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The Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce held their annual Awards Banquet on Thursday, March 31, 2022 at the Boat House Wine Co.

Amy Haas, Chamber President, presented the 2021 Farm Family of the Year Award.

"Four Generations! That's a long time! Especially for a whole family to be working together, most people can't even imagine that? This family has been running their operations right here in Bloomfield for four generations and they are still going strong. What a huge accomplishment!!"

"It all began in 1977 when Clellan Stewart, along with his boys, C.D and Gale established CCG Farms. Later in 1988, C.D. and Gale added a second farming entity called Stewart and Stewart farms. Then, their sons Brandon, Collin and Blaine joined the family farm business by establishing Stewco Farms in 2010. Together, this family, and its employees, farm around 7000 acres of soybeans, corn, wheat and rice. The family's most recent addition to the business is Heritage Rice Company which was started in 2020. The family began this business by milling and bagging their own rice. This is a farm to table operation and it is exciting to see their rice at some of our local stores."

"This family, which includes the guys on the farm, their wives, and children have sacrificed so much to ensure they provide excellent products and good food for our tables. Four Generations of farming is a commitment that many would not be willing to make.

We know real farming is not an 8-5 job but it consist of long days and late-nights, missing holidays and family gatherings because it's time for a crop to go in or come out and they are trying to beat the weather. These few words don't begin to tell what this family does or tell you what good people they are. We want you to know that your sacrifice is appreciated more than you can imagine. The difference you make and what your family brings to Bloomfield does not go unnoticed. Thank you for what your family has given to this community and an even bigger thank you for providing security to the people you employ."

"With that, I am honored to announce CCG Farms, also known as The Stewart Family, as this year's Farm Family of the year."

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