

# Olde Mill Village Crier

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## President's Message

It's time for Spring, finally! I know you all are hoping for warmer temperatures this month. I am too.

I would like to thank everyone who came out for the Easter Egg Hunt on March 23rd. Though a bit chilly and windy, all the kids had fun. I want to also thank the Girl Scouts for their help with the event. Also, thanks to FOOM, Andi Campbell, John Campbell, Mandy R., and Nicole O. for their help with games and set up. They had some lovely raffles to help raise money for playground improvements. A special thanks goes out to Rick Behringer, Colleen Flack, Sandy Sacra, Mike Hauklin, Jr., and Sarah Hakulin for all your help with the VOMCA raffles and bake sale. Thanks to Eric and Michelle Bheam for providing the sound system and great music to keep all entertained. The Easter Bunny was on hand for photos and visits, and I want to thank Zach Campbell for his help getting the Easter Bunny to take time out from his busy egg-dyeing to be there.

FOOM held their 5k race on 3/23 as well, and it seems they had a great event. Thanks to everyone who helped out with the race. Be sure to check out the FOOM Facebook page for information about their upcoming Golf Tournament.

Again, we need everyone's help to make this community successful. Please consider joining VOMCA and let your voice be heard. We have two open board positions to fill. Also, the Swim Club is in desperate need of a treasurer. If you are interested, please let us know.

The April meeting will be held on Wednesday April 3, 2013 at Old Mill High School Room A-271. The meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. Please plan on attending. A note about *next month's* meeting, in May: That meeting date is going to change to 5/8/13 at 7 pm at the pool. Also we will have a Pool Board meeting beforehand at 6:30 at the pool. Again, this applies only to the May meetings.

I wish everyone a Happy Spring!

—Sara Lattanzia, VOMCA President

## Friends of Olde Mill Holds 5K “Bolt,” Other Events are Planned

*Here's an update from your neighborhood friends—FOOM (Friends of Olde Mill):*

We held the inaugural running of our 5K Barlowe Bolt on Saturday, March 23 . . . and thankfully we got it in before the “big” snowstorm of the season! It was cold out there Saturday morning, but I think all the runners had a great time! The overall winner was Melissa McKinley finishing the 5K in 20:41 and



The Barlowe Bolt 5k on March 23 began at the pool parking lot, wound through the Olde Mill neighborhood, and would end at the same spot.

William Parker Palmer was the first male to cross the line at 24:04. To see all the runners results you can go to <http://www.racepacket.com/rsltwrap1.php?id=3138> or find it on our Facebook page at Barlowe Bolt. Great job by them and all the runners and walkers!

We'd like to thank and recognize all our sponsors for the Barlowe Bolt. Please think of using them when you can: Allegis/Aerotek; Baltimore Mommies; Caution! Kids At Play Child Care; Cha-Ching Consignments; Effective Chiropractor; Feel Better Fitness; Fieldstone Animal Inn; First Home Mortgage; Handmade Cards by Helen Michelle; Jessie Ambler Photography; Martini's Lawn Service; Orthodontics of Maryland; Patrick Cloyd Insurance Agency (State Farm); Spark Running, Sports 55; Tony's Barber Shop; and Winchester Construction Company. Their website links can be found on our website at [http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/wwwfriendsofoldemillorg\\_002.htm](http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/wwwfriendsofoldemillorg_002.htm).

Thinking of "spring cleaning" in the next couple months? As you do, put aside things you are looking to get rid of for our Community Yard Sale and Flea Market that we have scheduled for Saturday, May 18. You can rent a spot for the Flea Market, which will be held in the pool parking lot, for \$10 a spot or you can donate unwanted items to FOOM and we will price and sell all donated items and use any money raised to go towards our playground fund. If you are looking to donate items to FOOM to sell we will be sitting in the pool parking lot on 2 different dates to collect items—Saturday, April 27 and Saturday, May 11, from 10am-2pm both days. We are accepting donations of household items or toys (no clothes or shoes please). For more information see our flier in this month's *Crier* or email Michelle at [michelle@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:michelle@friendsofoldemill.org).

Looking to make a tax deductible donation? Consider making that donation to FOOM. We are a 501(3c) organization so your donation to us, to help your community, would be tax deductible. Your donation can be made payable to FOOM, Inc. and mailed to FOOM, Inc., PO Box 151, Millersville, MD 21108. After receiving your donation you will be mailed a thank-you card and letter stating our tax id number for your tax records. We would really appreciate your support and help to accomplish this first goal of updating our playground for our children!

If you would like to be more actively involved in these or any other fund raisers we are doing, or have any great ideas you'd like to share with us, contact Michelle at [michelle@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:michelle@friendsofoldemill.org), Andi at [andi@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:andi@friendsofoldemill.org) or Mandy at [mandy@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:mandy@friendsofoldemill.org).

"Like us" on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill> or visit our webpage at [www.friendsofoldemill.org](http://www.friendsofoldemill.org) for information and events for our community.

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## Minutes of March 13 VOMCA Meeting

The usual VOMCA meeting, held on the first Wednesday of each month, was held at Sara Lattanzia's home at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13. The meeting for Wednesday, March 6, had been postponed due to a "no-show" snowstorm which closed the schools, meaning that all other events at schools were automatically cancelled.

There were 11 members present constituting a quorum, therefore business could be conducted. The Treasurer reported VOMCA checking balance was \$2,396.07, and savings was \$1,579.35. The pool checking account: \$20,425.18 and savings at \$19,962.80.

During the month VOMCA Membership Officer Theresa Szverra, Secretary Chris Szverra, and Board Member Lee Warren all resigned. Thanks to all for their service to VOMCA. Andi Campbell will assume the position of Member of the Board by acclamation of those present. Secretary and a Board Member position are open for volunteers. Membership will be assumed by Sarah Hakulin, also approved by acclamation.

Andi Campbell gave the FOOM report on the 5K run planned for Saturday, March 23. At this time there are 62 runners and 18 sponsors. A DJ is donating time the morning of the run and EMT service will be available. Noise regulations established by the County will be followed and police will be on site for traffic control.

\$3,760 in donations have been given. The restaurant night at Mama Lucia's in January yielded \$127 and in February \$137 with additional donations of \$50 making a total of \$187 for the February restaurant night.

April 12 is the Golf tournament at Compass Pointe Golf Course, Ft. Smallwood Rd., Pasadena. Participants and sponsors are still needed. Contact Andi at [andi@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:andi@friendsofoldemill.org) or Mandy at [mandy@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:mandy@friendsofoldemill.org)

May 18 is Community Yard Sale Day with a Flea Market at Barlowe Field. Contact Andi or Mandy at above address if you can donate anything for the flea market. There will be a collection date announced in the near future.

Sara Lattanzia, President of VOMCA, proposed making baskets for prizes for the children who found winning eggs. Six people volunteered to make two baskets each and donate them to the egg hunt. The Girl Scouts, led by Beth Redd, volunteered to stuff the eggs and plant the eggs at Barlowe Field. The Girl Scouts asked to sell jewelry made of duct tape at the egg hunt March 23. Bake sale, raffle donations, and games were proposed for the event.

A suggestion that extra fliers again be put on the pool gates so residents without computers could access a copy of the *Crier*. The motion was approved and passed.

*Pool business:* A Facebook page for the Oldemill Swim Team was discussed. New this year, coaches and instructors must have instructions and guidelines this year working with children and parents.

Pool management company, Community Pools, will be managing the pool this year; unlike other years, this year they will be hands on. Pool packets have been sent out. No discounts have been allowed this year, but a late fee of \$25 will be charged for payments after April 15. Membership fee is \$345; if postmarked after April 15, \$370. Remember to add your email address to the information page in your packet for updates during pool season. Bond certificate information can be obtained by calling 410-987-7890 and leaving a message or check the *Pennysaver* or *Maryland Gazette* classified for sales of bonds by residents.

Webpage charges for the swim club cost \$400 per year. The VOMCA webpage costs \$50 for a year. The swim club page is hosted by Sidus, a different company than the host of VOMCA's webpage. It was proposed, that in order to save \$350 a year, the webpage be incorporated into the VOMCA webpage. The motion was made and carried unanimously.

Barlowe Field mowing for 25 cuts, March to November, by E.L. Landscaping totaled \$4,750 if paid prior to the season. It was suggested that the company be contacted to see if reducing the cuts to 20 cuts per season could reduce the cost of mowing/trimming. This company came in with the lowest bid of

several companies contacted.

The planter boxes at Barlowe Field were discussed as to how they could be improved. It was suggested that they be planted with foliage that would need minimal maintenance. Sara Lattanzia said she would contact the Watershed Stewards for suggestions and possible free plants or services.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Hakulin, Acting Secretary*

## **Shred Your Documents Free**

The Anne Arundel County Police Community Relations Council will sponsor their annual *free* documents shredding event on Saturday, May 18, 9 am to 1 pm, at four different locations—Brooklyn Park Middle School, Arundel High School, Anne Arundel County Police Headquarters, and South River High School.

## **Observations on the Barlowe Bolt 5K Run and Fun Walk**

Early Saturday morning, March 23, I decided to take some bottles of water out to the end of our driveway and offer a bottle to the runners as they passed by. It was a chilly morning with the glow of the sunrise on the horizon. The runners were panting and smiling when they muttered “good morning” as they ran up the hill. Thinking I was the only one out waving, I happened to notice a man standing about a block away across the road with a large dog on either side of him, cheering on the runners and clapping as each runner passed him by. The police were in the intersection and the course monitors were directing the runners so they stayed on the appointed path.



It was a new event for Olde Mill and it was exciting to see the energy and good will it created in our quest to raise money for the renovation of the playground. It seemed like a new day for the rejuvenated spirit of Olde Mill.

Thanks to those who took the time and energy and work to make this day such a success.

*—Sarah Hakulin*

## **Olde Mill Yard Sale & Flea Market Planned for Saturday, May 18**

Remember to gather all your saleable items together for the Community Yard Sale on Saturday, May 18. You can set your table up in your own yard and sell your valuables to all the bargain hunters who come your way. Post your sign and address on the corners of the streets you live on so shoppers can find your treasures. The community association will advertise the day in the *Pennysaver* and *Maryland Gazette*.

On the same day there will be a Flea Market at Barlowe Field. Signs will be posted for drop-off of items for the flea market at Barlowe Field. See the article elsewhere in this *Crier* from FOOM regarding this event for more information. For any questions, call 410-987-1239.

## **Easter Egg Event Another Success**

Thanks to all who participated in the Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23 at Barlowe Field. The children all had a great time finding their eggs and getting prizes. Raffles and baked goods hosted by FOOM helped raise cash for the improvement of the playground. Thanks to all the volunteers who worked so

hard to make this annual event a success. A big thanks to the Girl Scouts who stuffed the eggs and planted the eggs this year.



Some scenes from the annual Easter Egg Event at Barlowe Field on the afternoon of March 23. The kids had a great time.



## Join VOMCA This Year—Be Part of the Energy!

Don't forget to join your community association and volunteer to help with projects, participate in events, and serve your community by running for officer or the board. There are several positions open—step up and volunteer. See application below.

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*Join VOMCA—exciting things are happening in the coming year!*

### **2013 VOMCA Membership Application**

Please complete this form, printing the names of all members of your household who are 18 or more years old, and mail it together with your check, payable to **VOMCA**, to: VOMCA Membership, P.O. Box 366, Millersville, MD 21108. The membership fee for your household's annual dues is \$15.00.

Names of Adults in Household: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Unlisted? Yes No) Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to volunteer in the community?: \_\_\_\_\_ Suggestions for improvements in Olde Mill: \_\_\_\_\_

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*There will be a \$10 processing fee for any returned check. Your membership card(s) will be mailed to you.*

## Rotary Club Honors Another Long-Time Olde Mill Volunteer

On March 21 the Rotary Club of Glen Burnie honored Sarah Hakulin for her 11 years of service to Olde Mill—including several years as VOMCA president—at their annual “Service Beyond Self” awards banquet at Michael’s 8th Avenue. Mark Chang, Constituent Service Officer for Anne Arundel County, assisted in the event which honored 39 volunteers throughout the county. Some 400 guests were in attendance at this annual event.

Last year, former VOMCA President Tom Stag was honored at this banquet for his service to the community, becoming the first to be so recognized from Olde Mill. Congratulations this year to Sarah for her hard work and her contributions to bettering our neighborhood.



## Changes in Swim Club Information

### Pricing for 2013 Olde Mill Swim Club

- Membership remains \$345. No early payment discount.
- Membership fees extended deadline to April 15th.
- April 15th and after, \$25 late fee. Total due \$370. Must be postmarked by 4/15/13 to avoid late fee.
- Late fee must be collected if due, in order to gain admittance to pool.
- Inactive fees \$80.
- \$4 daily guest fee (\$3 after 5pm, \$2 after 7pm); cards containing 10 guest passes will be sold for \$35.

### Additional Changes to Swim Club

- ALL COMPLAINTS must be reported to Pool Manager or Assistant Manager on duty.
- NO SMOKING within the fenced area of the pool.

### Policy Regarding Food at Pool

- Due to Health Dept. Regulations, members who wish to bring food into the pool for picnics, parties, grilling etc. must bring their own cooler. Food cannot be stored in the snack bar. The snack bar and all equipment therein can only be used for sanctioned events when food-handling permits have been issued by the Health Dept. County inspectors will make routine inspections of all facilities serving food.

OLDE MILL FLEA MARKET  
and  
**Community Yard Sale Day**

@  
Barlowe Field/Swim Club Parking Lot



**Saturday, May 18, 2013**

*(no scheduled raindate)*

**8AM to 2PM**

***Reserve a space: \$10.00***

This event is sponsored in your neighborhood by Friends of Olde Mill to raise money for the **improvement and upkeep of the playground and basketball courts.**

Please consider household items you can donate to FOOM to sell at the event.

Contact us with any questions or to set up a pick-up time at:

[michelle@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:michelle@friendsofoldemill.org)

**Donations are urgently needed as the extra funds raised go toward our  
New Playground Fundraising Campaign.**

*Items we are looking for:*

Books/CDs/DVDs/Video Games, Kitchen Items, House Décor Items

Outdoor and Garden Items, Garage Items, etc.

(Please no clothes or shoes)

A \$10.00 space rental is the size of a parking space.



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# Grip It and Rip It Golf Tournament

All proceeds will help purchase  
new playground equipment  
for Barlowe Field  
(Olde Mill community  
playground)

## Friday, April 12, 2013

\$500.00      \$125.00  
Foursome      Individual

**8:00 am** Shotgun Start

### Prizes Include:

- Hole In One Prize Package
- **Cash** Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Teams
- “Closest To The Pin” Contest
- “Longest Drive” Contest

### Fee includes:

- Continental Breakfast
- 18 holes with cart
- Unlimited range balls
- Best ball scramble format
- \$5.00 Prize Credit per person (to be used in golf shop)
- Unlimited beer, soda, water and sports drinks throughout the day
- BBQ Dinner Buffet

### Location:

Compass Pointe Golf Course  
Northeast Course  
9010 Fort Smallwood Road  
Pasadena, MD. 21122

### Registration deadlines:

**March 12** – to receive a free tournament shirt!

**April 1** – to guarantee spot in tournament

For Golf Registration e-mail Andi at [andi@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:andi@friendsofoldemill.org) or Mandy at [mandy@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:mandy@friendsofoldemill.org) with Team name; members and shirt sizes. Checks are to be made payable to: FOOM, Inc.

For information on FOOM sponsorship opportunities (including this tournament) and other upcoming events, contact Andi at [andi@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:andi@friendsofoldemill.org) or Mandy at [mandy@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:mandy@friendsofoldemill.org).



## Grip It and Rip It Golf Tournament Sponsorship Form

Thank you for deciding to partner with Friends Of Olde Mill (FOOM) and become one of our Grip It and Rip It Golf Tournament Sponsors. Proceeds from this golf tournament and other fundraisers we are holding starting in 2013 will benefit our playground and the athletic fields at Barlowe Field.

We are a non-profit organization which means your donation is 100% tax deductible and when we receive your donation/sponsorship will provide you with a tax letter with our tax id number.

We are offering "sponsorship of a hole" for the day, Friday, April 12, 2013, for \$100.

Please complete the following and return it to me along with a copy of your logo in black and white in order for us to have the sign made.

Company name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Level of Sponsorship** (please check one): \$100  Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Hole Sponsorship Preference – please provide us with your top three choices of hole to sponsor in priority order. We will award choices in order that we receive choices and payment.

1st \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_

Checks should be made payable to Friends of Olde Mill, Inc. Completed form and checks are due to FOOM, Inc, PO Box 151, Millersville, MD. 21108 no later than Friday, March 1, 2013.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you again.

—Andrea Campbell, [andi@friendsofoldemill.org](mailto:andi@friendsofoldemill.org), phone 410-903-2136