

Olde Mill Village Crier

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Meeting is the First
Wed of Each
Month

Contact:
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VOMCA Meeting: 8/3 @OMSC 7pm
Vomca.org/events



AUGUST

Wed 8/3 VOMCA Meeting @ OMSC 7 pm
Wed 8/10 FOOM Meeting - TBD 7 pm
Wed 8/24 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7 pm

Check us out on the web and
Facebook:

www.vomca.org

www.facebook.com/VillageofOldeMill

President's Message

Hello, Olde Mill! As hard as it is to believe, the summer is winding down. So please, take advantage of what's left of it. Come on out to Barlowe Field. We have picnic tables all though the park and our pool is open and we are still taking pro-rated memberships for this pool season. The softball team that plays on Sunday is still going strong.

Just a reminder that every Saturday morning from 8 AM until 1ish, our volunteers are getting together to finish the work of putting in the new playground equipment. They could sure use a hand. If you have a couple of hours, come on out and be a part of the renovations. You can tell your kids or grandkids that you helped put that up just for them!!

Our next community day, in conjunction with FOOM is September 24th starting at 7 AM. We always need help with the gardens, of which there are many, as well as cleaning up trash and several maintenance projects that have been on hold while we work on the playground. So, plan on coming out and meeting your neighbors and lending a hand to keep our park beautiful.

And please, don't forget to come out to the next VOMCA meeting to be held at the OMSC on August 3rd at 7 PM. If it rains or if the temperature is just too hot, we will hold it on ZOOM. The link can be found on vomca.org under events.

And it's never too early to think about fall cleaning. FOOM will hold another Flea Market on October 8th, from 8 AM to 12 PM. Sign up now for a table and bring those unwanted items. They are sure to be someone else's treasures. We will sell both breakfast and lunch during the event. We have already started our advertising campaign. And there are restrooms available on site. So, check out the flyer under events on vomca.org and join us for a fun and profitable day.

I hope all of you are having a wonderful summer. I wish you great weather for whatever adventure you may be doing. And come on out and see us in the best place to live, work and play. Olde Mill Community!!

Chris Szverra,
President of VOMCA

VOMCA Meeting Agenda

Date: July 6, 2022

Place: ZOOM

Time: 7 PM

Old Business:

1. VOMCA Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Checking: \$2,562.87
 - b. Savings: \$1,592.09
2. VOMCA Membership Report: 96 Members
3. OMSC Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Checking: \$8,422.29
 - b. Savings: \$523.70
4. OMSC Membership Report:
 - a. Active: 126
 - b. Inactive: 36
 - c. Total: 162
5. Minutes from June Meeting: Approved as written.
6. Playground Update: All but four of the larger poles are cemented in. We still need to cement the remaining poles and add a few remaining smaller items before we start building the mulch frame and add mulch. We will do a full check of all bolts prior to allowing anyone to use.
7. July 4th Update: We gave away hot dogs and hamburgers later in the evening. Allison Pickard showed up to the event. Several fireworks shows were going on in the fields around the pool. Multiple complements from both members and non-members.
8. Police Kickball Game:
 - a. August 13th at 11 AM
 - b. Need Flyers: Veronica has volunteered to work on producing flyers. We will post them at various locations, including social media, for maximum awareness.
 - c. Advertising: Facebook, Nextdoor. Other options??
9. Taxes for Barlowe Field: They haven't been paid yet. Chris will take care of them on 7/7/2022.

New Business:

1. Community Day #3 – July 16th:
 - a. Gardens

- b. Playground
 - c. Stakes for tree support
 - d. Basic all-around cleanup.
2. Fund Raisers – All organizations – planning:
 - a. FOOM: Brian Boru – Date TBD
 - b. FOOM: Flea Market
 - c. VOMCA: Next fundraiser in October
3. Dinner Under the Stars – date, planning, suggestions:
 - a. Date: Mid-Late August?
4. PCRC – on Break till September 21st:
5. Community Day #4 – Sept. 24th
6. National Night Out – Aug 2nd – Earleigh Heights FD:
7. Fall Flea Market – Oct. 8th:
8. Haunted Trail – Plans, suggestions, dates:
9. Fall Fest – Oct. 22nd:
10. 2022 Election of Officers – Oct. 5th:
11. Quarter Auction – Nov. 19th: Hall is reserved and paid for.
12. Tree Lighting – Dec. 10th:
13. Santa’s Fire Truck Visit – Dec. 17th: Maybe have Tree Lighting on this day as well?

Meeting adjourned at 8:07PM

Members Present:

1. Randal Stites
2. Mary Stites
3. Chris Szverra
4. Paul Shaffer
5. Veronica Hilton
6. Colleen Flack
7. Sarah Hakulin
8. Josiah John



Raising money for a new playground

FOOM Update

We have been steadily working at 8am every Saturday morning to progressively get the playset assembly completed, we are sooo close! During August we will be shifting to preparing the playset area and installing the enclosure and the mulch. We had a very poor turnout on the recent community day, I think I am going to go back to calling it something else, held twice a year, spring to get the park ready for summer, and fall to get the park ready for winter. When we have a project to do, we will simply ask for help with the project. We have received many compliments regarding the improvements at the park, but we typically have about 5 people helping out, that is 5 out of almost 100 VOMCA member households out of 1,300 community homes and what we estimate to be 300 people a week who enjoy the use of Barlowe Field. If you are wondering if we need help, yes, we do. I expect to be at the playground at 8am every Saturday for the month of August, stop by or contact me at 202-441-1232 (text is best) or rstites@polingerco.com. We will be holding a fall Flea Market please visit VOMCA.org to get the details

We believe we are eligible for a grant from the Airport Authority that would allow us to repair or possibly replace the sidewalk at the park along Chalet, we need two things to try for this, first we need someone to volunteer to complete all the paperwork and guide our application through the process, second, we need to obtain three proposals from concrete companies to do the work. If you would like to volunteer to manage this project, or if you know of a good concrete contractor you think we should talk to, again please contact me.

Apparently, the basketball hoop we recently installed at the basketball court is missing. Can we have it back?

I have mentioned this previously, we would like to install a new set of poles and backboards, we need a fund-raising page of some sort as we do not currently have the funds. We want to ask for a volunteer to administer this item.

Also desired at the basketball court area, a pickleball court. Our understanding is that if we sink two poles into the existing asphalt, paint some lines, and get a net we are good to go. Is there anyone reading this that is knowledgeable of that sport who might want to administer this one?

If you have read to this point you may be thinking “wow that is a lot of work”, it is but it is not only required but worthwhile for the condition and future of Barlowe Field. If you are not able to help with Saturday projects if you can just pick up trash, move fallen limbs, gather full trash bags and place them at the curb, all those small things can help a lot.

Sincerely,
Randal R Stites
President of FOOM

And a thanks to Paul, Josiah, Veronica, Mary, Chris, Lianne, and everyone else for regularly showing up to help.



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NORTHERN DISTRICT**

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Back To School Giveaway



Northern District will be collecting school supplies to include:

Glue, pencils, tissues, cases of water, etc.

Dates: 7/18-8/19

Collection location: Northern District Lobby

939 Hammonds Ln.

Baltimore, MD 21225

Supplies will be distributed to participating schools

FOOM FLEA MARKET FUNDRAISER



**Saturday, October 8, 2022,
from 8 am-12 pm**

Rain date: Sunday, October 15, 2022

**Location: Barlowe
Field/Community Pool parking
lot**

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

FOOD & Beverages provided by **F.O.O.M.**

We will have breakfast, hamburgers, hotdogs, & beverages!

For Information: please contact

Ms. Chris: mdwhere4u@aol.com or 443-852-2098



How to Reserve Space:

1. See diagrams to the left for event layout and YOU select desired space numbers, confirm with Ms. Chris for their availability at: mdwhere4u@aol.com or 443-852-2098

2. Pay for your space(s) with the secure PayPal link at <http://www.vomca.org/foomfleamarket>

** Save money when you reserve 2 or more spaces! **

The cost of the reserved space(s) goes to raise money for the improvement and upkeep of the playground and basketball courts at Barlowe Field. Your proceeds from your sales are all yours to keep.

We promote this event for you and by having several families and vendors in one place it is convenient and attracts the shoppers.

Each space is the size of one parking space. Please bring your own table, canopy, sunscreen, etc. Only patrons may park in the "Park" area per the diagram. Vendors may park their vehicles on either side of the "vendor area."



Quarter Auction

Saturday, November 19, 2022

Doors open at 6:00pm; 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

Vendors: Cash Surprise, No-Sew Blankets, Handmade Wreaths, Tastefully Simple/Tupperware, Liquor, Scratch Offs, and More!

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;
Or go online at VOMCA.org to use our PayPal option
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 additional 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



Photos from Around Olde Mill 2022



Hey D2 neighbors, have you popped into On the Rocks on Old Mill Rd? Fantastic new watering hole with fresh menu and great bar. Took a break from the polls to see my neighbors' new business. So glad I did.

Let's strengthen our community together.

Budget information from District 2

FY23 Budget Highlights

- Fully funded BOE request for teacher/staff pay increases
- Fully funded BOE capital budget request
- Retention bonuses for school bus drivers and crossing guards
- Consolidated 911 Call & Operations Center
- New Police Firing Range
- Severn (Intergenerational) Center
- Crownsville Memorial Park Master Plan

Re-elect
Allison Pickard
County Council District 2

Road Projects for D2 in the F23 Capital Budget

- Elvaton Rd Sidewalks near Shetlands Lane - West side, Shetlands Lane to Elvaton Towne Rd
- Oakwood and Old Mill Blvd Roundabout
- Jumpers Hole Rd Improvements (btw Rte 2 and MD177) - Design and Engineering
- Old Mill Rd/Old Mill Blvd Site improvements - Design and Engineering analysis of pedestrian and vehicular improvements
- New Cut/Crain Hwy - sidewalks in area of new Old Mill West HS
- MD 170/Telegraph Rd Widening - Impact fee contribution to State Highways (SHA) project including vehicular travel lane improvements, bicycle lanes and sidewalks
- Clark Station Rd Resilience Improvements - Drainage system improvements, construction funding

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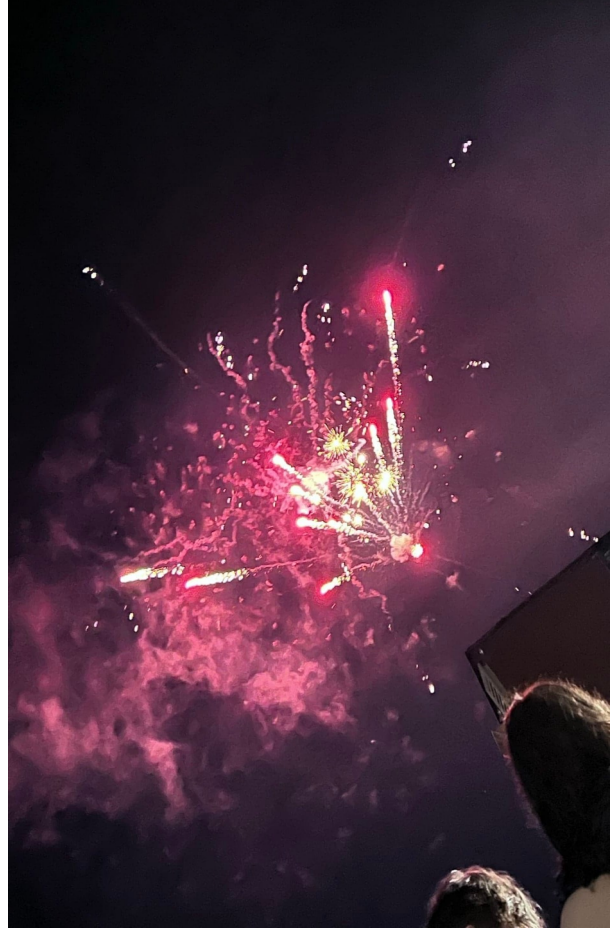
Photos from Around Olde Mill 2022

Playground installation work



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4th of July Celebration



Olde Mill Swim Club (OMSC) Needs your support!

Join The Swim Club, Volunteer, or Donate! We Need You!

Did you know that we have a neighborhood Community Pool? When you become a member, there is no need to pay every time you want to swim, like at the Aquatic Center, or pay higher membership fees like the other community pools in the area.

Your membership helps us hire lifeguards for the season, improve the pool area, and host member events (some family and some adult only)!

Our newly renovated (2021) Snack Shack is very popular. During the 2020 season, we revamped the pool's top edge, including new tiles and coping stones, retrofit the pool area lights to LED, and replaced all the pumps! The addition of new shade structures is in our 2022 program.

Are you interested in joining? We accept new members all year! January through April are the primary months for renewing memberships and help us to better budget for any current or upcoming improvements.

Become a member in 4 easy steps:

1. Purchase a Certificate of Membership
2. Pay your Annual Dues
3. Submit a family photograph electronically (email it to omsc.membership@vomca.org)
4. Submit Emergency Contact/Procedure Form

You can fill out the form by downloading a copy at our website: Vomca.org and mailing it to OMSC 490 Chalet Drive, Millersville, MD 21108

Our Swim Season officially starts Memorial Day weekend! Meet your neighbors, sign up for the Torpedo's Swim Team, and help us continue our mission to:

- Sponsor an enjoyable swim team that also instills a sense of accomplishment.
- Provide a facility for exercise, athletics, and socialization.
- Maintain a safe, relaxing, and pleasant environment.
- Offer our members a facility for their private parties.
- Support other community groups through appropriate access to the facility.
- Hold enjoyable special events that reinforce the feeling of belonging and build a sense of friendship and community.

To learn more and find the membership documents, head on over to our website: vomca.org and click on OMSC Membership.



Olde Mill 2022 Event Calendar

AUGUST

- Wed 8/3 VOMCA Meeting @ OMSC 7 pm
- Wed 8/10 FOOM Meeting - TBD 7 pm
- Wed 8/24 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7 pm
- Mon 8/29 First Day of School AACPS

SEPTEMBER

- Mon 9/5 Labor Day – Last Day of OMSC 2022 Season
- Wed 9/7 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS Cafeteria 7 pm
- Wed 9/14 FOOM Meeting - TBD 7 pm
- Wed 9/21 PCRC @ Eastern District Police Station 7 pm
- Sat 9/24 Community Day #4 @ Barlowe Field 7 am
- Wed 9/28 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7 pm

OCTOBER

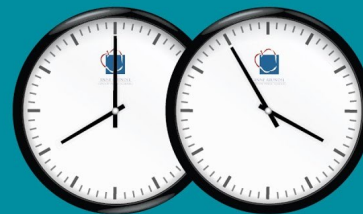
- Wed 10/5 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS Cafeteria 7 pm
- Sat 10/8 Fall Flea Market @ 490 Chalet Dr – 8am – 12pm
- Wed 10/12 FOOM Meeting - TBD 7 pm
- Wed 10/19 PCRC @ Eastern District Police Station - 7 pm
- Sat 10/22 VOMCA's Fall Fest @ Barlowe Field 11am-3pm
- Wed 10/26 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7 pm

NOVEMBER

- Wed 11/2 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS Cafeteria 7 pm
- Wed 11/9 FOOM Meeting - TBD 7 pm
- Wed 11/16 PCRC @ Eastern District Police Station - 7 pm
- Sat 11/19 FOOM Quarter Auction – American Legion Post 276 – 6 – 9 pm
- Wed 11/23 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7 pm

DECEMBER

- Wed 12/7 VOMCA Meeting @ OMHS Cafeteria 7 pm
- Sat 12/10 VOMCA Tree Lighting @ Barlowe Field 3-7pm
- Wed 12/14 FOOM Meeting @ Ledo's Pizza 6 pm
- Wed 12/17 Santa's Fire Truck Visit – 2 pm
- Wed 12/21 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station - 6 pm
- Weds 12/28 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7pm



School Start and Dismissal Times For the 2022-23 School Year

AACPS Healthier School Hours - 2022-2023

Anne Arundel County Public Schools is shifting to healthier school hours at the start of the 2022-2023 school year. To help provide families, students, and employees with as much information as possible, Board of Education members have taken part in a series of information sessions to provide more details about school hours in their specific districts. Sessions for each individual district, as well as specialty sites and magnet programs, can be viewed below.

Should you have questions after viewing one or more session, please click on the "Ask A Question" tab below. AACPS staff will answer questions and many will be posted on this site for others to learn from.

For additional information about this change, visit www.aacps.org/schoolhourchange (External link).



Anne Arundel County Public Schools

Approved by the Board of Education 1/5/22

(Current as of 3/2/22)

2022-23 School Year Calendar

August						
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28	29	30	31			

August

15-18 | New Teacher Onboarding Activities

19-26 | Opening activities for all teachers.

29 | Schools open for grades 1-5 and grades 6 and 9 only.

29-31 | Staggered Openings for ECI, PreK, and Kindergarten (see chart below).

30 | Schools open for grades 1-12.

September						
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September

1-7 | Staggered Openings for ECI, PreK, and Kindergarten (see chart below).

5 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Labor Day.

26 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Rosh Hashanah. (See School Sponsored Activities, page two.)

October						
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October

5 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Yom Kippur. (See School Sponsored Activities, page two.)

19 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. Project Unity Day. Professional Development.

20 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. Parent/Teacher Conferences.

24 | Diwali. (See Religious Observances, page two.)

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November

3,4 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. End of first marking period.

8 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Election Day.

21,22 | Schools closed for all students. Parent/Teacher Conferences.

23-25 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Thanksgiving Holiday.

December						
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December

7 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. Project Unity Day. Professional Development.

23-30 | Schools closed for students. Christmas/Winter Break. Schools closed for students, teachers, and school-based Unit IV employees. School Offices & Central Offices closed December 23, 26, 29, & 30

January						
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January

16 | Schools & Central Offices closed. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Commemoration.

23,24 | Two-hour early dismissal. No afternoon ECI or PreK. End of second marking period. Teacher workdays.

25 | Schools closed for all students. Semester break.

26 | Mo Gaba Day

Current Officers are:

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

Board Members are:

2022 Meghan Greenwell
2023 Paul Shafer
2024 Sarah Hakulin
2026 Colleen Flack



To renew your 2022 VOMCA membership or become a member

Send a check or go to vomca.org to pay your dues (\$25):

Mail to:

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

2022 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 \$25.00**

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.

30% off if you choose to advertise for a year.

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\$25 Full Page
\$18 1/2 Page
\$10 1/4 Page

PDF Flyers, Word Documents & Pictures (tiff, png, gif)

webadmin@vomca.org

Eastern District Police:

410-222-6145

Useful Phone Numbers

Police, Fire, Ambulance: 911

Non-emergency questions:

Street Light Outages:

410-222-8610

1-800-685-0123 BGE

Water & Wastewater

Animal Control: 410-222-7582

Emergency:

410-222-8400

Trash Pick Up: 410-222-6100 Complaints

County 311...For Information

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

Questions? Email:

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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/>