

MOTHERTOWN GUILD BOX SWAP 10/2018-6/2019

In a Box Swap, you decide on a block pattern (all blocks alike) or type of block (stars) you would like made for you by members of your group. The box is filled with fabric and your instructions and swapped over the year to all members of the group, each making you a block. At the end of the year you get your box back full of blocks made by your group members, to do with what you wish.

The swap will be made up of two groups, nine members each. Each group will be headed up by either Janice Boutotte or Bonnie Broders. The groups will be revealed at the October guild meeting, where a check list of group members will be handed out. The list must remain with the box swap. The boxes will be exchanged at that time, brought back to each monthly meeting throughout the year to be swapped again and again, until the June meeting.

Each month when a member has completed a box swap block, she must check off the box next to her name. When swapped to the next on the list, swap down the list. If the next person is not at the meeting, pass it to someone who is and has not yet made a block. Boxes may also be passed outside of the meeting. The boxes will be returned to the owner of the box at the June 2019 pot luck.

There is the option to extend the swap to a second year so to make more blocks or to incorporate new members. Bonnie will head up this group.

Questions? Call or email Bonnie or Janice.

SWAP BOX REQUIREMENTS

- A box, cardboard or plastic, with your name written on top, large enough to contain the blocks, pattern and fabrics.
- The group member check off list, with your name checked off.
- Pattern for your block, with clear and complete instructions for making it. Block pattern size can be anywhere between 6"-18" finished, and not overly complicated/difficult, nor having appliqué requirements; you can have an applique block as an optional block. If you have a picture or vision of the completed quilt, include that as well.
- A completed block by you. This will proof the instructions. Pin a piece of paper with your name on it to this block.
- Fabric enough to complete nine blocks. If you want specific fabric(s) used in a particular place in the block, add this to the instructions along with a swatch of said fabric(s). If you want only your fabrics used, or if you welcome other fabrics, let that be known too. It is not a surprise, so it is OK to call and ask the box owner questions.
- As each member completes a block, pin a piece of paper with their name to the block. If there are instructions to sign the block, do so.