

# Quilt # 45

**QUILT NAME:** “Small Town Charm”

**LOCATION:** **Gustaf Anderson House** – One of the crown jewels of the area, this house was built in 1890 for Gustaf and Helena Anderson. Several generations of the Anderson family have lived in the house prior to its conversion to non-residential use in 1971. Since then it has hosted a real estate agency, law offices, and also served as the location of *Gustaf's Fine Gifts* for several years. This property was graciously donated to the historical society by Marlene Smith. The home is distinctive among those in the Chisago Lakes area for its Italianate brick exterior and the Victorian high style interior.

Listed on the National Register of Historic Sites, the Anderson house is located on the south side of Highway 8, within short walking distance of an art gallery and quaint and unique shops. The building stands as a tribute to the "rags to riches" status achieved by the hard work of early immigrants and it continues to tell their stories.

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**ARTIST:** Gary Turnquist, Lindstrom

Gary and his wife Sally moved to Lindstrom in 2004, upon Gary's retirement from Honeywell as a mechanical designer. He has always had a keen interest in art. Back in 1974, Gary took an oil painting class – and from then on he was “hooked”! About ten years ago he graduated to watercolors. For the past six years Gary has been teaching after-school watercolor art to 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students at Lakeside Elementary.

Gary is very proud of our community and is honored to have his wood quilt square prominently displayed at the historic Gustaf Anderson House.