

County's 375th Barn Quilt Now on Display

Tom and Paula Maroszek have sponsored Shawano County's 375th barn quilt that is on display on their barn at N3528 Elm Road, Pulaski. The colorful red, white and blue quilt pattern is called Diamonds and Triangles.

Commenting on the quilt, Paula said, "It looks wonderful; I just love it!"

The land where Tom and Paula currently farm was first purchased in May 1869. It passed from various owners, including J. J. Hof, a well-known land developer and settler in the area. After that, there were several more transfers of ownership, often to family members or children, until Tom and Paula became the owners in November 1991. "We will celebrate 30 years on this farm this November 11," Paula said.

The first barn was built on the farm around 1871. The current barn is the third one on the farm and was built in approximately 1967. Tom and Paula had a dairy herd and milked 40 Holsteins cows until they sold the herd in 2018. They now raise steers and have also raised ducks and chickens. They own 119 acres on the farm and an additional 25 acres a few miles north on Elm Road and grow alfalfa, soybeans and corn.

Tom and Paula have raised four children on the farm and continue to enjoy country living.

The Maroszek quilt was painted by the Shawano County barn quilt committee and was put on display by LeRoy Raddant and his grandson, Keenan, both of whom work for Raddant Electric in Shawano.

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