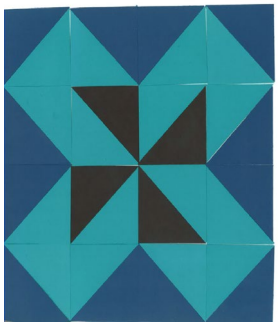
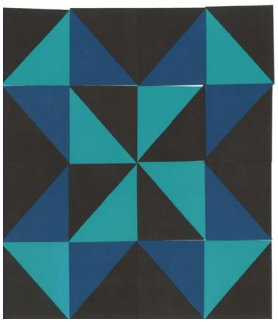
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The Arlington Prairie legends contend that William Currie came back to Wisconsin after striking it rich in the gold rush. Upon his return he built the original farm which consisted of a brick house and six barns in varying sizes. The Curries purchased several other neighborhood farms at that time but William lived only in this one. He and his wife died without children, and the house sent through many changes as it was repurposed to tenant dwelling before the farm was purchased by the Swalheim family. Swalheims owned the farm for 46 years.

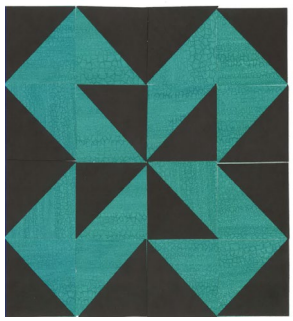
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Dan and DeAnn Richards have resided at this farm site since 1992. They continue to restore the 1883 Victorian farm house to the original blueprint while providing upkeep of the remaining buildings.

The barn adorned with the quilt has been sided with white steel and has a poured concrete floor. It is assumed the barn was constructed during the same time period as the farm house. The original construction of the barn is mortis and tendon pegged beams which are 12x12 inches. The fieldstone foundation is 4 feet tall with board and baton.

C



The barn was mostly used to hold hay coming in from the fields as well as large animals.