



# 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: Cocks  
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  
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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