

## County's 180<sup>th</sup> Barn Quilt is Farmer's Compass

"If I get lost, now I have a huge compass to guide me home," said Curt Korth with a smile after having Shawano County's 180<sup>th</sup> barn quilt mounted on his barn at N2839 County D, Clintonville. The pattern Curt and his wife, Carol selected for their barn quilt is called "Farmer's Compass" and shines like a beacon on their dairy barn.

Curt grew up on the farm next to his present one, which he and his family moved to in the mid-1960s. After the barn burned on the other farm, the one at their present location was remodeled for cows in 1975. Previously it had been used to house heifers.

The original barn was built in 1921 and has been remodeled twice to accommodate more milking cows as well as heifers. Curt farmed with his brother, Bill, until 1995. Now he and his wife Carol have a herd of 70 milk cows and about 60 head of young stock. Their farm totals 230 acres, 190 of which are tillable.

The barn quilt was given to Curt and Carol by their son Jim and daughter Jessica (Todd) Moseng , as well as Carol's sister and brother-in-law Pat and Cliff Wege, who live in Colorado. "We just love our quilt," Carol said. "It really looks great."

Carol said she and Curt enjoy driving around Shawano County and seeing all the quilts. "It's a lot of fun seeing the different patterns people have chosen for their quilt," Carol said.

The Korth barn quilt was painted by Shawano County's barn quilt committee and was put on display by LeRoy and Keith Raddant of Raddant Electric in Shawano. Special thanks to Scott Breitrack, K & S Landscaping of Marion for use of his truck as well.

Anyone who would like to participate in Shawano County's barn quilt project can contact project coordinator Jim Leuenberger at 715-524-5685 or by email at [jamesmleuenberger@yahoo.com](mailto:jamesmleuenberger@yahoo.com). You can also contact Patti Peterson, tourism manager at the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce at 715-524-2139 or [tourism@shawano.com](mailto:tourism@shawano.com). A link on the Shawano Chamber Web site includes photos and information on every quilt on display in Shawano County. Just go to [www.shawanocountry.com](http://www.shawanocountry.com) and click on the barn quilt icon.

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