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FARM FAMILIES

Only he can understand what a farm is, what a country is, who shall have sacrificed part of himself to his farm or country, fought to save it, struggled to make it beautiful. Only then will the love of farm or country fill his heart. - Antoine de Saint Exupéry



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Hansen

Family Farm

Steele County, Minnesota

Todd Hansen, a 3rd generation farmer, is carrying on the family tradition by growing soybeans and corn on his farm in Southern Minnesota.

Dedicated to crop rotation and soil fertility, the Hansen Farm combines the best of tradition, with the benefits of modern science in their GPS system and soil testing analysis. His wife's family heritage is also continued as the children raise show cattle and often place in regional and national competitions.



Klemmensen Steele County, MN

Lonny Klemmensen's great grandfather emigrated from Norway to southern Minnesota in 1866 with the desire to be able to have his own land and be a farmer. The tradition continues into the 5th generation as Lonny and now his sons, Kevin and Cory, grow waxy corn and specialty food-grade soybeans in the same community. As an elected county committee member for the Farm Service Agency (FSA), Lonny represents area farmers in choosing which FSA programs, such as conservation and crop programs, are implemented county-wide. In their spare time, Lonny and his wife, Sue, true nature-lovers enjoy fishing, golfing and spending time with their grandchildren out of doors.



gróv-er-er
grow growing green
|| to be cultivated || to increase
become larger || v.t. to cultivate to grow
become to grow out of to become
up to reach adulthood
characterist



Roggenbuck

East River Organic Farm
Snover, Michigan

As a 4th generation farmer, Les Roggenbuck started to transition his farm from conventional to organic in 1994. Over the course of 5 years, until 1999, Les and his family transitioned their entire 400 acre farm to be certified organic. The farm is truly diversified with the raising of both crops and livestock. East River Organic farm now produces organic soy, barley and wheat, in addition to raising grass fed heritage beef.

In 2005, the Roggenbucks certified four acres of vegetables and fruit to supply the local Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) project in the "thumb" of Michigan. Today, East River Organic Farm feeds over 30 neighboring families organic and locally produced grains, beef, vegetables and fruits as well as displaying their offerings at the local area farmer's market.



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