

## County's 335<sup>th</sup> Barn Quilt Has a "Forest" Theme

Shawano County's 335<sup>th</sup> barn quilt is a Christmas present for Harvey and Judy Reinke from their children and grandchildren. It is located on the Reinke farm at W1474 Hickory Drive, Pulaski. Harvey and Judy's children, daughter Ann and her husband, Scott Powers and their children Evan and Ali, daughter Jill and her husband Josh Holewinski and son Pete and his wife, Cindy, and their children Nicole, Mitchell and Spencer, sponsored the quilt.

The pattern that was chosen for the quilt is a pine tree, in honor of Harvey's grandparents, John and Anna Reinke, who had cleared trees from the property to make their farm land. Thus, the name of the quilt pattern is The Lone Pine.

John purchased over 240 acres from his brother, Albert Reinke, in 1895. Albert had purchased the land in 1889.

Harvey and Judy bought the farm in 1974 from John and Alma. They had a dairy herd until 1999. Harvey has since sold some of the land, but still raises dairy heifers and crops.

"Thanks to Jim and Irene Leuenberger for all they have done for Shawano County to preserve and feature our beautiful historic barns and farming," Jill Holewinski said. "The quilt has enhanced my parents' barn even more and has made my mom very, very, very happy."

The Reinke barn quilt was painted by the Shawano County barn quilt project committee and was put on display by LeRoy and Keith Raddant of Raddant Electric in Shawano.

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