



# Barn Quilts of Lafayette County (in SW Wisconsin)

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## Coming Soon to a Barn Near You!

.....And now there are 8 with at least 6 more in the wings - but who is counting? That is over double what our project goal was for this year! If you are interested (or know of anyone interested) in participating with the project in 2009, please contact us so that we can plan for next year. Applications are available through Phyllis Sonsalla, at the UW Extension Office, or soon on our website.

As we enjoy our great folk art project, we need to again thank those who have approved our grant requests: Alliant Energy Foundation, Lafayette Cty Economic Development Committee; Thrivent Financial for Lutherans; and The Shullsburg Fund. And a big thank you to Scenic Rivers Energy Cooperative (Megan and Jim) for helping mount 5 of our barn quilts. Thank you for having the confidence in our project and the community spirit to donate your time, funds, manpower and equipment to help us succeed.

Which leads me to a request for help. Scenic Rivers has generously donated to our project but because of budget constraints, they are limited in their future short term help. So we need to look for additional people to help us mount future barn quilts. Please contact any barn quilt committee member or the UW Extension Office with any ideas on who to contact for equipment that can lift our 150# barn quilts 20-30 feet up onto barns.



From top left to  
bottom right:

*Bats in the Belfry,  
Cheesebox, Sadie  
Fitzsimons  
painting the  
Lamont Hustlers  
2x2 4H block at  
the Darlington Fall  
Fest, and Four  
Flags.*





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## News Scraps

✪ Mark your calendars for Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>: Heidi and Mary Jo are going to be interviewed on Madison's Channel 15 Early Show at 6:10 AM to promote our project.

✪ The website is in the process of being tweaked and should be fully functional by the end of October. Be sure to add it to your favorites! A map locating our project barn quilts will be on the website. Check out <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/cty/lafayette/BarnQuiltsOfLafayetteCounty.html>

✪ Applications are available through Phyllis Sonsalla (608.776.3568), at the UW Extension Office, or soon on our website. This will help us with documentation on the project and history of your barn and quilt as we develop a brochure and map guide.

✪ Newest county in Wisconsin to start a barn quilt project: Kewaunee County. So there are now four barn quilt projects that we are aware of: Lafayette, Green, Racine, and Kewaunee County

✪ Next meeting: Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00, UW Extension Office, 627 Washington Street in Darlington.

***Related Barn Quilt Websites to check out:*** If you are trying to decide on a design for your quilt block, check out these web sites : <http://www.quilterscache.com/QuiltBlocksGalore.html> and <http://www.quiltbus.com/Free-Quilt-Blocks.htm>

## *Need gift ideas for Christmas?*

- *Barn Quilt Jewelry*
- *Barn Quilts of Lafayette County teeshirts*  
\$9 each for S-XL. \$10 each for 2X.



L to R: County Fair and American Pride

***Reasonably priced – and all profits go back to our BQLC project. Great gift ideas!***

***Contact Mary Jo at [stutenbm@yahoo.com](mailto:stutenbm@yahoo.com) or 608.744.3451.***