

Quilt # 62

QUILT NAME: “Heritage Square”

LOCATION: **Amador Heritage Center** – the former two room school house was built in 1910. The children walked hand in hand from the first wood frame school house built in 1890 (located at the intersection of maple Street and CSAH #12) to this new school. The old structure was moved, and is now the Amador Town Hall.

The museum was established in 1978 after the North Branch School District sold the land and buildings to the township for \$1. A group of citizens formed the society which collected local memorabilia and formed the museum in the former two room brick school house. A large collection of local memorabilia was donated by Carl Almquist, a major supporter of the society which formed the museum. In 1990, the society purchased an additional parcel of land from the Clifton Sjoberg estate for a Swedish Immigrant Log Farm. The log farm consists of several vintage log structures dated in the mid to late 1800’s. They have been preserved and reconstructed so that history of a bygone era can be maintained for generations.

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Dave started “Barn Quilts by Oaksy” shortly after he retired. He really liked seeing folk art “quilt squares” attached to barns and wanted to pursue his creative interests. Dave started designing and installing custom quilt squares at a few barns throughout the county, and his work was featured in the October 10, 2013 Chisago County Press. A few months later, his dream of a self-guided barn quilt tour in Chisago County started coming to life when he partnered with the local Foundation in the development of a Barn Quilt Trail along the Highway 8 corridor.

Many of Dave’s custom designs are included in the Swedish Barn Quilt Trail. The wood quilt squares are meant to hang on the exterior of a barn, but this project shows that you can customize any sized space with a “barn quilt.”

If you are interested in a custom quilt, please visit www.barnquiltsbyoaksy.com.