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# President's Message

Welcome Back to School. I as a parent am excited for this coming school year. Please be mindful of the little ones that may not watch out for you as they get on and off the buses. Please make sure to check the aacps.org web site for any questions on the calendar for the year. I do know that they have changed several of the dates for holidays.

As we wind up the Summer season I would like to thank Beverly Parker and Continental Pools for a great season. We will be looking into some well needed renovations for the pool over the closed months and will notify the community of these as the Board makes those decisions. Thank you to all the new and current pool members. We look forward to seeing you all next year.

As the budget is planned we will be looking into areas where we have a surplus to be able to make the adjustments for repairs, bills and other areas we need to improve in the community.

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Elections will be held in October. Please consider being a candidate for office in your Community Association. We are looking for community members to become involved so that the OLDE MILL SWIM CLUB and VOMCA continue to operate and communicate with the County for services.

If you have not joined the association, there is an application on the last page of this newsletter. Just \$20 per year, and you have a vote in the affairs of the community. You can pay using Paypal or send a check for \$20 to VOMCA, Box 366, Millersville, Md. 21108. vomca@vomca.org You must be a member to vote or run as a candidate, by September 1, for any office or Board member seat. 2 Board positions need to be filled and we need candidates for all other positions, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership. Contact board@vomca.org.

Barbara Mason, President of VOMCA board@vomca.org

# COMMUNITY NEWS \*\*\*\*





**VOMCA Elections** 



**October 5** 

September 7
7:00pm at the Pool

October 5
November 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.



PLEASE BE ADVISED WE HAVE HAD SOME CARS THAT HAVE HAD GAS SYPHENED OUT OF THEIR TANKS DURING THE LAST TWO WEEKS. PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON YOURS AND YOUR NEIGHBORS CARS.



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.

### August 3, 2016 Minutes:

We had 14 Members present and 2 guests. It was largest attendance yet.

• We received from Matt Helfrich an estimate for repairs that are needed in the Pool. Continental recommends a Cover for Pool for the winter after repairs are made. We are in need of repairing the Tile Lines and plaster that must be done together. The plaster work has a 1 year warranty, and if we stay with Continental Pools, they will cover it for 2 years.

• One of our community members has started a Go Fund me Page that can be found on the Face book page for Olde Mill Swim Club.

- Debbie discussed swim lessons. We were told that the first two had been canceled and the 3rd and 4th would go on a s planned. We will need to reevaluate the Swim lessons for the next season to make sure the expense does not outweigh the income.
- The Cub Scouts will hold the Rain Gutter Regatta at the Pool and guest fees will be discounted to \$3 a person. This event will be held August 20th during the regular Pool Hours. This is an event that has been held at the pool for several years and is great fun.
- Foom: has an upcoming event this September 10th is Fall Flea Market, September 17&18th and October 1&2nd are Volunteer Days for the Playground Build.
- We had a new visitor at the pool. Her name is Brittany Stammer with Insanity Live. She is interested in holding Insanity Live classes on weekends at the Basketball Courts. We will see if it can be accommodated.
- Elections are October and we need candidates for All positions. You must be a member to Run.
- The community has several group homes in Old Mill and we discussed some situations that have come up with them.
- Swim Team had a great season and they increased from 52 members to 68 members this year. Increase may be due to the movement of the times from the morning practice to evening.

**Board Minutes** 

# County Executive Steve Schuh Announces Expansion of the Mosquito Control Program through Innovative Public Health Partnership

More Community Mosquito Spraying and Larviciding Available Through Partnership with Maryland Department of Agriculture

Annapolis, MD (August 23, 2016) – In an effort to help protect Anne Arundel County residents from Zika, West Nile virus and other mosquito-borne diseases, County Executive Steve Schuh today announced an agreement with the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) that will allow the county to increase the number of communities in the mosquito spraying program and provide more resources for property larviciding and standing water inspections.

No Zika transmission has been identified in Maryland at this time; however, Zika virus has been detected in Maryland residents who traveled to locations where there is ongoing Zika transmission.

"As Zika disease becomes more widespread through national and international travel, Anne Arundel County has been innovative in finding more resources to support our community-based mosquito control efforts," said Schuh.

The County's agreement with the Department of Agriculture will allow MDA to use five County-owned trucks — three as fogger spray trucks and two for larviciding — to enhance mosquito control operations in the county.

"This initiative will allow the county to decrease the number of communities on the mosquito spray wait list," said Schuh. "It will also increase the workforce needed to efficiently conduct more larviciding, which is the most effective way to prevent mosquito eggs from developing into adult mosquitoes."

"The most important thing a homeowner can do to prevent the spread of Zika virus is to reduce the number of mosquitoes in an area by eliminating outdoor containers and other potential breeding sites on a property," said County Health Officer Dr. Jinlene Chan. "When outdoors, protect yourself by wearing long pants and long-sleeved clothing, and use an EPA-registered insect repellent."

Since April 2016, the Anne Arundel County Department of Health and MDA have joined together to promote awareness and prevention of Zika disease, which can be passed from a pregnant woman to her fetus and cause serious birth defects. The agencies partnered to present a town hall Zika awareness meeting this spring and provided informational materials about Zika disease and mosquito control that were distributed to residents countywide, including at doctors' offices, community fairs and public libraries. Teams have also gone door-to-door in neighborhoods with heavy mosquito populations to educate residents about mosquito control measures.

For information about Zika disease and its prevention, visit aahealth.org/zika.

For more information about community mosquito control, including spraying, call MDA at <u>410-841-5870</u>. For complaints about standing water in residential swimming pools and ponds, call the Department of Health at <u>410-222-7192</u>.

# Friends of Olde Mill (FOOM)

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

**Just a reminder:** In an effort to help streamline the registration process we are taking all registrations online through paypal and once your registration is received you will receive an email back from a FOOM member letting you know that you are registered, what your assigned spot number(s) will be for this year's flea market and time/parking information.

Please plan on arriving prior to 6:30 am this year if you want to be able to park in the grass across from your vendor spot. At 6:30 am the entrance to the parking lot will be blocked off for vehicles and anyone arriving after 6:30 am will be asked to park on the street for the safety of our pedestrians. As with all our previous flea markets we are asking that you be watchful as you drive in the parking lot area for any pedestrians at any time.

As a reminder this year's Fall Flea Market is scheduled for Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and for your convenience you can click here to register for it - <a href="http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/fall-flea-market-yard-sale">http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/fall-flea-market-yard-sale</a> by Thursday, September 8th. Remember our flea markets are always a huge success so please reserve your spot today to ensure you have it!

As always we are accepting donations for FOOM to sell. Please contact us at <a href="http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/contact-us">http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/contact-us</a> to coordinate pick up / drop off of donation items. If you register through paypal and DO NOT see an email back to you confirming everything please feel free to contact me, Andi, at 410-903-2136 or at cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Want to see a pergola and sand box over at the playscape in the next month?! So would we! PLEASE mark your calendars for our next community build day weekend which is scheduled for September 17 – 18 from 8 am – 3 pm (or whatever time you can donate to us!). . . we'd love to get this knocked out plus a couple other smaller projects we'd like to do that weekend. If you can come on out to help or want more information please contact Andi at <a href="http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/contact-us">http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/contact-us</a>. Thanks!



### **HELP WANTED**

FOOM has been working hard on trying to keep the playscape and Barlowe Field area looking nice. If you have teenagers who need community service hours for school or scouts please feel free to contact us and we can put them to good use pulling weeds or general clean up of the area. Click here to contact us if you or your teenager can help <a href="http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/contact-us">http://www.friendsofoldemill.org/contact-us</a>. We'd really appreciate any extra hands!

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 <a href="mailto:cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com">cautionkidsatplay@gmail.com</a>.

"Like us" on Facebook at <a href="www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill">www.facebook.com/TheVillageofOldeMill</a> or visit our webpage at <a href="www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org">www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org</a> for information and events for our community.



—Andi Campbell

# Looking For A **FUN** Place to Send Your Child on Fridays?

#### Consider

## Caution! Kids At Play Child Care

I am currently interviewing for "Fun Fridays with Friends!"

During "Fun Fridays with Friends" your child will enjoy talking with friends over breakfast; free choice time; enjoy a weekly theme from my MSDE approved curriculum that will be based around a book, activity and game during preschool time; outside play; lunch; rest time; snack and then more fun with friends before leaving for the day!

Your child will be encouraged to develop and grow through play, developmentally appropriate activities, fun and games with their friends.

Contact me today at 410-903-2136 to set up an interview.

\*\*\*\*Limited Spaces Available\*\*\*\*

I look forward to talking with you about your needs for your child.



## 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 <a href="https://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org">www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org</a> 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!

# Olde Mill Flea Market & Community Yard Sale Day



Where: Pool Parking Lot, 490 Chalet Dr. Millersville, MD

When: September 10, 2016 (Rain date - Sept 11), 8am - 12pm

7:30am EARLYBIRDS OK

<u>Sellers</u>: reserve a space for only \$10.00 – go to

www.friendsofoldemill.org and contact us to secure your space!

This event is sponsored by Friends of Olde Mill (FOOM) to raise money for the installment of a natural playscape and improvement of Barlowe Field.

Please consider household items you can donate to FOOM to sell at the event.

#### Donations we are looking for:

Books CDs DVDs

Video Games Kitchen Items

Garage Items House Décor Items

Outdoor and Garden Items (Please no clothes or shoes)

A 501(c)(3) organization Always looking for new members!

www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org



# COMMUNITY BUILD DAY!

<u>WHAT?</u> Our community will work on our Music and Sensory Phase at our Playscape

<u>When?</u> 1 Weekend in September – September 17 – 18 and 1 Weekend in October – October 1 – 2, 2016 from 8 am – 3 pm

Where? Our Playscape, 490 Chalet Dr, Millersville, MD. 21108

We need **YOU!** This is a grassroots effort! Come out for as much or as little time as you can commit to. No experience necessary! We'll provide on the job training. Bring your friends! The more the merrier!

For more details or to contact us please visit our website at <a href="https://www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org">www.FriendsOfOldeMill.org</a>



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#### Village of Olde Mill Community Association

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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 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**

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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.