Welcome to the January/February issue. This edition features articles on several topics to aid in using FreeBSD to deploy web applications. Drew Gurkowski provides an introduction to using ZFS to manage storage. Roller Angel describes the creation of a virtual test lab built on top of jails. Finally, Thomas Munro dives into interactions between PostgreSQL and ZFS.

On a different note, Anne Dickison sat down with Ed Maste from the FreeBSD Foundation to talk about support for desktop use in FreeBSD.

In a previous welcome letter, I was eagerly anticipating a return to an in-person conference—EuroBSDCon 2022, that was held in Vienna, Austria. As a trip report by Kyle Evans in the November/December 2022 issue indicated, the conference was a tremendous success. In the new year, many of our beloved conferences are returning to in-person formats. FOSDEM was recently held in person, and AsiaBSDCon, BSDCan, and EuroBSDCon are all returning this year. At BSDCan in Ottawa, we will celebrate FreeBSD’s 30th birthday! Editorial board members and FreeBSD Journal authors will be at these conferences and they’re eager to chat with readers or answer questions.

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