

Olde Mill Village Crier



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Number 75
Mtg. is 1st
Wed. of Month**

**Contact: Board@vomca.org
Meeting: Olde Mill High
600 Patriot Lane
Millersville, MD. Wed.,
OCT. 2 @ 7PM
Auditorium**

VOMCA MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2019

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

AND GUESTS

ALLISON PICKARD

COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER &

NESTOR FLORES

DIRECTOR of TRAFFIC ENGINEERING FOR AACO

Meeting in Old Mill High School

Auditorium @ 7PM

Saturday, October 26

FIRST FALL FEST

BARLOWE FIELD 1PM to 4PM

See flyer inside for details



President's Message

Welcome to Fall, Olde Mill. We've had quite a September and I'm anticipating that October is going to be just as great.

For anyone who hasn't had a chance to drive by Barlowe Field and see what your neighbors have done, please take a minute to go and have a look. The flower boxes have been cleaned out and beautiful new Mums have been planted. The pile of dirt is getting smaller and smaller as the drainage ditch and ultimately our new walking path near completion. I want to thank our faithful and hard working Vice President Randal Stites for all he has done for Barlowe Field and the Community of Olde Mill. He is an amazing man. And thank you to Mary Stites for being patient and working along side of him. We had a crew of 20 volunteers, including 5 of the cutest and most hard working kids you'd ever want to meet and we would like to thank them for helping beautify their community.

We still have a lot more to do. There is a picnic table to be fixed, one to be replaced and a brand new one to install. Plus the balance beam and the rest of the snack shack work to be done. So if you missed this work day, don't worry. There will be another one very soon.

The pool repairs are in full swing. If you haven't had a chance to stop by and take a look you should do so. It's amazing. The beam work is done and they are laying the coping stones. Then it will be the new tiles. I am so excited. I can hardly wait for the next stage. And you can help by supporting all of our fund raisers to benefit the OMSC improvements. (See pictures)

We are in full swing for Fall Fest which will be held on October 26th at Barlowe Field from 1-4. The 4H will be there with animals, and there will be hay rides, food, face painting, games, pumpkin painting, baked goods, scarecrow making and much, much more. The event is free so come on out and welcome fall the fun way!

Councilwoman Allison Pickard will be at our October meeting which will be held on the 2nd in the Auditorium at Old Mill High School at 7pm She will be accompanied by Nestor Flores, the Director of Traffic Engineering for AACO. Please come out and talk to them about your community concerns. Also, if you are a current member, stay for the end of the meeting so you can vote for this years officers. I am running again, as is Randal Stites, and Chris Hilton, Treasurer. Lisa England is running for the office of Membership and the office of Secretary is still vacant. Please consider running and giving your community your talents and ideas. Also, it is not too late to join the community association for 2019 and not too early to join for next year if you are already a member for this year.

Lots more planned for the rest of 2019. The tree lighting and FOOM's Quarter Auction are just a few of the upcoming events. Keep your eye on the Crier for further details.

Have a Happy & Safe Halloween!

Chris Szverra, President



SPECIAL GUEST AT OUR OCTOBER MEETING!!

It gives me great pleasure to announce that Councilwoman Allison Pickard will be at our October meeting. This is a great opportunity to come out and meet her and ask her any questions you might have.

And it is Election of Officers. So if you are a member of Olde Mill you can come out and vote and/or run for an office (please see additional information in the Crier) and get to meet our Councilwoman.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [443-852-2098](tel:443-852-2098) or mdwhere4u@aol.com

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - OCTOBER MEETING!!

Hey everybody, it's that time again. We will be having election of officers at our October meeting. Because we are having a special guest, Councilwoman Allison Pickard, we will be voting first thing so try not to be late. If you are planning on running for office you must have your dues paid by September 1st. If you mail it, the postmark must be September 1st. If you are interested in being on the ballot please contact the Board and let them know. board@vomca.org

I will be running for a second term as President. I have really enjoyed working in the community and I feel that I have accomplished a lot in a short period of time. I have plans to continue to try and improve the community and the OMSC.

Randal Stites will be running for Vice President. Anyone who knows Randal knows how committed he is to Olde Mill and how hard working he is.

The position of Secretary is open. If you are interested you must be at all meetings to take minutes and record votes.

Chris Hilton is running for a second term as Treasurer. He has done a great job keeping track of our finances and reporting to the community what goes on with our expenditures. Also, he has been working tirelessly along with most all of the committee on improvements and activities.

Unfortunately, our long time Membership Chairperson, Sandy Sacra has moved out of the Olde Mill area and is no longer eligible to hold this office. So we are looking for someone to run as the Membership Chairperson. This position requires you to maintain our database and to record and report on our membership as people join. Also, mailing our new membership cards out to our members.

Board positions will be voted on at the November meeting. Need 2 volunteers.

Any questions can be directed to the board@vomca.org or you can contact me at

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Minutes from the VOMCA Meeting, Sept. 4, 2019:

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by Chris Szverra. There were 10 VOMCA members present. The VOMCA treasurer reported a total of \$2840.70 in checking and \$1589.92 in the savings. The OMSC treasurer reported \$41437.23 in checking and \$36234.70 in savings. There was no Swim Club membership report as the season is over for this year. The membership report is a total of 64 households. The minutes were accepted as printed in the Crier with no corrections.

Under Old Business, we discussed the upcoming Community Improvement Day which is Sept 28th. Randal Stites reported on the areas we are going to work on and the kind of help he will need in order to accomplish this. Lianne said that she would make sure it was posted on our Facebook page and Chris S said she would make sure it was on Nextdoor.

VOMCA's Fall Fest will be held on October 26 at Barlowe Field from 1-4. The biggest thing that is needed are workers and people to bake for the bake sale.

FOOM's Quarter Auction will be held on November 16 at American Legion Post 276 on Quarterfield Rd. Doors open at 6pm. We need to get the word out to everyone to come out and support this event. It's a ton of fun. We can also use donations of baskets or items for baskets and workers to help with set up and to man the tables and kitchen.

Under New Business we discussed the OMSC. We are starting the much anticipated improvements. American Pool will be working for the next several weeks to complete the coping stones, beam repairs and replace the tiles. We discussed the cost and fund raising ideas. Also, we talked about the Pool Committee.

There was a discussion about presenting a positive impression on social media. Since we are all on Facebook and Nextdoor and many other outlets, it is important that we represent VOMCA positively on matters that pertain to our community and issues that are sensitive to many people.

Once again, we discussed fund raising. Chris S. asked for suggestions for ways to make money to support our various community activities, such as Easter and Christmas. And we need ways to make larger amounts of money to continue our improvement to the OMSC. Any suggestions are appreciated.

Lianne presented several new VOMCA logo ideas. They were all very good, and there were several logos that were favorites. We need to discuss them more thoroughly when we have more members in attendance.

We discussed our upcoming October meeting. It will be our election of officers but we are also having two special guests. Councilwoman Allison Pickard and the Director of Traffic Engineering, Nestor Flores will be in attendance. Sarah is going to try and get us a bigger meeting space. The Councilwoman would like to keep it informal but we have no idea how many people will be there. We want to keep the meeting on track. We will forgo our usual format and save the elections until the end. Chris S will have ballots available and ready to go. She will also have the current membership list. We will recruit someone who is not a VOMCA member to count the ballots. There will be two treasurer reports but no business conducted.

There was no further new business. The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Chris Szverra, President, for Reese Szverra, Secretary



Bake table!

Yonkers's
1st Annual

FALL FEST!



FOOD!

Face painting!



Scarecrows!

PUMPKINS
Paint!



Provided by local farm

Raffle!



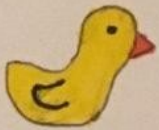
APPLES



for sale!

games

Petting zoo provided



With Prizes!



by 4H!

chickens!

sheep!
goats!



Music!

FREE ENTRY!

Saturday,
October 26th
1-4 PM

FOOM: Garden Coordinator Sought

We are looking for a coordinator to help us establish a gardening club, we have several gardens at the park that we need to maintain and even improve, and we want to add some new creative gardens as well. We are hoping that a coordinator could help us to bring together everyone who enjoys digging in the dirt, being creative, and taking pride in what they are able to create. As part of this we would like to be able to offer gardening lectures at the park a few times a year that include an expert and a little hands on project. Two new gardens are currently in discussion, one on Old Mill Road where the slope has shifted, the Anne Arundel County Inspector gave us a great idea to address that issue and enhance the look of our park for those using Old Mill Road, the second is at the entrance to the parking lot, what we call the memorial garden needs a new vision and we create something that reflects the pride we take in our park and community. We have a modest budget but lots of mature plants to redistribute and many people have expressed interest in both participating and donating additional plants from their gardens or from local nursery's.

Show your pride in our community organizations, we have both FOOM and VOMCA T-shirts available at a modest cost.

Please contact me at rstites@polingerco.com or at 202-441-1232 (if I do not answer PLEASE leave a detailed message)





Calendar*

OCTOBER

Wed. 10/2 VOMCA meeting @ OMHS Auditorium @7PM

Elections of Officers and guest County Councilwoman Allison Picard

Thurs. 10/17 FOOM meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

Sat. 10/19 VOMCA's Fall Fest @ Barlowe Field 10 am – 3 pm

Thurs. 10/31 Halloween Trick or Treat 6pm



NOVEMBER

Wed 11/6 VOMCA meeting @ OMHS 7 pm Room A272

Elections for the VOMCA Board

Sat 11/16 FOOM Quarter Auction Fundraiser – American Legion Post 276 - 6 pm

Thurs 11/21 FOOM meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

DECEMBER

Wed 12/4 VOMCA meeting @ OMHS 7 pm Room A272

Sat 12/7 VOMCA's Tree Lighting @ Barlowe Field 5 pm

Thurs 12/19 FOOM meeting @ Ledo's Pizza 6 pm

Sat 12/21 Santa's Fire Truck Visits – 2 pm

***All dates subject to change due to weather or circumstances.**



Quarter Auction

Saturday, November 16th, 2019

Doors open at 6:00p; Auction begins at 7:00p

Howard L. Turner Post 276 of the American Legion
8068 Quarterfield Road
Severn, MD 21144

\$5.00 (in advance) / \$7.00 (at the door)
(Cost includes admission and TWO (2) paddles)

To Benefit Friends of Olde Mill

Lots of Local Vendors will be Participating!

Lucky Ball, 50/50, Bake Sale
Food and Refreshments available for purchase.
Alcohol will be available for purchase as well.

To purchase tickets, call – Chris at 443-852-2098;
Questions contact Teri Cunningham at 410-794-6278

How does a Quarter Auction work?

- *Upon Arrival let door person know who invited you
- * Vendors donate items for bidding
- * You purchase numbered Paddles at the door to bid with
- * Based on the value of each item you bid with 1-4 Quarters
- * As long as you are a bidder when your number is pulled you win





Randal Stites, President of Friends of Olde Mill (FOOM)

On Sept. 28th, getting ready to start Work on Barlowe Field Improvement Day, Planting mums and moving dirt From the pile on the basketball court was only the beginning....

Thank you to the 20 volunteers and 5 cute, hard working kids who came out to show their support, Concern and pride in the

The Village of Olde Mill.

See more pictures!







“OH Christmas Tree”



Our “first” Christmas tree planted last year, succumbed to the heat and lack of rain this summer. It was under warranty and Homestead Gardens replaced it Sept. 26, 2019.



The Friends of Olde Mill (FOOM) recently obtained a large volume of topsoil that many of you may have seen covered by a blue tarp on the Barlowe Field basketball court. This dirt is already being used for projects at the park including the top covering of the new drainage areas, gardens, and ball field dugouts. This dirt was donated by the site development team at Wades Grant and our only cost (privately donated) was having it moved from the new community to our park.

**I would like to thank all of those hearty individuals that have donated
some shovel time to its use.Randal Stites, President FOOM**





New drains created between pool and basketball court needing fill dirt to make area a useable part of the field. More fill dirt will be moved to the field during our community clean up day.

The Olde Mill pool is receiving some needed renovation and much needed Repair work. More pictures to follow.



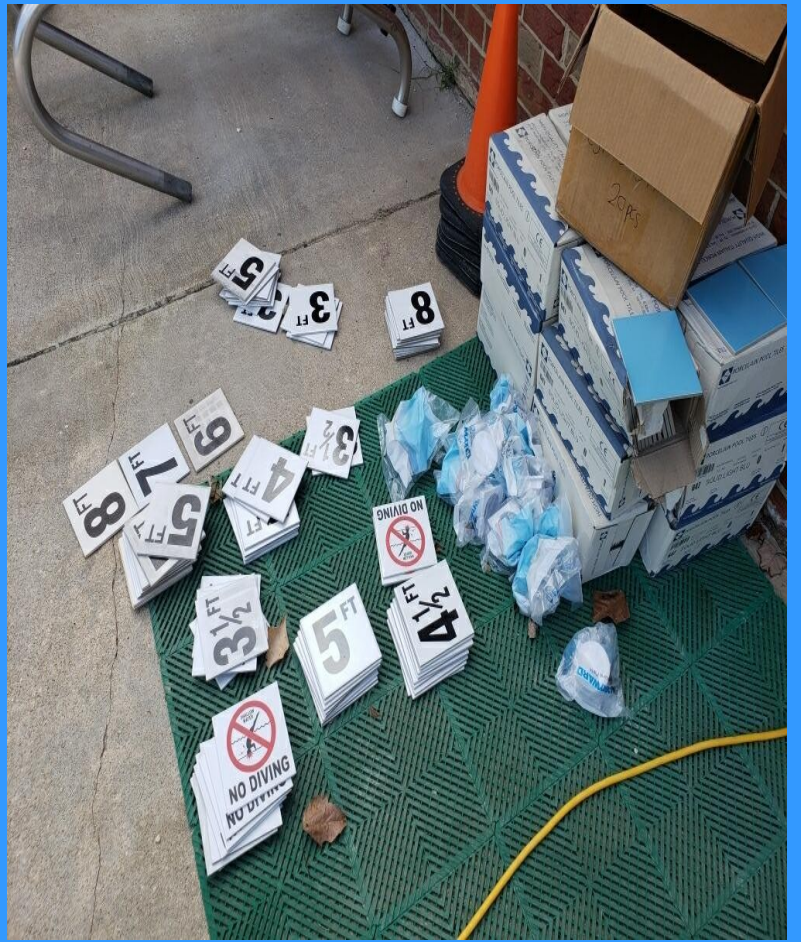
UPDATE ON OMSC IMPROVEMENTS

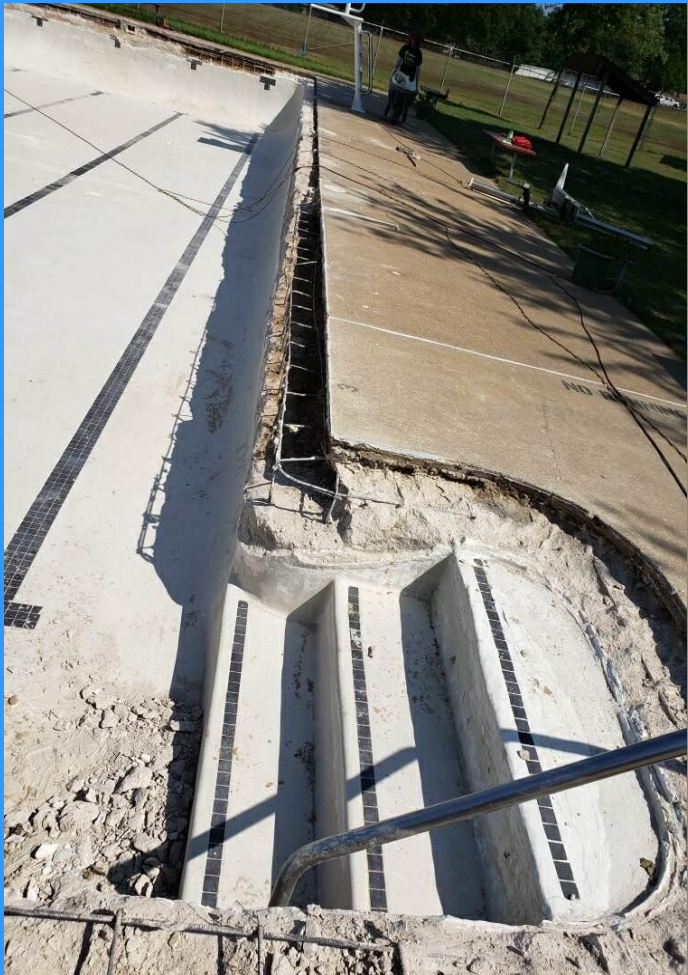
I am so excited to be able to report that the much anticipated pool repairs are underway. American Pools has been busy making all of the beam repairs. Once they were completed, the work had to have time to “cure”. Once this process was done, they installed the coping stones.

Look at the photos in this issue of the Crier and you will see the progress they have made so far. But they are not done yet. Next, they will install all of the beautiful new tile. Then the pool will be cleaned and refilled to an acceptable winter level and they will complete the project by winterizing the pool to protect all that great new work they’ve done.

If you get a chance, stop by and take a peek at all the progress that has been made. If you are as excited as I am about the improvements to the pool, please support all of the OMSC fund raisers so that we can continue these repairs and make our pool the best in the area.

Chris Szverra, President





ATTENTION

Good afternoon. The Anne Arundel County Police Department has joined Neighbors by Ring. Neighbors by Ring is the Neighborhood Watch App that sends real-time crime and safety notifications directly to your phone. Cameras are a huge asset to our investigations and keeping our communities safe. I hope you will consider participating.

Here are a few benefits:

1. The App is FREE and can be used with any compatible iOS or Android device and with most security camera systems (not just Ring)
2. This App is only for crime and safety content
3. All users can remain anonymous
4. 24/7 monitoring
5. You define which neighborhoods to participate with
6. Currently over 30K people in Anne Arundel County are using the Neighbors App.

More information and FAQ's can be found here, download.ring.com/annearundel

Join the Anne Arundel County Police Department on the Neighbors App by texting "annearundel" to 555888 or visit download.ring.com/annearundel today.

Cpl. R. Scott McAdoo #1879

Anne Arundel County Police Department

Eastern District PACT (Police and Community Together)

204 Pasadena Road, Pasadena, MD 21401

p91879@aacounty.org

410-222-4429



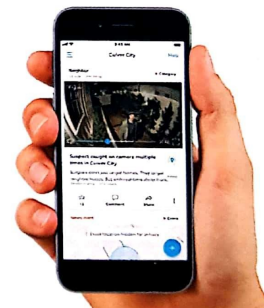
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Neighbors by Ring



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OMSC Budget 2019 Passed

2019 VOMCA Budget Passed

INCOME

	Projected
Active Dues (160 @\$420.00)	\$67,200.00
Inactive Dues (50 @ \$85)	\$4,250.00
New Certificates (8 @ \$400.00)	\$3,200.00
Pool Rentals (3 @ \$65)	\$195.00
Guest Fees(\$6 per person) & Passes	\$6,700.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$81,545.00

EXPENSES

	Projected
Banking Charges	\$20.00
Admin (Banking, Accounting, Computing)	\$420.00
Advertising	\$125.00
Admin (Office Supplies)	\$100.00
Insurance (Nationwide)	\$3,300.00
Amusement Tax	\$700.00
First Aid Supplies	\$200.00
Barlow Field Maintenance (Lawn Mowing)	\$5,000.00
Building/Structure	\$1,300.00
Deck/Sidewalk	\$200.00
Fire Extinguisher (Maintenance)	\$200.00
Furniture	\$1,000.00
Lawn/Ground	\$200.00
Pool, Pump, Filtration, Sanitation	\$3,300.00
Supplies	\$1,000.00
Trash Removal	\$1,250.00
Propane	\$100.00
Membership Records/Mailings	\$200.00
Health Permit	\$450.00
Management Fees	\$49,000.00
Operating supplies	\$200.00
Operating Other (chemicals...)	\$100.00
Electric	\$3,800.00
Phone	\$600.00
Water	\$3,400.00
Hospitality (Lifeguard)	\$500.00
Transfer to VOMCA (Taxes)	\$2,500.00
Transfer to Savings	\$2,380.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$81,545.00

INCOME Projected

Membership	\$1,300.00
Field Rental (Soccer)	700.00
Field Rental (Baseball)	700.00
Crier Advertising	200.00
Transfer from Pool	2,500.00
Various Fundraisers	1,620.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,020.00

Membership Supplies	\$ 50.00
Bank Fees	100.00
Insurance	570.00
Real Estate Tax	1,800.00
Personal Property Tax	300.00
Tax Preparation	2,300.00
NCEON Donation	100.00
Presidents Fund	200.00
Santa's Visit GBFD	200.00
Easter Egg Hunt	200.00
Family Fun Day	800.00
Fall Fest	200.00
Christmas Tree Lighting	200.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,020.00

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.com/
content/communityprograms/
transportgrants.php](http://www.maacommunityrelations.com/content/communityprograms/transportgrants.php)

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

Candidates Needed For....

Election of Officers..October 2 Meeting

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

Questions:

Email: Editor: oldemill72@aol.com

Please use application in this news-
letter to renew your 2019 VOMCA
membership.

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

Send or use Pay Pal to pay your dues (\$20):

VOMCA Membership,490 Chalet Dr., Millersville, Md.
21108



VOMCA
Meeting will start
at 7PM at
Old Mill High School
600 Patriot Lane
Millersville, Md.
Wed., OCT. 2-
Auditorium

Send or mail articles, announcements, and events to oldemill72@aol.com
Submissions are due by the 21st of the month in order to be included in the upcoming issue.

ATTENTION
STUDENTS NEEDING COMMUNITY HOURS

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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Phone: 410-987-1239

Advertise in The Crier

\$45 Full Page

\$30 1/2 Page

\$25 1/3 Page

\$15 1/4 Page

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**Village of Olde Mill
Community Association**

**490 Chalet Dr.
Millersville, MD. 21108**

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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
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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 www.VOMCA.org (it is really easy!)

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: _____

Current Officers are:

President: Chris Szverra 443-852-2098
Vice President: Randal Stites 202-441-1232
Membership: Sandy Sacra
Treasurer: Chris Hilton
Secretary: Reese Szverra

Board Members are:

2019 Paul Shaffer
2020 Sarah Hakulin
2021 Colleen Flack
2021 Vacant

Dues Are Due!