

Commonwealth Adds 29 Farm Families To Century Farms Programs

HARRISBURG — Twenty-nine farm families in the Commonwealth have been designated as owners of official Pennsylvania Century Farms during the third quarter of 1987, bringing the state's total to 1,167.

"The Century Farms Program helps publicize the strengths and durability of farm families who have contributed so much to our Commonwealth's economic and agricultural heritage. Our 58,000 farm families produce more than \$3.2 billion annually in farm products and help keep agriculture Pennsylvania's number one industry," said State Agriculture Secretary Boyd Wolff.

To qualify as a Pennsylvania Century Farm, a farm must be owned by the same family for at least 100 consecutive years and a family member must currently live on the farm. The farm must contain at least ten acres of the original holding. The program has been coordinated by the Agriculture Department since its inception ten years ago.

Applications can be obtained by calling toll-free

1-800-AG-PENNA or by writing to: Century Farms, Press Office, Pa. Department of Agriculture, 2301 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110-9408.

The oldest farm recognized during the quarter is owned by Laura Debner Gilbert and her brother Daniel Debner of Charleroi. They have uncovered a very colorful history of their farm, which was patented sometime before 1760 by their ancestor William Winnett.

Mr. Winnett was apparently kidnapped in England and brought to the American colonies, where he was bound until the age of 21. He then took a patent for 1,000 acres of land in Fallowfield Township and married England native Sally Strange; their first of 12 children, William Jr. was born on the farm in 1761. Winnett farmed his homestead and became a barrel maker to support his large family.

Two natural farm springs, the only ones in the region, run off and create wetlands conducive to wildlife. The Audubon Society has banded many species of birds on the Debner Farm and 10,000 blue spruce trees have been planted as

part of an erosion conservation plan. The family has artifacts which indicate their farm springs were used by Indians, in addition to family stories about Indians coming to the farm to trade their tobacco. One man, reportedly caught cheating at cards, was hung from an old oak tree.

The latest crop of Pennsylvania Century Farms, along with the total number that have been recognized in those counties, includes:

ADAMS COUNTY (17)- Roy E. Grove of Brough Road, Abbottstown, farm purchased in 1878 by his grandparents Israel & Abby Renoll.

John B. Horner, 20 Horner Road, Gettysburg, farm purchased in 1802 by his great-great grandfather Alexander Horner.

Arthur S. & Mary Wolfe of Lattimore Valley Road, York Springs, farm purchased in 1773 by her great-great-great grandfather Isaac Deardorff.

ARMSTRONG COUNTY (34)- Mary Polof of RD 1, Ford City, farm purchased in 1863 by her great-great grandparents John & Catherine Kimpel.

Shirley and Robert Earl Patrick, Jr. of RD 2, New Bethlehem, farm purchased in 1875 by his great grandfather Robert Knox Patrick Sr.

BEDFORD COUNTY (14)- Mary Virginia Pensyl of RD 2, Bedford, farm purchased in 1883 by her grandfather-in-law John Pensyl.

BRADFORD COUNTY (20)- Williard, Thomas & Roger Brown of RD 2, Troy, farm purchased in 1847 by their great-great-great grandfather David Brown.

David and Eleanor Loomis of RD 1, Troy, farm purchased in 1876 by his great grandfather Frederick Bohlayer.

BUCKS COUNTY (11)- Frank & Thelma Ott of Mill Road, Hatfield, farm purchased in 1769 by his great-great-great-great grandfather Charles Leidy.

BUTLER COUNTY (68)- William & Carol Coast McBride of RD 2, Harrisville, farm purchased in 1884 by her great grandfather Gibson Coast.

CRAWFORD COUNTY (53)- Paul E. Gehr, Jr. of RD 3, Linesville, farm purchased in 1802 by his great-great grandparents Adam & Mary Gehr.

JEFFERSON COUNTY (26)- James T. & Sarah Thomas Mitchell of RD 2, Mayport, farm purchased in 1882 by her grandmother Susan Thomas.

Orville & Isabelle Ronning of RD 1, Reynoldsville, farm purchased in 1834 by the great grandfather Milton Johnson.

JUNIATA COUNTY (17)- Ralph & Virginia Swartz of RD 2, Port Royal, farm purchased in 1887 by his grandfather Frederick Swartz.

LAWRENCE COUNTY (32)- John & Mildred Moscipan of RD 1, Wampum, farm purchased in 1852 by her grandfather Samuel Reno.

LEHIGH COUNTY (16)- Janet & Donald Bachman Sr., of Copechan Road, Schnecksville, farm purchased in 1885 by his great uncle William Bachman.

LUZERNE COUNTY (12)- J. Douglas & Margaret Harrison of RD 1, Schickshinny, farm pur-

chased in 1886 by his grandfather Winfield Harrison.

LYCOMING COUNTY (21)- Grover B. & Carrie Gordner of RD 1, Muncy, farm purchased in 1825 by his great-great-great grandfather Peter Snyder.

MERCER COUNTY (33)- Robert W. & Nila Bush on North Summit Road, Jamestown, farm purchased in 1851 by his great-great grandfather George Brockway.

Lacy F. Enterline of West Jamestown Road, Jamestown, farm purchased in 1864 by his grandfather Augusta Enterline.

SULLIVAN COUNTY (4)- Marie & Nathan Wheeler of RD 1, Dushore, farm purchased in 1830 by their great-great grandfather Christian Weaver.

WASHINGTON COUNTY (36)- Jane Munce Boak of RD 2, Washington, farm purchased in 1803 by her great-great-great grandfather Robert J. Munce.

Laura Debner Gilbert & Daniel Debner, RD 2, Charleroi, farm purchased before 1760 by William Winnett.

Ray Smallwood of RD 1, Coal Center, farm purchased in 1801 by his great-great-great grandfather Barnett Johnson.

WYOMING COUNTY (13)- Dr. Albert Crispell of RD 1, Noxen, farm purchased in 1865 by his grandfather Charles Crispell.

E. Lester Prevost of RD 3, Tunkhannock, farm purchased in 1815 by his great-great grandfather John Prevost.

YORK COUNTY (28)- Robert & Paul Jordan of RD 1, Airville, farm purchased in 1886 by their great great aunt Elizabeth Mitchell.

William T. & Duane Kilgore of RD 2, Airville, farm purchased in 1804 by his great-great-great grandfather Sam Dougherty.

Robert & Lucreta Rebert of RD 2, Spring Grove, one farm purchased in 1851 by his great grandfather Henry Rebert and a second farm purchased in 1875 by Henry Rebert.

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7:30 P.M. DST**

* Registered Arlinda Car-Dairyman. Dam- Brown Valley Cona Milestone. Born 2/25/85, fresh 9/12/87 and had 54 lbs. milk for tester Oct. 13, 1987. Her Dam was GP 83 as a 4 year old. Her records:

1 yr.	11 mo.	365 dys.	22,970M	683F
3 yrs.	2 mo.	354 dys.	24,710M	770F
4 yrs.	5 mo.	295 dys.	23,230M	798F

* Registered Blue Vale Starline Jewel born 10/26/84 Sire-Lawcrest Attraction. Fresh 9/18/87 milked 77 lbs for tester Oct 13, 1987. Her Dam milked 95 lbs. per day in an untested herd

* Identified Grade. Sire- Harmony-Corners Duke, born 1/7/85, fresh 9/17/87. Milked 67 5 lb for tester Oct. 13, 1987 Her Dam was Fizzle Her records:

1 yr.	11 mo.	353 dys.	27,406M	760F
3 yrs.		365 dys.	31,817M	944F

GrDam's record.

6 yrs.	4 mo.	365 dys.	32,159M	1233F
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