OKLAHOMA CENTENNIAL FARM & RANCH FAMILIES SOUGHT

The Oklahoma Historical Society (OHS) has set a goal for the Oklahoma Centennial Farm & Ranch Program. Since the program’s creation in 1989, the OHS and its partner, the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, have recognized over 1,500 families for the vital role they played in the state’s past and will play in its future. To extend the designation to as many eligible families as possible, the goal is to recognize at least five families in each of Oklahoma’s seventy-seven counties.

To qualify as an Oklahoma Centennial Farm or Ranch, the property:

- Must have been occupied by a member of your family for at least 100 years
- Must be a working farm or ranch with a minimum of 40 acres
- Must have gross yearly sales of at least $1,000
- Must be either operated by a family member, lived on by a family member, or leased out by a family member over 65 years of age

The Oklahoma Centennial Farm & Ranch application, frequently asked questions, the list of families recognized through 2016 and more is available online at the address listed. For further details or to request a hard copy of the application, contact Shea Otley (405/522-4485 or sjotley@okhistory.org).

http://www.okhistory.org/shpo/farmandranch.htm

The counties with fewer than five Oklahoma Centennial Farm & Ranch Families include:

- Adair (2)
- Atoka (2)
- Bryan (1)
- Carter (1)
- Cherokee (0)
- Choctaw (0)
- Cimarron (4)
- Coal (1)
- Cotton (4)
- Creek (4)
- Garvin (4)
- Haskell (0)
- Hughes (2)
- Jefferson (4)
- Johnston (1)
- Latimer (0)
- LeFlore (0)
- Love (2)
- McClain (4)
- McIntosh (3)
- McCurtain (0)
- Marshall (0)
- Murray (1)
- Muskogee (2)
- Nowata (1)
- Okfuskee (0)
- Okmulgee (3)
- Osage (2)
- Ottawa (2)
- Pittsburg (3)
- Pontotoc (3)
- Pushmataha (0)
- Rogers (3)
- Seminole (1)
- Sequoyah (2)
- Tulsa (1)
- Washington (2)
- Wagoner (0)

*Congratulations to Stephens County for reaching the goal in 2016!