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Ogeechee Riverkeeper®

Newsletter
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Ogeechee Riverkeeper's annual oyster roast is back this fall!

We'll have all-you-can-eat freshly steamed oysters, plus delicious barbecue and sides from [Barnes Restaurant](#). Your ticket also includes unlimited beer and wine. You won't want to miss the exclusive Ogeechee Riverkeeper ale from [Moon River Brewing](#)!

With fabulous tunes from [DJ Jose Ray](#), amazing silent auction items, and the return of the popular Mystery ORCA Cooler raffle prize package, it's going to be the best party of the season!

AND most importantly, it supports the crucial work of ORK.

Join us Thursday, November 3, 6-9 p.m. at the Isle of Hope Marina.

Purchase tickets

Event details

Fellowship Opportunity

ORK is accepting applications for the annual research fellowship through October 15, 2022. The fellowship, which runs through the 2023 calendar year, is designed to support research activities for graduate students conducting work in the Ogeechee River Basin as part of their degree program. The \$25,000 fellowship will be awarded to a single student.



Apply now



Volunteer events

Fall Volunteer Opportunities

Ogeechee Riverkeeper has a number of cleanups and volunteer events lined up this fall. Get involved, meet new friends, and help the watershed. Don't see something in your area? Contact our [outreach coordinator](#) to work with us to set something up.

#ChickenGutsAreGross

"The first thing they noticed was the smell, a wave of putrescence that rolled across their property and settled in, into their homes, their vehicles, their clothes."

Chicken guts and sludge are gross and should not be used as a 'soil amendment.' We'll keep helping citizens put pressure on local and state governments to protect our environment from these conditions.

[Read more](#)[Read more](#)

Why is sedimentation a problem?

ORK works to prevent unnatural sedimentation through education and encourages smart development practices like wide buffer corridors and preservation or restoration of vegetation and tree canopy.

Crayfish and DNA

One characteristic of crayfish is that they all look very similar to one another, and even experts can have difficulty identifying them and telling species apart. To solve this problem, a student is using DNA to determine the species and see what other information their genetics can tell science.

[Read more](#)

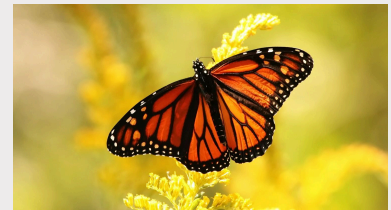
[Download the kit](#)

Tool Kit for Citizens

Unchecked development is one of the most dangerous threats to water quality. This tool kit is intended as a guide for broad grassroots citizen coalitions to lobby local municipalities and governments to adopt planning and zoning ordinances that address a wide range of concerns.

Monarchs and Milkweed

Monarchs have just recently been listed as an Endangered Species. Read about the journey of a Monarch butterfly during its lifetime and how you can help the insect thrive in our watershed.

[Help monarchs](#)

Upcoming Events



**There are many ways you can help the Ogeechee Riverkeeper protect,
preserve and improve the waterways within our basin.**

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