholarship recipients, past presidents, 20-year plus members and more. Look inside at our 2012 conference wrap-up.

November 28-Dec 1
Atlanta, GA



Attending the Vision 2012 ACTE Vision Summit will allow you as a CTE instructor to have the opportunity to connect and interact with business leaders and teachers from across the US to learn the latest ideas and innovations in our area of education. You will be able to network with hundreds of these individuals and then bring it back home to help your students achieve greater success and have a bigger impact for your program.

For More Information:

[https://
www.acteonline.org/
vision.aspx](https://www.acteonline.org/vision.aspx)

President's Welcome



We had our cake and ate it too! The 40th Anniversary Celebration at the summer conference was wonderful. Conference attendees had an opportunity to meet and greet past presidents and former state CTE employees. It felt like a reunion and a party with gifts and special food. Thanks to the anniversary

taskforce that made our time together a special event.

Since conference, two of our past presidents have passed away and we will miss them. Roger Carlson, SDVA President 1980 and Jon Severson, SDACTE President 2010. May our memories of them help us to move forward our personal leadership goals.

Looking forward, the future of SDACTE is important to our students as they become our workforce. We need strong professional leadership and professional development opportunities for our members to strengthen our educational system. I would encourage every SDACTE member to take ownership of the upcoming 2013 conference and work with the president of your respective divisions to plan professional development that will improve your skills as an educator. There are planning meetings in September and October to begin designing our next conference that will be held on the campus of Mitchell Technical Institute. Please take an active role in your organization.

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2012 Conference Recap



Awards Chair Roberta Stoebner announced the SDACTE Award winners, including 1st row: Mark Roelfsema, Teacher of the Year; Charlotte Mohling, Lifetime Achievement; South Dakota Retailers Association, Award of Merit; 2nd row: Michael Rawlins, Outstanding New Career and Technical Education Teacher; incoming president Dianne Rider, and Darla DeKraai, Outstanding Teacher in Community Service. The award winners were each presented with a plaque and a \$250 cash award sponsored by Cenex Harvest States Foundation.

Scholarship Committee Chair Jim Wilson announced the four \$500 scholarship recipients.



These included Connor Florey, Lake Andes; Andy Rausch, Hoven; Ashley Heupel, Clark; and April Johnson, Brookings. Florey, Rausch, and Johnson will be attending SDSU and Heupel will be studying nursing at USF.



The SDACTE Board of Directors once again recognized members who have belonged to the organization for 5-plus years. This year a total of 33 people received that distinction. Pictured here are some of the members with 20 or more years belonging to ACTE/SDACTE. These include 20- Roberta Stoebner; 25- Mark Kettelhut, Dan Tonak, Jim Wilson; 30- Dale Bartels, Pat Bortnem, Joline Dunbar, Jerome Janisch, Debra Van Hove; 35- Michael Brink, Jean Clarke, and Doug Hauk. These individuals received special gifts indicating their years of membership.



Conference Fun!



Incoming president Dianne Rider presents a plaque to Terry Rieckman as a token of the association's appreciation of Terry's leadership this past year.

40th
Anniversary
SDACTE
1972-2012



The Basket Bonanza raised over \$700. Each division, plus other interested individuals, donate a basket of treasures/goodies to raise money to defray expenses for the gifts given for years of membership. Pictured here are some of the lucky winners: Randy Doescher, Annika Russell, Trent Theye, Joe Dalton, and Lorrie Mulhair.



DCCTE Intern Olivia Siglin presents Rapid City Stevens business educator Deb Reynolds with one of the half dozen technology prizes awarded during the conference. Participants had an opportunity to win i-pods, digital cameras and Genius ring presenters for sharing on-line evaluations in regard to the summer conference.



**Greetings
to you, my
fellow
SDACTE
members!**

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It is a pleasure to serve as the president-elect of our organization. My membership in SDVA and now SDACTE and ACTE, started many years ago when I started teaching CTE classes in the high school and middle school in the area of family and consumer sciences. Currently, I am teaching in Dell Rapids and serving as the advisor of FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America). Previous to this I taught many years in Kimball and I started my teaching career in Bridgewater. I am also a member of SDAFCS (South Dakota Association of Family and Consumer Sciences) and AAFCS. Working with the youth in the classroom and in our student organizations help them gain some basic and technical skills. We really do provide them with some critical skills needed for life. We all do that no matter what area of CTE we are in. That is what makes our profession so important! Wishing a successful teaching year!

**SDACTE Conference
2013**

Conference 2013 is moving!!

July 28-31st

Mitchell, SD



Over 20 of SDACTE's past presidents attended summer conference. These included 1972 Larry Venner, 1975 Chris Paustian, 1982-83 Pat Bortnem, 1984 Charlotte Mohling, 1988 Randy Doescher, 1989 Jim Doolittle, 1990 Barb Hoff, 1993 Don Josko, 1994 Bob Hoffmann, 1995 Betty Widman, 1996 Myron Sonne, 1997 Coleen Keffeler, 1999 Jeff Schlepp, 2002 Shirley Petersen, 2003 Dodie Bemis, 2004 Sharry Knock, 2005 Darold Hehn, 2006 Jeff Hoffman, 2009 Jim Wilson, 2011 Annika Russell, and 2012 Terry Rieckman. A reception was held in their honor prior to the Awards Banquet on Monday evening.



SDACTE lost two of its past presidents last month. 1980 President Roger Carlson lost his battle with leukemia Monday, August 27th. 2010 President Jon Severson died Wednesday, August 15, 2012, at the Avera Dougherty Hospice Cottage in Sioux Falls following a three-year battle with cancer. The organization is thankful for the leadership and passion both men gave to the CTE profession and community.

35 MPH??

Greetings from the SDACTE Administration Division. It was great to see such a strong turnout overall at the summer conference. As always, I would like to see even greater participation in the Administration Division. I believe that the administrators in the school set the tone with their leadership, and even, to an extent, the school will take on some of the personality, and certainly the values, of the administration. That is why I think it is imperative to have school administrators who are not only engaged, but passionate about career and technical education.

The summer conference was great, and the keynotes were certainly some of the best I've heard. But truly I am having a hard time coming to grips with the 35 MPH guy. I took some important points from his talk, and I don't doubt for a minute that he is onto the right approach in life. However, I have always been a 110 MPH kind of guy. So 35 MPH just goes against my grain, but maybe that is the point. A keynote speaker would not be much good if he only told us what we already know or did not address areas where we need some personal or professional growth. Good luck on the start of another school year.

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It was great to see everyone at this year's conference and even better to see so many members from our division. That is definitely the most people I have seen at our business meeting. It is hard to believe conference was a month and a half ago and we are in our 4th week of school. Hopefully, you are having a good year so far.

One of the main things I would like to mention is the \$250 stipend for either the National Summit in Atlanta, GA on November 29- December 1 or Region V Conference in Salt Lake City, UT in April. This stipend is available to any T&I member that hasn't attended one of these conferences previously. We are hoping to give out one stipend for each conference. The deadline says August 31 but we are extending it to October 15 to give people a second chance to apply for this stipend. To find the application go to www.lakeareatech.edu/sdacte/ and click on SDACTE. Then click on Stipends Available to SDACTE Members. From there click on the T&I division Stipend Application. Contact me if you have any question or you have trouble finding the application.

The Board of Directors will start our meetings at the end of September. In preparation for next year's conference at Mitchell Technical Institute please send me suggestions or thoughts for planning the conference.

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"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower." Reading this quote by Albert Camus, made me stop and think about fall, school and students. Each fall when school begins it is like a new season for educators, whether introducing new curriculum, getting the classroom ready or meeting new students and staff for the first time. In my first official leadership position in the South Dakota Association for Career and Technical Education, president of the SDACTE FACS division, I am looking forward to working with all of you and having a great year.

We are very fortunate as Career and Technical Educators because we have so many connections with other teachers in our state who share the same concerns about education. I have often been told by fellow teachers in my school that they wish they knew other teachers in the state who taught the same classes they did and who were so willing to share ideas and resources. I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and everyone one of you a great school year and challenge you to use the resources CTE teachers have to shape your students into flowers like Autumn shapes leaves into flowers.

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Are you going to the National FFA Convention? If you are, take advantage of NAAE's involvement and opportunities for teachers. They are doing a lot of things at this year's Convention to support, promote, and celebrate agriculture education and the teachers who make it possible. Check out some of these opportunities:

"Where Will You be TAGGED" photo contest

The National Teach Ag Campaign wants to know "Where will you be Tagged to Teach Ag?" For more information visit <http://www.naae.org/TeachAg/ffaconv.php>

Have your students stop by the NAAE booth to complete a scavenger hunt at Convention and get a chance to win those custom made Teach-Ag boots.

Check out the Teachers' World professional development workshops. By attending each workshop you get a chance to win an iPad. For a list of the workshops visit the Teacher's World website <http://www.naae.org/prodev/teachersworld.html>.

Take advantage of the Internet café for teachers in Room 143 of the Indiana Convention Center. Sponsored by Monsanto, teachers can take a break and check your email and network with other ag teachers from across the country.

Good luck to all those competing and I hope you all have a great trip to National FFA Convention!

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The SDACTE Business division will unveil the new division website October 1st. The Web address will be emailed to all members and will also be available through the SDACTE website hosted by Lake Area Tech. Members are encouraged to check out our website and the summer conference presenter wish list and either add to the wish list or help fulfill the wish list by suggesting someone who may be able to present on one of the given topics.

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Thank You for A Great Year!
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A new school year brings us to the beginning of a new slate of officers and leaders on the SDACTE board. As each board begins a new term, one of the first items of business is to set goals for the coming year. As I leave my year of serving SDACTE as your president, I am proud of what we did to accomplish our goals. We dealt with some major changes at the state level as we had to adjust when Brad Bies left his position last fall, and then again when Mark Wilson resigned his position. Through it all your board worked hard to adjust without affecting our membership or conference.

I would like to take this time to say a special thank you to Dianne Rider and her committee for the work and preparations put into celebrating our 40th anniversary. From the logo design, buttons, and many gifts, it was a great celebration of our past and present leaders.

As I look back I want to say thank you to Dodie for her diligence and hard work to our organization because without her, business would not go as smoothly, and we are blessed to have her working for us. I would also like to thank Coleen Keffeler for her continued hard work and dedication to our organization, especially with her work on advocacy.

In closing, I enjoyed my year of service to an organization that I believe so strongly in, and will continue to promote and campaign for CTE, and I challenge each of you to do something this year to spread the word of the importance of what you provide to your students.