

# Olde Mill Village Crier



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VOMCA Meeting: Wednesday, March 5, 2014  
7:00 p.m. at Old Mill High School Auditorium

Important discussion about organizing Citizens' Patrol

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## President's Message

EVERYONE:

### JOIN OLDE MILL SWIM CLUB

THINK SUMMER—PLAN AHEAD  
PACKETS COME OUT IN MARCH

Pool Memberships Available

We Offer Competitive Swim Teams

Red Cross Swim Lessons

SUMMER FUN!

Call 410-987-7890 and leave message

It's been a long cold winter. With spring coming on the 20th of March and all the flowers and excitement of warmer days, the anticipation of summer is just around the corner. The very thought of sunshine and warmth should make us all anxious to get out of our houses and enjoy the pool that is right in our own back yard.

The next Swim Club meeting of the year will be held at 6 P.M. at the Old Mill High School, Wednesday, March 5, in the Auditorium. The VOMCA meeting will follow at 7 P.M. Councilman John Grasso and Capt. Tewey from the Anne Arundel County Police Eastern District will present their plan for neighborhoods to protect themselves. The plan is called "Citizens' Patrol" staffed by volunteers from the community who tour the area to restore a feeling of safety in the neighborhood. Please support this effort and come out to see how you can help. (Flyer included in this issue.)

A perk that you earn for joining your community association of VOMCA for \$15 is that you can become a member of Tower Federal Credit Union and enjoy the perks that a credit union can offer in your own community. You will need an Olde Mill membership card to show them to open an account which could prove valuable in years to come. Your support of your association is needed so that we can pay our taxes and remain an organization that can represent you on issues that affect where we live. See you all on March 5 at this very important association meeting.

—Sarah Hakulin, VOMCA President

## Snow Removal in Olde Mill

There have been some very favorable comments coming from the residents of Olde Mill concerning the county's removal of snow from our streets this year. Cul-de-sacs were cleared in a timely fashion and the roads have been pretreated with salt before the snow started, which has proven to be very helpful in promoting the melting of the white stuff. If you have any comments regarding snow removal this winter, please email [board@vomca.org](mailto:board@vomca.org).

## Calendar of FOOM Events

March 22 – 2nd Annual Barlowe Bolt 5K Run and 1-Mile Run/Walk

April 12 – Easter Egg Hunt at Barlowe Field—1 PM

May 9 – Quarter Auction at Howard L. Turner American Legion Post 276, 8068 Quarterfield Rd.,  
Severn, MD. (Doors open 6pm/Game starts 7pm)

May 17 – Flea Market and Community Yard Sale

June 14 – Family Fun Day at Barlowe Field

September 6 – Flea Market and Community Yard Sale

[www.friendsofoldemill.webs.com/events](http://www.friendsofoldemill.webs.com/events)  
[www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill](https://www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill)  
[www.vomca.org](http://www.vomca.org)

## Joining the Pool

We have had some inquiries regarding the procedures for joining our Olde Mill pool. The Pool Bond (\$400) requirement is one that is the most misunderstood so I would like to clarify its purpose and how to acquire it.

The purpose of the Bond is to help fund Capital projects that occur in the maintenance of the pool and in the operations of the pool. Things such as repair of the pumps, the filters, concrete decking, and bathhouse repairs fall under this heading. Maintaining a pool is an expensive proposition and this money helps to maintain the smooth running of our pool.

The bond also assures your place as an active member yearly, so that if too many people apply for membership your place would be secured. The fire department sets the number of people that a facility holds and that figure cannot be exceeded.

The bond is a one-time purchase as long as the membership is active and paid or paid as an inactive member. If either the membership or the inactive fee is not paid, the bond is forfeited. This information is in a pool packet that is sent to pool members every year. The yearly membership fee is just that—a yearly fee. The packets come out in March (typically) and the payment is due by the end of April.

A bond can be purchased from VOMCA's Swim Club or from a pool member in good standing who is trying to sell their bond. In good standing means that their fees have been paid and that their bond has not been forfeited. Occasionally, members advertise in the *Pennysaver* and on Craigslist that they are interested in selling their bond. Bonds can be sold at a price set by the owner and may be cheaper than the swim club price of \$400, but they do go quickly. Neither of these sites are a sure bet but an option.

To assure the purchase of a Bond, contact Kevin Kendall at [410-987-7890](tel:410-987-7890), at the Olde Mill Swim Club, and leave a message in the voice mail box for membership inquiries. Bonds are usually available from the Swim Club directly. When he contacts you let him know that you want to purchase the bond outright (1 time payment) of \$400 or participate in a payment plan of 2 payments of \$200.00 per month to have it paid off by April. The yearly membership fee this year is \$365. This fee is an adjustable fee based on the needs of the pool.

We offer swim lessons, have a summer swim team, and a couple of teen parties each season along with all the new friends you can make. We also have grills for use by the members and picnic tables. Pool rentals can also be arranged through the Swim Club from information contained in the pool packets which members receive.

## **ATTENTION**

### **RESIDENTS OF THE VILLAGE OF OLDE MILL**

WITH THE CURRENT CRIME RATE AND GROWING CONCERNS FOR  
OUR COMMUNITIES, YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A MEETING  
TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF ORGANIZING A  
**“CITIZENS' PATROL”**

RECENTLY, THE MARGATE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION  
(located east of Route 10, off Furnace Branch Rd.) DID JUST THAT.  
THEY CAME TOGETHER AND DEVELOPED A  
**“CITIZENS' PATROL”**  
IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT.

THIS GROUP TOURS THE NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE EVENING HOURS TO  
RESTORE A FEELING OF SAFETY FOR THEIR COMMUNITY. THIS IDEA IS  
NOT NEW, BUT IT IS NECESSARY IN THESE TIMES. OUR POLICE  
DEPARTMENT HAS MET WITH THE VOLUNTEERS AND THEY HAVE  
DEVELOPED A PROGRAM THAT GIVES THE COMMUNITY A FEELING  
OF WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP THEIR COMMUNITY SAFE.

THE MEETING HAS BEEN SET FOR  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2014**  
DURING THE VOMCA MEETING

**OLD MILL HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**  
**7:00 P.M.**

CONTACT COUNCILMAN JOHN GRASSO  
FOR MORE INFORMATION AT  
443-250-8573

## FOOM Update—Events and Offers For You

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

**CALLING ALL RUNNERS:** Saturday, March 22, 2014 is our 2nd Annual Barlowe 5K Bolt! The race starts at 7 am! Our course will be the same as last year. Don't worry—it's not too late to sign up!

There are several ways you can register for the Barlowe 5K Bolt. You can sign up on active.com at [http://www.active.com/event\\_detail.cfm?event\\_id=2123294](http://www.active.com/event_detail.cfm?event_id=2123294). Included in this edition of the *Crier*, we have included a mail-in registration form that can be mailed to FOOM, Inc., P.O. Box 151, Millersville, MD 21108. You can register by picking up a registration packet at Fleet Feet Sports in Severna Park or Annapolis. Lastly, you can register the same day of the race starting at 6 am at the pool.

This year we will offer packet pick-up on Friday, March 21 from 4 pm to 6:30 pm at Fleet Feet Sports in Severna Park or you can pick up your packet on race day starting at 6 am at the pool.

It's tax season. Looking for a company to do your taxes this year? Call Liberty Tax—Gambrills office only!— and take advantage of a generous offer they have made to FOOM. They will donate \$25 to FOOM for anyone who takes their taxes to them to be prepared. Make sure you mention this at time of service or take a copy of the flyer that is included with this month's *Crier*. Liberty Tax is located at 1053 MD Rt. 3 N., Gambrills, MD 21054. They can be reached at 410-721-2491.

Got quarters? Come to our next Quarter Auction! It is scheduled for Friday, May 9. The doors open at 6 pm and the games start at 7 pm . The event will be held at the Howard L. Turner American Legion Post 276 at 8068 Quarterfield Rd., Severn, MD.

Who is looking forward to spring? Are you spending these cold, winter days spring cleaning? Do you have items you are looking to get rid of? FOOM's Spring Flea Market is scheduled for Saturday, May 17. FOOM will collect donation items again this year or you are welcome to "rent" a space and set up a table. For additional information or to request a space go to [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org) 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(c)(3) organization. Your donation can be made payable to FOOM, Inc. and mailed to FOOM, Inc; P.O. Box 151; Millersville, MD 21108 or you can make a donation directly from our website at [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org) and click on the secure PayPal link. 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 creating a unique playscape for our children!

If you would like to be more actively involved with any fundraisers we are doing or have any ideas you'd like to share with us please contact Andi at [cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com](mailto:cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com).

"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.

## Let's Clean Up the Streams in Olde Mill

AAPRA (Anne Arundel Patapsco River Alliance) and Stacy Epperson, an Olde Mill resident, are excited to announce a Project Clean Stream Event in our community of Olde Mill on Saturday, April 5, from 9 am to 12 noon.

Meet at the Olde Mill Pool parking lot, 490 Chalet Dr., to pick up maps, gloves, and trash bags. Event is rain or shine. For those walking along streams, expect thorns, broken glass and muddy conditions. Rubber boots are recommended.

Routes will be along small streams flowing through our community; for those unable to walk along the streams, there are routes along the streets. Remember that *all* trash in our streets eventually arrives

in our creeks so picking up at the stream site or in the streets are both equally effective and desired. Volunteers should register at the site below:

[http://cleanstream.allianceforthebay.org/volunteer/?picksite=yes&cleanup\\_site\\_id=1933](http://cleanstream.allianceforthebay.org/volunteer/?picksite=yes&cleanup_site_id=1933)

If you can't make the morning clean-up or are unable to pick up trash, we are looking for volunteers to help transport the bagged trash and other refuse to the county landfill around 1pm. Contact Stacy Epperson at [stac.epperson@gmail.com](mailto:stac.epperson@gmail.com) or 410-987-7533 for questions. Thank you and hope to see you on April 5!

**But wait . . . there's more!  
See flyers with important info  
about Olde Mill events on the  
following pages of this  
online edition of the *Crier*.**



# Quarter Auction

Sponsored by  F.O.O.M.  
FRIENDS OF OLDE MILL

All proceeds raised go directly to the Barlowe playscape fund to create our unique playscape for our community and children to enjoy!

Auction to be held on Friday, May 9, 2014  
At Howard L. Turner American Legion Post 276  
8068 Quarterfield Rd.  
Severn, Md. 21144

Doors open at 6 pm for auction preview  
Bidding starts at 7 pm



*ENJOY AN EVENING OF FUN AND WINNING!*

Don't forget Mother's Day is May 11<sup>th</sup> . . .

Come win something for mom!



Fee: \$5.00 for 2 paddles Additional paddles - \$2.00

**BRING YOUR QUARTERS!**

(Rolls of quarters will also be available)



Featuring items from: Tastefully Simple, Tupperware, Glamour Bags, Caroline's Creations, theme baskets, gift cards, Coach purses, Michal Kors, Vera Bradley items to mention a few!!!

Also available for purchase – Food – Pulled BBQ Pork sandwiches, baked beans, chips, drinks, baked goods and more plus a 50/50 Raffle!

For more information or to reserve a table for 8 - please contact:  
Andi Campbell, 410-903-2136 or [cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com](mailto:cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com)  
Mandy Rzepkowski, 443-867-2429 or [mrzepkowski08@gmail.com](mailto:mrzepkowski08@gmail.com)

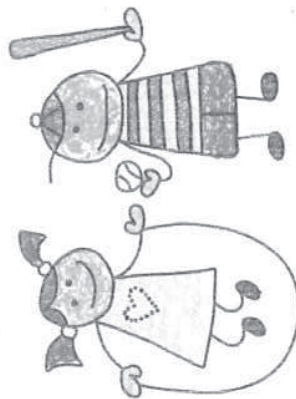


# Improve Our Playground

at Barlowe Field in Millersville

WHEN YOU LET LIBERTY TAX (Gambrills Location Only) PREPARE YOUR

TAXES, THEY WILL DONATE **\$25** TO THE PLAYGROUND FUND!



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443-852-2282

Bring or mention this ad to

**LIBERTY TAX SERVICE**

1053 MD Rt. 3 N, Gambrills, MD 21054 (410) 721-2491

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[www.friendsofoldemill.org](http://www.friendsofoldemill.org)

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Barlowe 5k Bolt

5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk



Proceeds will help in the creation of our unique playscape for Barlowe Field.

**Saturday, March 22, 2014**

Starts and finishes at Olde Mill Pool,  
490 Chalet Dr, Millersville, MD 21108

On-site registration and packet pick up

starts at 6:00 am and race starts at **7:00 am!**

Packet pick-up: Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 4 pm - 6:30 pm at  
Fleet Feet Sports in Severna Park

Register on [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) or by mail

Early bird registration until February 28, 2014  
fee is \$25 for 5K or 1 Mile Fun Run / Walk

Registration fee after March 1<sup>st</sup> is \$35 for 5K or 1 Mile Fun Run / Walk  
(T-shirts aren't guaranteed after Early Bird Registration date of February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014)

"Like" our facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/BarloweBolt>



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age on Race Day \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL Child's S Child's M Child's L

Fees: **Early Bird Registration on or before February 28, 2104 (T-shirt guaranteed)**

5K Age 18 and above \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

1 Mile Fun Run/Walk \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration after March 1, 2014 (T-shirt if available)**

5K Age 18 and above \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

1 Mile Fun Run/Walk \$35 \_\_\_\_\_

By indicating your acceptance, you understand, agree, warrant and covenant as follows:

Waiver: In consideration of me and/or my minor child being permitted to participate in The Barlowe 5K Bolt, I hereby—for myself, my heirs and personal representatives—assume any and all risks which might be associated with the event. I further waive, release, discharge and covenant not to sue VOMCA (Village of Olde Mill Community Association) or FOOM, Inc (Friends of Olde Mill), its officers, sponsors, organizers, volunteers or other representatives or their successors and assigns, for any and all injuries or damages of any kind whatsoever suffered by myself and/or my minor child as a result of taking part in the events and any related activities. I also authorize the use by FOOM, Inc, of any photo, film or videotape taken of me or my minor child at the event for any purpose.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form and your check to: FOOM, Inc.; P.O. Box 151; Millersville, MD. 21108. Check should be made payable to: FOOM, Inc. Envelope must be postmarked by February 28, 2014 to guarantee a t-shirt. Applications postmarked after this date will receive a t-shirt if any are still available.



## Friends of Troop 975

(410) 519-7433

Dear Neighbors,

Spring is just around the corner! Boy Scout Troop 975 of Severn is holding a mulch fundraiser. All profits will go to the Troop's operating fund to buy camping equipment and supplies. To have mulch delivered to your house, please fill out this form and send it with your check for the total (payable to **Troop 975**) to my address. Then wait for your mulch to arrive at your door. The Scouts will stack the supplies in your back yard, garage, or wherever you desire.

Orders **MUST BE** received by March 20, and your supplies will be delivered by the Scouts the weekend of April 4<sup>th</sup>. just in time for spring planting! Your order is appreciated by all members of the Troop.

Thank you  
Eva Lupo  
Scout Parent

8126 Quarterfield Farms Dr  
Severn, MD 21144  
Please PRINT CLEARLY

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (     )     -     \_\_\_\_\_

Neighborhood Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Place to stack mulch \_\_\_\_\_

<u>PRODUCT</u>	<u>QTY.</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Double Shredded Colored Mulch (2 cu. ft.) Brown, Red or Black (Please circle)	_____ X	\$ 4.50 =	
Double Shredded Hardwood Mulch (3 cu ft.)	_____ X	\$ 4.75 =	
Pine Bark Nuggets (3 cu. ft.)	_____ X	\$ 6.00 =	
<b>Optional tax-deductible donation</b>			
<b>Order Total</b> (Taxes are included in price)			

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Please tear off this section for your records

Garden Supplies ordered from Friends of Troop 975 (410) 519-9704

Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_