

Orange County Free Clinic
101 C Woodmark Street
P.O. Box 441
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Spring 2017

Spring Newsletter

ORANGE COUNTY FREE CLINIC CELEBRATES 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY!

The Orange County Free Clinic opened its doors on July 24, 2007 - 10 years ago, it's mission - to serve the uninsured residents of Orange County who had no access to basic health care needs. The humble beginning of the free clinic may not be known to all. Started by a dedicated group of concerned and committed community members, the free clinic operated out of the Orange County Health Department every Tuesday night seeing walk-in patients. In the first year, the free clinic had 86 charts on the wall. 10 years later, the Clinic now has over 3,000 charts on the wall!

Now the Clinic is celebrating it's 10-year anniversary at a new location, 101 C Woodmark Street, in the Silk Mill Complex. Patients are seen by appointment Monday - Thursday and still on Tuesday evenings for walk-in clinic. The Clinic is now equipped with four exam rooms, a laboratory, nurses station, patient counseling/consultation room, Medication Assistance Program (MAP) office and administrative offices, all necessary to handle the increase in patient numbers and keep up with the demand for services.

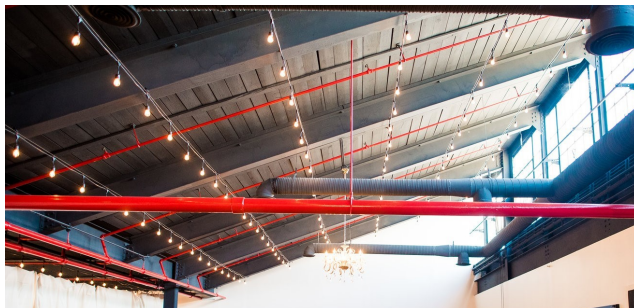
"We've been booming around here", says Executive Director, Dorren Brown. "The Clinic continues to grow - helping more and more people every day".

10 years later – the Orange County Free Clinic, is proudly still providing *Community Based Care for Those in Need.*



COME ROCK & ROCK WITH A LITTLE FUNK & SOUL 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY PARTY!

Please join us on **Friday, July 21, 2017** for our 10-Year Anniversary Party! The party starts at 6 pm and will be held at Madison at the Mill. This night of fun includes a BBQ dinner and dancing to live music from Motown-funk band the **The Unsuitables**. Tickets are \$25/person. We will also have door prizes and a 50/50 raffle! Please call (540) 672-3530 for more information!



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5 OVER 50 AWARD GOES TO DORREN!

Aging Together announced its 2017 “Five Over Fifty” Award nominees, and Dorren Brown, Executive Director of the Orange County Free Clinic was selected to represent Orange County this year.

Dorren has been the Executive Director of the Orange County Free Clinic since 2008. Brown came to the clinic after retiring from 31 years in the education field. She taught Middle School in Madison County for 24 years, and then served in administration in Charlottesville, VA at Johnson Elementary School as the Principal. She has dedicated her life to helping others as she continues to do through her work at the free clinic. She is well known for her compassion, helping hand and her kind spirit.



Dorren Brown, Executive Director OCFC

Aging Together is a collaborative effort to help our localities prepare for an unprecedented growth in the older population. They assure that residents will have the services and supports they need as they age here in Culpeper, Fauquier, Madison, Orange and Rappahannock counties.

Dorren joins other honorees: Dr. Hortense Jackson of Culpeper, John W. McCarthy of Fauquier, Robin Corum of Madison and Bev Atkins of Rappahannock.

The “Five Over Fifty” Ceremony will take place on Friday, April 21, 2017, 6:30 pm at the County Club of Culpeper. Tickets are \$30. To purchase tickets please visit: agingtogether.org

THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR HEART FOR HEALTH CARE!

150 guests turned out for a special evening on February 4, 2017 selling out our 8th annual “Share Your Heart for Health Care” Dinner-Dance. This year the event was held at the beautiful award-winning *Inn at Willow Grove* in Orange.

The benefit included the highly anticipated silent auction, live raffle, cocktail hour, 3 course meal and dancing to live music from the band **180**.

“We are so pleased and thankful for the people who support our mission and attend our largest annual fundraiser, the funds raised are critical for our organization”, Dr. Randy Merrick, Board President of OCFC stated. “Financial donations and the dedication of our volunteers allow us to keep our doors open for the thousands of Orange County residents who rely on the clinic for medical care and prescriptions”.

The silent auction and cocktail hour kicked off the evening under the tent in the Ruins at the Inn and a 3-course plated dinner was served in the Barn. Long-time volunteer with the free clinic, Bob Vasquez said, “We look forward to this event every year, great people for a great cause and I have to say, the dinner was absolutely delicious this year!”

Dr. Randy Merrick, Dorren Brown and Lucy B. Alexander presented Vice President of the OCFC board, Tom Merlo, with the Anne Russel Gwyn Robertson Humanitarian Award. Tom was accompanied by his wife Carol as he accepted the award. Owners of the Inn, David and Charlene Scibal, were also thanked by Dr. Merrick along with the guests, donors and the very generous event sponsors.



Dancing followed the dinner back at the Ruins with music from the band **180**, returning for their 3rd year to play the benefit. **180** kept guests dancing well into the night as they cheered for more.

Congratulations goes out to raffle winner, Dr. Caroline Godine, who won an overnight stay at the Inn at Willow Grove!

The Orange County Free Clinic raised nearly \$45,000, all of which will go directly to patient care and to the day to day operations of the free clinic.

CLINIC DOUBLES PATIENT VISITS WITH TWO NURSE PRACTITIONERS!

Last September, when the Orange County Free Clinic moved into its new location we hired two part-time Family Nurse Practitioners (FNPs) to see patients during daytime appointments. By having two providers, the clinic can now see twice the amount of patients each week – meeting the growing demands for chronic care management and acute care visits.

Our two new NP's are Victoria Jenkins and Allison Walkowski. Vic-ki worked at Culpeper Hospital Medical Center for 21 years and Allison came to us after graduating and receiving her degree from Georgetown University. Both joined our team in September 2016 after the move to our new location. In addition to daytime hours, volunteer providers, Dr. Randolph Merrick, Dr. Eve Bargmann and Dr. Michael Silvester, see walk-in patients on Tuesday evenings. On average, providers are seeing anywhere from 80-90 patients a week.

It's our goal to give our patients the best possible care while at the free clinic. Patients seen at the free clinic receive a full health assessment, lab work, one-on-one consultations with a provider and patient education. If further diagnoses require action, our providers write specialists' referrals for patients. With our long-standing affiliation with Culpeper Hospital Medical Center, X-rays, CT Scans, EKGs and ultrasounds are provided. We also have a partnership with LabCorp who provides all lab testing.

The Clinic makes referrals to other community partners as well, such as, Dermatology PLC of Orange and Dr. Samuel Schustek for podiatry. The UVA Mammogram Van comes to the clinic monthly to provide free mammograms, Fredericksburg Counseling Services provides an on-site Counselor and FAHASS provides monthly HIV Screenings.

In order to continue to fund two Nurse Practitioners, the OCFC has applied for a 3 year Virginia Health Care Foundation (VHCF) grant to support our NP Program. Grant awards will be announced mid-June 2017.



Victoria Jenkins, NP (Left) & Allison Walkowski, NP (Right)

WHAT WE DO

The Orange County Free Clinic (OCFC) is dedicated to the belief that everyone should have access to health care services. Our mission is to continue to provide primary medical care and prescription assistance to the residents of Orange County who do not have the resources to meet basic health care needs. Most commonly diagnosed chronic illnesses among our patients are hypertension, diabetes, depression, asthma and COPD.

WHO WE SERVE

Patients must be residents of Orange County with no health insurance and with a household income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.

WHAT WE OFFER

The health status of each patient is determined and assessed by reviewing records, taking comprehensive medical histories and performing physical exams. The OCFC provides laboratory tests, through a partnership with LabCorp; X-rays, CT Scans and ultrasounds through a partnership with UVA Culpeper Medical Center; and counseling services provided by Fredericksburg Counseling Services.

AND THE AWARD GOES TO.....



Tom Merlo, V.P., OCFC

2017 HUMANITARIAN AWARD HONOREE

Congratulations to Tom Merlo, Vice President of the OCFC, who is this year's recipient of the Anne Russell Gwyn Robertson Humanitarian Award. The award was presented at the 8th annual Dinner-Dance, held at the Inn at Willow Grove. Tom was instrumental in acquiring the new space for the clinic's relocation last year. He drew up the blueprints and designed the interior, to meet the demands of what was required in the larger facility to best serve the patients, staff and volunteers. Both Tom and his wife Carol have been volunteering with the free clinic for over 7 years. He was honored for his longstanding service and dedication to the mission of the free clinic.

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT RETURNS



Tony Hodge (left) and John DeViney (right) players in the Tee Up for Health Care 2016 Golf Tournament to benefit the OCFC at Meadows Farms Golf Course, October 2016

TOURNAMENT JOINS FORCES

The OCFC's "Tee Up for Health Care" joins forces with the "Tony Fogliani Memorial Golf Tournament" and makes it's debut this fall. The 15th Annual Tony Fogliani Memorial Tournament partnership will help to grow the number of tournament players wanting to play golf in Orange County and give back to a great cause at the same time! Doug Ponton, OCFC Board Member and his wife Dr. Elaine Fogliani will team up with Aly Hodge, OCFC's tournament coordinator, honoring the life of Tony Fogliani through this very special event. The tournament will be held on **Sunday, September 17, 2017 at Meadows Farms Golf Course** in Locust Grove. All proceeds will go directly to benefit the Orange County Free Clinic....be on the look out for information to come!

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS!

We are pleased to introduce two new OCFC board members, Doug Ponton and Barry Barr. Doug is the owner, president and operator of Quantum Leap Fitness since 1987. He is also the Sportswriter for the Orange County Review and a 5th generation Farmer in Orange County, VA. Barry Barr, a retired Social Work Supervisor for 26 years with the Fairfax County Department of Family Services and Adult Protective Services. He investigated reports of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of adults over 60 as well as arranged placement and care for adults with mental and physical disabilities.

Both will join the Board at the April 17th OCFC Board of Directors meeting.

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