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**Merle Anderson has been working hard to establish a Milk Cooperative in Muldova. John Maxwell has also made a trip to aid in this venture. This effect will be multiplied several times as it grows in this country.**

**Learn about this project and others as we welcome visitors from Moldova. They will tell of our projects with CO-Ops in Muldova.**

### THIS FRIDAY AT THE STEEPLGATE

Vasile Gheorghita is the Manager of Vita-Lact Cooperative in Ignatei village, Moldova. He also farms with his son. Vasile graduated from Chisinau Construction College and started his career in 1986 as a construction engineer on the Collective Farm in his native village of Ignatei. In 1994, after the collapse of USSR, when the young and independent Moldovans embarked on the path of private property and entrepreneurship, Vasile was among the first ones in his village to ask for a share of land in the Collective Farm to start private farming. His will and drive for change was not universal, with many of his compatriots doubting his initiative of going private and independent. Despite some system resistance, the results of hard work and reform emerged. His plot of land increased from 6 ha to 20 ha and his profit-oriented and science-based approach to cropping and live-stock production started to serve as a model for his fellow citizens.

His results and impact on the village of 3,200 people had not remained unnoticed. In December 2001, Vasile and twelve reform-minded farmers of Ignatei village voted to form and register a milk-receiving Cooperative. Vasile was selected to be the Manager of the Cooperative to be named Vita-Lact Cooperative. They could not entrust the task of developing a modern, western-style marketing organization based upon Cooperative Principles to anyone who would not have the ability to drive the change. In order to finance the cooperative, members raised up to \$80 each, while Vasile pledged his house to get a Bank loan to buy an old estate to house the new village venture and ensure some start-up capital. This initiative of bringing economic and social opportunity to a remote area was immediately supported by USAID's agricultural program, CNFA, Inc., CNFA offered milk cooling equipment, laboratory equipment, office equipment and, most importantly, expertise through short-term volunteer experts in areas such as Cooperative Development, Strategic Business Planning, Marketing, Sound Business Practices, Packaging, etc.

Today, Vita-Lact Cooperative consists of 8 collection points spread throughout 8 neighboring villages in a radius of 25 miles. They have over 400 members. The dairy herds have increased thanks to relatively stable markets. But the Cooperative continues to be vulnerable to market, climatic, social and economic conditions. Despite establishing a modern collection operation, establishing veterinary and custom farming services to support dairy production in the region, the farming community continues to be affected by outside factors. As a response to existing challenges and in an effort to add value, Vita-Lact Cooperative launched a small milk processing plant.

Vita-Lact Cooperative has a lineup of 14 different products sold throughout the supermarkets of Chisinau, the capital city of Moldova. Selling dairy products to consumers is a completely new business and Vasile, his directors and the employees understand that they can be competitive only if they make improvements along the whole value chain from farm to table.

Vasile joined Moldovan Farmers Federation in 1996 to promote the advantages of modern and private farming. He and his wife, Dominica, are the parents of three adult children.

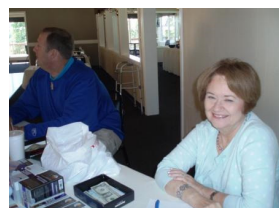
#### Oleg Brinza's background

Oleg Brinza is an economist. He started his career as interpreter in international projects assisting several Moldovan banks to adjust their accounting standards to international standards in late 1990's. He moved to agricultural development in early 2000 to work as project coordinator for USAID's Farmer-to-Farmer project, CNFA, Inc. In 2005, Oleg moved to a larger USAID facility focusing on developing the Moldovan fruit and vegetable sector's export capacity. Oleg coordinated the assistance to walnut, dried fruit and mushroom sectors.

In 2010, Oleg had a 9-month stint with United Nation Development Program as a manager of their Corporate Social Responsibility Program before moving to Lafarge Cement as their Energy and Strategic Sourcing Manager, the position he currently holds.

Oleg and his wife, Elena, are the parents of two children, Katya and Daniel. Oleg did his undergraduate studies at Balts State University and graduate studies at Chisinau's Academy of Economic Studies. He continues to work on his Ph.D and has studied at UC-Davis as well as in Chisinau. Oleg is fluent in Romanian, Russian and English.

**Walter Fahrenkrog Memorial Golf Outing 2013**



Registration table with Donn Wilmott, Eric Langan, Hank Runge, & Terrye Kishiue



Golfers, Kim Wilkins, Glen Eakes, Bill Rossow, Sheila Volrath



Rob White, Brad Burt, Jeremy Kaiser, and Eric Langan



Spectator: Keith Mattke  
NS Rotary Honor Rotarian



We also Celebrated a Birthday.  
Happy 60th Kim Wilkins



Dr Fred Mulch

That is a pretty small office to treat patients.

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### Make ups available at nearby Rotary Clubs

Monday, Noon ..... Clinton, Rastrelli's Restaurant, Lyons  
Monday, Noon ..... Davenport Outing Club, 2109 N. Brady St.  
Monday, 12:10 pm ..... Muscatine, Hotel Muscatine 101 W. Miss Dr  
Monday, 12:15 pm ..... Moline, Christ The King Catholic Church  
Monday, 6:00 pm ..... Quad Cities Illinois, Hy Vee 42nd Ave, Moline  
Tuesday, 7:15 am ..... River Cities, Brothers Restaurant, Rapids City, IL  
Tuesday, noon ..... Rock Island, QC Botanical Center  
Wednesday Noon ..... Bettendorf, Fortune Garden  
Wednesday, Noon ..... Tipton, 1143 Cedar Valley Rd.  
Wednesday, 4:30 pm .... Ridgecrest, 4134 Northwest Blvd, Davenport  
Wednesday 5:00 pm ..... Davenport Mini-Meet at Lunardi's  
Thursday, 7:00 am ..... Iowa Quad Cities, The Lodge, Bettendorf  
Thursday, 12:15 pm ..... East Moline, Christ United Methodist Church  
Thursday, Noon ..... Milan, Pinnacle Country Club  
Friday Noon ..... North Scott, Steeplegate Inn, Davenport.

### NORTH SCOTT ROTARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Friday, September 20:** Program: Vasile Gheorghita and Oleg Brinza: Vita-Lact Coop Manager from Moldova and his interpreter. Merle Anderson, Host. First Pie & Sweet Treat Auction by John Maxwell.

**Saturday, September 21:** Youth Exchange Fall Kickoff at Johnson County Fairgrounds, Montgomery Hall. Committee meeting 8-10 A.M. Students arrive 10 A.M.

**Friday, September 27:** Program: Cody Birely: North Scott High School Senior: Report on Rotary Youth Leadership camp attended in July.

**Saturday, September 28:** Special Olympics; Noon-5 P.M. Bocce Tournament at The River's Edge (inside soccer arena). Volunteers needed.

**Friday, October 4:** Membership Meeting. Charlie Jones & Becky Bray in charge. October birthdays celebrated. 50/50 Auction raffle.

**Friday, October 4:** Special Olympics; East Area Bowling Tournament at Miller Time Bowling. Times to be announced. Volunteers needed.

**Thursday, October 10:** Board meeting. 7 A.M. at the Steeplegate.

**Thursday, October 10:** Fall Seminar 5:30 P.M. at the West Liberty Community Center. All officers, foundation, membership, youth exchange, grant chairs encouraged to attend. Light supper included.

**Friday, October 11:** Regular meeting will be held off site at Strieter Motors Showroom. We will be celebrating the clubs 40<sup>th</sup> birthday. More details available soon.

**Wednesday, October 16:** Harvest Party to be held at Cinnamon Ridge Farms. Please sign up to help.

**Friday, October 18:** Program: Live Uncommon with Jim and Michelle Russell. Scott Case, Host.

### Thursday, October 24: SAVE THE DATE:

Annual Auction at the Starlite Ballroom, Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds. Babysitting will be available for \$5 per child. Patrick Olsen, Chair. Cody Allen & Becky Bray Co-Chairs.

### MAKE UPS TURNED IN

September 9: Bill Tubbs: Rotary Club of Davenport  
September 11: Nancy Glawe: Mini Meet at Ridgecrest  
September 11: Rob White, Marty O'Boyle, Jerry Coussens: Mini Meet at Rustic Ridge  
September 12: Steve Suiter, Steve Fahrenkrog, Glen Kepy, Rich Golinghorst, Dennis Peterson, John Maxwell, Tom Messer, Jeremy Kaiser, Marcia Brandt, Lori Rochau, Patrick Olsen, Bill Tubbs: Board of Directors Meeting  
September 13: Jeff Helms, Steve Powell, Eric Langan, Hank Runge, Terrye Isbell-Kishiue: Extra duties at Golf Outing  
September 16: Dougal Nelson: Rotary Club of Davenport (gave program)

### ASSIGNMENTS

September 20: Set up/tear down: Greg Schaapveld; Greeters: Dick Cole & Fred Mulch; Song Leader: Mike Thavenet; Piano: Carol Bordner; Invocation: Jan Trimble; Sergeant: Bill Tubbs

September 27: Set up/tear down: Jim Smith; Greeters: Jerry Coussens & Dougal Nelson; Song Leader: Jody Johnston-Mohr; Piano: Cathie Strieter; Invocation: Rev. Rich Pokora; Sergeant: Cody Allen

October 4: Set up/tear down: Don Brandt; Greeters: Roger Amhof & Patrick Olsen; Song Leader: Jody Johnston-Mohr; Piano: TBA; Invocation: Steve Powell; Sergeant: Eric Langan

October 11: Set up/tear down: Jerry Coussens; Greeters: Mike Auliff & Leroy Paustian; Song Leader: Paul Holzworth; Piano: TBA; Invocation: Paul Holzworth; Sergeant: John Maxwell

October 18: Set up/tear down: Rick Dywiak; Greeters: Josh Cobie & Rev. Rich Pokora; Song Leader: Angela Reese; Piano: TBA; Invocation: Scott Case; Sergeant: Margo McInnis

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### LAST WEEK

LAST MEETING – September 13, 2013 – Walter Fahrenkrog Fourth Annual Golf Outing

Fifty four members and twelve guests attended the Walter Fahrenkrog Memorial Golf Outing on a beautiful day at Spring Brooke Country Club in DeWitt, Iowa. Please take time to thank the 15 Hole Sponsors and also the members who made donations of prizes. These are listed elsewhere in the newsletter.

A wonderful meal was served by Spring Brooke and Bill Rossow surprised everyone by furnishing cake for the 60<sup>th</sup> birthday of Kim Wilkins.

Guests of Steve Fahrenkrog were: Bill Brehmer, Brad Scott and his uncle, Cal Steward. Guests of Paul Holzworth were: Doug Koester, Bill Porter and Gary Abbas. Guests of Lorraine Lynch were: Rosemary Caryle and Ken and Ardy Steine from Cedar Rapids. Jerry Trimble was a guest of Jan Trimble, Jeff Hansen a guest of Jeff Helms and Duncan Cameron a guest from Naples, FL Rotary Club.

#### **The 4 Way Test Of the things we THINK SAY or DO**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

# North Scott Rotary Auction Donation 2013

Auction Item (How would you like it listed in the auction booklet)

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Item Description (please be specific, contents or details the buyer would like to know)

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Procured By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Is there any other item that goes with this package?      No      Yes

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No, I will bring the day of the auction (only perishable items)

Other \_\_\_\_\_

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