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4 New Projects, plus 3 BOMs, 1 Mystery, and 1 Lesson!

- * *Quilting by Hand Book Review*
- * *Complete Your Garden Beauties Quilt*
- * *New BOM - The Summer Iris Picnic Quilt*



Trumpeting Angels



Home Is Where the Heart Is



26 Acts of Kindness

From the Editor

December is my favorite month of the year! The colors of Christmas start my list of favorite things, the red berries against the fragrant green pine needles, the white snow covering everything to make it beautiful. Gold and silver ornaments and decorations around the house add to the orchestra of color. Giving gifts to my friends and loved ones is such fun, and yes, I admit it, I love to receive gifts as well! I especially love to give handmade gifts usually things I have made. Of course, the food this time of year means bringing out the once a year recipes and traditional dinners with treats and yummys of all kinds tempting us to indulge. And we do! Once a year, we should enjoy the fruits of our labor in the kitchen.



This December issue of **TQPM** is filled with projects of all kinds, even some for last minute sewing of gifts! Let's open this package and see what the following pages will give you.



Karen Gass

We continue our BOMs with Barbara Douglas' **Home Is Where the Heart Is**. As we wrap up **Garden Beauties** by Rochelle Martin, we will also start **The Summer Iris Picnic Quilt** by Reeze Hanson. We present the next installment of Cindy Mccoy's Mystery Quilt, **Take Me For a Spin**.

There is a lovely assortment of quilt patterns. Kris Driessen designed **26 Acts of Kindness**, a star quilt with a history. Carol Dockery brings us a **Snowmen Table Runner**, Sharon Kirkpatrick designed **Trumpeting Angels**, an applique pillow, and last, I have shared my pattern for **Warm and Spicy**, a great quilt to cuddle up in after chilly outdoor activities!

Reeze Hanson gives us Lesson 11 in our **EQ7** studies "EQ7 Resources on the Web".

You will meet three new quilters on Gold Star Blogs. Barbara Chojnacki, our Editor-in-Chief reviews the book **Quilting by Hand** by Jinny Beyer. Of course we have new columns by Anna Branch and Chris Hammacott. Anna talks about her quilt addiction, and Chris reflects on the past year and shares her Flower of the Month quilt.

Have a wonderful holiday and all of us here at **TQPM** wish you a warm and wonderful celebration.

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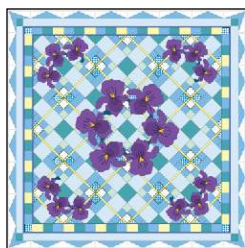
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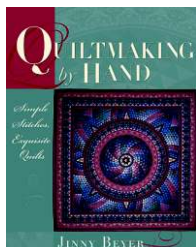
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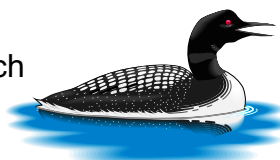
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Definitions of skill levels:

- **A beginner** must have basic sewing knowledge and have made at least one quilt. We will assume that you know how to use a rotary cutter and can understand and sew with proper seam allowances.
- **A beginner/intermediate** quilter has more than basic quilting skills and the beginning of intermediate skills.
- **An intermediate** quilter must have made several quilts in either pieced or appliqué styles.
- **An intermediate/advanced** quilter has more than intermediate quilting skills and the beginning of advanced skills.
- **An advanced** quilter will have made many complex quilts.



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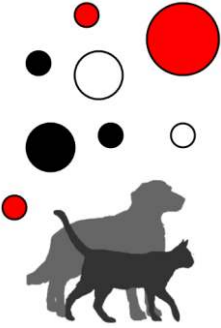
- BA:** Baltimore Album
- BOM:** Block Of The Month
- COC:** Cream On Cream
- EPP:** English Paper Piecing
- FPA:** Freezer Paper Appliqué
- FQ:** Fat Quarter
- HST:** Half Square Triangle
- LOF:** Length Of Fabric
- NS:** No Steam
- OG:** On Grain
- OTB:** On The Bias
- PWF:** PreWashed Fabric
- QST:** Quarter Square Triangle
- RST:** Right Sides Together
- SST:** Side Setting Triangle
- UFO:** UnFinished Object
- WIP:** Works In Progress
- WOF:** Width Of Fabric
(from selvage to selvage)
- WOW:** White On White

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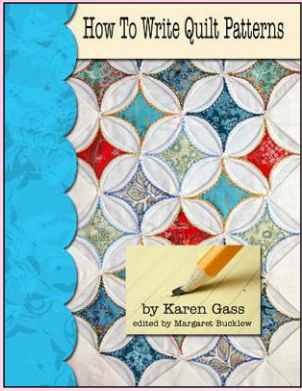
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