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Dear Readers,

Welcome to the March/April issue of the *FreeBSD Journal*! I've been thinking about how many issues we've published since the first issue came out back in January 2014. I believe this is the 56th issue of helpful and informative content covering many different topics within the world of FreeBSD. The fact that we have had so many issues focused on different areas over these many years, shows how complex, powerful, and innovative FreeBSD is.

This current issue focuses on a subject near and dear to my heart, embedded systems. I started out as an embedded systems engineer writing firmware for storage device companies, and the technology has grown and improved since I began my career. The amount of information that can be stored on one storage device just blows my mind! More and more, things are becoming embedded to create smaller systems, and FreeBSD plays a significant role in these products. From display systems in stadiums to cool video games, FreeBSD is there controlling the systems.

Please, sit back and check out the articles and columns in the following pages! As usual, you'll also find information on upcoming BSD-related events—I hope to see many of you at the upcoming BSDCan in Ottawa in May!

Oh, and I have one ask. If you've enjoyed and learned from some or all of the 56 issues published to date, please consider making a donation to the FreeBSD Foundation, so we can continue funding the *FreeBSD Journal* and our other projects. Thank you!

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