

# MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

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### More Than 100 Century Farms Honored in 2009

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MINNESOTA STATE FAIRGROUNDS—The Minnesota State Fair and the Minnesota Farm Bureau recognize 114 Minnesota farms as 2009 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 the State Fair and Minnesota Farm Bureau presidents and Governor Pawlenty. Since the program began in 1976, over 8,700 Minnesota farms have been recognized as Century Farms.

2009 Century Farm families are listed by county, then by the farm's city, family names and year of original purchase:

<b>Anoka County</b>			Hastings	Leo M. Conzemius Family	1894
St. Francis	Gjertvig Family	1909	Hastings	Norbert & Dorothy Girgen	1909
<b>Becker County</b>			<b>Dodge County</b>		
Menahga	Grangruth/Wettstein Family	1899	Mantorville	Olive Family	1906
<b>Beltrami County</b>			<b>Douglas County</b>		
Bemidji	Ronald & Fannie Mae Edwards	1907	Garfield	Roers Family	1906
<b>Benton County</b>			Millerville	Anderson/Carlson Family	1895
Foley	Corrigan Family	1909	<b>Fairbault County</b>		
Foley	Magnuson Family	1909	Easton	Adrian Cory	1879
Royalton	Burggraaf Family	1898	<b>Goodhue County</b>		
<b>Brown County</b>			Dennison	Dean & Connie Larsen Family	1866
New Ulm	Hillesheim Family	1859	Goodhue	Augustine Family Farm	1908
New Ulm	Charles & Lauretta Holm	1858	Goodhue	Lone Oak Farms - Steven Matthees	1887
Sleepy Eye	Thomas & Sharon Hirsch	1891	Goodhue	Lone Oak Farms - Arnold Vomhof	1887
Springfield	Krueger Family	1890	<b>Grant County</b>		
<b>Carlton County</b>			Barrett	Douglas Ostenson	1909
Cromwell	Ronald & Judith Rosicky	1909	<b>Houston County</b>		
<b>Carver County</b>			Eitzen	John H. Anderson	1907
Mayer	Dean & Ann Schuette	1909	Houston	Franklin & Carol Hahn	1907
<b>Cass County</b>			Houston	Sather Farm	1907
Pequot Lakes	Lorna K. Siefke-Harber	1905	<b>Isanti County</b>		
Pine River	Janice S. & Kris A. Olson Family	1907	Cambridge	Irwin Falk	1876
<b>Chippewa County</b>			Stacy	Gordon G. Peterson	1900
Montevideo	Steven Nokleby Family	1898	<b>Itasca County</b>		
<b>Chisago County</b>			Warba	Keith & Nancy Austin Family	1909
Harris	Daw/Lofgren Family	1892	<b>Jackson County</b>		
Rush City	Lofgren Family	1902	Heron Lake	Finnegan Farm	1909
<b>Clearwater County</b>			Lakefield	Anna Klima	1889
Bagley	Jennings Sunderland	1909	<b>Kandiyohi County</b>		
Shevlin	Sether - Norway Pine Grove Farms	1909	Belgrade	Jensen Greene Acres	1909
<b>Cottonwood County</b>			Willmar	Anderson/Feifarek/Petersen Family	1906
Lamberton	Pooch Family	1908	<b>Kittson County</b>		
<b>Dakota County</b>			Hallock	Margaret Cameron	1905
Hampton	Endres Farms	1899	Kennedy	Britten Farm	1904
Hampton	James & Carol Gores	1879	Lancaster	Ogorek Family	1909

**Lac Qui Parle County**

Boyd Wold Family 1884

**Le Sueur County**

New Prague George &amp; Theresa Ruhland 1892

**Lincoln County**

Canby Yackley/Lokken Family 1909

**Lyon County**

Cottonwood Gee Family Farm 1902

Lynd Coteau Farms 1909

**Marshall County**

Alvarado Matthew &amp; Lois Edman 1909

Argyle Eugene &amp; Marlene Jorgenson Family 1907

Thief River Falls Donald M. Jorde &amp; Grace T. Jorde 1908

**Martin County**

Fairmont Milton H. &amp; Robert A. Schwieger 1889

**McLeod County**

Glencoe Ronald M. Wolter 1909

Hutchinson Bradley Duesterhoeft 1893

Hutchinson Loren &amp; Laura Olson - Raylore Farm 1888

Stewart Nolan E. &amp; Peggy M. Schulz 1896

Stewart Ziemann Family 1909

Winsted Melvin E. &amp; Janet M. Bayerl 1905

**Meeker County**

Cosmos Wayne David Nelson 1903

Dassel Alan &amp; Shirley Skalberg 1873

Eden Valley Harold &amp; Karin Haag 1909

Watkins Helen Winings 1909

**Mille Lacs County**

Onamia The Hahn Family 1909

**Morrison County**

Hillman LeRoy F. &amp; Irene F. Sullivan Family 1904

Little Falls John &amp; Lori Kokett Family 1908

Little Falls James &amp; Joyce Ringwelski 1909

Royalton Perleberg Farm 1908

**Mower County**

Brownsdale Rockwell Family 1872

Grand Meadow Eugene &amp; Darlene Jacobson 1887

Waltham The Schmeling Family 1896

**Nicollet County**

Gibbon DeWayne J. Blaalid 1889

New Ulm Peterson Bros. - Pine Hill Farm 1880

New Ulm Michael &amp; Bonnie Webster 1904

St. Peter Boys Family (David, Dennis, Donna) 1876

**Nobles County**

Ellsworth John &amp; Barbara Reiter 1909

Fulda Richard &amp; Sherri Boehnke 1905

**Olmsted County**

Dover Walters Farm 1892

Rochester Schoenfelder Farms 1865

**Otter Tail County**

Sebeka Raatikka Family 1889

**Pennington County**

Oklee Austad Family 1905

**Redwood County**

Clements Marilyn Sell Farm 1903

Morgan William L. &amp; Elaine P. Wood 1900

**Renville County**

Renville The Kurtz Family 1901

**Rice County**

Kilkenny The Murphy Family 1861

Lonsdale Bernie &amp; Carol Franek Farm 1897

Lonsdale Garold J. Pumper 1906

**Roseau County**

Badger Michael F. Yager 1905

Wannaska Njaa Family 1906

**Sibley County**

Arlington Vernetta L. Brinkmann 1891

Fairfax Ralph A. &amp; Rodney N. Schefus 1892

Glencoe Virgil &amp; Marian Frauendienst Family 1909

Glencoe Elouise Horton 1888

Henderson Petzel Farm 1909

**Stearns County**

Eden Valley Bernard J. &amp; Natalie Niewind 1909

Freeport Leilani Rolfes 1883

Melrose Holdvogt Bros. - Andrew &amp; Richard 1907

Melrose The Kenneth Schaefer Family 1897

Paynesville Harvey &amp; Marilyn Lieser 1892

**Steele County**

Blooming Prairie Gary, Joylene, Elmer Johnson 1892

New Richland Jerome &amp; Evelyn Lee 1909

**Stevens County**

Morris Donald H. Groth 1909

Morris Stettner Farm 1909

**Traverse County**

Wheaton Kenneth I. Nelson &amp; Marian M. Nelson 1899

**Wabasha County**

Goodhue Bartholome Farms 1861

Lake City The Scot &amp; Jean Meyer Family 1908

**Waseca County**

Janesville Dennis &amp; Diane Witt 1893

New Richland Odean V. &amp; Andrea L. Johnson 1896

New Richland Dale Winegar 1899

Waseca Eric &amp; Patti Kalis 1908

**Washington County**

Lake Elmo Viola E. Sullwold 1859

**Wright County**

Monticello James A. Moores 1903

**Yellow Medicine County**

Canby Orval &amp; Muriel Gubrud 1883

