



# Webster Groves Historical Society

## Century Home Plaque Application

The Century Home Plaque Application fee is \$150, for which you will receive a 12"x16" plaque inscribed with the name of the original owner(s) and the date the home was built. It is necessary that you obtain a membership in the Webster Groves Historical Society so that you have access to our home research tools and have Society guidance with your application. Memberships start at \$25 for individuals and \$40 for families, and may be paid online by going to [HistoricWebster.org](http://HistoricWebster.org) or by check sent to:

Webster Groves Historical Society

1155 South Rock Hill Road

Webster Groves, MO 63119

Current Address of proposed Century Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Subdivision Name/Block/Lot# (see the legal description): \_\_\_\_\_

Present Owner(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant contact information (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) to be printed on the Plaque\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Year Built: \_\_\_\_\_

\*The goal is to honor the first family who lived in the home; when applicable, we try to include the names of both the husband and wife who first lived in a house. It was not uncommon for houses to be built "on spec" by a builder and then either sold or leased to a family. As a result, the "original residents" may or may not have been the "original owners." In such instances, this may require a judgment call as to the names to be identified on the plaque. Please include all pertinent names that you discover.

Original builder/owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Original family living in house: \_\_\_\_\_

Year the house was built: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide photos of the front, sides and rear of the house, and a note about any additions or major structural changes.

Please include copies of your supporting documentation for the name(s) of the original resident(s) and the year built. Check the types of evidence you have enclosed – not all types of evidence must be included, but please enclose copies of primary sources you are able to locate and identify, such as:

- Building permits
- Deeds (Note: The current deed will contain the subdivision information.)
- Directories
- Newspapers
- St. Louis County or St. Louis City (if prior to 1877) tax records

Additional supporting documentation:

- Plat books
- Wills
- Loan documents
- Letters
- Newspaper photos
- Church or public
- Directories
- Other primary source

Your application and research documents will be preserved in the Webster Groves Historical Society's Archives.

Applicant Signature(s)/Date:

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The house at \_\_\_\_\_

was built by \_\_\_\_\_

The first family to live there was \_\_\_\_\_

The house was built \_\_\_\_\_

This application was researched and verified by:

\_\_\_\_\_

Researcher Name (print) Date

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Researcher Signature

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Please attach documentation.

Notes:

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