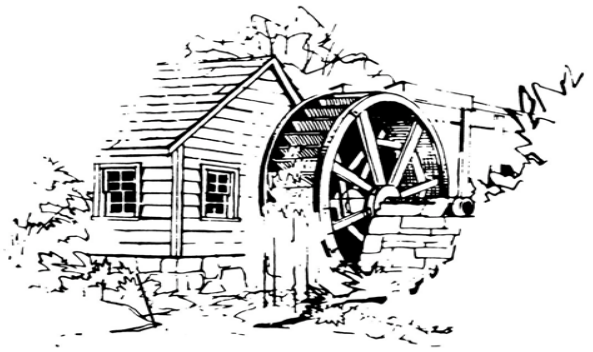


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President's Message

Happy
Valentine's
Day

February is here Happy Valentine's Day to all. Please remember to check on your elderly neighbors as the weather gets cold and icy. Please do not leave your pets outside in this cold weather. With that said we are gearing up for the warm sunny days of summer which is a couple of months away. We are looking for swim club members to get involved on the pool committee with ideas for the summer and willing to step up and take charge to help us. We have memberships available and info will be following soon, so please keep an eye out for it in mid Spring.

Candy Donations and Volunteers Needed for Easter Egg Event. Your community association is looking for volunteers to help with the Easter Egg Hunt that is held every year at Barlowe Field the week before Easter. This year the date is Saturday, March 19, at 1 p.m. We are in need of someone to serve as a Bunny. If you have a teen who needs service hours or just wants to have some fun please let me know at (board@vomca.org). Also, in order to fill all of the Easter eggs for our event, we are looking for candy donations. Candy should be the size that will fit into a standard size plastic egg and must be individually wrapped. We will accept donations up to March 13th. Please call 410-446-4784 if you can donate some small sized candy, or would like to assist with this rewarding activity for our children. Thank you for supporting our community.

The VOMCA and Pool 2016 budgets have passed. Although our membership has decreased over the years to only 8 percent of the 1,300 families contributing to the expenses of the community, we are encouraged that this year will be different. We have VOMCA and pool memberships available for purchase throughout the year. VOMCA membership dues are \$20.00 and the pool membership has increased by \$10.00. We would love to see more people come out and support both. Please join us in a great new year of growing together with our community! I look forward to working on your behalf.

Barbara Mason, President of VOMCA
board@vomca.org

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Minutes from Jan. 7, 2016 Meeting

We did not have a quorum so VOMCA business was not conducted.

Swim Club Report -

Savings: \$12,063.24 Checking: \$23,490.00

Swim Board needs members.

Credit cards will not be accepted this year for membership payments.

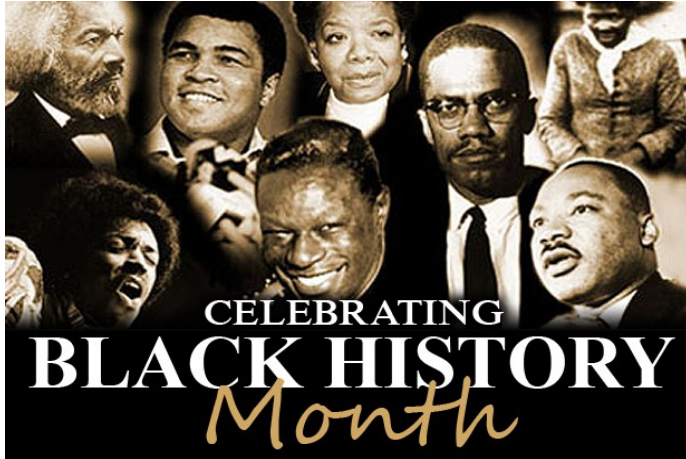
Swim Club Coordinator position is Vacant.



Egging and Vandalism of cars in our neighborhood have been a problem. If you see people at the playground late at night, please call the police to report it and ask the police to drive thru the area.



There is a vacant seat on the VOMCA Board. Please consider joining us!



VOMCA

COMMUNITY Meetings

Anne Arundel County February Events
Valentines Day Events at your local public library
<http://www.aacpl.net/content/valentines-day-events>
Annapolis Restaurant Week
<http://www.annapolispartnership.com/participating-restaurants>
Valentine's Day Crafts and Events for Kids
<http://www.chesapeakefamily.com/fun/seasonal-events/winter/5244-maryland-valentine-s-day-events-2014?showall=&start=1>

Wednesday, February 3
Wednesday, March 2
7:00pm at OMHS

Meetings are scheduled to be held the first Wednesday of the month. However, check your email for any meeting cancellations or postponements due to weather related problems, etc.

Animal Control on Maxwell Frye Road is always in need of old towels and blankets. Unfortunately, they do not accept comforters because they will not fit into their washers and driers. So think about them when you clean out your linen closets.



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

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Submissions are due by the 21st of the month in order to be included in the upcoming issue.

Anne Arundel County School Superintendent George Arlotto announced that Anne Arundel County Public Schools will hold four community forums to provide information and solicit feedback regarding a proposal to shift school start and dismissal times – pending full funding and broad community support – beginning in the 2017-2018 school year.

All forums are open to the public, but will be held in locations to make them more convenient to those in all areas of the county as indicated below. Forums will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the following dates:

- Wednesday, January 27, at Broadneck High School (Annapolis, Broadneck, and Severna Park clusters)
- Tuesday, February 2, at North County High School (Chesapeake, North County, and Northeast clusters)
- Thursday, February 4, at South River High School (Arundel, South River and Southern clusters)
- Monday, February 8, at Old Mill High School (Glen Burnie, Meade, and Old Mill clusters)

The forums are not public hearings. Those attending will be able to hear a presentation of the thought process behind the development of the plan and gain a better understanding of how the plan will work if funded and implemented. There will also be an opportunity to exchange ideas in small-group discussions.

In his Fiscal Year 2017 budget recommendation to the Board of Education, Dr. Arlotto included \$8.1 million to fund the shift beginning in August 2017. The funding would be combined with the \$602,000 allocated by the County Council this year to enact a plan that would see high schools start at 8:30 a.m., middle schools begin no earlier than 9:30 a.m., and elementary schools open between 7:50 and 9:15 a.m. No school would dismiss later than 4:15 p.m."



Free Zumba Class!

When: Fri, February 5, 6:00pm – 7:30pm

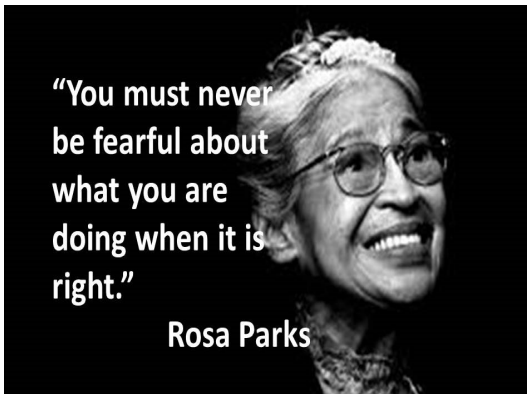
Where: Kelly's Herb House & Wellness Center
(on Veteran's HWY in Millersville 410.729.4321)

www.ZumbaLia.com - free Zumba class every 1st Friday of the month!





Black History Month Events for the Whole Family



Celebrate Black History Month at AACC!

<http://www.aacc.edu/blackhistorymonth/>

Feb. 5. An evening of music, performances and more for the whole family. \$12.45-19.95. 5-8pm. The National Aquarium, Baltimore. aqua.org

Celebrate Black History Month at the B&O

Feb. 8-29. African American exhibit celebrates the contributions of African Americans to the railroad industry. \$12-18. Mon.-Sat., 10am-4pm; Sun. 11am-4pm. B&O Railroad Museum, Baltimore. borail.org

African-American Heritage Tour

Feb. 20. Family-friendly tour explores the history and culture of Maryland's African-American community. Reservations required. \$10-18. 1-3pm. City Dock, Annapolis. 410-268-7600, annapolistours.com

Lead On, Harriet!

Feb. 20. Take a ride to freedom on the Underground Railroad with Harriet Tubman! Ages 9 and up. \$10. 7-9pm. Chesapeake Children's Museum, Annapolis. theccm.org

Get Schooled with Mr. Root

Feb. 27. Hip-hop artist Jamaal 'Mr. Root' Collier presents an interactive, family-friendly concert. Learn to rap, free-style and more. Free. 2pm. Eastport-Annapolis Neck Community Library, Annapolis. 410-222-1770, aacpl.net/location/eastport

Black History Month Exhibition: 'Narrative in Black Identity'

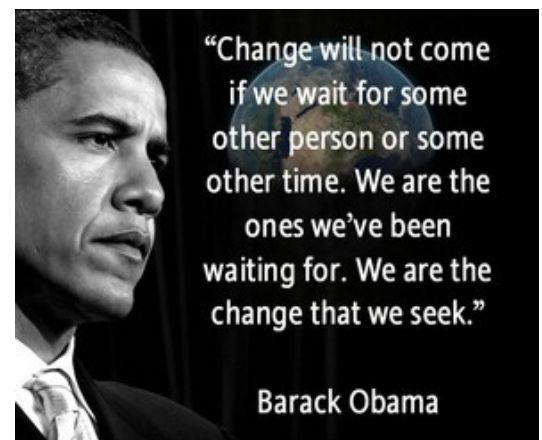
Jan. 9-28. Historic photos, personal journeys and portraits celebrate African American heritage and identity. Free. 10am-5pm. Montpelier Arts Center, Laurel. 301-377-7800, pgparks

AACC Symphony Orchestra Concert

Feb. 19. Black history month concert features a special multi-media presentation. \$5-10. 7:30pm. Anne Arundel Community College, Arnold. aacc.edu/performingarts/events.cfm

Gospel Choir Black History Month Concert

Feb. 21. An upbeat musical ensemble made up of midshipmen from various places, races and creeds. \$19. 4pm. U.S. Naval Academy Chapel, Annapolis. 410-293-8497, usna.edu/Music



2016 Officers and Board Members

President: Barbara Mason

Board Members (term runs until end of year shown)

Vice President: Beverly Parker

2016: **Vacant**

Treasurer: Colleen Flack

2016: Andi Campbell

Secretary: Lisa England

2017: Drew McKay

Membership: Sandy Sacra

2018: Paul Shaffer

share*it!

Do you have a small business that you would like to promote? Have a pool certificate that you would like to pass on to another community member? Celebrating a graduation, promotion, retirement, or wedding?

The Crier is an excellent way to share your news with your neighbors! Send your information to crier@vomca.org. Include your name and your street address in the email.

Receive a discount of \$10.00 off the first hour when you mention this ad.— Applies to normal business hours of 9am-5pm.



Custom Built Systems - Networks - Upgrades
Diagnostics - On-Site Repairs - Residential



A Computer Connection
"The Small Business Expert"

J. Gary Middlebrooks

498 Chalet West - Millersville, MD 21108
Main: 410.729.1383 • Cell: 410.375.7649
Email: garym@acomputerconnection.com

Friends of Olde Mill (FOOM)

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

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 19, 2016 for our 4th Annual Barlowe 5K Bolt. Race starts at 7 am! Our course will be the same as last year! You can sign up on [active.com](http://www.active.com/millersville-md/running/distance-running-races/barlowe-5k-bolt-2016?int=) <http://www.active.com/millersville-md/running/distance-running-races/barlowe-5k-bolt-2016?int=> or complete the mail in registration in this Crier and mail it to FOOM, Inc., P O Box 151, Millersville, MD. 21108.

Keep an eye out in *The Crier*, on our website and facebook page for packet pick up details – I am still firming those details up.

We are once again looking for sponsors for our Barlowe 5K Bolt. We have a number of sponsorship levels available. The most attractive level would be the \$100 level. For a \$100 sponsorship your company would get their ad in our race program that is given to all runners in their race bag, their logo on our t-shirt, advertised on our community facebook page and space for a vendor table if they would be interested in setting up a table the morning of the race. For those who aren't runners – runners wear their t-shirts **all the time!** **Your company logo would be advertised a lot around town!** If you are interested in being a sponsor or know of a company who might be interested – please feel free to contact Andi at 410-903-2136 or cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com and put Barlowe 5K Bolt Sponsorship in the subject line.

We'd like to thank those of you who have made personal donations to our playscape fund! I can't tell you how much that means to our group! If you are still looking to make a tax deductible donation, please 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. 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 with any fundraisers we are doing or have any ideas you'd like to share with us, please contact Andi at cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com.

“Like us” on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill or visit our webpage at www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org for information and events for our community.

—Andi Campbell

WE 
VOLUNTEERS

4TH Annual Barlowe 5k Bolt

5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk

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

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

Saturday, March 19, 2016

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

Packet Pick up details to be determined still!

On-site registration and packet pick up
starts at 6:00 am and race starts at **7:00 am!**

Register on www.active.com or by mail

Early bird registration until February 28, 2016
fee is \$25 for 5K or 1 Mile Fun Run / Walk

Registration fee after March 1st is \$35 for 5K or 1 Mile Fun Run / Walk
(T-shirts aren't guaranteed after Early Bird Registration date of February 28th, 2016)

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



Barlowe 5K Bolt Registration Form (2016)

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Male ____ Female ____ DOB _____ Age on Race Day ____

Adult T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL XXXL XXXXL

Child's T-Shirt Size Child's S Child's M Child's L

Fees: **Early Bird Registration on or before February 28, 2106 (T-shirt guaranteed)**

5K \$25 _____

1 Mile Fun Run/Walk \$25 _____

Registration after March 1, 2016 (T-shirt if available)

5K \$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, 2016 to guarantee a t-shirt. Applications postmarked after this date will receive a t-shirt if any are still available.



Barlowe 5K Bolt 2016 Sponsorship Form

Thank you for deciding to partner with Friends Of Olde Mill (FOOM) and become one of our Barlowe 5K Bolt Sponsors. The Barlowe 5K Bolt will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2016. Proceeds from this race and other fundraisers we are holding in 2016 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 have different levels of sponsorship, depending on what size advertisement you would like in the program and if you'd like to be included on the T-shirt and the prominence of the logo on the T-shirt. Every level includes advertisement for you on our community facebook page, www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill:

- \$10 Neighborhood "Shout Out" spot – 25 word limit – no logo on the T-shirt
- \$35 Quarter page (2.5" x 4") – no logo on the T-shirt
- \$100 Quarter page (2.5" x 4") (includes vendor spot if interested – you provide table)
- \$200 Half page (5" x 4") (includes vendor spot if interested – you provide table)
- \$400 Whole page (5" x 8") (includes vendor spot if interested – you provide table)
- \$500 Whole page inside front cover, or inside back cover (includes vendor spot if interested – you provide table)

Please complete the following and return it to me along with a copy of your logo in black and white and advertisement.

Company name: _____

Address: _____

Contact person: _____

Telephone number: _____

Level of Sponsorship (please check one):

- \$10 ___ no logo on the T-shirt
\$35 ___ no logo on the T-shirt
\$100 ___ ___ vendor space wanted
\$200 ___ ___ vendor space wanted
\$400 ___ ___ vendor space wanted
\$500 ___ ___ vendor space wanted

Other: _____

Neighborhood "Shout Out" – 25 word limit – no logo on the T-shirt

Contact Person: _____

Telephone Number: _____

"Shout Out":

Company logos should be emailed to Andi Campbell, cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com, as a jpeg file. Please make sure the subject line says: Logo for (your company) for 5K. Checks should be made payable to Friends of Olde Mill, Inc. Thank you!

This year we are offering an early bird special! Get your completed form, logo and check to FOOM, Inc, PO Box 151, Millersville, MD 21108 **no later than Monday, February 1st and receive a FREE race shirt in the size of your choosing!**

Early Bird Special Shirt Size: _____

All final forms, logos and checks need to be received no later than Friday, February 12th.

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

Andrea Campbell
cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com
410-903-2136

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www.vomca.org

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Have a question or suggestion for VOMCA?

Contact us at board@vomca.org

Please include your name and your street in the email.

Email article submissions to crier@vomca.org

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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 an Easter Egg Hunt, 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

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.