

# Olde Mill Village Crier

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Wednesday of  
Each Month**

**Contact:  
Board@VOMCA.org  
Meeting: Oct 7 VOMCA  
Time: 7PM @  
Olde Mill Swim Club Pool**



Hey everybody!! Are you enjoying this beautiful, early fall weather? It's been heavenly. The windows are open in both the house and the car, bringing some much needed fresh air into both. It makes me feel hopeful for our community and our country. I'm even starting to get use to the mask. LOL..

October brings more than good weather. It also brings elections. If you are a member of VOMCA by September 1st and want to hold an office or come out and vote, just let us know. Our meeting is October 7th at 7pm at the Pool (for the time being, we may need to do Discord if the weather is bad, unless someone has a better idea for a meeting place). I am going to run for a third term as well as Randal Sties. Josiah John, Chris Hilton and Lisa England are also running for Secretary, Treasurer and Membership in that order. The Board positions will be voted on at the November meeting. So come on out and VOTE!! We need a quorum (11) to elect the officers.



Speaking of Voting, please exercise your constitutional right and VOTE. Whether you mail it in, drop it off at a polling box, do early voting or go in person on election day, go and vote. It is so very important that you make your voice heard. Our founding fathers died so we would have the right to say who our elected officials are, so don't let them down. VOTE.

Just a few more things. By the time you read this the Barlowe Bolt will be in the history books. The fact that we were able to hold it makes me feel hopeful for the future of Olde Mill's activities. And along those lines, we are going to hold our annual tree lighting, complete with a socially distanced Santa and photo ops that meet our current restrictions for social distancing. Wanna see how that's gonna work? Then come on out to the tree lighting on December 12th, time TBA. We are looking to hold this earlier in the day and end with the tree lighting and Santa to get you all home before you freeze.

It's not too late to join VOMCA for the 2020 year. But it's also not too early to join for the 2021 year. Our dues of \$20.00 are very reasonable by HOA standards which run into the hundreds and are mandatory. So please consider supporting your community. We still have a glitch with our PayPal, which I hope we can fix soon. In the meantime our address is VOMCA Membership, 490 Chalet Dr., Millersville, MD 21108

I am looking forward to another great year in Olde Mill and to things returning to a bit more normal. But I have truly enjoyed some of the wonderful changes I have seen in our community as people adjust to this "new" normal. Stay safe and see you at the next meeting.

Chris Szverra, President VOMCA

**VOMCA Meeting, Wednesday, Oct 7, 2020 @ OMSC Pool @7PM**



This is Halloween, this is Halloween, Halloween, Halloween.!

For those of you who don't recognize this (and shame on you) that is from Nightmare before Christmas. One of my favorite holiday movies. It's that time of year for Ghost and Goblins, Witches and Werewolves and all manor of spooky and not so spooky things to come out and sing those wonderful words "Trick or Treat"!!



This is my favorite time of year and as President of VOMCA, I have a few words to say about



Halloween. First Olde Mill is holding Halloween. Whether you participate or not, is up to you and your comfort level. But anyone who wants to give out candy, please leave your lights on and be ready for some **trick or treaters**.

Make sure your candy is wrapped and store bought. Also, see if you can work gloves into you Halloween costumes. I am going to try and find some opera gloves for mine. I have seen some truly inventive ways to give out candy and I think we in Olde Mill can be just as creative. Please wear a mask. I've seen some really frightening ones. LOL.

**Trick or Treat is 5pm to 9 pm.** No age limit at my house but you have to be in costume. And no you can't come as a teenager. If you run out of candy, turn your porch light off. ..Chris Szverra



Village of Olde Mill Community Association Meeting

Date: September 2, 2020

Location: Conducted at Old Mill Swim Club

The meeting was called to order by Chris Szverra at 7:08. 12 Members were present. CPL Scott McAdoo, AACPD PACT Officer was also present.

**Old Business:**

1. VOMCA Treasures Report:
  - a. Checking \$2339.35
  - b. Savings: \$1591.24
  - c. Taxes have been paid. They will reflect on next month's treasurer's report.
2. Swim Club Treasures Report:
  - a. Checking \$4960.89
  - b. Savings \$6223.06
  - c. 167 members: 93 Active, 74 Inactive
3. VOMCA Membership Report: 75 members.
4. Minutes: Discussion, Review and Acceptance: Reviewed and passed unanimously
5. NCEON Update:
  - a. Donations are still being accepted at Chris Szverra's house. Donations have slowed down in the last few weeks, but donations are happily being accepted.
6. Food Pantry at Park: A food lending pantry is mounted at the entrance to the OMSC parking lot. This is a free resource to any community members needing extra assistance. Any community members that wish to donate to it are welcome to.
7. Tree Lighting/Fall Fest: Based on the current situation, we anticipate the Fall Fest being cancelled this year. The Tree Lighting event is still scheduled for December 12. We may possibly combine some of the events from the Fall Fest into the Tree Lighting event. Discussion regarding the event has been tabled so that we can further figure which events we are willing/able to hold during the event.



**New Business:**

1. CPL Scott McAdoo spoke to the assembled members regarding community issues.
  - a. There is a new community response line available for anonymous tips. The number is 410-222-3502 and is a voice recording system for tips.
  - b. The Free Ring doorbell program is no longer available.
  - c. He recommended that we install a license plate reader camera in our community. This would be a community expense, but could potentially improve the safety of the community.
2. FOOM Business:
  - a. Barlowe Bolt has been rescheduled to October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - b. The Quarter Auction has been cancelled for this year.
8. Pool Update: Annapolis Swim Club is currently renting the pool weekday mornings since their original location is closed down due to the situation. They are requesting to continue renting the pool through at least September.
3. Next Month's Election of Officers: To become a member of the Board, you have to be an active VOMCA member as of September 1. All current Board members are running for their positions again.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm. Next meeting will be October 7, 7 pm, at the Old Mill Swim Club.





## Barlowe Field Improvement Day

It was a gloomy day but we had a wonderful turn out for our Barlowe Field Improvement Day. Randal and Mary Stites were there leading the way and they were joined by Cpl. Scott McAdoo from the AACO police department and Paul Shaffer. They weeded and cleaned and did all manner of things while socially distancing and wearing masks. Chris Szverra and Colleen Flack joined the fun and helped to clean out some more of the gardens that line the parking lot. Lianne Ronstad and her husband came to lend a hand. Josiah John loaded trash and made dump runs. I think I've included everyone but if I missed you I'm sorry. We had a great time and we proved that you can work for the community and still be safe. Thanks to everyone who came out. Here are some photos from our work day. More Pictures on FOOM Page of the combined VOMCA/FOOM Clean Up Day!





To all of our Olde Mill friends

Wow what a year! So many events that could not occur, so many great ideas that could not be implemented, January 1 cannot come quickly enough.

I want to thank all of those that helped with the recent community day at the park, lots of gardening was done and the whole place is now in good shape to go into the fall.

We are looking for some new members to add to our Friends of Olde Mill team, please, we are looking for new ideas and perspectives and will be creating our 2021 budget to guide us through next year, so your input is worth a lot.

Feel free to contact me or any of the FOOM and VOMCA members for more information or to ask questions. Randal Stites, President FOOM

[rstites@polingerco.com](mailto:rstites@polingerco.com), 202-441-1232







# 2020 Events Calendar

## October

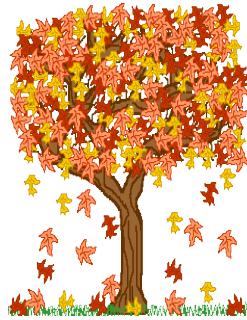
Sat. 3 @ 7am **Barlowe Bolt 5K Walk/Run**

**At OMSC Parking Lot**

Wed. 7 @ 7pm VOMCA Meeting@OMSC

Wed. 14 @ 7pm FOOM Meeting @OMSC

Wed. 21 @ 7pm OMSC Meeting @OMSC



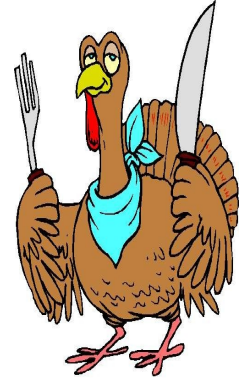
## November

Wed. 4 @ 7pm VOMCA Meeting @ TBA

Wed. 11 @7pm FOOM Meeting @ TBA

Wed. 18 @ 7pm OMSC Meeting @ TB

Thur. 26 TURKEY DAY



## December

Wed. 2@ 7pm VOMCA Meeting @ TBA

Wed. 9 @ 7pm FOOM Meeting @ TBA

Sat. 12 VOMCA Fall Fest &Tree Lighting

@ Barlowe Field @ TBA

Wed. 16 @ 7pm OMSC Meeting @ TBA

Sat. 19 @ 2 pm Santa's Fire Truck Visits

Fri. 25 Christmas Day



\*\*\*Red denotes current month: all dates are subject to change.



## County Executive Order #32

Today County Executive Pittman signed [Executive Order #32](#), related to outdoor performance venues, indoor theaters, outdoor organized events and maximum retail occupancy.

For additional details and explanation please see the County Executive's press release found [HERE](#).

## Election Information

Below is a graphic with information on early voting sites and ballot drop box locations.

Please refer to this [LINK](#) for additional information regarding the 2020 Election

**Anne Arundel County Voting Sites  
Election Day & Early Voting**

**BALLOT DROP BOXES WILL OPEN AT ALL VOTING SITES BY MID-OCTOBER.**  
[Red Box] = EARLY VOTING SITE: OPEN FROM OCTOBER 26TH - NOVEMBER 3RD

<b>Pip Moyer Recreation Center</b> Annapolis	<b>Brooklyn Park Middle School</b> Brooklyn Park	<b>Glen Burnie High School</b> Glen Burnie	<b>Lindale Middle</b> Linthicum	<b>Van Bokkelen Elementary School</b> Severn
<b>Annapolis High School</b> Annapolis	<b>Crofton Middle School</b> Crofton	<b>Corkran Middle School</b> Glen Burnie	<b>Southern Middle School</b> Lothian	<b>Severna Park High School</b> Severna Park
<b>Broadneck High School</b> Annapolis	<b>Crofton Elementary School</b> Crofton	<b>Marley Middle School</b> Glen Burnie	<b>Old Mill High School</b> Millersville	<b>Earleigh Heights Volunteer Fire Hall</b> Severna Park
<b>Bates Middle School</b> Annapolis	<b>South River High School</b> Edgewater	<b>Solley Elementary School</b> Glen Burnie	<b>Millersville Elementary School</b> Millersville	
<b>Rolling Knolls Elementary School</b> Annapolis	<b>Meade High School</b> Fort Meade	<b>Chesapeake Science Point Charter School</b> Hanover	<b>Northeast High School</b> Pasadena	
<b>Arnold Elementary School</b> Arnold	<b>Arundel High School</b> Gambrells	<b>Southern High School</b> Harwood	<b>Chesapeake High School</b> Pasadena	
<b>Magothy River Middle School</b> Arnold	<b>North County High School</b> Glen Burnie	<b>Brock Bridge Elementary School</b> Laurel	<b>Heritage Community Church</b> Severn	

**aacounty.org/vote**

\*The Ballots deposited in drop boxes will be picked up by Anne Arundel County Election Officials

## Operation Eviction Intervention

County Executive Pittman highlighted a [list of legal resources](#) for county residents that will complement the existing [Eviction Prevention Program](#), which provides rental assistance on behalf of income eligible renters who cannot pay their rent due to a COVID related loss of income.

County Executive Steuart Pittman announced a comprehensive strategy to provide legal assistance, information and [referrals](#) for county renters in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the expected increase in the number of households facing eviction.

## Fresh Food Fridays

The Department of Aging & Disabilities and the Anne Arundel County Foodbank are providing fresh produce boxes on Fridays to anyone 60+ years old and anyone 18+ years old with a disability. Please refer to this [LINK](#) for additional information.



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# FOOD ACCESS WARM LINE

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RESOURCES THAT FIT YOUR NEEDS!

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- THE ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY FOOD BANK
- BUSINESSES IN THE FOOD INDUSTRY
- NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS MAINTAINING PANTRIES  
AND DELIVERY SERVICES
- TRADITIONAL RESOURCE NAVIGATION SUCH AS SNAP  
AND SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM BENEFITS

**FOOD LINE HOURS: MONDAY THROUGH  
FRIDAY, 8AM TO 6PM**



FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 410-222-FOOD (3663) OR EMAIL  
SENIOR.NUTRITION@AAACOUNTY.ORG. TTY USERS, PLEASE CALL VIA 7-1-1. ALL  
INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT UPON REQUEST.

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**This is an announcement from Anne Arundel County's new Food  
Access Warm Line.**

**If you are in need of resources for food, call the food access warm line  
to find food resources that fit your needs.**

**Please see above Flyer for Information.**



**Companion Bridge** provides support to low income individuals or those who have fallen upon a recent economic hardship and cannot afford a medical crisis with their companion pets. In cases where an animal can be saved, we work directly with the veterinarian, striving to end economic euthanasia.



The **Companion Bridge** community contains on-line resources with links to board certified veterinarians, rehab specialists, vendors and educational information about keeping pets healthy.

**Companion Bridge** is a not for profit 501(c)3 that is 100% donation funded and 100% volunteer staffed.



**Please help our/your community by making a tax-deductible donation to Companion Bridge. Every penny makes a difference in the life of your neighbor and their pet when they are facing a difficult time.**



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<https://companionbridge.org/>



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## NORTH COUNTY EMERGENCY OUTREACH NETWORK

**NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS....PLEASE HELP!**

Our neighbors are in need, many of them for the first time in their lives. They have been hit with unexpected layoffs and long and frustrating waits for unemployment benefits. They have families and they are facing these things when they were already living on the edge of just making it.

I have always felt a need to feed people. Maybe it's because my mother and father were older when they had me and they both lived through the depression. My mom was the Class of 31 and their prospects were not good. (Great Depression) My mother taught me to never let anyone leave my table hungry and if any of you have ever been to anything I have ever had, you know that I listened to my mother. LOL

I taught my Girl Scouts that one person can make a difference. One person can make a change. And I believe that.

So I got a letter from NCEON and they said they are in desperate need of food. They get all their donations from churches, civic organizations and scouting groups. None of them are meeting right now so that supply of food has been slowed to a trickle. And the number of people that they are servicing has increased.

What to do? At our VOMCA meeting I suggested we hold a food drive. No contact. Just let people know that we had a drop off point and that they could leave donations there and I would take them to the pantry. Little did I know how generous you would all be. I am thrilled. NCEON is thrilled. And all those people that you are helping are thrilled.

This is on-going. The box is on my porch at **8263 Mimico North**. We all check it several times a day and bring in the food left and box it up and take photos so you can see what you all have done. Once a week, usually Friday, I go on my lunch hour and drop it off. They are in need of cereal, peanut butter and jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, canned meats like tuna, spam, beef stew, spaghetti O's, pancake mix and syrup, pasta, and sauces, soups, canned milk, boxed milk, juice boxes, etc.

And they take donations of cash and **checks made out to NCEON.**

See Pictures of Your  
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Noise Program

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

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

Questions for VOMCA, Contact

[Board@vomca.org](mailto: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

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410-222-8400

County 311....For Information

Questions:

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**VOMCA  
Meeting  
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At 7PM At the  
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Join us at the  
Pool....We will be Social  
Distancing...**

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Submissions are due by the **20th 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](mailto: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](mailto:Oldemill72@aol.com) All of the above are free in the Crier!

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## Pay 2020 VOMCA Membership Dues Today!

### 2020 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.**

**The membership fee for your household's annual Dues \$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 are:

President: Chris Szverra 443-852-2098  
Vice President: Randal Stites 202-441-1232  
Membership: Lisa England  
Treasurer: Chris Hilton  
Secretary: Josiah John

#### Board Members are:

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2022 Meghan  
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2023 Paul Shafer

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