

Olde Mill Village Crier

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VOMCA Meeting: Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
Old Mill High, Room A270, preceded by Swim Club meeting at 6:30



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Don't forget to vote in the local & state General Election on Tuesday, November 4



President's Message

I want to thank everyone who came out for the first "Trunk or Treat" Halloween Event in Olde Mill. We've had Halloween parties before, but this was unique in that it was combined with presentations from various local vendors in the community. It was fun to see kids and adults dressed up in their scariest finery and come down to the pool area on an amazingly beautiful autumn Sunday.

Trunk or Treat had something for everyone and the vendors had dazzling decorations for their trunks while marketing their products. Thanks to everyone who came out and shared in the pizza sodas, and candy treats for all the kids. A huge thank-you goes to Domino's Pizza for donating 25 pizzas for this event. We thank you for your amazing show of support for our playground renovation efforts.

November is a busy month. Since we did not have a quorum (needed 11 VOMCA members) for the October general meeting, we will be having elections for the Officers and the Board at the November 5 meeting. **Please step up** and volunteer to take on some responsibility for your community association. After many years of serving in various community positions, including the last several as President, I do not plan to run again due to family commitments. All officer positions are open for the coming year. This includes President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Secretary. There is also one Board position open for one year of service. **Without a viable community association to oversee things, there could be disruptions or delays in neighborhood services and operations** such as the pool, Barlowe Field usage, and county-provided community clean-up dumpsters.

There will be a meeting to discuss the 2015 budgets on Sunday, November 9, from 2 to 4 p.m. at 8240 Ahearn Rd. The Swim Club and VOMCA budgets will be discussed for the upcoming year. If anyone has any input or needs, please come to the meeting or email board@vomca.org. We have a new pool management company lined up for 2015, Continental Pools. The cost is approximately \$11,000 less than Community Pools has been charging us for the past few years. Continental Pools contract is for \$43,830, with a promise of vastly improved pool services. The contract is on a trial basis for one year. This figure alone will help to put our pool finances in a much better position.

The current budget figures for VOMCA are: Checking \$2,431.37; Savings \$1,581.85. The balances for the Swim Club are: Checking \$27,823.28; Savings \$12,048.17.

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Quarter Auction

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

Saturday, November 15th
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

Prepay \$5 for 2 paddles at www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org
Or \$7 at the door

BRING YOUR QUARTERS!

(Rolls of quarters will also be available)

ENJOY AN EVENING OF FUN AND WINNING!
SHOP FOR HOLIDAY GIFTS!

Featuring items from: Tastefully Simple, Tupperware, 31, Wine & Gift Baskets, Caroline's Creations, Pampered Chef, theme baskets, gift cards, Coach purses, and 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
Mandy Rzepkowski, 443-867-2429 or mrzepkowski08@gmail.com

For more information – www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org

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HELP US SELL OUT!!!

You can earn raffle ticket(s) for helping us get the word out about our upcoming quarter auction **AND** by getting bidders there!

You could win a
\$50 VISA GIFT CARD!

There are 3 ways you can help us and earn a ticket(s)!

1. Share our facebook flyer with 10 friends. Go to our facebook page (The Village Of Olde Mill) and find our post about the Quarter Auction with the flyer and share it from there!
2. Email our flyer to 10 friends (print and bring a copy of your email with you for a ticket!). You should be able to save the flyer from our facebook page and then email it to friends or grab a copy of it from this Crier and email it!
3. Fill a table! Organize 7 friends to come and play with you and earn a ticket!

***Don't miss out on this chance
and a fun evening!***

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The trash container at the pool has been removed until spring. Please carry a bag to clean up after your pets and discard in your trash containers at home.

See you on Wednesday, Nov. 5, at Old Mill High School, Room A270. The Swim Club meeting starts at 6:30 p.m., followed by the VOMCA general meeting at 7:00 p.m. This will be a very important meeting, so if you are a paid-up VOMCA member, please make every effort to attend and vote.

—Sarah Hakulin, VOMCA President

Guest Speaker for VOMCA November 5 Meeting

Anne Arundel County Police Detective Ian Preece will attend our November 5 meeting at 7:00 at the high school. He will address any concerns or questions you may have regarding crime or safety issues in Olde Mill. He is from the Police Community Relations Council, so please bring any issues you may have to this meeting. Contact board@vomca.org with any questions.

Santa Planning Another Olde Mill Ride

Mark your calendars: Santa will visit Olde Mill again this year on Saturday afternoon, December 20, 2014. More information will follow in the December issue of the *Crier*.

FOOM Update

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

It looked like the “Trunk or Treat” event that we held in October was a success! We will plan another fall event next year and, as always, we will build on what we had this year! We really appreciate all the support of those who came out and enjoyed getting to meet with you and talk with each and every one!

Our **Fall Quarter Auction** is coming up on Saturday, November 15. The auction will be held at the American Legion at 8068 Quarterfield Rd., Severn, MD. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and bidding starts at 7:00 p.m. This time you can pre-purchase paddles for \$5.00 through our website, www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org. Paddles will be \$7.00 at door.

We are in need of donations to auction off or for families to fill a theme basket for us. If you are interested, please contact me at cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com. Thanks!

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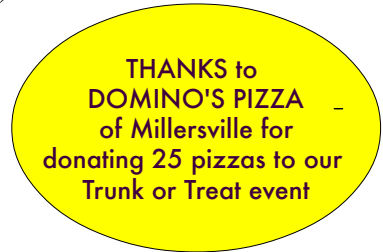
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The climbing wall at Barlowe Field is almost finished (if it isn't already done by the time this is published)! We are excited about the progress we've started making at the park area. Keep your eye out in the *Crier* over the winter for information on upcoming phases that we will be working on up there, once the weather breaks in the spring, and for a call for volunteers to help! We will also post this information on our website and on our Facebook page!

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 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 – we are always looking for new members!

—Andi Campbell

2014 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.
