

Ocean Ridge Charities Association, Inc.

by Kath Larson

The Ocean Ridge Charities Association, Inc. (ORCA) is a tax exempt, non-profit corporation situated within the Ocean Ridge Plantation development in southeast Brunswick County, a community that is home to nearly 700 full and part-time households with nearly 1,300 residents. ORCA was organized in 2010 for the purpose of identifying and supporting those Brunswick County charities and non-profits that assist disadvantaged citizens. To find out more about ORCA and its activities go to www.orcharities.org or contact the organization at orcharities@gmail.com.



ORCA 2019 Annual Campaign

Thank you for your tremendous response of \$16,000 to our 2019 Annual Campaign. Because of your generosity, in January, ORCA gave \$4000 checks to 4 of our local charities: WARM (Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry), Hope Harbor, The Carousel Center and Habitat for Humanity. During this unique COVID-19 crisis, the Ocean Ridge Charities Association (ORCA) is still in touch with our Brunswick County charities and sensitive to their needs. We are responding where we can. Last week, ORCA sent 4 checks for \$625 each to Brunswick Family Assistance, South Brunswick Inter-church Council, Veterans Welcome Home Center, and Hope Harbor to assist with continuing needs.

We have received questions on how to continue supporting ORCA's over 40 charities, <https://www.orcharities.org/our-charities>, during the COVID-19 challenge. One way is to continue your donations to ORCA and designate one or more charities to receive your contribution(s). Another option is to donate through the Memorial Fund, in memory of a friend or loved one, and ORCA will match your donation up to \$100 per household per calendar year.

As you are aware, we have cancelled our annual Trivia Night and refunded ticket costs. We are anticipating holding our 10th Trivia Night Event at a future time that we will announce, when we can.

Another way to help in Brunswick County is supporting our food service workers and their establishments by ordering takeout or delivery meals from local restaurants forced to close out of abundance of caution.

The nation's blood supply desperately needs donors. All types are needed. Local Brunswick County blood donation events are listed at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?dt=all&zipSponsor=28469>

For example, Beach Harley Davidson on Route 17 in Shallotte is one of those with an upcoming drive.

In short, let's take care of the neediest in Brunswick County by continuing to support ORCA with its donations to over 40 charities, and take care of ourselves and, at a distance(!), our neighbors.

ORCA's New Cookbook!

Don't Miss Out Including Your Recipes!!

Well -- now that we all have some spare time just hanging around in our homes with nothing to do -- we bet you all are thinking you'd really like to find some super-special recipes to share in ORCA's upcoming cookbook. Anything that is an **appetizer, beverage or dessert** will work -- all the things we lug to our numerous social events!!

So be brave, do this -- share your recipes -- the more the merrier. There is no limit on the quantity of recipes you may submit. We thank all our lady and gent neighbors who already turned in delicious recipes, and hope many more neighbors will submit recipes before the **extended recipe submission deadline ends on April 30**.

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Due to the COVID-19 crisis, we're taking precautions for you as well as the cookbook team, and decided **it is best if we receive your recipes only by email**. Include each recipe's name and website address and/or your typed version either within your email or attached. Feel free to direct your questions to Peggy Burris at 910-274-2481 or at peggyb@atmc.net.

Our new cookbook will have covers painted by Mary K. Donahoe. Steve Wingfield will showcase her artwork to its best advantage through his photography skills.

Whether or not you submit recipes, you will want your own cookbook when it is published, for yourself and as gifts for family and friends. We are requesting that you reserve cookbooks by using the pre-order form at [https://](https://www.morriscookbooks.com/dc/shared/advancedsales.pdf)



www.morriscookbooks.com/dc/shared/advancedsales.pdf and pre-paying by check \$15 per book no later than May 30, 2020. Include on your check the following: a) payable to "ORCA" and b) on the "for" line the number of cookbooks you are ordering. **Please deliver your check and the pre-order form to the porch box** of Peggy Burris at 6605 Queensbury Place. Delivery of the professionally published books is expected in August or early September.

Visit ORCA's website <https://www.orcharities.org/cookbook-2020> every Wednesday for an updated list of all recipes submitted. Travel down the page and click on the red **arrow** to view the listing. It's an easy way to see who turned in what recipes, and to generate ideas of what you might want to submit yourself.

Ocean Ridge Quilters

by Diane Hotop

The OR Quilters have been busy since January.

- Kathy Stuart has started a new beginners class with seven newbies at her home.
- In March, a retreat was held on Emerald Island with twelve (12) members taking part.
- On the first Friday of the month, the group's been working on miniature projects like little houses.
- The previous month, the group was busy working on fabric art projects. Some individuals are secretly working on a mystery quilt.
- Another group called "round robin" use bags of fabric that are passed among eight group members. Each person follows directions to add

something to the bag, then the filled bag is changed to another person the next month.

Quilting on new projects or working on old ones was the goal but, of course, the sun and sand did beckon at times.

All these projects will hopefully be seen at our quilt show next January 2021. Of course with the "stay at home" order, we have lots of time to quilt.

