

## **Twig's Beverage of Shawano Sponsors 85th Barn Quilt**

Twig's Beverage of Shawano, owned by Dan and Diane Hartwig, have sponsored Shawano County's 85th barn quilt. It is on display on a barn owned by Tom and Becky Betzner, W5708 County E, Shawano. The pattern, appropriately called, "Six Windows of Sunshine," is painted in the green, red and yellow colors of Twig's most popular soft drink, Sundrop.

Twig's Beverage was started by Floyd Hartwig in 1951. Dan and Diane took over in 1986 and today are the last ones in the U.S. to bottle Sundrop in returnable glass bottles. They decided to sponsor a barn quilt because "we wanted to be part of this countywide community project because it promotes tourism as well as community pride," Diane said.

The Betzner farm was established in the late 1800s. Totaling 120 acres, it was purchased by Tom's parents, Ewald and Eva Betzner in 1948. The Betznors and their sons Tom and Jim operated the family dairy farm with a herd of 35 cows until the herd was sold in 2001. Tom and Becky have lived on the farm since 1984.

It is appropriate that Twig's sponsored the barn quilt for the Betznors because Becky, who works at Thrivent Financial Services in Appleton, delivers two to three cases of bottled Sundrop to her co-workers each month.

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