

MARCH 2015

# THE QUILTERS

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Board Meeting March 5, 2015  
Business Meeting March 12, 2015  
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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a better way to end February than quilt classes with Sharon Schamber.... The weather gave Sandra some challenges, but she made it happen. Kudu's to all her efforts and many thanks for fun classes learning new techniques and better yet enjoyable times and conversations with an outstanding teacher. I actually finished my project when I got home because it was so much fun!!! I personally can't wait to see what Sandra comes up with next.

My congratulations go out to Sue Marra, Sue Kleeman and Lynn Peck-Collins on the showing their wonderful quilts at the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show in February and to Lynn Peck-Collins who is now a semi-finalist at this year's Paducah Quilt Show. It is quite a feat to be accepted at that show on your first attempt.

It looks like our mentoring team is off to a great start. If you would like to help Chris Babich welcome new members to our Guild, please let her know.

Well, grass does not grow under Rosemary's and Phyllis's feet.... They are actively establishing their teams and leaders for the 2016 Quilt Show. The Convention Center has been booked for show days of October 28-29, 2016... They will need a lot of support and help, so when they ask you to be a chairman of a group, please say yes.... Also if you have a special interest in a team or activity, let them know.

I have started making contact with the new Duffy Center Team at the Palace for 2016. We are waiting for their new team to be finalized and then we will be working at a date. Once this gets moving forward, I will let you know.

To all that are going to the March Retreat at the Beach, have a great time and I will certainly miss being there.

And finally... Remember to reach out to both new and existing guild members you may not know well.... make new friendships and learn new skills.

Chris

**Reminder** - All members must wear their official TRQG nametags to every meeting and activity or pay the price...\$0.50 to the kitty. It is for safety reasons required by the church. The church personnel do not recognize any other nametags!

### OFFICERS FOR 2015

**President**— Chris Gillespie, (513) 910-4937

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**Secretary** — Judy Frankel, 672-8424

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**Coastal Women's Shelter** —Mary Ann DeRossett,  
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**Historian** — Chris Babich, 626-4460

**Nursing Home Quilts**- Dean Stevens, 633-5936

**Children's Charity Quilts**-Lorraine Wocel. 636-3471

**Military** — Roberta Gould, 288-4615

**Sunshine**- Pat Phillips, 288-5625

**Block of the month** -Ed Dzioba, 638-8769

**Librarian**— Rosemary Trabucchi, 637-9473

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**Winter Retreat** — Ruth Powers, 634-9470  
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**Spring Retreat** — Rosemary Trabucchi, 637-9473

**Hospitality**—Diana Rezab, 636-5919

**Website** —Ruth Powers, 634-9470,  
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**Day of Sharing 2015** — Penny Finney, 637-2611

**Quilt Show 2014** —Rosemary Trabucchi , 637-9473  
& Phyllis Prideaux , 288-4186

**Raffle Quilt** — Claudia Hughes, 617-0533

**Community Service Coordinator** — Alvina Diello and  
Phyllis Prideaux



## VICE-PRESIDENT

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*Sorry, on travel and no wifi available so no report.*

*Mile-a-minute quilt:*

- Class is scheduled for March 19th. Class will run between 9: AM and 1:30 PM. There will be a List of supplies and a sign-up sheet. Class is limited to 20 (with machines); all others are welcome to monitor the class.

*Quilt As You Go Tote:*

- Phyllis talked briefly about her scheduled workshops (16 & 30 April) for the tote. She brought a sample of the tote for show and tell. It was awesome and she says it will be easy to do. She will provide sign-up sheet and list of materials as the dates for the workshop get closer. If you have any further questions, please give Phyllis a call.

## AQS

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Just a reminder if you want books I can order at 30 % off.

Helen Williams –

## COASTAL WOMEN'S SHELTER (CWS)

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Thank you, TRQG members for your open hearts--we collected \$99.53 at our March meeting towards our Coastal Women's Shelter Christmas 2015 Adopt-A-Family Fund, as well as a trunkful of diapers, feminine supplies

and other necessities for distribution to CWS shelter residents and clients.

The CWS main office needs a toolbox to help with those minor repairs. We already have a pledge of a toolbox; now we need the hammer, pliers, vise-grip, wrench, adjustable wrench, screwdrivers (flathead & Phillips), picture hanging wire and nails, retractable measuring tape, screw & nail assortments, putty knife, utility knife and painter's tape! ...And anything else you think should be there. I will post a list on the guild bulletin board, so you can sign up for the items you are donating. Other things you may bring are paper towels, Fantastic or 409 spray, or Scrubbing Bubbles spray. And as always, thank you sincerely for everything you do for CWS.

Mary Ann DeRossett, CWS Committee Chair

## HISTORIAN:

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If you have pictures you would like to share please send them to me. Chris Babich

**Twin Rivers Quilters Guild** is now on Facebook!

Visit

<https://www.facebook.com/TwinRiversQuiltersGuild> and Like us. Admin for our Facebook page is currently Lynn Peck-Collins. Email information and photos of events to [lpcollins@embarqmail.com](mailto:lpcollins@embarqmail.com) or text me 410-302-2929 and it will be posted!

Lynn Peck-Collins

## MILITARY QUILTS

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Thanks to Kathy Farrar and Adah Walker seven quilts were donated this month. Five quilts will be sent to the Air Evacuation Unit in Germany while

two will go to the Kinston Veterans Nursing and Rehab center.  
Roberta (Bobbie) Gould

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## NURSING HOME QUILTS

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Thank you ladies, this month we had six lap quilts donated and two bibs for the elderly. Geri Reid has made a pattern for the yoke of the bibs, and you can use either a used towel which makes them softer, or a new towel, cut in half, they make a nice size bib with two options for pockets. She donated two this month. The lap quilts were from Bev Nicholson, Kay Amend, Ruth Powers, Janet Hershey and two from Pat Lue. Some nursing home this month is in for real treat. Thanks again for all you do.  
Dean Stevens

## CHILDREN'S CHARITY QUILTS

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Thanks for the beautiful children's quilts turned in this month by the following members: RMH: Geri Reid 1; Bev Nicholson 2; Linda Cusick 2; Bobbie Gould 1; Karen Dodd 2; Marty Dzioba 1; Project Linus: Sheilagh Menzies 1; Lorraine Wocel 1. For a total of 11 quilts.  
Lorraine Wocel

## SUNSHINE REPORT

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Sympathy card was sent to Marisue Shannon for the loss of her father. Please contact me if you know of someone in the guild who could use some sunshine! Thank you. Pat Phillips

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES

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Happy Birthday to all the April Birthdays, may they enjoy all the love and happiness they deserve. Stephanie Bardwell, Sandy Smith, Linda Re, Gail Basnight, Celia VonOesen, Morag Cheesman, Patty Zach.  
Barbarajean

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

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The winner of this months block St. Benedict's Star was Catherine Amend. Our next block which is due in April is the North Carolina Lily As always if anyone needs help or would like to suggest a block please call either Dorthy Najarian or me or see us at stitch and chat  
Ed

## MEMBERSHIP

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**A Name Tag Reminder** – A name tag kit is given to each new member in their

Membership Packet. The church requires the wearing of the TRQG name tag as a matter of security for their day school program. A small fine will be incurred if you do not wear the TRQG name tag to the weekly meetings/workshops and Stitch n Chat?

Any changes to your phone/address/email, please contact membership at [dianarezab@suddenlink.net](mailto:dianarezab@suddenlink.net) If you do not forward me this information then you will miss out on newsletter posting or any workshop activities, class info, updates, etc. through guild emails

*Please make the following corrections to your 2015 Directory*

Email change/correction: Penny Toler, [pennytoler@suddenlink.net](mailto:pennytoler@suddenlink.net)

Kathy Farrar, should be - [Katf\\_46@yahoo.com](mailto:Katf_46@yahoo.com)

Cathy Cox, should be – 876-5200

**3 New Members:** Suzie Hardy, 694 White Oak Xiny, Swansboro, NC 28584, 252-342-2107, [suziehardy@gmail.com](mailto:suziehardy@gmail.com). Moved here from New Orleans with her husband Brian. Suzie started quilting in 2009. She is a happy scrappy quilter and loves anything to do with the outdoors. She was introduced to the guild by Sandy Smith.

Christine Youngs, 110 Southern Hills, NB 28562, 252-514-2876, [youngs.christine@yahoo.com](mailto:youngs.christine@yahoo.com). Christine and her husband David moved here from NY. She has quilted since childhood. Christine has taught and demo'd different techniques in her NY guild. Enjoys handwork of all types. She was introduced to the guild by Ruth Powers.

Linda Sullivan, 115 Southern Hills, NB. 28562, 703-593-6217, [Inlester703@gmail.com](mailto:Inlester703@gmail.com). Linda and her husband Barry moved here from VA in 2013. She has been quilting for approx 15 yrs. She is self taught and considers herself between a beginner and an intermediate. Linda was introduced to the guild by Ruth Powers.

**2015 DIRECTORY:** The 2015 Directory can be picked up at stitch n chat. If someone can not pick up their directory, please contact me.

Membership Chair  
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**Email Protocol:** The sending and receiving of emails.

When I send out an e-mail it is on behalf of someone else. I am just the media for which it is transmitted. When you receive an email and the message requests a reply, that reply is **not** meant to be sent back to - ME!

The reply is requested by the author of the email which has their name, phone # and email at the end of their message.  
Diana Rezag

## LIBRARY

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The Twin Rivers Quilt Guild Lending Library is open to all members, the Library Cabinet is open at all Guild meetings, Workshops and Stitch and Chat. Our collection covers just about any quilting topic you can think of. We

budget each year for new acquisitions and we welcome donations. Index cards are to be found in the back of each book, please sign the card with your name and date to record that you are borrowing a book. Place the card in the box on the shelf, and when you return the book, please replace the card in the box. Neither books nor cards are alphabetized, however there is an alphabetized list of our collection on the website and another will hang inside the library cabinet door. Please use it, but do not remove it.

We also have a growing collection of DVDs, for safekeeping, I carry the DVD's with me to meetings and Stitch and Chat, at other times please call me to arrange a pick up. Please enjoy the Library Collection  
Rosemary Trabucchi

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR**

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**HUMANE SOCIETY PROJECTS:** Many thanks to the ladies who have made the kitty pillows. I took 17 pillows out to the Colonial Capitol Humane Society cat shelter. Thanks to Pat Phillips (1), Alvina Diello (1), Beverly Nicholson (4), and Ruth Powers (11). As you heard we never got the feedback we wished, so this next batch is going to the collection point at the Sun Journal where they will be distributed to several of the needy pet shelters of the area. Many thanks to the ladies who donated more kitty pillows: Lorraine Wocel (4), Dean Stevens (1), Geri Reid (7), Pat

Phillips (1), Pat Kruger (2), and Marie Garber (4).

Thanks to the ladies who took a “dog” block to make for the CCHS raffle quilt. After you finish the block, return to Ruth Powers who will put it together. I was told that last time one of our quilts for them earned them about \$1000.

Ruth P.

## **2016 RAFFLE QUILT**

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No Report  
Dorothy Najarian and Linda Bory

## **SPRING RETREAT**

March 22-March 27  
at the Clamdigger Inn 247 4155

Please sign up at Guild meetings or Stitch and Chat or call 637 9473 then call the hotel to make your reservation.

## **DAY OF SHARING**

### ***“Spooling Around”***

Mark your calendars - Oct. 17th is the day! Helpers will be needed. Sign up sheets will be at our April business meeting. This will give you time to decide how you want to help and support our guild to have the best DOS ever! If you have any questions, give me a call.

Thanks, Jeanne Batten 617-7811

## **DONATIONS**

Bring your hotel/motel soaps, shampoos and lotions to the guild to be given to

Religious Community Services (RCS) by Alvina Diello. Or if you choose, you can take your donations directly to RCS. They are located at 919 George Street, New Bern and also are in charge of the homeless shelter and soup kitchen. RCS does not sell anything that is donated to them - they give it to the needy or use it in the soup kitchen.

They also take household items as well as furniture. They have a van and will come and pick up large items. Thank you for your thoughtfulness and caring for those less fortunate.

Alvina Diello

## NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

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Got any **“TIPS OR TRICKS”** to save time or money or make the job easier when quilting?

Send me an e-mail [imsimplysandy@yahoo.com](mailto:imsimplysandy@yahoo.com) and we will share with all. Don't forget to put TRQG in title box.

**When marking quilting designs on quilt tops with a template, use double-stick tape on the back of template. The tackiness helps fold the template in place, freeing your hands for marking. (From 101 Tips American Patchwork & Quilting)**

**Ok it's your turn....turn in some hints or tricks for our next newsletter cause I'm running out of ideas..**

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Got any **“GETTIN RID OF or LOOKIN 4”**? Send me an e-mail and I'll post it in newsletter [imsimplysandy@yahoo.com](mailto:imsimplysandy@yahoo.com) with all the information. Be sure to put in the title TRQG or I will not open it if I don't recognize your e-mail address. In addition, as a member you may also advertise for FREE once a year anything you would like to **SELL**. After that, the fee is \$25.00.

Just a reminder:

**Business Meeting Etiquette**

In the interest of expediting our meetings, keep the flow going, and showing respect to each other, the following will be implemented.

Our bylaws state that we conduct meetings following Roberts Rules of order, therefore if you would like to speak to the membership, raise your hand, be recognized, give your name and state your business.

In order to try to make the meeting shortened, please try to arrive 30 minutes early (9:30am) to do your sign in, get Block of the month, take care your procedural items before the meeting is called to order at 10:00am. That we can have your full-undivided attention for the meeting, eliminate confusion, and make the meeting shorter. Thank you,

## MENTORING COMMITTEE

The purpose of the committee is to "act as the contact for a new member for questions and to create a positive means for new members to easily understand the fun and the many opportunities of being an active TRQG member" (more or less a Chris Gillespie quote).

The Committee has truly gotten off to a great start. We decided to go back and call each new member who has joined since August 2014. We are still playing "catch up" but since the committee members are so enthusiastic we will have contacted everyone within a few weeks. All comments received have been very positive. We even are attempting to call new members who live in other towns far from New Bern or out of state. If you are a new member and have not been contacted, please give us a few more weeks and hopefully by the next business meeting we will have contacted you.

If we have any TRQG members who would like to join this committee we would love to have you! If interested please give me a call (252-626-4460) or send me an email ([chris.babich@gmail.com](mailto:chris.babich@gmail.com)).

## **FYI**

**WEBSITE:** If you have a problem with getting the newsletter from the website to your computer, start with several things first. Make sure your Adobe Reader is updated. It is free. Karen Dodd suggested if you exclusively use a particular search engine, ie, Google, then try another search engine, ie, Yahoo or Google Chrome. If you are still having a problem, Karen said you could contact her. Thanks.

### **Mile-a-Minute Class**

- March 19, 2015

Time: 9:00 am

Bring: Lunch, sewing machine, basic sewing supplies, rotary cutter and mat

Most important - bring either a 5 1/2 inch square or a 6 inch square

We will have scraps but you can bring your own as well, especially long strips.

There will be a demonstration on how to machine quilt your piece and how to apply binding with your machine.

Anyone is welcome to come and watch or iron or cut or help in any way.

Any questions, call Alvina 638-8961

## **COMMUNITY** **QUILTS**

Alvina Diello and Phyllis Prideaux are the new Co-chairs for Community Quilts.

The Guild has accumulated a large stash of fabric that has been donated for quilts and we would like to use up that fabric!! We would especially like to invite all NEW MEMBERS to participate -- washing and pressing fabric, cutting and assembling kits, sewing, quilting and binding the quilts. This is a great way to learn or sharpen you quilting skills, learn a new technique, and help your Community!

## **TRQG 2015 CALENDAR**

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<b>Mar 19</b>	<b>9:00-1:30</b>	<b>Mile-a-minute workshop</b>	<b>Supply list on page 10 of News Letter</b>
Mar 23-27		Spring Retreat	Clam Digger Inn
Mar 26	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Apr 2	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Apr 9	10:00	Business Meeting	Please arrive 30 minutes early
<b>Apr 16</b>	<b>9:00-1:30</b>	<b>Quilt As U Go Tote Bag</b>	<b>Supply list on page 10 of News Letter</b>
Apr 23	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
<b>Apr 30</b>	<b>9:00-1:30</b>	<b>Quilt As U Go Tote Bag</b>	<b>Please arrive 30 minutes early to set up</b>
May 7	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	

May 14	10:00	Business Meeting	Please arrive 30 minutes early
May 21	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
May 28	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Jun 4	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Jun 11	10:00	Business Meeting	Please arrive 30 minutes early
Jun 19	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Jun 25		<b>No Stitch'n'chat</b>	<b>Church is closed due to vacatiob bible school</b>
Jul 2	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Jul 9	10:00	Stitch'n'cha	
Jul 16	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Jul 23	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Jul 30	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Aug 6	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Aug 13	9:30	Business Meeting	
Aug 20	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Aug 27	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Sep 3	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Sep 10	10:00	Business Meeting	
Sep 17	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Sep 24	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Oct 1	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Oct 8	9:30	Business Meeting	
Oct 15	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Oct 17	9:00=2:00	DAY OF SHARING	
Oct 22	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Oct 29	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Nov 5	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	



Nov 10-14	9:30	Fall Retreat	Clam Digger Inn
Nov 12	9:30	Business Meeting	
Nov 19	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Nov 26		THANKSGIVING	
Dec 3	9:30	Board Meeting & Stitch'n'chat	
Dec 10	TBA	Holiday Luncheon	
Dec 17	9:30	Stitch'n'chat	
Dec 24		CHRISTMAS EVE	
Dec 31		NEW YEARS EVE	

## QUILT SHOWS, FESTIVALS AND EVENTS:

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### 2015

Mar 20 - 21 Greenville Quilters Guild Show.

Mar 20 - 21 QTBS Quilt Show. Wilmington, NC

April 17-18 "Color My World" Quilt Show hosted by Colonial Quilt Lovers Guild at Knobbs Creek Recreation Center, 200 East Ward St, Elizabeth City, NC

Apr 17 – 18 Heart of the Triad Quilt Guild show, [www.hottgg.com](http://www.hottgg.com)

Apr 17 – 19 Nothern Shenandoah Valley Biennial Quilt Show, "www.nsvquiltshow.com"

May 1 - 2 Vintage to Modern Quilt Show, The Berglund Center Exhibit Hall (formerly Roanoke Civic Center), 701 Williamsom Rd, Roanoke VA [www.starquilters.org](http://www.starquilters.org)

May 15 – 16 Crystal Coast Quilters Guild Show

May 28-31 2015 NC Quilt Symposium "Mountain Stitches "westernncquilters.org"

# CLASS SUPPLIES

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## Quilt as you Go Tote

April 16 and April 30 at 9:00 a.m. **PLEASE ARRIVE 30 MINUTES EARLY TO SET UP**

This is a great project to use up scraps and fabric you have around that you just want to use up – anything goes!

The FIRST hour of the class will be devoted to making a Quilt As You Go Hot Pad. Supplies: Sewing Machine, BSS, a handful of scraps, 2-10" square cotton batting, and 10" square of backing.

### **Bring your lunch**

#### **Tote Bag Supplies:**

Sewing machine with walking foot, if available.

BSS, thread, gray or natural that blends with your scraps.

2 yards muslin or ANY cotton light-weight fabric you don't want – this will be used as the foundation for the bag and will NOT show.

2 yards of lining fabric (co-ordinate with outside fabric)

4 yards fusible fleece (Walmart has the best price) OR 2 yards fusible fleece AND 2 yards medium weight iron-on Pellon interfacing.

APPROXIMATELY 1 to 2 yards of scraps. Cut 1 or 2 different sizes of various fabrics into strips – at least 2.5" up to 5.5" wide by width of fabric. You can have a large variety of colors, or less, whatever you like. Please just cut one or two strips of different colors or fabrics to start, you will cut more as you need them. For example, you might cut one strip 3" wide and one strip 4.5" wide out of fabric A, then one strip 2.5" and one 3.5" of fabric B, continue with fabric C, D, E.... etc., or 4 or 5 scraps. You will want a good variety of fabrics, if you have them. If you are buying fabric, you might want at least 4 or 5 different fabrics. We have lots of scraps we will bring to share – and you can share with your neighbor!

#### **Homework:**

Please cut:

(2) pieces of muslin 28"x34"

(2) pieces of lining fabric 28"x34"

(4) pieces of fusible fleece 28"x34" OR (2) of fleece and (2) of interfacing

Fuse the fleece fabric to the wrong side of muslin fabric. Fuse EITHER the fleece or the interfacing to the lining pieces. YOU will be making the outside of the tote with the Quilt As You Go fabrics.

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## **Claudia Hughes**

I will be giving a two day Bodice Fitting Workshop April 30/ May 1 at Coastal Sewing & Appliance, 894 South Kerr Avenue, Wilmington, NC 28403. 910-392-7285

I will be teaching a two day Pants Fitting Workshop June 11/12 at Elegant Stitches, 210 Colonnades Way, Cary, NC 919-852-4445

# SHOW AND TELL

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