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Record number of farming families honored at Indiana State Fair

INDIANAPOLIS (Aug. 12, 2016) — Today at the Indiana State Fair, [Lt. Governor Eric Holcomb](#) and [Indiana State Department of Agriculture \(ISDA\)](#) Director Ted McKinney presented 92 families – a record number – with a [Hoosier Homestead Award](#) in recognition of their commitment to Indiana agriculture.

"Agriculture has been our state's calling card for the past 200 years, and we owe that to the tremendous contributions made by Indiana's farming families. Their hard work, innovation and collaboration move our state forward each and every day," said Lt. Governor Holcomb, who also serves as Indiana Secretary of Agriculture and Rural Development.

To be named a Hoosier Homestead, farms must be owned by the same family for more than 100 consecutive years, and consist of more than 20 acres or produce more than \$1000 of agricultural products per year. The award distinctions recognized are Centennial (100 years), Sesquicentennial (150 years) and Bicentennial (200 years). Notably, the Bicentennial Award was presented to four families during Friday's ceremony.

"Farming families are at the heart of Indiana's story, and the values they have passed down, from generation to generation, are just as strong today as they were 200 years ago," Director McKinney said. "It was an honor being able to recognize their legacy, which was built around one of Indiana's longest and most notable industries."

The families honored today join more than 5,000 Hoosier Homestead farms. Administered by ISDA and currently in its 40th year, semiannual recognition ceremonies are held in March at the Indiana Statehouse and in August at the Indiana State Fair.

Below is a list of today's Hoosier Homestead Award recipients:

Farm County	Award Name	Homestead Date	Type of Award
Adams	Nussbaum/Hindenlang	1865	Sesquicentennial
Allen	Hockemeyer	1862	Sesquicentennial
Allen	Bearman/Bradtmueller	1882	Centennial
Benton	Sondgeroth	1888	Centennial
Blackford	Langdon	1865	Sesquicentennial
Boone	Henry-Jaques	1866	Sesquicentennial
Carroll	Fellows	1915	Centennial
Clay	Sue Campbell Lightfoot	1853	Sesquicentennial
Clinton	Snyder	1916	Centennial
Dearborn	Landrum	1916	Centennial
Dearborn	Paul & Marilyn Jeffries	1840	Sesquicentennial
Dekalb	Conrad Family Farm	1866	Sesquicentennial

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Dubois	Wirtzberger	1883	Centennial
Dubois	Reutman	1841	Sesquicentennial
Dubois	Mehne-Harris	1891	Centennial
Dubois	Johann Frederick Steinkamp Sr.	1841	Sesquicentennial
Elkhart	Morehouse	1866	Sesquicentennial
Fayette	Creighton Porter	1811	Bicentennial
Fayette	Keith E. & Lois J. Hubbell	1841	Sesquicentennial
Fountain	Sims	1916	Centennial
Fountain	Kirkpatrick	1848	Sesquicentennial
Franklin	Copes	1907	Centennial
Franklin	Amberger	1893	Centennial
Franklin	Hertel	1910	Centennial
Franklin	Stenger Farm	1916	Centennial
Franklin	Meyer	1867	Centennial
Franklin	Leising	1865	Sesquicentennial
Franklin	Jeff & Jill Koch	1865	Sesquicentennial
Gibson	Bertram	1865	Sesquicentennial
Gibson	Cunningham/Russell	1851	Sesquicentennial
Gibson	Hopkins	1865	Sesquicentennial
Grant	Stevens-Apple	1901	Centennial
Greene	Cline-Haywood	1864	Sesquicentennial
Hamilton	Jerry L. Brown	1845	Sesquicentennial
Hamilton	Johnson	1898	Centennial
Hancock	Raesner-Wood Family	1916	Centennial
Harrison	Byrne	1808	Bicentennial
Harrison	John H. Rothrock Family	1888	Centennial
Henry	Ballenger	1912	Centennial
Howard	Hannah	1910	Centennial
Jackson	Klosterman	1853	Sesquicentennial
Jackson	The Miller-Kasting-Trimpe-Keller Family	1903	Centennial
Jackson	Hackman Farm	1911	Centennial
Jackson	Duwe/Hackman Farm	1900	Centennial
Jay	Schemenaur	1882	Centennial
Jay	May-Harris	1865	Sesquicentennial
Jay	May	1891	Centennial
Jay	Cabel Kimble - Great Great Grandfather of Marilyn Brumm Acheson	1846	Sesquicentennial
Jay	Harley E. Brumm - Grandfather of Marilyn Brumm Acheson	1911	Centennial
Jay	Bowman/Settle/Drinkut	1903	Centennial
Jay	Beeler	1909	Centennial
Jennings	Kipper	1866	Sesquicentennial
Jennings	Hammond-Dillman	1906	Centennial
Kosciusko	Teeple	1851	Sesquicentennial
Kosciusko	Shoemaker	1865	Sesquicentennial
LaGrange	Fought	1852	Sesquicentennial
LaPorte	Hews	1864	Sesquicentennial
LaPorte	Bernard & Barbara Hannon	1914	Centennial
Madison	Tucker-Noland-Spangler	1883	Centennial
Madison	Tucker-Noland-Spangler	1899	Centennial
Marshall	Charles O. McCollough	1908	Centennial
Martin	Arvin-Mauder Farm	1844	Sesquicentennial

Martin	Mauder Family Farm	1914	Centennial
Miami	Weishaar	1914	Centennial
Montgomery	William W. McClamroch	1853	Sesquicentennial
Morgan	George Goss	1870	Centennial
Orange	Livingston	1908	Centennial
Orange	Baker	1916	Centennial
Owen	Stevens	1828	Sesquicentennial
Parke	Leatherman	1849	Sesquicentennial
Pike	Corn & Hollenberg	1893	Centennial
Posey	Saltzman	1816	Bicentennial
Posey	Mathew	1816	Bicentennial
Putnam	Vaughn Family dba Fair Land Stock Farm	1856	Sesquicentennial
Randolph	Monte J. Burrows	1860	Sesquicentennial
Ripley	Smith	1900	Centennial
Ripley	Chandler/Renfro	1821	Sesquicentennial
Ripley	Bruns	1866	Sesquicentennial
Ripley	Bauman	1892	Centennial
Ripley	Obendorf	1855	Sesquicentennial
Rush	Meek	1916	Centennial
St. Joseph	Thomas J. Bellinger	1864	Sesquicentennial
Steuben	Phillips	1914	Centennial
Tippecanoe	Whitteberry, McDole, Dilley- Gilbert, Diem-Tishler	1829	Sesquicentennial
Tipton	Sottong	1913	Centennial
Tipton	John Beck Homestead - Kenneth and Patricia Schulenburg	1836	Sesquicentennial
Tipton	Conway	1913	Centennial
Wells	Taylor Family Farm	1840	Sesquicentennial
Wells	Sturgeon	1865	Sesquicentennial
White	Ruemler	1861	Sesquicentennial
Whitley	Jacob Wilhelm	1888	Centennial
Whitley	Zumbrun	1916	Centennial
Whitley	Sheets	1858	Sesquicentennial
Whitley	Johnson Riverbend Farms	1896	Centennial

For more information about the Hoosier Homestead Awards, please visit www.isda.in.gov.

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