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

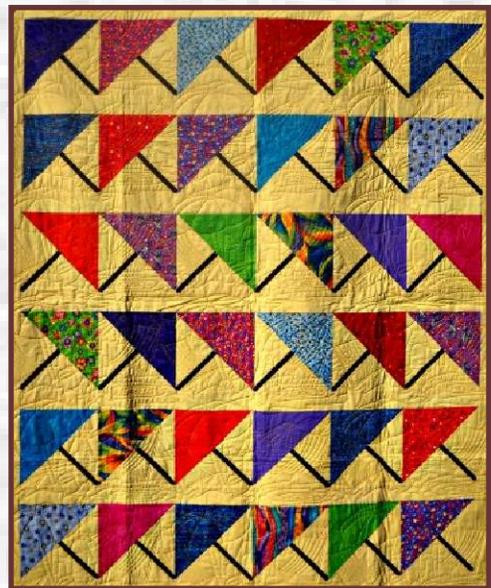
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Tony Tugboat



William's Mom's Mug Mat



Parasol Parade

## From the Editor

Are you experiencing Spring in your neck of the woods? Are there tulips blooming? Is there a little green tinge on the bare trees? If you drive in the country, do you see the new calves and little lambs? It's time for all things new in nature, and it tends to get us stirred up too. It's time for new things in the sewing room, or at least the look and feel of new things.

When I get that restless feeling, it means only one thing: Spring Cleaning. However, I'm not quite inclined to spring clean, I'd much rather make it look like I did. Tricky, eh? So, how do we do this? Here is my list. You can use it or let it inspire you to make your own list.



*Karen Gass*



- I will clean out my desk drawer, and/or my sewing desk drawers. Maybe both! Having them organized and cleaned up will give me some energy.
- That pile of scraps has got to go! I will either sort through it, keep what I want and donate the rest, or I will put it all in a box labeled Scraps, and store it elsewhere.
- I will push the dark-colored fabric, the wintery kind of fabrics, back on the shelf, and pull forward the pretty spring and summer colors. Some brighter fabrics, some pastels, some neutrals; they will all give my room a new look instantly!
- I will clean off my cutting table. It tends to accumulate 'stuff'. That stuff needs to go live somewhere, but not on my cutting table.
- Give the room a good sweep, open the windows to let in some fresh air, and my sewing room is ready for a new season.

If you want to do the same in the rest of the house, well, that's up to you. But I spend most of my day in my office/sewing room, so it's first! Doing those few little things will re-energize and open the windows of creativity. It's amazing how that works.

Happy Spring!

*Karen*

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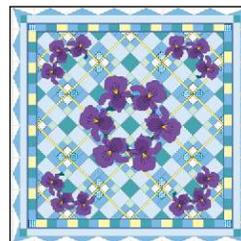
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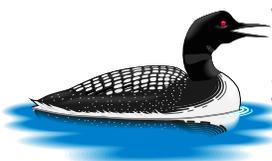
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### Definitions of skill levels:

- **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.

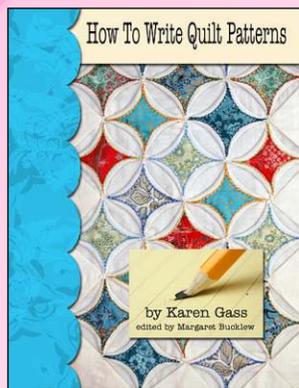


### Common abbreviations:

- 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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