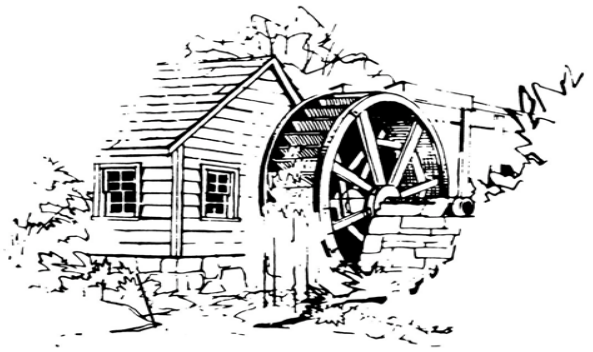


# Olde Mill Village Crier



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## President's Message



Great News! We had a quorum in October and the Officer elections were held. The following is the results of that election:

President: Barb Mason  
Vice President: Bev Parker  
Membership Secretary: Sandy Sacra  
Treasurer: Vacant  
Secretary: Vacant

I would like to thank Colleen Flack for her many years of service to VOMCA as Treasurer. We are sad to see her go, but we wish her well in the future. We are currently looking to fill some open positions that we have. The Treasurer would take about 2 to 3 hours a month and Membership Secretary about the same. As membership secretary, you would process membership applications and send cards to those who join. As a Board Member, you attend the meetings and offer suggestions on issues or not comment at all. If a vote is called on an issue, you cast a vote based on what you believe. All board members and positions must attend all VOMCA meetings in order for us to have a quorum. Meetings must have a "quorum" of 11 members. A quorum is the number of people that must be present to conduct a meeting. The bylaws state we need a quorum. Time invested is about an hour per month. We are also in need of an Editor for the VOMCA Crier. This position is responsible for creating the newsletter and submitting it for posting on the VOMCA website. Time invested is about 5 hours per month. Please consider stepping up to fill the vacancies. Please email me at [board@vomca.org](mailto:board@vomca.org) if you are interested in the positions that are vacant.



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Many thanks to those returning members. I look forward to working with you this coming year. At the November 2nd meeting we will be discussing the budget and if acceptable, we will vote to approve the 2017 budget. We will also vote to elect new board members.

The holiday season is upon us. Thanksgiving dinner, then Christmas, lights, gifts and decorated trees...and who can forget Santa! By the way, Santa will be making his annual visit on Saturday, December 17th this year. Mark the date now so your little ones can say Merry Christmas to jolly Old St. Nick.

*Barbara Mason, President of VOMCA*  
[board@vomca.org](mailto:board@vomca.org)



## **October 5, 2016 Minutes:**

- Open meeting at 7:05PM
- Treasurers Reports  
VOMCA-- Checking \$1,970.22 ; Savings \$1,585.13
- We were notified at this meeting that Colleen Flack has rendered her resignation effective Jan 1 and an audit of the books has been requested.
- Elections were held for the Board officer positions. Results are:

President- Barbara Mason

Vice President- Beverly Parker

Membership- Sandy Sacra

- Voting for the two vacant Board member positions will be done at the November meeting.
- Our Crier editor will be stepping down effective Jan 1st 2017. The new editor will be Nancy Stracke.
- Business: Pool dues will need to be raised! We are currently waiting for the last of the proposals from several pool management companies to come in. Once they are received, we can finish up the proposed budget.
- Kristin Etzel spoke to the board regarding the proposed school construction in the Old Mill area.



## **COMMUNITY** Meetings

**7:00pm at OMHS**  
**Election of Board Members**  
November 2

# VOMCA 2017 Proposed Budget

INCOME	ACTUAL	BUDGET	
	2016	2017	
Membership	\$830.00	\$1,000.00	50 members @20.00
Field Rentals	\$600.00	\$600.00	Softball Team
Field Rentals	\$400.00	\$400.00	Soccer
Transfer from Pool	\$2,300.00	\$2,500.00	Tax Preparation
crier advertising	\$150.00	\$200.00	
deposited from 2015	\$500.00		2015 charge
donations	\$20.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$4,800.00</b>	<b>\$4,700.00</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>			
Crier Advertising	\$0.00	\$200.00	
Membership	\$0.00	\$100.00	
Bank Fees	-\$3.50	\$20.00	
P.O.Box	\$140.00	\$170.00	
Insurance	\$288.00	\$720.00	
Real Estate Tax	\$1,517.87	\$1,500.00	Rain Tax
Personal Property tax	\$0.00	\$240.00	
President fund	\$0.00	\$60.00	
Tax Preparation	\$2,300.00	\$2,800.00	
Spring Egg Hunt	\$0.00	\$0.00	
NCEON Donation	\$0.00	\$100.00	Food Drive
Yard Sale Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00	Signs
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$4,242.37</b>	<b>\$5,910.00</b>	

Please use the application in this newsletter to renew your VOMCA membership. Please send your dues to VOMCA, P.O. Box 366, Millersville, Md. 21108.



And so does the VOMCA Crier. If you are interested, please contact **board@vomca.org**

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Parents, Families and Friends



**Old Mill High School**  
**Old Mill Middle School North**  
Rippling Woods Elementary School  
Seyvern Elementary School  
Southgate Elementary School  
**Old Mill Middle South School**  
Glen Burnie Park Elementary School  
Millersville Elementary School  
Ridgeway Elementary School  
South Shore Elementary School

Please Plan to Attend

## ***“NOT MY CHILD”***

a

Community Conversation

about

Substance Misuse in OUR Community

A candid discussion to understand.....

Substance misuse **IS** in your neighborhood. It is in **ALL** communities. **AWARENESS** is the first and most important step in **PREVENTION**. Learn how to avoid the most common trap into which parents fall **“NOT MY CHILD”** ....and save a loved one's life.

**Old Mill High School**

Auditorium

**November 3, 2016**

6:15 p.m. (doors open – visit Treatment Providers/Resource Information)

7:00 p.m. (Not My Child Video followed by Panel Discussion)

Anyone needing accommodations should contact Nancy Schrum at 410-222-1527 or [nschrum@aaacounty.org](mailto:nschrum@aaacounty.org) at least 7 days prior to the event. TTY users, please call via Maryland Relay 7-1-1. For additional information regarding the event, please contact Nancy Schrum, Director, Office of Constituent Services, 410-222-1527

# Friends of Olde Mill (FOOM)

The following pages highlight events sponsored by FOOM (Friends of Olde Mill)

**Fall Quarter Auction:** Due to a scheduling conflict at the American Legion FOOM's Fall Quarter Auction has been changed to Saturday, November, 12<sup>th</sup>. The auction will still be held at the American Legion at 8068 Quarterfield Rd, Severn, MD. The doors will still open at 6 pm and bidding starts at 7 pm. For your convenience we are once again allowing bidders to "pre-purchase" paddles for \$5.00 through our website – [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org). Paddles will be \$7.00 "at the door". Looking for a way to help support us? We are always looking for donations to auction off or for neighbors to fill a theme basket for us – we'll even supply the basket for you. Go to our website – [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org) and contact us! Please mark your calendar and come on out for a night of fun!

**Street Ambassadors:** Friends Of Olde Mill is looking to expand. We are looking for street ambassadors to help get the word out to our neighbors on our events and volunteer efforts. Please read through the flyer for more details and if you have any questions, please contact us at [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org).

**Playscape Updates:** If you have a free hour or two please feel free to weed any areas up there were you see the need. We are all volunteers and can only do so much up there so any extra bit of help sure would help!



**PLEASE** make sure you remove your trash from the playscape area when you are done playing up there with your children and dog owners please make sure you clean up after your pets! Don't forget YOUR children play up there!

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 us at [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org) or consider becoming a Street Ambassador - we are always looking for new members!

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

—Andi Campbell

**WE**   
**VOLUNTEERS**



## Become a Street Ambassador!

Did you know there are 1,300 homes in the Village of Olde Mill? Friends of Olde Mill (FOOM) needs more community members to join us! We are a non-profit community group comprised completely of fellow homeowners that seeks to make improvements to Barlowe Field, the playscape, and organize community events!

### Here are some of the events that we have organized:

The Barlowe Bolt 5K                      Family Fun Day  
Community Flea Market                Quarter Auctions

**What does a street ambassador do?** Hand out flyers to neighbors, talk to neighbors about upcoming events, pass out water bottles and organize bags for runners at our 5K, greet guests at our events, garner items for our flea market table, sell hot dogs at our Family Fun Day, work a game station on Family Fun Day, assist at our events, provide feedback, spread the word about Community Build Day, solicit for volunteers at events, assist us in finding and applying for grants, etc.

**What is the time commitment for street ambassadors?** Most months it might be about an hour of your time just talking to neighbors or passing out flyers on your street. If you decide to help with an event or two it might be a couple other hours either leading up to the event or the day of the event.

**Where can I see more information about FOOM?** To see all of the work that we've done in the past and continue to do, visit our website: [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org)

**I'm in! What do I do now?** If you would like to be your street's ambassador, complete the "Contact Us" form on our website, or contact Lianne Rostad:

**Lianne80@hotmail.com**  
**410-279-3636**

Please consider stepping up to help your community by becoming a street ambassador. Any task, whether big or small, helps!

## Looking to make a tax-deductible donation?

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!

# 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 12th**  
**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](http://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, 31, Wine & Gift Baskets, Caroline's Creations, Origami Owl, Pampered Chef, Premier Designs, theme baskets, gift cards, Coach purses, and Vera Bradley 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)

For more information – [www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org](http://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org)

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Please include your name and your street in the email.

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## Who We Are

We are your friends and neighbors in Millersville, Maryland. VOMCA is a voluntary association that acts as the only voice for your neighborhood with Anne Arundel County and Maryland State Government. Since we're a voluntary association, we are dependent upon your dues and your involvement to keep us effective.

VOMCA owns and maintains the Barlowe Field area including the Olde Mill Swim Club. We sponsor several community events, including a Christmas visit from Santa Claus, and a December holiday lighting contest.

We'd love to have you join us as we continue to plan and organize events.

### 2016 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. You can also pay using PayPal by going to [VOMCA@VOMCA.org](mailto:VOMCA@VOMCA.org)

The membership fee for your household's annual dues is \$20.00.

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.