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ORCA'S MEMORIAL GIVING FUND

By: KATHY SANCHEZ

Did you know?

Ocean Ridge Charities Association (ORCA) offers you a year round '**Memorial Giving Fund**' option whereby you can donate to one of ORCA's vetted charities in honor of, or in memory of, a beloved family member or friend.

And you can increase the impact by having ORCA match your donation. (Donations from an Ocean Ridge household or a property owner will be matched by ORCA, dollar for dollar, up to \$100 per year.)

A memorial gift letter can also be sent to the person you indicate.

So whether you want to remember a loved one who has passed or commemorate the milestone occasion of a friend, simply complete the attached form, choose your preferred charity and mail the form along with your check to:

Ocean Ridge Charities Association
Memorial Giving Fund
P.O. Box 6879
Ocean Isle Beach, NC 28469-0879

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ORCA MEMORIAL GIVING FUND FORM

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**THE OCEAN RIDGE CHARITIES ASSOCIATION
MEMORIAL GIVING FUND**

*They loved and inspired us, cared for us, and influenced who we are.
They made an indelible impression upon our lives.*

They were a mom or a dad, a special aunt or uncle, a spouse or sibling, a neighbor or dear friend, a mentor, teacher or a valued colleague. Commemorate milestone birthdays of friends and loved ones. Along life's passage, they made a difference in who we are and they will always be in our memories.

To commemorate these extraordinary individuals and their lasting impact upon us, the Ocean Ridge Charities Association (ORCA) has established a **Memorial Giving Fund**. The purpose is to honor their memory through your special gift in their name to one of the Brunswick County charities that ORCA supports.

Your community charity--ORCA-- supports over thirty local non-profits like those listed below. Your memorial fund contribution will be donated to the local Brunswick County charity or charities of your choice noted below. In addition to a gift from an Ocean Ridge household or a property owner, ORCA will match your contribution dollar for dollar, up to \$100 per year.

Once we've received your donation, we will send a memorial gift letter to the family of the person remembered advising them of your gift and noting the amount (including ORCA's match) as well as the beneficiary charity. Then we will send you a confirmation notice of your directed donation.

We hope that now or in the future you will consider the ORCA **Memorial Giving Fund** as the charity of choice for your memorial tax deductible donations. Please use the form below. For future donations, go to www.orcharities.org to download this form and other information.

Questions? Contact us at orcharities@gmail.com. **Thank you** for your continuing support of ORCA.

MEMORIAL GIVING FORM (Please print)

Name of donor(s) _____ Date of donation _____

In memory of _____ Relationship _____

Amount \$ _____ (minimum gift--\$25) Please send a memorial gift letter to the following (Name & Address):

Designated Brunswick County Charity (please check one per \$25 gift):

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| ☐ Boys and Girls Home of North Carolina, Inc. | ☐ LifeCare Memory Partners |
| ☐ Brunswick Community College Foundation: (pick one below) | ☐ Lower Cape Fear LifeCare & SECU Hospice House |
| ☐ - Ocean Ridge - David Kelly Nursing Scholarship Endowment | ☐ Matthew's Ministry |
| ☐ - Emergency Medical Training (EMT) Scholarship | ☐ New Hope Clinic, Inc. |
| ☐ - Partnership for American Veteran Employment (PAVE) | ☐ Paws Pantry |
| ☐ Brunswick County Computers 4 KIDS | ☐ Power Walking Ministries Inc. |
| ☐ Brunswick County Habitat for Humanity | ☐ Providence Home |
| ☐ Brunswick County Homeless Coalition | ☐ Samara's Village |
| ☐ Brunswick County Literacy Council, Inc. | ☐ The Carousel Center |
| ☐ Brunswick Family Assistance Agency, Inc. (BFA) | ☐ Veterans Welcome Home and Resource Center |
| ☐ Brunswick Senior Resources, Inc. (BSRI) | ☐ Warm Homes, Warm Hearts (BEMG/BFA) |
| ☐ Christian Recovery Center, Inc. | ☐ Waves 4 K.I.D.S |
| ☐ Communities in Schools of Brunswick County, Inc. (CIS) | ☐ WARM NC |
| ☐ Hope Harbor Home, Inc. | |

**Please return THIS FORM with your gift.
Checks should be made payable to ORCA AND mailed to:
Ocean Ridge Charities Association, Memorial Giving Fund
P.O. Box 6879 Ocean Isle Beach, N.C. 28469-0879**

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ORCA's TRIVIA NITE RAISED \$4,800

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Ocean Ridge Charities Association (ORCA) is deeply grateful to the 143 Ocean Ridge residents who joined us on the evening of June 13 for Trivia.

We celebrated America's upcoming 250th birthday. But more importantly, together we raised \$4,800 for Habitat for Humanity.

This money will be used to paint the interior of a home under construction that will soon be occupied by Raymond - a proud Marine Corp veteran - and his grandson. This is the same home that the Men's Grilled Dinner Group has raised money to roof the house and has contributed sweat equity by putting up siding.

In speaking to the players, Theresa Murphy, Habitat's Director of Development thanked the Ocean Ridge community for their broad commitment to helping others.

Congrats to the winning team: Harry Schnitzer, John Divers, Darlene Dies, Mike Dies, Greg Moore, Judi Moore, Wendy Schnitzer and Eileen Hearn.

And Mike Dies also won the 50/50 raffle. It was a lucky night at table #4!

And a big THANK YOU to the ORCA service club members and volunteers who helped us setup, decorate, run the game and serve.

Photos for this event are available on Engage. ORCA appreciates Glen MacWhirter / Unshuttered Photography LLC for capturing the photos for this event.

ORCA appreciates everyone's support!

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ORCA—SAVE THE DATES

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'Save the Dates' for These Annual Holiday Favorites!

Join your neighbors for these annual holiday favorites sponsored by Ocean Ridge Charities Association (ORCA). All proceeds benefit Brunswick Electric's 'Warm Homes, Warm Hearts' program to help those in need of heating assistance.

Watch for more info on each event.

November 7 [Annual Arts & Crafts Fair](#) @ the Ridge Center 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

December 5 [Holiday Marketplace Raffle](#) @ the Ridge Center * 11 AM - 2 PM

December 6 [Holiday Open House Tours](#) 5 PM - 8 PM

*Includes the drawing for a beautiful handmade quilt made by the Ocean Ridge Quilters.

Watch for ticket sales at various events including SAC's October 3rd Ocean Ridge Community Fair.

Sponsored by ORCA for Ocean Ridge Residents and Property Owners

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FROM RECENT ORCA FUNDRAISERS***BY: KATHY SANCHEZ*

Ocean Ridge Charities Association (ORCA) extends a huge thank you to our neighbors for their tremendous support of our most recent fund raisers.

Your generosity has allowed us to raise over \$14,000 in cash and commodities to help so many county residents in need.

Special thanks to the *Men's Grilled Dinner Group*, the *Social Activities Committee* and the *Old Dominion Dames* – your partnerships have been awesome! And to our volunteers who bake, help to run events, offer their porches – and more.

Event	Funds Raised	Beneficiary
Trivia Nite	\$4,800	Habitat for Humanity
Patriotic Bow Sales	\$2,100	Brunswick County Homeless Coalition & Partnership for Veterans Education (PAVE)
Desserts at the Pool (May - Aug)	\$1,220	Habitat for Humanity
Weekend Food Backpack Program (in collaboration with the Old Dominion Dames)	\$6,040 (value of 86 backpacks plus \$2,170 in donations)	Matthew's Ministry

We appreciate your support!
More fun events and annual favorites coming this fall & winter!



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A SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM THE OLD DOMINION DAMES, OCEAN RIDGE CHARITIES ASSOCIATION, AND MATTHEW'S MINISTRY

BY: KATHY SANCHEZ



Our wonderful neighbors have again demonstrated their enormous generosity in support of our annual **Weekend Food Backpack Program** for Matthew's Ministry.

You donated **86 backpacks** filled with weekend food items for students in Brunswick County.

And we **also collected \$2,170 in monetary donations for a total cash & commodity value of \$6040!**

Thank you to all who donated and to those who served as neighborhood collection points.

Special note of appreciation to all those who donated through OR-CA's Memorial Giving Fund in memory of Barbara Ellenberger and in honor of Jim's birthday.

And we were very fortunate to have Carol Wakefield's visiting grandsons help us stage the backpacks in one place.

Andrea Gallucci, Suzy Ugast and Lisa Vest delivered these backpacks to Jessie Mae Monroe and Union Elementary Schools.