

# MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

## NEWS RELEASE

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### 134 Century Farms Honored in 2016

#### *State Fair and Farm Bureau Program Salutes Minnesota Family Farms*

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St. Paul, Minn. — The Minnesota State Fair and the Minnesota Farm Bureau recognize 134 Minnesota farms as 2016 Century Farms. Qualifying farms have been in continuous family ownership for at least 100 years and are 50 acres or more. Century Farm families receive a commemorative sign, as well as a certificate signed by State Fair and Minnesota Farm Bureau presidents and Gov. Mark Dayton. Since the program began in 1976, more than 10,000 Minnesota farms have been recognized as Century Farms.

2016 Century Farm families are listed by county, then by the farm's city, family names and year of original purchase:

<b>Anoka County</b>		
Lino Lakes	Waldoch Farm	1916
<b>Becker County</b>		
Detroit Lakes	Dan & Kristy Anderson	1915
<b>Benton County</b>		
Foley	Daniel & Debbie Hennek	1916
<b>Big Stone County</b>		
Graceville	C.F. Hanson Farm	1906
Ortonville	Thompson Farms	1904
<b>Brown County</b>		
New Ulm	David & Anita Hoffmann Family	1903
New Ulm	Thomas & Ann Seifert	1879
Sleepy Eye	Autumn Breeze Dairy	1914
Sleepy Eye	Roger & Sharon Kral	1916
Springfield	David & Doreen Vogel	1913
<b>Cass County</b>		
Pequot Lakes	Bye Farm	1898
Pillager	Maple Grove Farm	1914
<b>Clay County</b>		
Barnesville	David Heng Family Farm	1900
Barnesville	Russell Heng	1909
Hawley	Swenson Farm	1907
<b>Clearwater County</b>		
Gonvick	Pederson/Gunvalson Family Farm	1916
Gonvick	Wolden Farm	1901
Shevlin	Benesh Farm	1915
Shevlin	Marsh Farm	1916
<b>Crow Wing County</b>		
Brainerd	Bob & Nancy Dambow - Trust	1916
<b>Dodge County</b>		
Sargeant	The Benson Farm	1915
<b>Douglas County</b>		
Farwell	Reece Farms	1915
<b>Faribault County</b>		
Blue Earth	Donald & Vernetta Bell	1911
Easton	Cecelia Stevermer	1914
Easton	Stevermer's Trails End Farm	1916
Kiester	Oda (Scherb) Meyer Family	1892
Winnebago	Caudle Herefords	1913
<b>Fillmore County</b>		
Chatfield	The Hanson Family	1915
Harmony	Rodney J. & Lynda L. Koliha	1916

Peterson	Eric & Rebecca Stocker	1916
Wykoff	Lyle & Marilyn Affeldt	1915
<b>Freeborn County</b>		
Albert Lea	Alan O. & Bonnie K. Bakken	1910
Austin	John M. Penkava	1916
Freeborn	Christensen Family Farm	1916
<b>Goodhue County</b>		
Kenyon	Walker Farm	1915
Red Wing	Bruce & Priscilla Eckblad	1914
Zumbrota	Goplen Family Farm	1900
<b>Grant County</b>		
Elbow Lake	The Jakob Haberer Family	1897
Elbow Lake	Slettene Gard	1915
Herman	Albert Boerner Homestead	1876
Wendell	Goerdts Family Farm	1902
<b>Hubbard County</b>		
LaPorte	Judson M. Goss Homestead	1911
<b>Itasca County</b>		
Deer River	Juntunen Family	1916
Deer River	Heikkinen/Juntunen Family Farm	1916
Grand Rapids	Clifford Struble	1915
<b>Jackson County</b>		
Alpha	Hartjen Brandt Farm	1914
Alpha	Joseph & Pat Zebedee	1894
Heron Lake	Ray Diemer Family Farm	1914
Lakefield	Burmeister Family Farm	1916
<b>Kandiyohi County</b>		
Atwater	Roland & Shirley Bosch	1914
Lake Lillian	Marie Clough-Nelsen	1914
<b>Kittson County</b>		
Lake Bronson	L. Swanson Farm	1916
<b>Koochiching County</b>		
Littlefork	Wilmer & Virginia Johnson	1912
<b>Lac qui Parle County</b>		
Madison	Brian & Karin Moen	1916
<b>Le Sueur County</b>		
Montgomery	Pomije	1896
Waterville	The David & Joyce Crow Family	1916
Waterville	Davison Family Farm	1908
<b>Lincoln County</b>		
Lake Benton	J. David Fruechte	1910
Taunton	The Downing Family	1894
<b>Lyon County</b>		
Tracy	Ludeman Family	1905
Tyler	Louis C. & Delores D. Anderson	1895
<b>Martin County</b>		
Elmore	John – Anton – George (Bud) Alan Johnson Farm	1909
Granada	Calvin Mattson	1916
<b>Meeker County</b>		
Dassel	John Juusola Farm	1916
Grove City	Drange Partnership	1874
<b>Mille Lacs County</b>		
Onamia	Nost Farm	1914
<b>Morrison County</b>		
Bowlus	The Biniek Farm	1915
Hillman	Lazy K Ranch	1915
Pierz	George & LyAnn Kummert	1915
<b>Mower County</b>		
Taopi	Gilgenbach Farm	1879
<b>Murray County</b>		
Chandler	Rylaarsdam Dairy Farms, Inc.	1914

<b>Nobles County</b>		
Adrian	Wagner Farms	1913
Worthington	The Clarence Langseth Family	1901
Worthington	Langseth Bros Farm	1890
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<b>Norman County</b>		
Gary	Liebl Farms	1913
Halstad	Sharpe Farms	1874
<b>Olmsted County</b>		
Byron	Betty Dorsey Silker	1858
Kasson	Elmer Jorgenson	1907
<b>Otter Tail County</b>		
Deer Creek	Larry & Renee Helmrichs	1916
Erhard	Rocholl Family Farm	1916
New York Mills	Ken & Karen Tervola	1898
Perham	Wayne & Gail Quittschreiber	1915
Vergas	Gorentz Farm	1890
<b>Pennington County</b>		
Goodridge	Sunsdahl Family	1904
<b>Pine County</b>		
Finlayson	Romanowski Dairy Inc.	1916
Pine City	Skuzacek Family	1914
Sandstone	DePover Ranch	1915
Willow River	Waletzko	1904
<b>Polk County</b>		
Erskine	The Dennis & Susan Hoel Family	1892
McIntosh	Lloyd Schleicher Family	1916
Mentor	The Galland Farm	1903
Mentor	Roxanne Boehrsen, Lynn Forsberg & Sandra Parsley	1909
<b>Red Lake County</b>		
Crookston	Larson Family Farm	1909
<b>Redwood County</b>		
Morgan	Iffert	1915
Seaforth	Bernardy Farm	1915
<b>Renville County</b>		
Fairfax	Dennis & Nancy Blumhoefer	1915
Fairfax	Hinderman Farm	1911
Hector	Carl G. Anderson Farm	1916
Olivia	Tersteeg Family	1905
<b>Rice County</b>		
Faribault	The Keller Family	1891
Webster	William J. Pelant Century Farm	1916
<b>Rock County</b>		
Ellsworth	Bergman, Wessels, Schilling Farm	1916
<b>Roseau County</b>		
Greenbush	Gust Tomasek Farm	1904
Greenbush	Hendrickson Farm	1906
Strathcona	Gust Deer Ridge Farms	1904
<b>Sibley County</b>		
Arlington	George Otto	1913
<b>St. Louis County</b>		
Floodwood	Collman Tree Farm	1916
Floodwood	The Hutchinsons	1901
<b>Stearns County</b>		
Melrose	Fuechtmann Farm	1913
Pennock	Pierce Farms	1873
St. Joseph	Simon Farm	1914
<b>Stevens County</b>		
Donnelly	Diehl Farm	1915
Donnelly	Kopel Farm	1916
Hancock	Daryl Dosdall	1916

<b>Swift County</b>		
Appleton	Munsterman Farms	1898
Sunburg	Donna Olson	1916
<b>Todd County</b>		
Browerville	George - Geri (Spychala) Jagush Farm	1915
<b>Traverse County</b>		
Richville	McAloney Family Trust	1892
<b>Wabasha County</b>		
Lake City	James & Diane Franke	1915
Millville	Dwight, Nancy Tesmer	1915
<b>Waseca County</b>		
Janesville	Mueller Sunnyside Farm	1907
New Richland	Jacobson Farm	1916
<b>Watonwan County</b>		
Comfrey	Lindeen Family Farm	1916
<b>Wilkin County</b>		
Kent	Bellmore Farms	1902
<b>Winona County</b>		
Dakota	Neumann Family	1910
Lewiston	Ahrens Family Farm	1916
St. Charles	Pagel Golden Acres (Richard & Susan Pagel)	1892
<b>Wright County</b>		
Buffalo	Mosher Family	1875
Maple Lake	Original Smith Homestead Est. 1913	1913
Waverly	Borrell Family Farm	1908
Waverly	Hohag Family Farm	1916
<b>Yellow Medicine County</b>		
Belview	Abrahamson Family Century Farm - Henry, Floyd, Larry	1916
Echo	Sjaastad Family	1898

Information on all Century Farms will be available at the Minnesota Farm Bureau exhibit during the 2016 Minnesota State Fair, which runs Aug. 25 - Labor Day, Sept. 5. A Century Farm database is also available at [fbmn.org](http://fbmn.org).

The Minnesota State Fair is one of the largest and best-attended expositions in the world, attracting 1.8 million visitors annually. Showcasing Minnesota's finest agriculture, art and industry, the Great Minnesota Get-Together is always 12 Days of Fun Ending Labor Day. Visit [mnstatefair.org](http://mnstatefair.org) for more information.

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