

Barn Number 1

Historic Name: Lian Farm

Address of Barn: 19747 County Line Road,

Stanwood

Built Date: 1902
Built By: [Unknown]
Barn Style: Salt Box

History: Syvert O Lian was the registered owner of the property beginning in 1901. The barn was estimated to be built around 1902. It is Salt Box style and features an expansive hay loft. The barn has some of the original doors with unusual wooden closures. The primary structural members are whole tree trunks, and the skeleton of the building is gracefully elegant and entirely sound. The original roof is intact under the metal sheathing. There was no foundation, but through the years concrete floors have been added. The barn has been used through the years for beef cattle and horses. The current owners have a family farm and use the barn for livestock and heritage chickens.



Barn Number 3

Historic Name: John Locken Barn Address of Barn: 19510 SR 534,

Mount Vernon

Built Date: c. 1900
Built By: Lars Sande
Barn Style: Gable

Features: Cupola, Hay Hood,

Ventilator

History: Locken Farm was

homesteaded in the late 1800's by John and Guro Locken. who immigrated to the Skagit Valley from Norway. The barn was originally built as a dairy barn. The original farm house was destroyed by fire and rebuilt in 1908. The milk house, which is still intact and used, is located on the east end of the barn. In the 1930's the dairy portion of the farm was phased out and the focus turned to crop farming. The largest crop was beans. In the 1940's Locken Lime Company was founded. Large limestones were trucked to the farm where they were crushed and bagged for sale. The lime company operated continuously into the 1960's. Today it is still common to find lime pockets while working up the soil in the fields. The 5th generation of the Locken family live on the farm today. They are working on restoring the farmhouse and barn. They have recently repainted the barn red with white trim, re-sided the East end and replaced all board & batten with new fir boards. The barn is used for hay storage & horses.



Barn Number 2

Historic Name: Lars Rolfson Dalseg Barn Address of Barn: 19356 Conway Hill Road.

Mount Vernon

Built Date: c. 1911

Built By: Lars Rolfson Dalseg
Barn Style: Broken Gable
Features: Hay Hood

History: The original land grant of 80 acres was to Andrew Williams in 1876. William Kayton purchased the property for \$205 in 1877. Lars Rolfson Dalseg purchased 10 acres of the property from its 5th owner. Dalseg – newly emigrated from Norway with his pregnant wife Margarete – built the barn from lumber that was cleared from the farm. Lars tragically contracted Tuberculosis and died in 1922. Margarete and their six children carried on with farming until 1941 when their oldest son, Ralph, purchased the farm. Ralph and his family of 5 children continued to farm the land – raising hay for their cattle. There is an old milkstand that stands in the front yard to this day. It was used to set out the full milk cans so the milkman could pick up and transport them to the Darigold plant in Mount Vernon. Ralph's daughter -Lars' granddaughter - owns the property. In 2011 a new metal roof was put on and the barn was painted red with white trim. The barn is used for storage, covered parking for a tractor, a woodshop and to display antique farm equipment.



Barn Number 4

Historic Name: Johnson Barn Address of Barn: 21496 Bulson Road,

Mount Vernon

Built Date: 1928
Built By: [Unknown]
Barn Style: Dutch Gambrel

Features: Hay Hood, Milking Shed,

Milk House

History: This farm was the first house and barn on Conway Hill with plumbing. Families in the community would be assigned a night to come and use the wood-heated bath tub. If the Johnsons were away, the house was left unlocked and families would still come for their 'bath night'. Maynard Johnson, one of the first doctors in Mount Vernon, grew up on the farm. It was a full time chicken farm until 1949. A metal roof was added to the barn in 1995, and it has been straightened, reinforced and painted. Current owners are the fourth owners of the property and use the barn for storage.