



### Yokeley-Lauten Farm

Samuel Martin Yokeley purchased a tract of land in the Abbotts Creek area in 1875, of which 44.25 of the 225 acres was deeded to one of Samuel's ten children, John Lewis Yokley. The John Lewis Yokley tract was utilized as a working farm growing fruits, vegetables and tobacco, along with the raising of poultry, swine and dairy cows for the family. The property was deeded to Yokley's only child, Mary Jane Yokley Lauten, and her husband, Vernon Willie Lauten, in 1938. A heavy timber barn occupied a portion of this tract, and although demolished, the cornerstones of the barn are readily visible. There is also an original tobacco barn situated at the rear of the tract. The property continues its farming tradition by growing and harvesting hay, a kitchen garden, and several varieties of hops. The property has been determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

## Is your family property a Century Farm?



Contact NCDA&CS Public Affairs at 919-707-3002 or visit [www.ncagr.gov/paffairs/century](http://www.ncagr.gov/paffairs/century) to learn more about the program and download an application.

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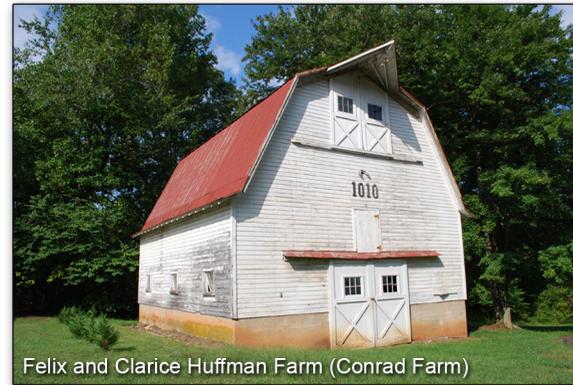
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## Forsyth County Century Farms



Felix and Clarice Huffman Farm (Conrad Farm)

### What is a Century Farm?

Century Farms represent the rich agricultural heritage of Forsyth County. These farms help maintain rural character within the county by preserving historic resources and agricultural lands. The Century Farm Program is a recognition program administered by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The program honors farms continuously owned by a family for 100 or more years. This brochure highlights some of the 15 Century Farms in Forsyth County. Read on to learn about Forsyth County's agricultural heritage and family farms that contribute to its rural character.



Hickman-Beasley Farm

### Woosley Farm

This farm began in the late 19th century when Uria Woosley, a carpenter, moved from Davidson County to purchase 300 acres along the Yadkin River and Bashavia Creek near Pfafftown. John, one of Uria's three sons, inherited the northern third of the tract. He and his father built the house, which stands today. Each succeeding generation made changes and improvements to the structure. The farm complex includes the house, a large barn and several out-buildings. It is currently the only Century Farm in Forsyth County operated as an agri-tourism site open to the public. ([www.woosleyfarm.com](http://www.woosleyfarm.com))



Colonel Henry Marshall Farm

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Colonel Henry Marshall moved from Albemarle County, Virginia and in 1839 bought this land near Walnut Cove. The next year he built a log house, inscribing "HM 1840" in the foundation near the north chimney. Henry Marshall served as Colonel in the North Carolina militia, and was elected to the North Carolina General Assembly, where he served from 1848 to 1852. Marshall descendants raised horses and farmed tobacco as their primary cash crop.

### Conrad Farm

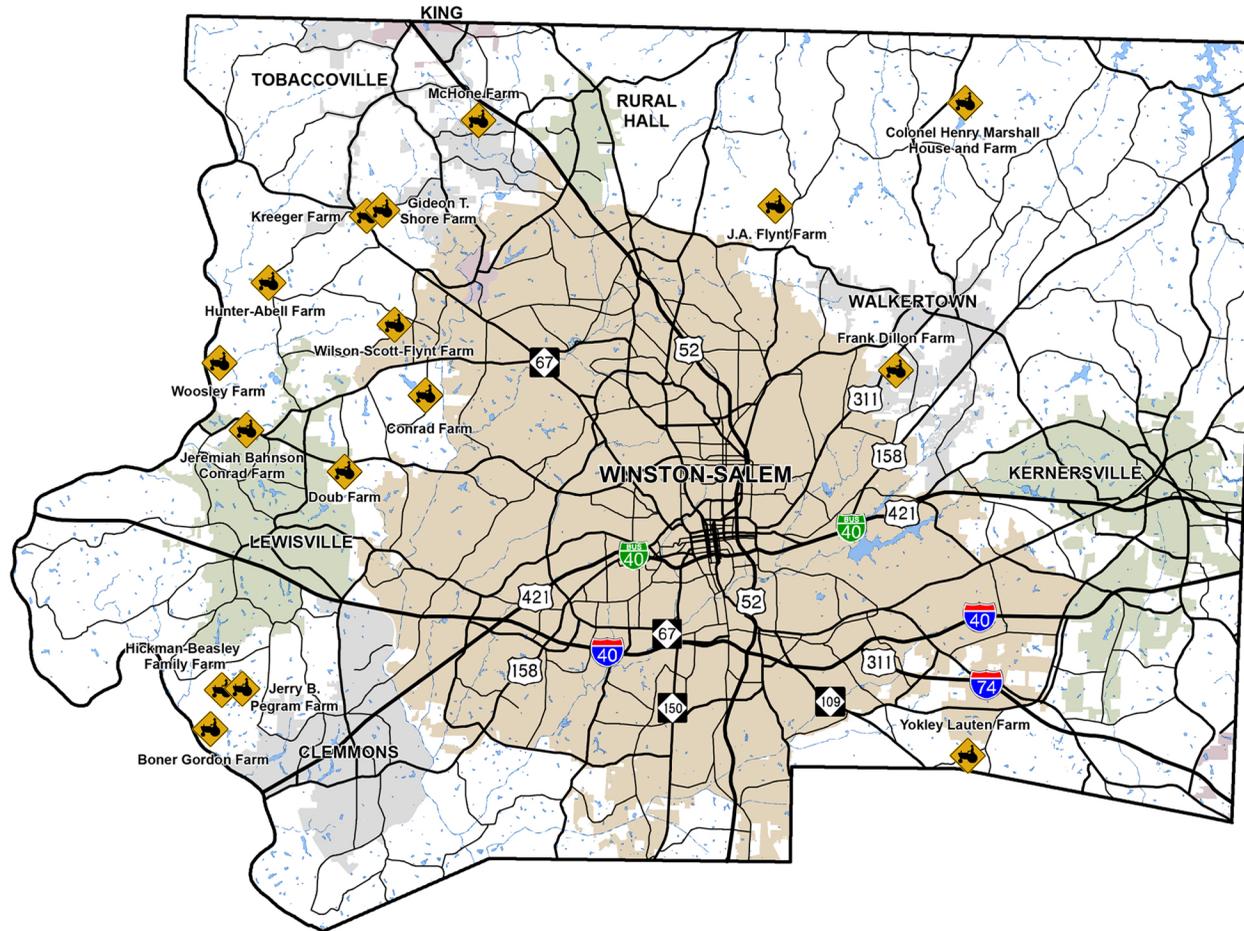
In about 1800, attorney John Conrad left Bethania to buy land at the Shallow Ford on the Yadkin River. There he built a mill, began a ferry operation, and became known as "River" John Conrad. His grandson Augustine Eugene Conrad inherited the land where he ran a large farm and continued the ferry. In 1933, A.E. Conrad's nephew, William J. Conrad, bought the farm, restored the house and renamed it Hilltops. Nearby, he built a bungalow for his farm manager, Felix Huffman, and Huffman's wife, Clarice. Both houses are on the North Carolina Study List for possible nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.



Gideon T. Shore Farm

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Owned by the Shore family since a 1762 land grant to Swiss immigrant Friedrich Schor, this farm at one time encompassed 426 acres. Friedrich's great-grandson Gideon T. Shore built the current house on his share of the land in 1896. Gideon's wife, Martha Moser Shore, ran the farm after he was killed in a sawmill explosion in 1903. Their son, Hugh, and his wife, Beulah Martin Shore, continued the farm and successful poultry operation.



### Boner-Gordon Family Farm

Josephus Wilhelm Bohner (Boner) came to Bethabara in 1769 to work as a tanner, but soon married Margaret Elrod and settled on the Yadkin River. Their farm passed to their son, Joseph William Boner, and through the generations to their great grandson, Henry T. Boner, who built a new farmhouse in 1881. In 1888, Henry married Jennie B. Doty. Their daughter, Ina Boner, married David C. Gordon; the property with the expanded and altered 1881 house remains in the Boner-Gordon family.



Robert Frank Dillon Farm



Kreeger Farm

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Associated with the Gideon Shore Farm by proximity and family, this farm was the portion of the 1762 land grant owned by Gideon's sister, Ellen Frances Shore. She and her husband, Augustin T. Kreeger, began farming here in 1880. A wood frame house with brick nogging remains on the farm. Farming continued well into the 20th century. In the 1940s, the Kreeger family raised chickens for commercial farms such as Holly Farms, Purdue and Tyson.

### Jeremiah Bahnsen Conrad Farm

This farm, another Conrad property, was begun by Christian Conrad in 1778. His great-grandson, Jeremiah Bahnsen Conrad, farmed the land and built a two-story house on the farm in the early 1870s. A portion of the farm was later sold out of the family. The remaining land has been determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

### Additional Century Family Farms

- Doub Farm
- Watson Flynt Farm
- Hickman-Beasley Farm
- Robert "Frank" Dillon Farm
- Pegram Farm
- McHone Farm
- Hunter-Abell Farm