

Barn quilt number 27

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Shawano County's 27th barn quilt, called "Liberty," has been sponsored by Bill Rapaich and Diane Montour for their barn at W8043 County M, Shawano. The barn is one of the oldest in the area, built with hand hewn beams.

"The 'folk art' aspect of the barn quilt project is what really appealed to us," Montour said. "It's why we decided to be part of the project. And from the beginning, we knew we wanted to have a quilt with a patriotic pattern."

Rapaich purchased the farm from his aunt and uncle, Wally and Marcella Redmann, in 1993. The Redmanns had purchased the farm from Joe Muskavitch in 1944 and had a dairy herd there until 1964. The original patent on the abstract for the farm was to Theophilus Patch dated October 2, 1854.