

## 9 Forest for the Trees

**Owner(s): Steve and Winona Henk**

Address: 35216 Hwy. 1, Murdock

Sponsor: FBLA

This mortise-and-peg barn was built in 1902 by Fred and Margethe Luetchens, who purchased the land in 1882. The foundation is native limestone quarried from what is currently the Brad Johnson farm. The total cost was \$1,200. The workers were housed at the site during construction. Horses and cattle were sheltered on the ground level; grain and hay were stored on the second floor, which has a wide aisle for wagons that entered from a dirt ramp. Wood chutes connect the upper level to the feed troughs on the lower level.

## 10 Family Heritage

**Owner(s): Dale Vanderford**

Address: 12911 310th Street, Murdock

Sponsor: Owner

Built in 1883, this wooden peg barn was the center of farm business. The barn had animals on the first story, grain storage on the middle level, and hay is kept on the top. This barn certainly has "family heritage" as it was built on this farmstead in the late 1870's and has been in the family for over five generations! The quilt is an original design created by the owner.

## 11 Trips Around the World

**Owner(s): John and Pat Miller**

Address: 29012 Mill Road, Murdock

Sponsor: Owner

This barn was built in 1901 by Henry Schlaphoff. It is a peg barn that is very similar in construction to barn Number 7. Livestock, a dairy parlor, and sow farrowing units were originally housed in the basement of the barn with hay and feed stored overhead. Today the barn has been turned into modern space that is used for business purposed for Oxbow Animal Health. The theme "Trips Around the World" was chosen because Oxbow Animal Health ships pet food and other products to 25+ countries around the world.

## 12 The Rose

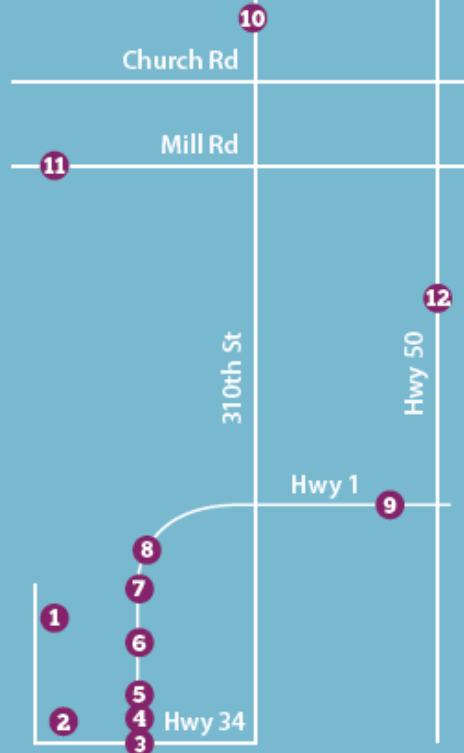
**Owner(s): Glasshoff Farms**

Address: 10101 Hwy. 50, Murdock

Sponsor: Owner

Purchased from the Paul Mann family in 1972, this building served as a corncrib filled with ear corn for many years. For the last 35 years, it has also served as a storage shelter for holiday decorations. Each holiday was lovingly observed with thousands of twinkling Christmas lights on the side of the whole farm. People driving down Highway 50 enjoyed the display. They came from many states to enjoy the Christmas glow. The Rose Quilt was selected to honor Mrs. Rose Glasshoff.

## MAP



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## Elmwood-Murdock Future Business Leaders of America wanted to “IMPACT” the community by Involving Members, Promoting Activities, and Creating Tourism.

Adding painted quilt blocks to prominent barns seemed like a good idea because together they created a unique tourist attraction with long-term potential. Local quilt enthusiast, Mickie Clements, proposed the idea and served as the project adviser. Twelve 8' x 8' barn quilts were created by Elmwood-Murdock art students while FBLA members developed publicity, solicited barns, and generated funds for the project. Members of the chapter are convinced this project will continue to impact the community for years to come.

### 1 Harvest Star

**Owner(s): The John Family Farm**  
Address: 819 274th Street, Elmwood  
Sponsor: Owner

This barn was built after a tornado destroyed the original barns that were constructed in the late 1800's. The current structure was built in 1942 due to the Nebraska storms.

### 2 Double Windmill

**Owner(s): Andy McLaughlin**  
Address: 28318 O Street, Hwy. 34, Elmwood  
Sponsor: Clements Law Firm

This barn was built in 1916 by Henry and Sophia McLaughlin. It was used for milking cows and boarding eight horses. Hay was stored in the center of the barn loft. The barn is very functional today with hay storage being the main use. Andy is the fifth generation farmer and owner.

### 3 Barn Swallows Flying

**Owner(s): Kuehn Family**  
Address: 308 298th Street, Elmwood  
Sponsor: Bits & Pieces & More Thrift Store

This barn was built in 1912 by William Wilhelm to house eight horses and has stanchions for milking at least six cows at one time in the lower level. There is a section for hay feeding by manger. The hay is stored in the upper level. There are six bins for grain storage with access to the lower level. The wood roof was replaced with metal sheeting several years ago; at which time, the original cupola was removed and not replaced.

### 4 Nebraska Windmill

**Owner(s): Mickie Clements**  
Address: 1014 298th Street, Elmwood  
Sponsor: Owner

The Nebraska Windmill quilt pattern hangs on Rick and Mickie Clements' renovated corn crib. Mickie headed the Cass County Barn Quilt Project. Mickie's father-in-law, Dwight Clements, had the corn crib built around 1955. Dwight hired an Elmwood cornhusker to pick and shuck corn by hand here for two or three years until combines made the corn crib obsolete.

### 5 Lawyer's Puzzle

**Owner(s): Rick Clements**  
Address: 1014 298th Street, Elmwood  
Sponsor: Owner

The Lawyer's Puzzle quilt pattern was chosen since Rick Clements is an attorney and banker in Elmwood. His grandfather Guy and father Dwight Clements were also Elmwood attorneys. The farm owners are Rick and Mickie Clements. Their daughter Angela practices law in California. Mickie made a lawyer's puzzle quilt for Angela's law school graduation. Rick's great-great grandfather purchased this farm in 1880 from the railroad for \$10 per acre. This 1955 corn crib is now used as a storage shed.

### 6 Star Spangled Banner

**Owner(s): Gayla and Brian Mellen**  
Address: 29916 Havelock Avenue, Elmwood  
Sponsor: Clements Law Office

This barn was built in approximately 1900. Its main function was as a dairy barn. It is currently equipped with milking stalls and has a full upper floor.

### 7 Prairie Sunrise

**Owner(s): Mark & Sondra Buell**  
Address: 7603 298th Street, Murdock  
Sponsor: Owner

This barn was built in 1888 by Herman Schmidt, a well-known barn builder. It measured 32' x 40' and has an English gambrel roof and native stone foundation. Construction is mortise and tenon tied together with a wooden peg driven through the joints. The farm was homesteaded by G. E. Buell in 1869 and is currently resided by great grandson, Mark Buell. Originally, the barn had many horses and milking stanchions. It was updated in the 1950's for Grade A milk production and has weathered many storms. Now farm cats and memories reign supreme.

### 8 Starry Night

**Owner(s): Steve and Betsy Klemme**  
Address: 8005 298th Street, Murdock  
Sponsor: E-M Merchants' Association

Fred and Gladys Buell began building the family home in 1921 followed by a number of outbuildings. The barn was built in 1922 and the corn crib, along with a pit to care for an elevator, was erected in 1925. While originally designed to hold ears of corn, the corn crib was modified by Henry and Steve to serve as a granary for both corn and soybeans. Since its existence, the farmstead has had three different families call it home: Fred and Gladys Buell, Henry and Sylvia Klemme, and Steve and Betsy Klemme. In 1995 they purchased the farm from Fred and Gladys' daughter, Frances. The quilt pattern Starry Night was selected because one of the greatest pleasures of rural life has been the ability to gaze in the evening sky and see bright shining stars. It reminded the Klemmes of the vast universe and the Lord's miraculous creation.