Olde Mill Village Crier

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7:00 p.m. at Olde Mill Pool



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President's Message

Summer flies by fast. Here we all are, already in August. Back to school is right around the corner, so I want to take time to remind everyone to keep an eye out for children in our community whether playing or waiting for the school bus. Please slow down and follow all posted speed limits on our streets. Let's help to make Olde Mill safer for everyone.

Our very own Olde Mill Torpedoes have finished a great swim season. I was able to make it to a couple meets and all the swimmers looked amazing. Thanks to Kim Durrant for leading the team this year and to all the parents and family members who helped out and supported the team. Also thanks to coaches Ashley, Zach, and Shayne for a successful season.

Olde Mill Swim Club still has a few weeks left this season, so take advantage of some later summer fun in the sun. The Swim Club will be open each day until AACo public schools are back in session. After that, the Swim Club will be open Saturdays and Sundays through Labor Day Weekend. We will also be open on Labor Day.

Our next VOMCA meeting will be on Wednesday August 7. We will have a Swim Club meeting starting at 6:30 p.m., followed by a general membership meeting at 7:00 p.m. Both meetings will take place at Olde Mill Swim Club. Please plan to attend.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

—Sara Lattanzia, President

Update From Your Friends at FOOM

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: Friends of Olde Mill is sponsoring another flea market in September! Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 7, from 8 a.m. till 2 p.m. As with the last flea market we sponsored the fee is \$10 to reserve a space. Or if you don't want to reserve a space but have items that you are willing to donate to FOOM for us to use and sell you can consider that also! Look for the flyer in this month's *Crier* for additional details.

Anytime you are near the park we'd love for you to stop over and see our efforts in improving the play areas! Not able to participate in any of these fundraisers, but still want to help make a financial contribution? You can send your tax-deductible donation to FOOM, Inc., PO Box 151, Millersville, MD 21108. Please make your check out to FOOM, Inc., and note in the memo section that it is a donation for the playground fund.

Thank you to everyone in the community for the support! For more information or how to help improve Barlowe Field and the playground, you can call Andi Campbell at 410-903-2316, visit www.friendsofoldemill.org or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill.

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Membership

Current membership in VOMCA is 119 families. This is only 9.2 percent of the families who live in Olde Mill. With more members participating in the financial health of this community, we would be able to do more things. Homeowner associations charge hundreds of dollars to live in their communities but they also can provide more services with that money. Only \$15 to live in Olde Mill is an unbelievably small amount to pay for any comparable community, voluntarily.

Reminder, in order to vote in the upcoming elections in October and November, you must have your membership dues paid by September 1; see application below. The envelope must have a postmark reflecting that date in order to vote. Letters with membership dues postmarked after that date will not be able to vote in the upcoming elections, per the bylaws. The bylaws can be found on the Olde Mill webpage by going to www.vomca.org as well as the application for your dues and the option to pay through PayPal.

Minutes

The July 3 VOMCA/Swim Club meeting did not have a quorum so therefore no minutes were taken.

Memorial Tree to be Planted

There will be a tree planted on the pool grounds to honor Janet Counts for her years of service to the Swim Club. Janet, who had moved to Roanoke, VA, passed away in April. A plaque noting her contributions will be part of the memorial.

Refrigerator Needed for Pool Snack Bar

The Swim Club is in need of a new refrigerator for the Snack Bar. If anyone has a refrigerator that they would like to donate, please contact <u>board@vomca.org</u>.

Rats and Snakes (Why Did It Have to be Snakes?)

Rats and snakes have been reported being seen in the Olde Mill neighborhood. PLEASE make sure your trash is covered and removed from around your home on our county collection day, Monday mornings. Put your trash out the night before so that it can be collected on a regular basis and does not breed insects, rodents, or snakes waiting for the next collection day.

Make sure your yard and open spaces are maintained so that these critters do not build nests or hide in the tall grasses and weeds.

Deer have also been reported in the neighborhood, so be aware that they can unexpectedly jump out of areas along the roads or found in yards seeking food and water sources.

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:			

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

Olde Mill Fall Flea Market

@
Barlowe Field/Swim Club Parking Lot



September 7, 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

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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