MCLEOD COUNTY
Farm Family Recognition Program

The Farm Family Recognition Program has existed for over two decades and honors farm families from throughout Minnesota for their contributions to the agriculture industry and their local communities. All of the honored farm families have made significant contributions to Minnesota agriculture and their communities.

Nomination Criteria

Please nominate an individual or family, using the criteria below. Farm Families should:

- Be a Minnesota food producer actively involved in agricultural production with one or more agricultural enterprises. Beyond the usual agricultural endeavors, please also include these production areas for consideration: potato, vegetable, fruits, berries, aquaculture, agroforestry, and renewable energy supplies.

OR

- Have made significant short-term progress and/or innovative contributions with their agricultural endeavors. For example, consider producers who are relatively new to this country, someone who has developed an innovative method for a particular environmental problem, adopted a rotational grazing system, added alternative or value-added crops, etc.

All nominees should also:

- Have demonstrated a commitment to enhancing and supporting the fields of agriculture and production.
- Have some involvement in their communities and/or related organizations.
- Not have been previously recognized by the Farm Family Program.

Nomination Process

Please review the previous farm families that have been recognized in McLeod County and utilize the nomination form to nominate future farm families for the recognition. Your nomination will be reviewed and selected by the McLeod County Extension Committee Farm Family of the Year subcommittee.

Please direct any questions to McLeod County Extension Educator Nathan Winter.
Name: 

City: 

Contact Information: 

Family members: 

1. Please provide some highlights of the farming operation.

2. Describe any contributions the family has made to enhance and support agriculture.

3. Describe the community involvement of the family.

Mail or e-mail completed form by Friday, March 18, 2016 to:

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1982  Douglas and Jeanne Tuman  
1983  Kenneth and Gladys Donnay  
1984  Clem and Laverna Mackenthun  
1986  Russell and Wanda Ober  
1987  Bill and Joyce Piehl  
1988  Gary, Dean and Delores Duesterhoeft  
1989  Roger and Carol Behning  
1990  Gary and Marjorie Hemmann  
1991  John and Joanne Ball  
1992  Charles and Renae Jensen  
1993  Terry and Sharon Hoese  
1994  Jeff and Mary Fasching  
1995  Gary and Ardis Waller  
1996  Dave and Nancy Plamann  
1997  Dave and Jackie Konerza  
1997  Dennis and Janice Konerza  
1998  Scott and Jacolyn Rickeman  
1999  Michael and Susan Keenan  
2000  Alan and Sandy Otto  
2000  Steve Otto  
2001  Donald and Carol Dammann  
2002  David and Donna Andersen  
2003  Loren and Laura Olson  
2004  Dean and Janel Zimmerman  
2005  Gary and Nancy Krcil Family  
2006  Benson Dairy  
2007  Bruce Anderson Family  
2008  Mathews Dairy, Hog and & Grain  
2009  Kraig and Rachelle Krienke and Family  
2010  Jonathon and Debbie Posusta Family  
2011  Paul and Heather Wright Family  
2012  Duane and Mary Nelson Family  
2013  Doug and Patty Dahlke Family  
2014  Engelmann Dairy  
2015  Frerichs Cullip