



Historical Society of Michigan

News Release

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Consumers Energy Foundation Supports the Centennial Farm Program

The Historical Society of Michigan's Centennial Farm Program recently received a check for \$20,000 from the Consumers Energy Foundation, which has been a major sponsor of the farm program for more than 60 years. Larry Wagenaar, Executive Director of the Historical Society of Michigan, along with Kellie Bolster, Centennial Farm Program Coordinator, acknowledged the generous gift from the foundation during a ceremony that took place on the Moubray Farm in St. Johns, Mich.

Carolyn Bloodworth, Director of Corporate Giving for the Consumers Energy Foundation, and Chris Thelen, Lansing Area Manager, were on hand to congratulate the Moubray family on their achievement and their newly installed Centennial Farm sign marker. The Moubray family farm, which was founded on February 28, 1914, was certified as a Centennial Farm on April 8, 2014.

"Consumers Energy Foundation's support demonstrates the foundation's commitment to not only help sustain communities but also recognize our state's rich agriculture history," said Wagenaar. "Families such as the Moubrays exemplify that success."

The Centennial Farm Program recognizes farms that have remained in the same family for 100 years or more and highlights the farm's contributions to Michigan's development. To be designated as a Centennial Farm, a property must be a working farm of 10 or more acres that has been continuously owned by the same family for at least 100 years.

The DTE Energy Foundation is also a major sponsor of the Centennial Farm Program.

For more information about the program, contact the

At A Glance...

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Left to right: From the Consumers Energy Foundation, Chris Thelen, Lansing Area Manager, and Carolyn Bloodworth, Director of Corporate Giving; from the Historical Society of Michigan, Larry Wagenaar, Executive Director, and Kellie Bolster, Centennial Farm Program Coordinator. (Please contact HSM for a high-resolution version of this photo.)

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www.hsmichigan.org/programs/centennial-farm-program.

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The Historical Society of Michigan is our state's oldest cultural organization, founded in 1828 by territorial governor Lewis Cass and explorer Henry Schoolcraft. A nongovernmental nonprofit, the Society focuses on publications, conferences, education, awards and recognition programming, and support for local history organizations to preserve and promote Michigan's rich history.

For more information on the Historical Society of Michigan, please visit www.hsmichigan.org or e-mail us at hsm@hsmichigan.org.

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Cheryl and Thomas Moubrey. (Please contact HSM for a high-resolution version of this photo.)

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