



TENNESSEE CENTURY FARMS

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Century Farms Go Online

Would you like to read a description of your farm? Do you want to know about the other Century Farms in your county? Now you can read about Century Farms across the state on the new and improved Century Farm Web site. This major project is nearly completed thanks to the diligent work of Kevin Cason, Century Farm intern and Ph.D. student in Public History at MTSU. The internship was cosponsored by the Center for Historic Preservation (CHP) and the Tennessee Department of Agriculture through the Agricultural Development Fund. Proceeds from this fund are derived solely from the sale of the Tennessee Ag Tag specialty license plate.

At present, descriptions of farms in 84 counties are completed. Entries for all farms should be online by the end of this year. To protect the privacy and security of farm families and their property, neither specific contact information nor the exact location of farms is given on the Web site. If you would like to add a photograph or if the information on your farm is incorrect or needs to be updated, please get in touch with Century Farms staff at the CHP (contact information is on page 4).



Read the history of the Billingsley Farm (Jackson County) and other Century Farms on the new Web site

In addition to reading about the farms on the Web site, you can also view issues of the Century Farms newsletter and the publication titled *Holding On to the Homestead: A Guide to Programs, Services, and Options for Tennessee's Farmers*. Answers to frequently asked questions about the program, now in its 30th year, and applications are available. A form for ordering additional Century Farm signs is also online. Thanks to the Ag Tag program and to Kevin Cason, who will continue to work at the center this summer and fall to complete the farm entries for every county. Access the new Web site at <http://histpres.mtsu.edu> and click on Century Farms.



Congratulations to These New Century Farms!

The following farms were certified since the December 2005 newsletter. While farms may have more than one owner, we list only the first contact owner of record, as supplied on the farm application by the family, because of space limitations.

ADAMS FARM

County: Haywood
Owner: Elizabeth Friedman
Date Founded: 1895

ALBERT LLOYD KELLER FARM

County: Hardeman
Owner: Albert L. Keller
Date Founded: 1870

ARCHIBALD QUALLS FARM

County: Overton
Owner: Juanella Shea
Date Founded: 1840

B. A. T. ANGUS FARM

County: Cumberland
Owner: Andrew Turner
Date Founded: 1898

BILL RUSSELL FARM

County: Claiborne
Owner: William Russell
Date Founded: 1898

BOB GORE FARM

County: Overton
Owner: Agnes L. Carr
Date Founded: 1870

BOOTH FARM

County: Haywood
Owner: Milton Booth
Date Founded: 1894

BRADY FARM

County: Cumberland
Owner: Maggie Brady
Date Founded: 1854

CARVERDALE FARM

County: Jackson
Owner: Joseph S. Moore
Date Founded: 1890

CHESTNUT RIDGE FARM

County: Moore County
Owner: Lisa Martin Cochran
Date Founded: 1850

CRAWFORD FARM

County: Overton
Owner: Dorise Crabtree
Date Founded: 1824

CREECY FARM

County: Giles
Owner: Leslie Don Creecy
Date Founded: 1904

DOBSON FARM

County: Wilson
Owner: Thomas Mitchell
Dobson
Date Founded: 1803

THE E.H.M. FARM

County: Gibson
Owner: Eddie McClellan
Date Founded: 1892

F. M. GORE FARM

County: Overton
Owner: Reba Flatt
Date Founded: 1868

FISER-JACKSON FARM

County: Dickson
Owner: Larry Dale Fiser
Date Founded: 1900

FOUR HILLS FARM

County: Hickman
Owner: Mary Horner
Date Founded: 1880

FRIEDMAN FARM

County: Haywood
Owner: Elizabeth Friedman
Date Founded: 1904

GREENBERRY WILSON FARM

County: Cumberland
Owner: Harold L. Agee
Date Founded: 1808

HANCOCK FARM

County: Overton
Owner: Sue Hancock Pope
Date Founded: 1894

JAMES S. KEMMER FARM

County: Cumberland
Owner: James S. Kemmer
Date Founded: 1906

JOHN C. KEMMER FARM

County: Cumberland
Owner: John C. Kemmer IV
Date Founded: 1879

JONATHAN ALLRED FARM

County: Overton
Owner: James M. Allred
Date Founded: 1831

LECK GORE FARM

County: Overton
Owner: William Glen Gore
Date Founded: 1870

MAPLE VALLEY FARM

County: Washington
Owner: Maude Teague
Date Founded: 1899

MAYBERRY-GARRETT FARM

County: Hickman
Owner: Diane Garrett
Date Founded: 1859

McKEE FARM

County: Sumner
Owner: Mark L. McKee
Date Founded: 1906

McKEE FARM

County: Wilson
Owner: Ralph McKee
Date Founded: 1878

McKINNON FARM

County: Chester
Owner: William Bernard
McKinnon
Date Founded: 1880

McPEAK FARM

County: White
Owner: Beecher H. McPeak
Date Founded: 1858

MOORE FARM

County: White
Owner: Mabel J. Moore
Date Founded: 1905

NEIL MANLEY FARM

County: Jefferson
Owner: Neil Manley
Date Founded: 1906

NUNNELLY FARM

County: Hickman
Owner: William H. Nunnelly
Date Founded: 1844

OAKLEAF FARM

County: Cocke
Owner: David L. Ottinger
Date Founded: 1902

ORME FARM

County: Cumberland
Owner: Charlie T. Orme
Date Founded: 1866

PAYNE FARM

County: Sumner
Owner: Thomas H. Short
Date Founded: 1905

POPLAR HILL ACRES

County: Wilson
Owner: Glen M. Beard
Date Founded: 1861

PORTER FARM

County: Macon County
Owner: David L. Porter
Date Founded: 1894

R. E. KEMMER FARM

County: Cumberland
Owner: Mary E. Kemmer Hamby
Date Founded: 1860

ROCKY FIELD FARM

County: Greene
Owner: Herbert Wayne Hughes
Date Founded: 1796

SISCO-LOVELESS FARM

County: Lewis
Owner: L. C. Loveless
Date Founded: 1906

SPRING FORREST FARM

County: Dickson
Owner: Scott Sanders
Date Founded: 1808

STEWART FARM

County: Haywood
Owner: Maxine Stewart
Date Founded: 1882

STOCKTON FARM

County: Overton
Owner: Mayme Swallows
Date Founded: 1851

TILSON FARM

County: Unicoi
Owner: Leon Rhodes
Date Founded: 1856

**TOMMY and REBECCA
KEMMER FARM**

County: Cumberland
Owner: Tommy and Rebecca
Kemmer
Date Founded: 1860

TRIPLE G FARM

County: Dickson
Owner: David Gilmore
Date Founded: 1877

VALLEY VIEW FARM

County: Houston
Owner: Suzanne McCampbell
Date Founded: 1803

WARPATH FARM

County: Blount
Owner: Jean Wilson Hearon
Date Founded: 1809

WELLS FARM

County: Overton
Owner: Howard and Betty Wells
Date Founded: 1852

WOLF FARM

County: Robertson
Owner: Paul H. Wolf
Date Founded: 1890

Cumberland County Farms Honored

The annual Farm Festival Luncheon in Crossville, held on March 22, honored eight newly certified farms in the historic Grassy Cove community, along with the three previously certified Cumberland County Century Farms. The annual event was sponsored by the Crossville-Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce, Cumberland County Bank, Cumberland County Farm Bureau, University of Tennessee Extension Service, Highland Federal Savings and Loan, and Mountain Farm International. Caneta Hankins, director of the Tennessee Century Farms Program, presented the farm owners with certificates and signs.



Receiving signs and representing Century Farm families at the Farm Festival Luncheon are from left: Betty, Brenda, and Andy Turner (B. A. T. Angus Farm); Charlie Orme (Orme Farm); R. L. Wheeler (Wheeler Farm); R. E. Kemmer (Tommy and Rebecca Kemmer Farm); Jim and Evelyn Hamby (Little Cove Farm); Jim Kemmer (George E. and James S. Kemmer Farm); Rickie Harris (John C. Kemmer Farm); and Larry Warner (Greenberry Wilson Farm).

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Please direct comments and inquiries regarding applications, existing farm files, the Web site, and this newsletter to

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