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**WISCONSIN STATE FAIR CENTURY AND SESQUICENTENNIAL
FARM & HOME APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE**

West Allis, Wis. – November 20, 2018 – Officials at Wisconsin State Fair are pleased to announce that applications are now available for the **2019 Century and Sesquicentennial Farm and Home Award**, a prestigious award given to families who have dedicated their life to Wisconsin farming for 100 or 150 years. The 2019 Wisconsin State Fair, presented by U.S. Cellular, will take place Thursday, Aug. 1 through Sunday, Aug. 11 at Wisconsin State Fair Park in West Allis.

To qualify for the award, families are required to provide proof of continuous family ownership of a property in the state of Wisconsin for either the last 100 or 150 years. All property owners will be honored at a special **Century and Sesquicentennial Farm and Home Award Program** held on Tuesday, Aug. 6 in conjunction with the 2019 Wisconsin State Fair.

Honorees will receive complimentary Fair admission tickets, an invitation to the awards breakfast, a commemorative photo, a certificate, and an outdoor display sign.

The Century Farm and Home Program began in 1948 in conjunction with the State of Wisconsin's Centennial Celebration. There are currently **9,467 Century Farms and Homes** nestled throughout the Badger State. The Sesquicentennial Program similarly originated in 1998 as part of the State's Sesquicentennial Celebration and has since honored **890** families.

Applications for the Century and Sesquicentennial Farm and Home Award are available now and must be postmarked by the application deadline, **Friday, March 1, 2019**. Applications are not available online and only one certificate may be issued per property.

To request a copy of either application, contact jill Albanese, Director of Competitive Exhibits, at 414-777-0580, or write to:

**Century or Sesquicentennial Farm & Home Program
640 S. 84th Street
West Allis, WI 53214**

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**Wisconsin State Fair
2019 CENTURY FARM OR HOME APPLICATION**

Please fill out accurately and completely — *print or type all information.*

County in which Century Farm or Home is located: _____

Name of Present Century Farm or Home Owner: _____
(Please list name(s) to be included on certificate on this line.)

Century Farm or Home Address _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Current mailing address if different from Century Farm or Home Address listed above:

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Location Property: (complete line (a) for Farm Award (b) for Home Award)

(a) Farm: Section _____ Name of Township _____

(b) Home: Street _____ Village/City _____

Please provide your farm's Legislative District Information: (Use the district in which the farm is located.) This information may be obtained by calling the Legislative Hotline at 1-800-362-9472.

Assembly District No. _____ Senate District No. _____ Congressional District No. _____

PROOF OF 100 YEARS – CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

Name	Date of Continuous Ownership Must Include Month, Day & Year of Each Transfer	Blood Relationship to Next Owner
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Owner of 1919 or before)		
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)		
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)		
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)		
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership for the past 100 years is taken from one or more of the following records. (Check those which apply or explain in blank space.)

- Abstract of Title Land Patent Original Deed County Land Records

Other (Please explain) _____

Additional Information: (Fill in or attach any additional information which may be helpful in evaluating your eligibility for a Century Farm or Home Certificate.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT.

(Witness Sign Here) (Signature of Present Owner)

DATE _____ **APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 1, 2019**

2019 CENTURY FARM OR HOME APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR AWARD

1. ONLY ONE CERTIFICATE WILL BE ISSUED PER PROPERTY:
For example, a descendant may not receive another certificate if a former owner or relative has already received a certificate for the same property.

2. CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY FOR 100 YEARS:
The farm or home (in whole or part) must have been in continuous family ownership. Title of the Century property today must reside in a blood relative of the original owner, or a legally adopted child of a descendant. Continuous residence in the state or on the property is not required, but the title to the property must be continuous. An abstract of title is the best evidence of continuous family ownership. Please do not send valuable documents to our office.

3. RECOGNITION:
Farms or homes with 100 years of continuous ownership through the year 2018, will be recognized at a special breakfast program during the WISCONSIN STATE FAIR, August 1-11, 2019. The tentative date for the breakfast program is August 6, 2019. Details of the event will be mailed to accepted applicants by mid June.

4. APPLICATION DEADLINE:
Application must be sent to:
Attn: Jill Albanese
Century Farm Program
Wisconsin State Fair
640 S 84 St
West Allis WI 53214
Applications MUST be received no later than March 1, 2019.

5. QUESTIONS:
If you have any questions about the Century Farm or Home program, please call Jill Albanese at 414/777-0580 or email jill.albanese@wistatefair.com.

6. Please submit only one local newspaper name for post-event publicity.

Newspaper name

Address

City

State Zip

Phone

7. List current type of farming on your property, (ie. dairy, crops, etc) if any

**Wisconsin State Fair
2019 SESQUICENTENNIAL FARM OR HOME APPLICATION**

Please fill out accurately and completely — *print or type all information.*

County in which Sesquicentennial Farm or Home is located: _____

Name of Present Sesquicentennial Farm or Home Owner: _____
(Please list name(s) to be included on certificate on this line.)

Sesquicentennial Farm or Home Address _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Current mailing address if different from Sesquicentennial Farm or Home Address listed above:

Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____

Location Property: (complete line (a) for Farm Award (b) for Home Award)

(a) Farm: Section _____ Name of Township _____

(b) Home: Street _____ Village/City _____

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PROOF OF 150 YEARS – CONTINUOUS FAMILY OWNERSHIP

Name	Date of Continuous Ownership Must Include Month, Day & Year of Each Transfer	Blood Relationship to Next Owner
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Owner of 1869 or before)	From _____ To _____	_____
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)	From _____ To _____	_____
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)	From _____ To _____	_____
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)	From _____ To _____	_____
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Next Owner)	From _____ To _____	_____
_____	From _____ To _____	_____
(Present Owner)		

The above evidence of continuous family ownership for the past 150 years is taken from one or more of the following records. (Check those which apply or explain in blank space.)

- Abstract of Title Land Patent Original Deed County Land Records

Other (Please explain) _____

Additional Information: (Fill in or attach any additional information which may be helpful in evaluating your eligibility for a Sesquicentennial Farm or Home Certificate.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS CORRECT.

(Witness Sign Here) (Signature of Present Owner)

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FOR 150 YEARS:

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3. RECOGNITION:

Farms or homes with 150 years of continuous ownership through the year 2018, will be recognized at a special breakfast program during the WISCONSIN STATE FAIR, August 1-11, 2019. The tentative date for the breakfast program is August 6, 2019. Details of the event will be mailed to accepted applicants by mid June.

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6. Please submit only one local newspaper name for post-event publicity.

_____ Newspaper name

_____ Address

_____ City

_____ State Zip

_____ Phone

7. Has your property received the Century (100 year) Farm Award?

yes ___ no ___
If yes – what year _____

8. List current type of farming on your property, (ie. dairy, crops, etc) if any
