# Our Mission To encourage the cooperation of all Ag industries for the communication and education of Agriculture.

ProAg is a non-profit organization that is committed to finding the balance between farmer, neighbor and consumer. This, we believe can be achieved by supporting and encouraging farmers while educating and making the general public aware of the important role that agriculture plays in our lives.

We are all, in some way affected daily by the industry of agriculture. The broad representation of agriculture on the ProAg board improves the organization's understanding of all aspects involved with agriculture. Whether you are a grower, ag retailer, downtown merchant, student, educational staff, pastoral or social counselor, or any other resident of our County, young or old please consider the importance of your commitment to work with ProAg. Together we can create a positive effect on agriculture, the lifeline of rural Minnesota.



## **ProAg's Values**

- We will support and encourage policies that enhance the viability of agriculture and rural communities.
- We will assist in making information available to encourage personal growth and development through programs of education.
- We will develop and share information that strengthens and sustains agriculture and rural communities.



# Strategic Initiatives & Workplan Membership, Education & Coorporation

- Facilitate leadership courses and programs
- Annual county bus tour of farms & business
- Membership drive
- Timely communication
- Maintain mailing list of members, producers, processors, agri-businesses, etc
- Host legislators on tour of Renville County, arrange other communication events

### **Promotion and Publication Relations**

- Promote citizens as a united group of diversified entrepreneurs
- Maintain brochure and other fulfillment pieces

#### **Youth Outreach**

- Use ProAg members to speak at youth organizations, lyceums, conferences, etc
- Provide sponsorship for youth to attend agriculture camps
- Partnership with Agriculture Future of America (AFA) for college scholarships



# **List of Accomplishments**

- Host of the 2010 Dr. David Kohl Seminar & Workshop
- Donated \$39,000 to Renville County Relay for Life over the past 10 years
- Provided \$20,000 in scholarship money to area students
- Co-Sponsor of the Annual Renville County All Ag Banquet
- •Co-Sponsor of the Annual Farm City Breakfast



It is the goal of ProAg to develop a foundation of education and information in agriculture that will secure the future of agriculture communities. Our strategic initiatives will continue to be improved upon as the strength of our organization grows through active membership by individuals such as you.

# Become a member today!

ProAg Membership			
	<ul><li>☐ Individual:</li><li>☐ Business:</li><li>☐ Other:</li></ul>	\$50 \$100 \$	
Name			
Address	S		
City, Sta	ate, Zip		

## E-mail Address

Telephone

Send this form with your check payable to *ProAq* to:

ProAg of Renville County 80398 280th Street Danube, MN 56230

## **Area Agricultural and Demographic Statistics**

Corn	45,004,000 Bu.	184 Bu./ Acre
Soybeans	8,686,000 Bu.	46 Bu./ Acre
Sweet Corn	211,000 Ton	8.15 T./ Acre
Green Peas	270,450 Ton	2.21 T./ Acre
Sugar Beets	1,103,000 Ton	28.9 T./ Acre
Hogs	446,000 Head	
Total land in R	606,395 Acres	
Average size o	560 Acres	
Number of far	1,100	

2009 Statistics

2008 Crop & Livestock Annual Cash Receipts for Renville County \$593,404,000.00



# Board of Directors & Area of Agriculture Represented

Poultry

**Becky Bruns** 

**Doug Toreen** 

Steve Zenk

Jon Butler	F&M Bank Minnesota
Mike Filzen	Coop Country Farmers Elevator
Dick Hagen	Farm Bureau
Pat Halbe	United FCS
Susie Lang	Renville County HRA/EDA
Joel Mathiowetz	Corn Capital Innovations
Tom McGraw	Ag Consulting
<b>Keith McNamara</b>	SMSBC
<b>Brad Nere</b>	Horizon Farms, Inc.
<b>Gregg Riley</b>	Monsanto
David Scheibel	Minnesota West Ag Services

Corn & Soybean Growers

Ridgewater College/Farm Mgmt.





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