

## County's 102<sup>nd</sup> Barn Quilt is "A Horse Named 'Trixie'"

Shawano County's 102<sup>nd</sup> barn quilt, on display at N6628 Park Avenue, off Lake Drive across from the Shawano Lake Country Club, is called "A Horse Named Trixie." The barn on which it is mounted, built in the early 1900s, is owned by Mark and Brenda Gruentzel and the farm is called Circle C. Ranch.

The quilt was painted by the Shawano County barn quilt committee, with the help of Barb Lee of Clintonville. The pattern was designed by barn quilt project coordinator Jim Leuenberger. The quilt was put on display by LeRoy Raddant and Bruce Teetzen of Raddant Electric in Shawano.

Brenda's grandparents, Elmer and Linda Smith, bought the Circle C Ranch and accompanying riding stables in 1958 from Earl "Buck" and Sylvia Weaver. The ranch, not including the stables, is now owned by Harry and Diane Smith's daughter Brenda and her husband Mark Gruentzel.

"Even though we are not involved in the riding stables, we thought this horse quilt pattern would still be appropriate, especially since the barn had always been used for housing horses," Brenda said. "And we named it 'Trixie' after a horse we used to own."

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