

4 New Projects plus 3 BOMs

- * *Untie the nautical knots.*
- * *Gaze at the night stars.*
- * *Pursue luck in the stars.*



Irregular Lattice



Lucky Stars



Stars Upon Stars



Nautical Knots

A Message from Barbara

Although it's been many years since I've been in school, I still associate September with going back to school and new beginnings. Why not celebrate a new beginning by treating yourself to a new book and learning a new technique that will inspire you for years to come? We review two wonderful new books in this issue.



If you have children or grandchildren going back to school, you may find yourself with more time on your hands. If you've been working on our current BOMs, we're wrapping them up in this issue. You'll have plenty of time to finish Jaci Lawson's **Witch's Broom** in time for Halloween.



Barbara Chojnacki

Would you rather start something new? We have four brand new patterns in this issue. Barbara Douglas' **Nautical Knots** is a simple, straightforward pattern with a bold graphic look that's perfect for men or older boys. For something a bit more challenging, try Bonny Peters' **Lucky Star**.

Next month is Make a Difference Day (observed the fourth Saturday in October). Make a difference in someone's life by making and donating a quilt. My pattern **Stars Upon Stars** is appropriately sized for Quilts of Valor.

With the dog days of summer behind us, quilt guilds are getting back to having quilt shows. Don't get so bogged down in your own quilting that you don't take the time to get out and be inspired by the works of other quilters!

Happy quilting,

Barbara

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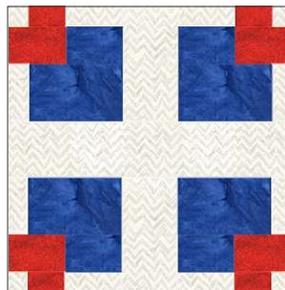
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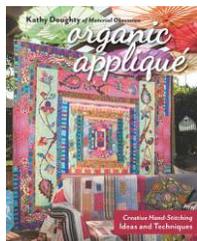
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Definitions of skill levels:

- **A beginner** must have basic sewing knowledge (including how to use a rotary cutter and the ability to sew a proper seam allowance) and have made at least one quilt.
- **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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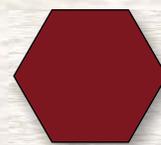


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