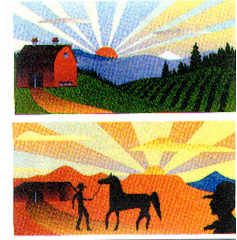


Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation
Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program
SESQUICENTENNIAL AWARD



150 YEARS

Application Guidelines

Background

In 2008, a Sesquicentennial Award recognizing families who have sustained their family-ownership of an Oregon farm or ranch for 150 years or more will be introduced. The deadline for returning applications is November 1, 2007. This new award is an outgrowth of the Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program, which began in 1958 on the eve of the Oregon statehood centennial. Administered through the Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation, the CF&R Program is partially funded through a partnership with the Oregon Farm Bureau, the Oregon Department of Agriculture, the Heritage Programs Division of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, the Oregon Historical Society, and other individual, business and organizational contributors. The Oregon Century Farm & Ranch Program is pleased to honor these Oregon families as the state celebrates its sesquicentennial birthday.

Qualifications

1. Only the legal owner(s) of the property may apply for the Sesquicentennial Farm or Ranch status.
2. Your farm or ranch must have been operated continuously in the same family for 150 years or more. A farm or ranch settled any time 150 years ago or earlier will be eligible if it meets other requirements.
3. The farm or ranch must have a gross income from farming or ranching activities of not less than \$1,000 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding the application.
4. You must live on the farm or ranch, or if you live off the farm or ranch, you must actively manage and direct the farming or ranching activity on the land. If the entire farm or ranch has been rented or leased outside of the family in the period between the award of century status and this application for 150 year status, it may not qualify. The line of ownership from the original settler or buyer may be through children, siblings, or nephews and nieces. Adopted children will be recognized equally with other descendants.
5. Applications must be submitted on official forms provided by the Century Farm & Ranch Program with all questions completed. Please submit additional descriptive information on the family and/or farm or ranch history. Copies of historical & current photographs of the farm or ranch and family are encouraged. Digital format photos (at highest resolution [300 dpi]) are particularly desirable, so that they may be used in publications, the CF&R Program Database or the web site. Submitted information, including photos, will be deposited in the OHS Library for future reference.
6. Applications must be signed and certified by a Notary Public.
7. Deadline for returning applications is **November 1** of the current year. All applications postmarked by midnight of that date will be considered.

Fees

A \$25 non-refundable fee is required with each application. This fee covers administrative costs and includes one framed certificate. Additional certificates may be ordered at the time of application @ \$15 each. Make checks payable to **Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation** or **OAEF**.

Where to Send Completed Application Packets

When you have completed the form, please send the pages titled **Application**, the notarized **Statement of Affirmation**, and any accompanying documentation and photos, with fee payment, to:

Century Farm & Ranch Program
Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation
3415 Commercial Street SE
Salem, OR 97302

(Suggestion: Make a file copy of your completed application form before mailing.)

Review Process and Notification

All applications are checked for completeness by the program coordinator. They are reviewed in November by the Program Board. Following the review, all applicants will be notified about their status by mail.

Honoring Ceremony

Successful applicants are invited to a special ceremony, held annually, on the capitol campus in Salem, where Sesquicentennial Farm and Ranch families will be recognized by Oregon state officials. A certificate of recognition will be presented to each sesquicentennial family at the ceremony.

Century Farm and Century Ranch Applicants

If you are already a Century Farm or Century Ranch, please use the form in this packet. If you do not yet have Century Farm or Century Ranch status, please contact us for a Century Farm & Ranch Application, by calling (503) 297-5892 or emailing orcentury@juno.com.

Still Have Questions About the Program or About the Sesquicentennial Award?

Please contact **Glenn Mason, Program Coordinator**, at 503-297-5892 or orcentury@juno.com

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Sesquicentennial Award Application

Date _____

Type of designation *(please check)* Farm Ranch

Legal owner / Applicant name _____

Mailing address of Legal Owner / Applicant _____

Telephone _____ E-mail address _____

Contact name (if different than legal owner) _____

Mailing address of Contact _____

Contact Telephone _____ Contact E-mail address _____

Location of farm or ranch (which is the subject of this application):

County _____

Distance _____ from nearest town _____

Township _____ Range _____ Section _____

Address or physical location of the farm or ranch (which is subject of this application): _____

GPS (Global Positioning System) Coordinates, if known: _____

Sesquicentennial Award Application - Continued

Please provide the following information.

Founder(s):

Original family owner(s) or founder(s) _____

Year this farm or ranch was acquired by founder(s) _____

Year farm or ranch was awarded Century Farm or Century Ranch status, if applicable _____

Who farms or ranches the land today? _____

Relationship of Applicant to original owner. Please explain lineage.

History of buildings:

Are any of the original buildings still in use? Yes No

If yes, please describe the buildings and their former and current use:

Are any of the buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places? Yes No

If, "yes", please describe:

History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch:

Please describe the early crops or livestock.

How many acres were included in original farm or ranch?

How did the crops / livestock / use of farm or ranch change over the years?

(Please continue application on next page)

Sesquicentennial Award Application – Continued

History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch – Cont'd:

What are crops / livestock raised on the subject farm or ranch today?

How many acres does the subject farm or ranch include today?

How many acres are in agricultural use today?

The Family:

How many generations live on the farm or ranch today?

Please list names and birth years:

Please include a narrative of your family history. Please also submit historical & current photos of the property & family, as available. If photos can be provided in digital format at a high resolution appropriate for publication (300 dpi or greater), it would be appreciated.

Types of information to include in your family history narrative:

- From which city, state, or country original owner moved.
- Generational transfers of the farm or ranch property.
- Significant events in the family (births, deaths, marriages, etc).
- Any major changes to operations (methods of production, etc.).
- Additional information on crops, buildings, other changes from the original farm or ranch.

(Please continue application on next page.)

Statement of Affirmation

I, _____,
hereby affirm and declare that the farm or ranch which I own at _____
_____, in the County of _____
has been owned by my family for at least 150 continuous years, as specified in the qualifications for the
Century Farm & Ranch Program / Sesquicentennial Award, on or before December 31 of the current
calendar year. Further, I hereby affirm that this property meets all other requirements for Century Farm or
Ranch / Sesquicentennial Award honors, including that the farm or ranch has a gross income from farming
or ranching activities of not less than \$1,000 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding
making this statement. I understand that the application materials will become property of the Oregon
Historical Society Library and be made available for public use. By signing below, I understand that I am
consenting to the use of both information and photographs.

Signature of Owner

Date

Certification by Notary Public

State of Oregon

County of _____

Be it remembered, that on this ____ day of _____, 20____, before me, the
undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared the within named
_____, known to me to be the identical individual described in and who
executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that _____ executed
the same freely and voluntarily.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year
last above written.

Notary Public for Oregon

My Commission Expires _____

Fees

Application Fee
(includes one certificate) \$ 25.00

Additional Certificates (\$15 each) \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to:

Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation or OAEF

For office use only

Date Received _____

Century Farm or Ranch ID No. if on File _____

Not on File _____

Application Approved? Yes No

Authorization _____

Century Farm & Ranch Program Coordinator

OHS Library

MSS 1604 Program ID No. _____

