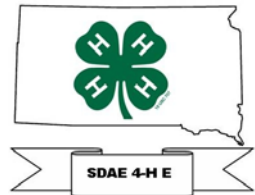


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# NEWS AND VIEWS



## From our President... Steve Munk

Greetings, from your President:

I just wanted to let you know that SDAE-4-HE, your professional association, has been active on your behalf. The Executive Board has monthly calls. If you have anything you would like brought up at one of these calls, contact your regional director or any officer. We are here to make sure the association is working for everyone.

I encourage you to attend the Spring Professional Improvement Conference scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup> & May 1<sup>st</sup> in Mitchell. If you have not received the registration information please contact Amber Lounsbery in Hutchinson County.

This will be a great opportunity to share programming ideas and subject matter information.

Annette Bjorklund, North Central Jr. Director representing the National Association, will join us in Mitchell with a national update and insight on the 4-H Professional Research Knowledge and Competency Model.

The 2008 National meeting will be in conjunction with the Galaxy III Conference September 15-19 in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Galaxy Conference theme Celebrating the Extension System: Strengths, Diversity, and Unique Qualities conveys the wide spectrum of professional improvement sessions that only a Galaxy Conference can offer.

We will discuss more details of attending the Galaxy Conference at the Spring Conference meeting in Mitchell.

That's it for now, but please keep in mind that SDAE-4HE is your association, so if you have ideas, suggestions, or concerns that you feel the association can assist you as an education, please share them with your Regional Director or any of the association officers.

Hope to see you in Mitchell!



# From our President-Elect... Denise Lingscheit

## Message from the President-Elect

Thanks to each of you for the confidence you've shown in me by electing me as our association's President-Elect. I'll do my best to keep everyone informed of all current and pressing issues. I feel extremely lucky to have Steve as our current President. He brings great experience into his position, and I look to him as a leader and mentor as I'm sure many of you do.

In February I had the opportunity to attend the JCEP meeting in San Diego. I enjoyed the opportunity to network with other educators from other states. One of the programs that I was exposed to was a Spanish speaking child care provider program that Washington State is using. Washington has experienced a large influx of the Mexican population looking for employment. I think this is a program we could really take advantage of in our FEU. If anyone else is interested in it, please let me know. I'm working on getting the curriculum for use in SD.

I also enjoyed, Jerold K. Thomas a speaker on emerging technology and its use in reaching Extension's diverse audiences. He shared information on; blogs, wikis, podcasts, iTunes, using podcasts for professional development and more. Being an old foggie I found this very helpful. I have a handout and am willing to share if anyone would like a copy.

I hope to see all of you in Mitchell on April 30<sup>th</sup>. It's extremely important to continue working on professional development and networking with co-workers throughout your entire career.

Please contact Steve or me if you ever have an issue or concern you'd like to discuss. Let's keep the lines of communication open.

Denise Lingscheit

## **Recognition** *(rek' eg-nish' en) n. attention or favorable notice.*

Member Recognition—LaDonna McKnight-Member Recognition Chair. Congratulations to our State and National Award winners for 2008. Receiving the Achievement in Service Award for less than seven but more than three years of service is Audrey Rider of Day County. Receiving the Distinguished Service Award for more than seven years of service is Sonia Mack of Deuel County. And receiving the Meritorious Service Award for more than 15 years of service is Vera Boje of Jackson County. Congratulations to our 2008 Service Award Winners!

Visit the SDAE4-HA Website: [sdae4he.sdstate.org](http://sdae4he.sdstate.org)

# Professional Development

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National Association of Extension 4-H Agents

## MEMBERSHIP Update

Hello NAE4-HA Members,

Hope you are all finding a "break" during this Spring Break time. Hopefully we are all getting a break from the weather challenges we have all been experiencing! Here are a few reminders to our membership.

**Galaxy III Conference hotel reservations opened March 15, 2008** via the Indianapolis Housing Bureau.

Link: <https://sharepoint.agriculture.purdue.edu/ces/galaxy/default.aspx>

The Marriott is the hotel where NAE4-HA business and committee meetings will be held. A hotel confirmation number is needed before completing Galaxy III conference registration. Early bird conference registration is April 15-June 15 @ \$395.



**Update to Membership on NAE4-HA Spring Board Meeting** in President's Message at:

<http://www.nae4ha.org/about/presmsg.html>

**PILD (Public Issues Leadership Development) Conference** sponsored by JCEP (Joint Council of Extension Professionals) registrations still being accepted. Conference dates are: April 28-30, 2008 in Arlington, VA. NAE4-HA reimburses \$250 towards one NAE4-HA delegate per state.

Register at: [www.jcep.org](http://www.jcep.org), click on PILD.

**JCEP Teamwork Award** applications are due April 1, 2008. Again, visit [www.jcep.org](http://www.jcep.org), click on PILD for details. Two awards of \$500 per team are presented.

**Family Strengthening Awards** are due May 23, 2008. Five \$15,000 awards are available. Details: <http://www.fourhcouncil.edu/WorkArea/showcontent.aspx?id=350>

**Photos from 2007 Awards Banquet** link is on main page of NAE4-HA website: [www.nae4ha.org](http://www.nae4ha.org) Many apologies to our 2007 honorees - technical difficulties were the issue.

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Back 2 Basics Presented by:SDAE4-HE

Let's get "Back 2 Basics" when we gather as an association in Mitchell. The planning committee of Amber Lounsbery, Andrea Klein, Alice Nickelson, Helen Gepert and Jane Hanson has been working very hard to bring us sessions that focus on the foundation of our jobs as well as highlighting national program mandates and our own local programming.

The "Back 2 Basics" Spring Professional Development Conference registration materials and schedule are available from Amber Lounsbery. The conference is scheduled for Wednesday, April 30 and Thursday, May 1 in Mitchell at the Davison County Extension Office.

Join the members of your association for networking and professional development opportunities! Hope to see you there!

## Welcome! Youth Development/4H Educators

We welcome the newest Youth Development/4H Extension Educators to SDSU Cooperative Extension.

**Jane Hanson** has joined the Hughes/Stanley County Extension Office.

**Jackie Kessler** joined us as the Youth Development/4-H Educator in Edmunds County.

**Tana Clark** will be joining the Pennington County Extension Office.

**Amy Frerichs** will be joining the Lawrence County Extension Office.

We hope that their new beginning with extension will get off to a great start and that we can look for them to be members of our association in the future.

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