

# Olde Mill Village Crier

**Volume 19  
Number 85  
Meeting is First  
Wednesday of  
Each Month**

**Contact:  
Board@Vomca.org  
Meeting: Dec. 2, 2020  
Virtually: Vomca Mtg. @  
7pm Using ZOOM**



## President's Message

Happy Holiday's to all of Olde Mill. It's been a long, strange year and it is finally coming to an end. I am so proud of everything I've seen in this community. Neighbors coming together to help each other, reaching out to take care of their neighbors, coming out for fresh air and exercise, using the park and helping with our food drive and the new food pantry in the parking lot all make my heart swell with pride to be a part of this.



There are several things that are coming up that you need to know about. First the Tree Lighting is going to have to be modified for this year. The Governor has limited the number of people that can gather and with our virus numbers growing VOMCA has decided to cancel the activities associated with the tree lighting. **However, the tree will be lit at the field on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm.** We will sing some carols and we will light the tree. If you'd like to come out and join us, you will need a mask and keep the six foot distance but you are welcome to share the beauty of our tree and share in the feeling of the community at this joyous time of year.

**VOMCA Meeting, Wednesday, Dec. 2 Virtually using Zoom**

Also, because of everything that is currently happening, Santa is NOT coming on his fire truck this year. We were hoping that they could work it out but it appears that they just can't do it so we will need to cancel it until next year. Please remember that we collect several car loads of food from all of you out there and the need is STILL there. **The pantries are really running low on food. VOMCA, with your help, has turned in 85 boxes of food since May but it is not enough. I will continue to collect food on my porch at 8263 Mimico North and take it to NCEON in Glen Burnie. if you were planning to give food to Santa, why not drop it off here instead and I'll make sure it gets where it's supposed to go.**

Also, in this issue we have the approved budgets for both VOMCA and OMSC. Take a look and if you have any questions give me a shout out at [mdwhere4u@aol.com](mailto:mdwhere4u@aol.com) or 443-852-2098.

The road is finally repaved and I think it looks good. They are starting to work on the lane markings for Wade's Grant and I've spoken to Traffic Engineering and they have put in to apply for a traffic circle on our behalf to improve the intersection of Oakwood and Old Mill. Randal and I and several members of our community attended a meeting about the three new homes they are trying to build on Old Mill Rd. It is not too late to try to block this from happening and I am in contact with I & P to make sure they know how we feel about this. And they've started work on the new Starbucks that's coming to the old bank next to McDonalds. There's lots going on in your community.

And don't forget it's that time of year to pay your **VOMCA dues for 2021**. Your dues help us take care of the business of running Olde Mill. We pay taxes, hold parties for our children and make improvements to the community. And don't forget, besides your dues, we also want YOU!! We need ideas, suggestions, workers, helpers, organizers and voters to help make this the greatest community in Anne Arundel County.

I hope you are all well and getting ready to enjoy this wonderful time of the year.

Chris Szverra

VOMCA President

Ed. Note: Apologies for the lateness of this newsletter. I caught a bout of the C-virus. Wear your masks, social distance, wash your hands...you don't want it.

# 2020 Events Calendar

## December

**Wed. 9 @ 7pm FOOM Meeting @ TBA**

**Sat. 12 @ 5 pm Tree Lighting Only**

**Wed. 16 @ 7pm OMSC Meeting @ TBA**

**Sat. 19 @ 2PM Santa Will be on the Fire Truck ...No Food Collection: No stopping.**

**Fri. 25 Christmas Day**



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

**Welcome everyone to the 2020 HOLIDAY SEASON!**

I know that sounds strange, but it has been a strange year. FOOM volunteers are still showing up and doing some maintenance and beautification of the park however we have no group days or large projects and events scheduled at the park for the rest of the year. If you would like to help, please contact me and I can show you some simple tasks we need done. In fact there are less than 12 volunteers who do 95% of the work at the park and we would love to meet some new people, if you are willing to clip, trim, paint, plant, build, or cook the hotdogs we can use you.

The concerns this year have affected our ability to hold events and to raise funds for the park, it has also limited the ability of our normal volunteers to get as much done at the park as we would like. We did finally hold the 2020 Barlowe Bolt this month just 7 months late but I want to thank everyone who worked the event and participated in it, we put in place significant procedures and devices to keep everyone socially distanced and protected so they could enjoy the event. We plan to hold the 2021 Barlowe Bolt on schedule on Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup>, race starts at 7am, come and join us, setup starts at 5am.

I would like to acknowledge the Lescallett family, they just moved out of our community to pursue an adventure in another state, but while they were here they chose to get involved and helped us create a new FOOM logo and Stephan was also leading an effort to rededicate the playground at Barlowe Field in the name of a member of his unit that had passed away. Like many things Covid delayed that effort however we want to try to move it forward and finish what Stephan started. Chris Szverra and I inspected a playground set up that the county is removing at Lock Haven park in Edgewater, it could use a coat of paint to freshen it up but it consists of a climbing and sliding assembly, a teeter-totter, a swing set similar to what we already have and have been looking to add to, plus 3 benches. We can take the whole thing at no charge but we have to remove it in about 30 days, this will require significant disassembly and pulling some posts out of the ground (with a piece of mechanical equipment) then we can store it until we can install all or selected parts into our park. We think it can be a great addition but will require a lot of volunteers on one day to do the work to remove it. I am looking for someone who might have access to a flatbed truck, and someone who might be able to supply and drive the power equipment. Stephan had started a go fund me page to obtain donations to cover expected costs of the project.

Please contact me at 202-441-1232 or [rstites@polingerco.com](mailto:rstites@polingerco.com) to find out more and to volunteer, our efforts directly impact our kids, our community, and even our property values. Thank you all.



Message From FOOM President

Randal Stites

## Deconstruction of Playground Equipment

I would like to Thank everyone who helped with the  
deconstruction of the playground

Equipment this past Saturday. It went far smoother than I

Could have expected, we started at 7am and were done by noon.

We used a tow truck to move the components to the storage yard, and  
we are tentatively scheduled for Friday to have a backhoe with operator

Remove the posts for us, both arranged on our behalf by Colleen.

Some of our volunteers did the most important part of the work and  
documented everything, every post is labeled, all components are la-  
beled, all bolts,

Nuts, washings and what nots are in baggies, (thanks Megan)

Labeled and in boxes.

Our crew included some of us and some new faces, Josiah, Megan

(with help from Peter) Lianne, Mary, Chris, Colleen and new

Volunteers, Rachelle Eggleston, Aaron Eggleston, and Sheri Sutton.

We hope to install the system at our playground as

soon as April but we need to

obtain permitting and lots of planning, and

We will need all the help we can get.

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Pictures to Follow

Deconstructing Our New  
Playground,,A  
Massive Undertaking!



## Phenomenon Of The Planets



On the night of December 21, 2020, the planets  
of Jupiter, the largest planet in  
our system,  
And Saturn, the Second largest planet  
will line up perfectly  
To look like a large double planet in  
Our night sky.  
It has been 800 years since this has  
happened before  
When it might happen again is  
Anyone's guess!

Village of Olde Mill Community Association Meeting

Date: November 4, 2020

Location: Conducted via Google Meets

The meeting was called to order by Chris Szverra at 7:06.

The following guests were also present:

1. CPL Scott McAdoo, AACPD Police and Community Together (PACT) Officer

**Old Business:**

1. Election of Board Members 2021: The following VOMCA Executive Board members were approved for a three-year continuation unanimously by the quorum present:
  - a. Sarah Hakulin
2. VOMCA Treasures Report:
  - a. Checking \$749.81 Paid taxes of \$397.42 for a balance of \$352.39.
  - b. Savings: \$1591.37
3. Swim Club Treasures Report:
  - a. Checking \$5,157.82
  - b. Savings \$543.47
  - c. 164 members: 92 Active, 76 Inactive
4. VOMCA Membership Report: No member dues paid yet for 2021
5. Minutes: Discussion, Review and Acceptance: Reviewed and passed unanimously
6. NCEON Food Drive Update:
  - a. Still going on. Currently requesting Thanksgiving-themed non-perishables for donation.
7. Food Pantry at Park: The Food Pantry is being put to good use. We are requesting anyone that is able to help us keep an eye on it and keep it stocked for those in need.
8. Tree Lighting Event: The Tree Lighting Event is scheduled for December 12. Currently the plan is to hold the event from 2-6 PM, with the tree lighting happening at the end of the event. We are still working out social distancing issues with having Santa Claus present and what activities we can hold at the event. **(This event has been modified).**

**New Business:**

1. Budgets for 2021:
  - a. VOMCA: Current budget is approved as posted.
  - b. OMSC: Pool Budget accepted as is with option to amend as new management contract is signed and approved. Still not clear how the situation will develop with the COVID situation. We are currently looking into other pool management companies for 2021.
2. Mews at Millersville: Pushing for the houses on Old Mill Road to not be built. There was a community meeting about the development, but there were no representatives from the county.
3. Tentative Calendar for 2021: Reviewed
4. Playground equipment/FOOM: We are anticipating a minimum of \$1,000 to rent equipment (backhoe, transport, etc) and storage facilities for the playground. (See Pictures)
5. Police Community Relations Meetings Resumed: No major issues to report from CPL McAdoo. First meeting was about 2 weeks ago
6. Membership Drive
7. Fundraisers: We are looking into ideas for fundraising events.
  - a. Ledos: We are looking into setting up a pickup/delivery fundraiser through Ledos. TBD
  - b. Polar Bear Plunge for Old Mill Swim Team: November 14 at 12:00. \$10 per person.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm. **Next meeting will be December 2, 7 pm, online. Link for the meeting will be posted.**



## 2021 Approved

### VOMCA BUDGET

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#### INCOME

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Membership 75@\$20.00	\$1,500.00
Field Rental (Baseball)	700.00
Crier Advertising	200.00
Transfer from Pool	2,500.00
Various Fundraisers	2,740.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$7,640.00</b>

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Membership Supplies	\$ 50.00
Bank Fees	50.00
Real Estate Tax	1,800.00
Personal Property Tax	300.00
Personal Insurance (Bonding)	740.00
Tax Preparation	2,500.00
NCEON Donation	100.00
OMST Swim-a-thon Donation	100.00
FOOM Barlowe Bolt 5K Run/Walk Donation	100.00
OMST Auction Basket Donation	100.00
Presidents Fund	200.00
Various VOMCA Events	1600.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$7,640.00</b>

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Note: The VOMCA and OMSC budgets will be discussed and voted on at the November 4 virtual Community meeting at 7PM by going to GOOGLE Meet. Please see information on Page 2 for Google Meet link. Questions can be sent to [board@vomca.org](mailto:board@vomca.org).

Ed: S. Hakulin

## 2021 Approved

### OMSC Budget

#### INCOME

Projected	
Active Dues (160 @\$450.00)	\$72,000.00
Inactive Dues (42 @ \$100)	\$4,200.00
New Certificates (5 @ \$400.00)	\$2,000.00
Pool Rentals (3 @ \$75)	\$225.00
Guest Fees(\$7 per person) & Passes	\$7,000.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$85,425.00</b>

#### EXPENSES

##### Projected

Banking Charges	\$25.00
Advertising	\$100.00
Admin(Office Supplies)	\$50.00
Insurance(Nationwide)	\$3,600.00
Amusement Tax	\$800.00
First Aid Supplies	\$50.00
Covid Supplies	\$100.00
Barlow Field Maintenance (Lawn Mowing)	\$5,000.00
Building/Structure	\$500.00
Deck/Sidewalk	\$100.00
Fire Extinguisher (Inspection)	\$150.00
Lawn/Ground	\$75.00
Pool, Pump, Filtration, Sanitation	\$5,600.00
Maintenance Supplies	\$1,000.00
Membership Records/Mailings	\$300.00
Health Permit	\$450.00
Management Fees	\$55,000.00
Operating supplies( chemicals, filters)	\$700.00
Electric	\$3,800.00
Telephone(Landline & Internet)	\$2,200.00
Water	\$3,400.00
Hospitality(Pool Party)	\$200.00
Income Tax Preparation	\$2,225.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$85,425.00</b>

## **JANUARY**

- Wed 1/6 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Wed 1/13 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Wed 1/20 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30 pm  
Wed 1/27 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## **FEBRUARY**

- Wed 2/3 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Wed 2/10 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Wed 2/17 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30 pm  
Wed 2/24 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## **MARCH**

- Wed 3/3 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Sat 3/6 Community Day #1 @ Barlowe Field 7 am  
Wed 3/10 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7pm  
Weds3/17 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station – 7:30 pm  
Wed 3/24 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Sat 3/27 Barlowe Bolt 5K Run Fundraiser @ 490 Chalet Dr. 7 am

## **APRIL**

- Sat 4/3 VOMCA's Easter Egg Hunt @ 490 Chalet Dr. 1pm  
Wed 4/7 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Wed 4/14 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Wed 4/21 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station – 7:30 pm  
Wed 4/28 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## MAY

- Wed 5/5 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm
- Wed 5/12 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm
- Sat 5/15 Community Day #2 @ Barlowe Field 7am / Peace Officers Memorial Day in the US
- Wed 5/19 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30 pm
- Sat 5/22 FOOM Flea Market Fundraiser @ 490 Chalet Dr. 8-11 am
- Wed 5.27 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm
- Sat 5/29 Memorial Weekend - OMSC Opens for the 2021 Season.

## JUNE

- Wed 6/2 VOMCA Meeting @ TBA 7 pm
- Wed 6/9 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm
- Sat 6/12 VOMCA's Spring Fling @ Barlowe Field 11 am-2 pm
- Weds 6/23 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## JULY

- Sun 7/4 Night Swim OMSC 8 – 10 pm
- Wed 7/7 VOMCA Meeting @ TBA 7 pm
- Wed 7/14 FOOM meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm
- Sat 7/17 Community Day #3 @ Barlowe Field 7 am
- Wed 7/28 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## AUGUST

- Wed 8/4 VOMCA Meeting @ TBA 7 pm
- Wed 8/11 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm
- Wed 8/25 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## **SEPTEMBER**

- Wed 9/1 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Mon 9/6 Labor Day – Last Day of OMSC 2020 Season  
Wed 9/8 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Wed 9/15 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30 pm  
Wed 9/22 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Sat 9/25 Community Day #4 @ Barlowe Field 7 am

## **OCTOBER**

- Wed 10/6 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Wed 10/13 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Wed 10/20 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30 pm  
Sat 10/23 VOMCA's Fall Fest @ Barlowe Field 10 am – 3 pm  
Wed 10/27 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## **NOVEMBER**

- Wed 11/3 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Wed 11/10 FOOM Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm  
Sat 11/13 FOOM Quarter Auction Fundraiser – American Legion Post 276 – 6 pm  
Wed 11/17 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30 pm  
Wed 11/24 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

## **DECEMBER**

- Wed 12/1 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS 7 pm  
Wed 12/8 FOOM Meeting @ Ledo's Pizza 6 pm  
Sat 12/11 VOMCA's Tree Lighting @ Barlowe Field 5 pm  
Wed 12/15 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30 pm  
Sat 12/18 Santa's Fire Truck Visits – 2 pm  
Weds 12/22 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ 8263 Mimico N 7 pm

All dates subject to change due to weather or circumstances.



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# FRESH FOOD FRIDAY

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of age or older with a disability

**WHAT:** A free box of fresh produce

**\*Limited Supply \*1 box per family**

**\*Must be present at pickup**

**WHEN:** Pick up this Friday at 2:00 pm

**WHERE:** Alternating sites every week



**October 23rd at 2:00 pm**

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**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.

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**2021 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.

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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:**

2020 Sarah Hakulin  
2021 Colleen Flack  
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2023 Paul Shafer

**Dues Are Due!**