## Olde Mill Village Crier

Volume 10 Number 65 Nov. 7, 2018 Mtg. is 1st Wed. Of Each Month Board@vomca.org —Email Address: 600 Patriot Ln. Millersville, Md. 21108 Meeting : Old Mill H. S.

Date: Nov. 7, 2018



The Olde Mill Community will vote on Wednesday, November 7
To elect or re-elect 3 Board Members to serve thru Year 2021:

Year 2019 Paul Shaffer (filled)

Year 2020 Vacant (Need Candidate)

Year 2021 Sarah Hakulin (Candidate)

Year 2021 Vacant (Need Candidate)

Safety tips for Trick or Treating Inside..Have Fun From 5-9PM



Thanks to everyone who came to the October 3 community Meeting. Thanks to our old and new officers for volunteering to serve their community.

I hope we will see you all again in November.

### FOOM QUARTER AUCTION

November 17, 2018

American Legion
8068 Quarterfield Rd. Severn
Doors open @6pm, Bidding @7pm







# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

### Rules for Safe Trick or Treating Wednesday, October 31, 2018 5 PM to 8PM

The Anne Arundel County Police Department reminds you of the following safety tips:

Stay in groups while trick-or-treating. Make sure that an adult or a responsible person will be supervising young children.

Teach your children to stop only at homes or apartment buildings that are well lit and to never enter a stranger's home.

If you are not going with your child, know the neighborhood and route they are taking.

Insist that treats be brought home for inspection before anything is eaten. Eat dinner before trick-ortreating to prevent the urge to eat treats.

Always walk. Do not run from house to house. Do not cross yards and lawns where unseen objects or the uneven terrain can present tripping hazards.

Walk on sidewalks and not in the street. If a sidewalk is unavailable, walk on the left side of the street facing traffic.

Carry flashlights to help children see better and be seen more clearly.

Knives, swords and other accessories should be made from cardboard or flexible materials. Do not allow children to carry sharp objects.

If masks are worn, they should have nose and mouth openings and large eyeholes. Consider using face paint instead of a mask.

Costumes should not be so long that they are a tripping hazard. (Falls are the leading cause of unintentional injuries on Halloween.)

If children are allowed out after dark, outfits should be made with light-colored materials. Strips of reflective tape or **glow sticks** should be used to make children visible.

Review all appropriate trick-or-treat safety precautions, including pedestrian/traffic safety rules prior to your trick-or-treat adventure.

Drivers need to be alert at all times and be aware of children crossing the street.

Homeowners should keep their homes lit, secure all animals and give out only candy that is wrapped.



For All Your Time and Service
To The Village of Olde Mill
Beverly Parker
Barbara Mason
Marc Mason
Lisa England

Each of you have served in many capacities

Thru the years whether at the pool or in the association.

Thank You!

Message From President Elect Chris Szverra From The President Elect

Hi everybody. I just wanted to take a minute to say a few thanks.

First, I'd like to thank Bev Parker and Barb Mason who have worked hard and devoted their time and talents to our community for the last several years. Your service was greatly appreciated.

Next, I'd like to thank all those people who voted for me. It was pleased to see such a great turn out for the elections. I am extremely happy to be able to work for Olde Mill and I thank you for giving me the chance. I am very positive about the coming year. I have some great ideas that I hope all of you will be as excited about as I am.

This coming year will see a lot of changes. We, as an organization, are going to put a lot of effort into bringing new members into VOMCA. We are going to expand what VOMCA does with and for the community. We are going to be sponsoring many new activities in 2019 to include the VOMCA Egg Hunt, the VOMCA Family Fun Day, the VOMCA fall fest and the VOMCA Tree lighting at Barlowe Field.

We are also going to work very closely with our sister organization Friends of Olde Mill or FOOM as it is known. They are working hard, raising funds to improve and maintain our playground for the children of Olde Mill and we are going to support their efforts. All of the fund raisers that they do goes back into our playground. So VOMCA is going to attend and promote all of their upcoming activities.

And of course, it is time to address the Olde Mill Swim Club and the much needed repairs it needs as well as an increase in new members and maintaining our current membership.

I am optimistic that we can make Olde Mill the best Community in AACO. And with your help, I know we can do it!! So plan on attending meetings. They are posted in the Crier and on Nextdoor. We also post a sign a day or two before the meeting. We need people so come out and join, vote, suggest and work. Hope to see you there.

Next Month is Christmas

Be Sure to Check the Crier For
Santa's Yearly Visit Schedule

Chris Szverra

# BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, November 7, 2019 7PM AT OLD MILL HIGH SCHOOL—-ROOM A272



FOOM will sponsor its annual Quarter Auction on Saturday, November 17, at the American Legion Hall in Severn. Mark your calendars...Auction preview at 6p.m., Bidding starts at 7. See Flyer.

#### **MINUTES**

The VOMCA meeting held October 3 was called to order by President Bev Parker at 7pm. The main order of business was the elections for next year's officers. There were 24 members in attendance. Ballots were passed out to members who were voting for either Marc Mason or Chris Szverra. Nancy Strake counted the results: 8votes for Marc and 18 votes for Chris. Remaining offices were decided by acclamation as there were no Challengers. Below are the results of the elections. Board members are decided Nov. 7.

### **Election Results:**

President - Chris Szverra
Vice President- Randal Stites
Treasurer- Chris Hilton
Secretary- Theresa Szverra
Membership- Sandy Sacra

New business included a leaning telephone pole on Barlowe Field, bathroom plumbing issues and tree in common area needing removal off Chalet Dr. Issues were tabled and the meeting was dismissed at 8:10p.m. Respectfully submitted by Lisa England Secretary, Edited by Sarah Hakulin, Editor.

ovember 17,2 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

### MAKE A BI

Prepay \$5 for 2 paddles at www.Friends0f0ldeMill.org

Or \$7 at the door

BRING YOUR QUARTERS!

(Rolls of quarters will also be available)

Also available for purchase food and 50/50 Raffle Tickets! More information visit WWW.friendsofoldemill.org

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



Friends Of Olde Mill
Have donated Olde Mill's First Christmas Tree at Barlow Field
Tree Lighting Event, Saturday, December 8th at 6p.m.

### Insight Into This Summer's Grass Problems

The summer of 2018 isn't going away quietly for many in Maryland and 2018 will be remembered for a steady dose of torrential rain, along

With drought conditions in July, that has made turf grass management

Extremely difficult.

These rains have produced saturated soils during an already difficult time of year for cool-season turf grass. High humidity and extended periods of leaf wetness have provided ideal conditions for diseases as well. Desirable turf grass is thinning out and giving the competitive advantage to certain weeds. If you have weed problems right now, you are not alone! Amongst annual weeds, crabgrass, goose grass and stilt grass seem to be especially prevalent this year. Plants that escaped pre-emergence applications matured very rapidly through warm and wet conditions in late July through mid-August and made post-emergence control difficult.

You most likely have noticed that cool-season grasses have recently entered a period of stagnation or inactivity and, in some cases, are spent. This will leave brown spots that appear dead or burnt in your lawn. The hot summer days have steadily increased soil temperatures to the point that the soil is now warmer than air temperature for much of the daylight hours and all of the night. During the summer, soil temperature at 3-inches have oscillated between 76 and 90oF and at 2-inches 78 and 92oF. These soil temperatures are well above the optimum temperatures for root growth and clearly explain why cool-season grasses are lethargic at this time.

<u>What to do now?</u> Be patient and do not "push" the grass. This is not the time of year to stress out turf, the grass has very little resiliency and will not tolerate much abuse or recover quickly. Root systems of coolseason grasses are weakest and shallowest at this time of year.

Aeration and Over-seeding will help to promote new growth in areas of your lawn that may not recover from the summer. Apply post-emergent weed control when needed and more importantly, use fertilization and proper cultural practices to aid in recovery of the cool season grasses.



Information from Tru-Green Lawn Service

# FOOM. PLENDS OF OLDE MILL

# Quarter Auction

Saturday 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

## **Tree Lighting**

Join Friends of Olde Mill for a festive gathering at Barlowe Field to help kick off the Holiday season. Complimentary cider and hot cocoa will be served.

# **Barlowe Bolt**

This 7 am 5K race (also including a ONE mile fun run/walk) helps raise funds for the Playscape at Barlowe Field.

490 Chalet Dr., Millersville, MD 21108

www.friendsofoldemill.org

#### MESSAGE FROM NEW PRESIDENT OF FOOM

Hello everyone! For those of you who have not yet met me I am Randal Stites, currently the President of FOOM and a VOMCA board member. This is a test email for me to see if the list I have help FOOM and VOMCA share the information about what we have going on in the neighborhood, we also frequently will post on what is happening in the Olde Mill area at nextdoor.com, if you are not already signed up at the site please take a look at it as a lot of information is shared there about 700 of your neighbors are already talking, not only about Olde Mill proper but the surrounding communities as well.

I wanted to share with you all what we have planned this fall and invite you to participate, or if you really want to have fun volunteer with us!

FOOM is currently assembling some new picnic tables for Barlow Field and hope to have then installed in a couple of weeks, help is always welcome.

FOOM will be installing a test light fixture on one of the volleyball poles to supply some modest lighting to the park area for increased safety.

FOOM relies on contributions to make improvements and repairs to the park at Barlow Field, our two big fund raisers of the year are our Barlow Bolt! 5k run in March, and our Quarter Auction on November 17th. (See flyer in this issue)

FOOM has purchased a tree which was just planted and that we are going to use as our centerpiece this year and hopefully many more as we do a fun Tree Lighting event on Saturday, December 8th at Barlow Field at 6pm. Join us for hot chocolate, cider, music, hanging a few ornaments and generally spending some time with our families and community. (See Picture/flyer)

We hope to be able to keep you informed through emails such as this and make it as easy as possible for you to be involved or at least share with us your thoughts and point of view.

Please feel free to reach me if you have questions or comments at any time at rstites@polingerco.com.

Randal R. Stites rstites@polingerco.com (Cell) 202-441-1232 (preferred) Save the Date! We need you! Our goal is to thank the Board of Ed for including the first stages of funding for Old Mill Schools in the current fiscal budget. But we also want to take this opportunity to show our support publicly so that the County Executive and County Council take notice.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**JANUARY 8, 2019** 

6:00 PM

OLD MILL HIGH SCHOOL

BOARD OF ED PUBLIC HEARING

We need you to stand up in support of funding for our schools!

**FUND OLD MILL SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION** 

### County Real Property Tax Credit for Retired Veterans

On October 4, 2018, Bill 76-18 was signed, establishing a 15% County property tax credit for retired veterans in Anne Arundel County. For this tax credit, per State Statute (Tax-Property Article § 9-258 (a)(3)(ii)), a retired veteran is defined as an individual who is at least 65 years old and is a retired member of the uniformed services of the United States as defined in 10 U.S.C. § 101, the military reserves, or the National Guard.

The tax credit application and additional information about Anne Arundel County's newest tax credit for retired veterans will be available on the Office of Finance page of the County's website after it becomes effective on November 18, 2018. An application for the tax credit shall be filed on or before April 1, immediately before the taxable year for which the tax credit is sought. The link to a copy of Bill 76-18 which established the tax credit can be found here.

For more information on how to apply, please contact the Office of Finance by calling (410) 222-1144 or by CLICKING HERE.

Pat Daly

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### **Last Chance Service**

Before the Warm Weathers is Gone!

Includes: up to 5 quarts of Castrol High Mileage Oil,
Premium Oil Filter, Tire Rotation, Top Off Fluids (up to a
quart of fluid), 58 Point Courtesy Check performed by
service professionals. Treat Weather strips around Doors to
help prevent dry rot and minimize WIND NOISE. Lube Door
Hinges and Latches.

Most Cars Synthetic \$22.00 Extra



Expires 11/01/2018, Not Valid with any other offers. Must have coupon at time of Service

\$50.00

Any Pair of Struts Installed

\$25.00

Any Pair of Shocks Installed

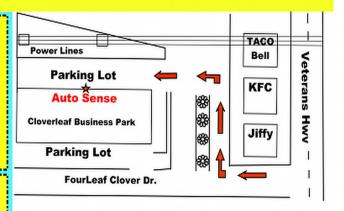
\$79.95 Alignments (2 wheel) on most Cars Performed on Hunter Technology with installation of Struts or Shocks.

Expires 11/01/2018, Not valid with any other offers Must have Coupon at time of service. Back to School

Sales Tax 6% Savings 6%

For those Big Jobs over \$500.00 we'll add another 4% on Parts and Labor. Perfect for those repairs you've been putting OFF.

Expires 11/01/2018, Not valid with any other offers Must have Coupon at time of service.



Not Valid until September 15, 2018

# ATTENTION STUDENTS!!

Please Note: Student's needing community hours for school credit, contact board@vomca.org VOMCA and FOOM can sign for hours donated to improve our community.

Also, if anyone has any news, announcements, or classified advertising please contact Oldemill72@aol.com All of the above are free in the Crier!

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Business You would Like
To Advertise,
Please contact The Crier
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\$15 1/4 Page
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### Airplane Noise

Contact: Community Relations Dept.

Office of Environmental Services

Noise Program

Box 8766

BWI Airport, Md. 21240-0766
Phone 410-859-7925
Website

http://www.maacommunityrelations.co m/content/communityprograms/transp ortgrants.php

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We welcome your ideas and Concerns. Come to the next Meeting and help make Your community better.

VOMCA Volunteer
To become a Member of the Board
Run for Office on Nov. 7. Contact:
Board@vomca.org

Useful Phone Numbers
Police, Fire, Ambulance: 911

Street Light Outages: 1-800-685-0123 BGE

Animal Control: 410-222-7582

Trash Pick Up: 410-222-6100 Complaints

Northern Roads: 410-222-6120 Roads, etc.

Eastern District Police: 410-222-6145

Non-emergency questions: 410-222-8610

Water & Wastewater Emergency

410-222-8400

County 311....For Information

Please use application in this newsletter to renew your 2019 VOMCA membership.

We need your support. Sign up for the Crier is also on your application.

Send your dues (\$20) to: VOMCA Membership, 490 Chalet Dr., Millersville, Md. 21108



VOMCA
Meeting will start at
7PM at
Old Mill High School
Room A272
November 7, 2018
See you there!

Send or mail articles, announcements, and events to crier@vomca.org

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

Village of Olde Mill Community Association

490 Chalet Dr. Millersville, MD.

We're on the Web and FB www.vomca.org www.facebook.com/

<u>VillageofOldeMill</u>

Have a question or suggestion for VOMCA?

Contact us at board@vomca.org

Please include name, phone, and

your street address in the email.

Email article submissions to crier@vomca.org

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Crier Editor: Sarah Hakulin

### Pay 2019 VOMCA Membership Dues Today!

#### **2019 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, 490 Chalet Dr.**, **Millersville, MD 21108.** You can also pay using PayPal by going to <a href="www.VOMCA.org">www.VOMCA.org</a>

The membership	fee for your hous	ehold's annual <mark>due</mark>	es 1s \$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 emailed to you.

### **Current Officers and Board Members are:**

President: Beverly Parker Vice President: Barbara Mason Membership: Sandy Sacra Treasurer: Chris Szverra Secretary: Lisa England

#### **Board Members:**

2018 Sarah Hakulin Vacant 2019 Paul Shafer 2020 Randal Stites

