

CFR 1107

Agnes Doherty

Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation

# Century Farm & Ranch Program Application

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Type of designation (please check)

Century Farm

Century Ranch

Legal owner / Applicant name

Agnes Doherty

Mailing address of Legal Owner / Applicant

Redacted for Privacy

Redacted for  
Privacy

Telephone

Redacted for Privacy

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name (if different than legal owner) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address of Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Contact E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

**Location of farm or ranch (which is the subject of this application):**

County

Umatilla

Distance

25 miles

from nearest town

of Pilot Rock, Or.

Township \_\_\_\_\_

Range \_\_\_\_\_

Section \_\_\_\_\_

Address or physical location of the farm or ranch (which is subject of this application):

Portion of  
the west half of section 32 Township 3  
South, Range 30, E.W.M. Umatilla County, Oregon

57242 Gurdane Rd.

GPS (Global Positioning System) Coordinates, if known: \_\_\_\_\_



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### Century Farm & Ranch Program Application - Continued

**Founder(s):**

Original family owner(s) or founder(s) Pat Doherty

Date (year) this farm or ranch was acquired by founder(s) Dec 3, 1906  
*(Attach verifying documentation. See Application Qualification #7)*

Who farms or ranches the land today? Son, to Charlie Doherty  
*Con Doherty*

Relationship of Applicant to original owner. Please explain lineage. *(See Application Qualification #7)*

Grandson

**History of buildings:**

Are any of the original buildings still in use?  Yes  No

If yes, please describe the buildings and their former and current use:

Are any of the buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places?  Yes  No  
If, "yes", please describe:

**History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch:**

What were the early crops or livestock?  
Sheep, grass hay, wheat, barley.

How many acres were included in original farm or ranch? 480

How did the crops / livestock / use of farm or ranch change over the years?  
From sheep, to cattle. Alfalfa hay along with the wheat and barley. Harvesting timber, Fee hunting deer and Elk.

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## Century Farm & Ranch Program Application – Continued

### History of crops or livestock raised on farm or ranch – Cont'd:

What are crops / livestock raised on the subject farm or ranch today?

Crops are in CRP  
Replacements heifers are replaced back into herd, older cows are sold.

How many acres does the subject farm or ranch include today?

app 4800

How many acres are in agricultural use today?

256 CRP

### The Family:

How many generations live on the farm or ranch today?

2

Please list names and birth years:

1919 Agnes Doherty #A  
1954 Charise Doherty

**Please submit two or three pages of family history narrative, including, but not limited to generational transfers of the farm or ranch. Please also submit historical & current photos of the property & family, as available.**

Type of information to include in your family history narrative:

- Where founder(s) may have moved to farm or ranch from
- Significant events in the family (births, deaths, marriages, etc)
- Any major changes to operations (methods of production, etc.)
- Additional information on crops, buildings, other changes from the original farm or ranch

(Please continue application on next page.)

# Statement of Affirmation

I, Agnes Doherty,  
hereby affirm and declare that the farm or ranch which I own at Redacted for Privacy  
Redacted for Privacy, in the County of Umatilla  
has been owned by my family for at least 100 continuous years, as specified in the qualifications for the  
Century Farm & Ranch Program, on or before December 31 of the current calendar year. Further, I hereby  
affirm that this property meets all other requirements for Century Farm or Ranch honors, including that the  
farm or ranch has a gross income from farming or ranching activities of not less than \$1,000 per year for  
three out of the five years immediately preceding making this statement. I understand that the application  
materials will become property of the Oregon Historical Society Library and be made available for public  
use. By signing below, I understand that I am consenting to the use of both information and photographs.  
Agnes Doherty by Charlie Doherty 6/1/06  
Signature of Owner Date

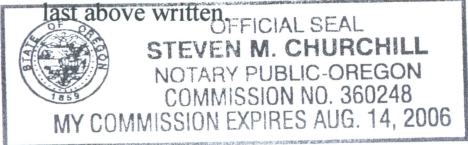
## Certification by Notary Public

State of Oregon  
County of UMATILLA

Be it remembered, that on this 1ST day of JUNE, 2006, before me, the  
undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared the within named  
CHARLIE DOHERTY \*, known to me to be the identical individual described in and who  
executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that HE executed  
the same freely and voluntarily.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR AGNES DOHERTY**

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year  
last above written.



Steven M. Churchill  
Notary Public for Oregon  
My Commission Expires 08-14-2006

### Fees

Application Fee  
(includes one certificate) \$ 65.00  
Additional Certificates (\$20 each) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total enclosed \$ 65.00  
Make checks payable to:  
**Oregon Agricultural Education Foundation or OAEF**

### For office use only

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  
Approved?  Yes  No  
Authorization Glenn Mason  
Century Farm & Ranch Program Coordinator  
OHS Library  
MSS 1604 Program ID No. CFR1107

Con Doherty Ranch  
Forest Stewardship Plan 2005

I. Introduction

This Forest Stewardship Plan presents an overview of the forest resources that are found on the Con Doherty Ranch. It lists those resources found on the property along with their present condition, and outlines a series of management recommendations by priority in order to upgrade the productivity of the ownership and protect the resources. The Plan is a only guide to future management activities, with the owners being under no obligation to follow any of the recommendations outlined on the following pages. However, these recommended activities dovetail with past practices to achieve the stated objectives.

All of the Doherty Ranch timber was under contract to the now defunct Harris Pine Mills of Pendleton. Much of the high grading and poor forestry practices occurred during the 1950s through the 1970s when that contract finally ended. A further insult to the forest involved the spruce budworm epidemic of the 1980s which resulted in cutting of most of the white fir and a sizable amount of the Douglas-fir that grew on the ranch at that time. These two events and some other agents of change have left the timber in a less than satisfactory condition as the 1990s dawned.

Since then, there have been a number of logging entries for both income and timber stand improvement. The resulting stands are generally on the mend because of these operations.

II. Landowner Objectives

As active stewards of the land, the owners have agreed upon the following objectives:

1. Improve, then maintain long term forest health.
2. Minimize exposure to wildfires.
3. Maximize timber and forage production for future economic benefit.
4. Increase water availability to livestock and wildlife.
5. Upgrade fish and wildlife habitat.
6. Enhance recreation opportunities and aesthetics.

III. Property Description

The Con Doherty Ranch is comprised of approximately ~~4,644~~ <sup>4800</sup> deeded acres. Of these, approximately 2,805 support timber or are capable of growing timber and the remaining 1,839 acres are range and crop land. The ranch is found approximately 22 air miles southwest of Pilot Rock, Oregon astraddle the



Con Doherty was born August 30, 1912 to Patrick and Mary McLaughlin Doherty. Con was three years old when his mother died. On Mary's death bed she asked Patrick's sister, Susan Doherty McDevitt, to raise Con. Susan and her husband, Charlie McDevitt, did this.

When Con was old enough he attended school one mile east of the ranch, riding his horse to school each day. He graduated from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. He worked on the ranch with Charlie and Susan.

In 1935 he was drafted into the Army where he saw combat in Germany. He was honorably discharged after the war and in 1947 he married Agnes Doherty (no relation).

Con and Agnes had four children, Sharon Doherty Wahl, Mary Doherty Michael, Charlie Doherty and Patrick Doherty. All four children attended school in Pilot Rock and graduated from there. Agnes drove the school bus from the ranch to Pilot Rock and worked at the school from 1967 to 1983. Con died July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1993.

Charlie stayed on the ranch and in 1996 he married Crystal Patton. They have two children, Jenna and Quinn Doherty.

Patrick Doherty purchased the ranch at Gurdane from Eugene Corley in December of 1906. Pat sold it to Charlie and Susan Doherty McDevitt in January of 1907. Susan Doherty McDevitt was Pat Doherty's sister.

Charlie and Susan gifted the ranch in <sup>1949</sup>1949 to Con Doherty. Con was the son of Patrick Doherty and the nephew of Susan Doherty McDevitt. Charlie and Susan had raised Con from childhood.

Agnes Doherty, wife of Con Doherty, is the owner of the ranch. Her son, Charlie, is still on the ranch.

taken out of Umatilla Cty. book.

First owner

PATRICK DOHERTY - A progressive, wide-awake business man, a prominent and broad-minded citizen, the subject of this sketch is one whose energy and industry have lifted him from the ranks of wage earners to be one of the most successful wool growers of this part of the state, while his keen financiering and comprehensive capabilities have placed him a leader among his fellows with a prestige that indicates a future commensurate with his brilliant career already worked out in Umatilla county.

To many his ability will be better understood when we mention that he is descended from pure Irish blood, being born in county Donegal, Ireland, March 14, 1868. Here he received his education from the public schools, while he assisted his father on his farm. At the age of nineteen he came to Canada and thence to Umatilla county to join his brother Bernard, who had already been two years in this country. He first worked for James Nelson, on the farm next to the one he now owns, and after six months went to herding for Charles Cunningham, remaining there one year, when he hired to his brother in Morrow county. In the spring of 1890 these brothers sent for the balance of the family. In the fall of 1895 Bernard died, and our subject was made administrator of the estate, and in 1897 bought it, in connection with his two younger brothers, John and Joseph, with whom he formed a copartnership, the firm being known as Doherty

Barney

brothers

~~B~~

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA (ANCESTORS)

2nd Owner  
[ DOHERTY ]  
FAMILY NAME

SUSAN DOHERTY MCDEVITT, daughter of Shan and Susanna Doherty, born in Ireland, Co. Donegal on Nov. 10, 1879.

Susan Doherty came to Oregon in 1890, at the age of ten. She lived at Hog Hollow with her parents John, Joe and Ben. Later the family moved to the Sam George place.

Charles McDevitt came to Oregon in 1904 and married Susan Doherty on November 12, 1906. They went up to Gurdare and lived on the George Horseman place until 1934, then moved to Pilot Rock. *Con worked both places.*

Con Doherty, son of Pat and Mary Doherty, (nephew of Susan Doherty McDevitt) went to live with them when his mother died in 1917.

Susan and Charlie were married in Pendleton. Attendants were Pat McDevitt (Charlie's brother) and Nora Doherty (Blackhorse Doherty). John (Dutchy) Doherty was driving the wedding party out of town with a gray team of horses (owned by Little Barney Doherty) and they stopped on the Northern Pacific railroad track as the train came along. A cowboy put a rope on the horses to try and get them to move- the train snuffed, puffed, blew off steam but the horses gave it naught one thought. People brought their chairs out on porches to watch (Downey's - opposite Sigmans). The spectators got cold and had to put their sweaters on. They finally got the horses to move and drove to the Middle Ranch (Pat Doherty's place) where they had a dance in the barn.

Charles McDevitt, born May 1, 1881, died October 30, 1954.  
Susan McDevitt moved into Pendleton in 1955

On this page record biographical details of each known ancestor in direct line of descent for family named. Start with the earliest known ancestor and record later generations up to and including the biography of the person with whom the blood relationship begins. Abbreviations: *anc.* ancestor, *b.* born, *bap.* baptismal year, *bef.* before, *d.* died or deceased, *deac.* deacon, *desc.* descended from or descendant, *em.* emigrated, *fdr.* founder, *fmn.* freeman, *hyp.* hypothetical or unverified, *m.* married, *propr.* proprietor or original grantee of a town, *Rev.* Revolutionary War, *s.* son or son of, *sel.* selectman or townsman, *sett.* settled at)



Joe H. Parkes  
Phyllis C. Parkes

Eugene Corley (seal)  
By George L. Horsman (seal)  
Attorney in fact

STATE OF OREGON )  
: SS.  
County of Umatilla )

THIS CERTIFIES, That, on this 3rd day of December A. D. 1906, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and For the said County and State, personally appeared the within named Eugene Corley by George L. Horsman his Attorney in fact who is known to me to be the identical person described in and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

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J. H. PARKES  
NOTARY PUBLIC UMATILLA  
COUNTY OREGON.

Joe. H. Parkes  
Notary Public for Oregon.

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STATE OF OREGON )  
: SS.  
County of Umatilla )

This certifies that on this 3rd day of December, A. D. 1906 before me the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the within named George L. Horsman, who is known to me to be the person who executed the within instrument in behalf of the within named Eugene Corley, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same as the free act and deed of said Eugene Corley, and for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

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J. P. WINTER  
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF OREGON.

J. P. Winter  
Notary public for Oregon.

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Filed for record December 18th, 1906,  
at 11:55 A. M.

*Fred W. Kendrick*  
Recorder of Conveyances.

Patrick Doherty et al

TO

Charles M<sup>e</sup> Devitt

WARRANTY DEED

Know all Men by these Presents, That *Patrick Doherty and Mary Doherty his wife*

of *Vinson* County of *Umatilla* State of Oregon, in consideration of *Forty Two hundred* DOLLARS.

to *us* paid by *Charles M<sup>e</sup> Devitt*

of *Vinson* County of *Umatilla* State of Oregon, have bargained and sold, and by these presents do GRANT, BARGAIN, SELL and CONVEY unto said

*Charles M<sup>e</sup> Devitt his* heirs and assigns, all the following bounded and described real property, situated in the County of *Umatilla* and State of Oregon:

*The East half of the North East quarter of Section Thirty one, and the West half, and the West half of the South East quarter of Section thirty two; all in township Three South, Range Thirty East of Willamette Meridian*

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances hereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and also all *our* estate, right, title and interest in and to the same, including dower and claim of dower.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described and granted premises unto the said

*Charles M<sup>e</sup> Devitt his* heirs and assigns forever. And *Patrick Doherty and Mary Doherty*

grantors above named do covenant to and with *Charles M<sup>e</sup> Devitt* the above named grantee *his* heirs and assigns, that the above granted premises are free from all encumbrances.

and that *we* will, and *our* heirs, executors and administrators shall warrant and forever defend the above granted premises, and every part and parcel thereof, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *we* the grantor *above* named, hereunto set *our* hands and seal this *14<sup>th</sup>* day of *January* A. D. 19*07*

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

*J. P. Winter*  
*H. E. Collier*

*Patrick Doherty*  
*Mary Doherty*

(SEAL)  
(SEAL)  
(SEAL)  
(SEAL)

STATE OF OREGON, }  
County of *Umatilla* } ss.

THIS CERTIFIES that on this *14<sup>th</sup>* day of *January*

A. D. 19*07*, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the said County and State, personally appeared the within named *Patrick Doherty and Mary Doherty, his wife*

who are known to me to be the identical persons described in and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that *they* executed the same freely and voluntarily for the purposes and uses therein mentioned.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year last above written.

*J. P. Winter*  
Notary Public  
State of Oregon

*J. P. Winter*  
Notary Public for Oregon.

Filed for record at *2:05* o'clock *P.* M., *Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>* 1910.

*Fred W. Hendley*  
Recorder of Conveyances.

*D. L. D.*



# BARGAIN AND SALE DEED

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that CHARLES MCDEVITT AND SUSAN MCDEVITT, husband and wife, now and at all times since acquiring the property,

hereinafter called grantor.S., in consideration of ---ten and no/100 dollars, and other good and valuable consideration.

to them paid, do bargain, sell and convey unto CORNELIUS A. DOHERTY AND AGNES M. DOHERTY, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety and not community property,

hereinafter called grantee.S., the following described land to-wit:

East half of the Northeast quarter and the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of section 31; the West half, the Southeast quarter and the South half of the Northeast quarter, of section 32, all in township 3 south range 30 east of the Willamette Meridian; also, The South half of the Northeast quarter, the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter, and the south half of section 5; the east half of the Southwest quarter, Lot 7, and the southeast quarter of section 6; All of section 7, the North half of the North half and the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter and Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter and the South half of the Southwest quarter of section 8; Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter, East half of the Northwest quarter, Lot one, Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter, West half of the Southeast quarter, and the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of section eighteen, all in township 4 south range 30 east of the Willamette Meridian, all located in Umatilla County, Oregon.



*And the North half of Northwest Quarter  
Of section Eleven (11) Township four (4)  
Fourth Range twenty nine (29) East of  
Willamette Meridian Morrow County  
December 5 - 1961 W. P. Mill*



KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that CHARLES McDEVITT AND SUSAN McDEVITT, husband and wife, now and at all times since acquiring the property, hereinafter called grantors, in consideration of ten and no/100 dollars, and other good and valuable consideration to them paid, do bargain, sell and convey unto CORNELIUS A DOHERTY AND AGNES M. DOHERTY, husband and wife, as tenants by the entirety and not community property, hereinafter called grantees, the following described land to-wit:

East half of the Northeast quarter and the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of section 31; the West half, the Southeast quarter and the South half of the Northeast quarter, of Section 32, all in township 3 south range 30 east of the Willamette Meridian; also The Southhalf of the Northeast quarter, the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter and the south half of section 5; the east half of the Southwest quarter, Lot 7, and the southeast quarter of section 6; All of section 7, the North half of the North half and the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter and Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter, Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter and the South half of the Southwest quarter of section 8; Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter, East half of the Northwest quarter, Lot one, Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter, West half of the Southeast quarter, and the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of section eighteen, all in township 4 south range 30 east of the Willamette Meridian, all located in Umatilla County, Oregon.

Together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anyway appertaining.

To have and to hold the same unto said grantees, heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 19th day of April 1949.

CHARLES McDEVITT

SUSAN McDEVITT

STATE OF OREGON )  
COUNTY OF UMATILLA ) ss.

On this 19th day of April, 1949, before me, the undersigned a notary public in and for said county and state, personally appeared the within named Charles McDevitt and Susan McDevitt, husband and wife, who are personally known to me to be the identical persons described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily.

Witness my hand and notarial seal the date above written.

ALFRED F. CUNHA  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF OREGON

I.R.S. \$22.00  
CANCELED

ALFRED F. CUNHA

Notary Public for Oregon

My commission expires 11/20/49

Filed for record April 28, 1949 at 3:45 P.M.

JACK FOLSOM

Recorder of Conveyances

WARRANTY DEED

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That FRANK NULL and GLADYS NULL, husband and wife, in consideration of TEN and No/100ths Dollars, to them paid by J. J. BOWERMAN, a single man, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto said J. J. BOWERMAN, his heirs and assigns, all the following real property, with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances situated in the County of Umatilla and State of Oregon, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Five (5) in Block Three (3) in the Null Addition in Hermiston, all being in the County of Umatilla and State of Oregon; excepting any and all water rights of way;

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the above described and granted premises unto the said J. J. BOWERMAN, his heirs and assigns forever.

And the grantors above named do covenant to and with the above named grantee his heirs and assigns that they are lawfully seized in fee simple of the above granted premises, that the above granted premises are free from all encumbrances, excepting claims and assessments of the Hermiston Irrigation District and that they will and their heirs, executors and

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Doherty Cattle





Charlie's Lumber 1994





Pond on Ranch in  
high country

6-94



Standing timber



Con Doherty Cattle





*W. Coghlan*

31 CARLISLE ROAD  
LONDON DERRY

Pat Doherty  
Mary Doherty



hay stacks



sheep



Red barn.



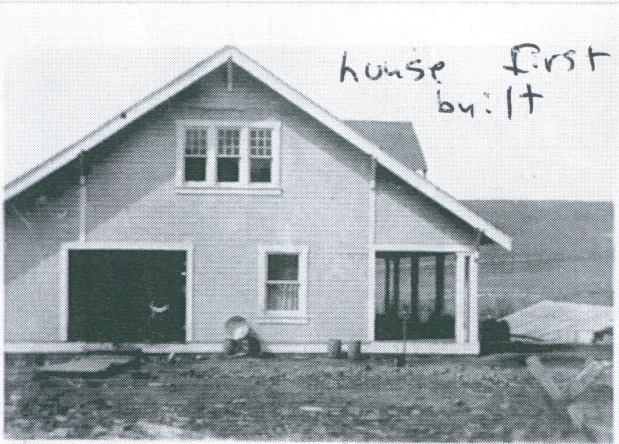
Con & Agnes  
Doherty

Charles McDovitt & Susan Doherty

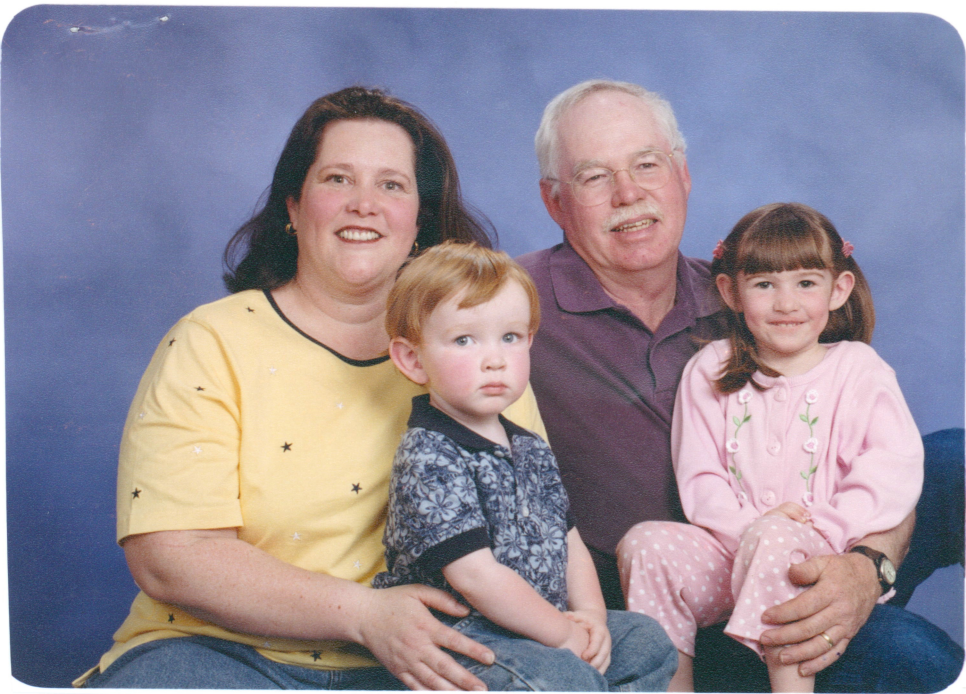


McDovitt

house first  
built









Crystal

Quinn

Charlie

Jenna