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**Aging Care Connections Receives Grant
from Million Dollar Round Table Foundation**

August 28, 2013—Sanford A. Schmidt, CLU, CFP, of Northbrook, Illinois, secured a \$3,000 grant from the MDRT Foundation on behalf of Aging Care Connections, La Grange. Schmidt, a 27-year MDRT member, is a supporter of Aging Care Connections. The MDRT Foundation grant will support the organization's Safe-Home Meals Program. This year, the MDRT Foundation will award almost \$1 million in grants to more than 100 charities.

Aging Care Connections' Safe-Home Meals program serves older adults with specialized dietary restrictions that cannot be accommodated through current meal programs such as low-sodium, diabetic-appropriate, and gluten-free. In partnership with Cantata Adult Life Services, these meals are prepared and delivered to the homes of clients who are unable to cook for themselves due to illness, physical limitations, lack of knowledge, an inability to learn preparation techniques, or without family or friends to address their nutritional needs. In addition, an indirect benefit of the program is the delivery serves as a means of well-being check as often clients live alone. The program is funded solely by donations to Aging Care Connections and the grant funds awarded by the MDRT Foundation will help to maintain the program as a viable option for older adults in need.

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The MDRT Foundation was created in 1959 to provide MDRT members with a means to give back to their communities. Since its inception, the Foundation has donated more than \$28 million to more than 70 countries throughout the world and in all 50 states. The majority of these funds were raised by MDRT members from MDRT members.

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Aging Care Connections is a non-profit organization which is the connection to the most comprehensive, expert information, programs and services enabling older adults to remain independent and their families to make the best, most informed decisions regarding needed care in their lives. Serving 22 communities in Lyons, Riverside and South Proviso Townships and an additional ten communities in Leyden and Norwood Park Townships for adult protective services investigation, Aging Care Connections' programs and services are made possible by community support and donations, and, in part, by the Illinois Department on Aging (IDOA), AgeOptions, Community Memorial Foundation and local United Ways. To learn more, visit www.agingcareconnections.org.