May 1st through 15th, VIPP in conjunction with the Michigan State University Extension dairy program hosted five Turkish dairy farmers for a Global Education Workshop to learn about the United States dairy farming industry. The participants attended lectures on animal science and the dairy industry by MSU professors, extension educators, and industry professionals.

MSU has a long history with the dairy industry. Aside from housing the MSU Dairy Store, the university is also famous for pioneering many of the scientific advances in dairy. Michigan Agriculture College (now MSU) scientists developed cattle production methods that led to greater quality and quantity of milk from their cows.

During their two-week stay they visited MSU locations such as the MSU Dairy Farm and Kellogg Biological Station as well as private farms from the smaller Messing Dairy Farm to the large Swisslane Diary. When they weren’t busy with professional visits and lectures they were visiting U.S. cultural sites.

**Upcoming Event:**

Beginning May 28th, VIPP will be hosting another group from Turkey, 14 people from the Energy Market Regulatory Authority will be here for three months to learn more about Energy Regulation in the U.S. and Canada.