

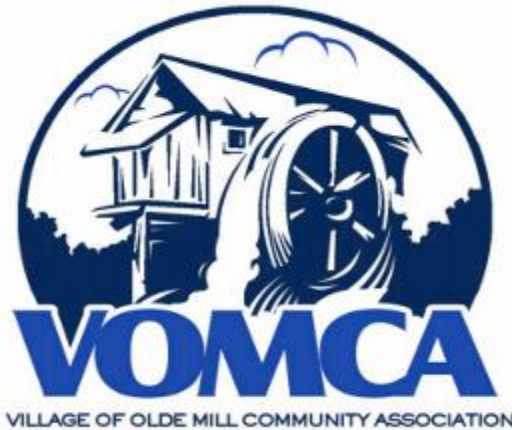
Olde Mill Village Crier

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Meeting is the First
Wed of Each
Month

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VOMCA Meeting: June 1, 2022,
7 PM @ OMHS cafeteria
Vomca.org/events



JUNE

Wed 6/1 VOMCA Meeting @ OMSC Pool 7 pm

Wed 6/8 FOOM Meeting - TBD 7 pm

Wed 6/22 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7 pm

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President's Message

It's time to welcome those "hazy, lazy, crazy days of summer"! I'm ready. The temperature has already hit 100% so bring it on. By the time you read this our pool will be open for the season. If you're not a member, think about joining. Considering the cost of gas, a pool membership sounds like a good investment. LOL.

And if you haven't already done so, there's still time to support your community and join VOMCA. There's no commitment and your dues go toward Barlowe field, taxes, and community events like Santa's visit and supporting the NCEON Food Bank. We host the Easter party and the Fall Fest as well as our yearly Tree Lighting. So, come on and join us. And while you are at it, come out to a meeting and see what we are all about. You might just meet your local police, or your County Counsel Woman if you do. And you'll get to meet and talk with your neighbors.

We had a very successful Flea Market this past week. If you missed this one, there will be another one in October. Check the calendar in this newsletter for the exact date.

Get ready for a wonderful summer filled with fun and laughter. Come out to the park and enjoy the new playground equipment, which is almost ready for use. Although we could certainly use a few extra hands. And you'll get to tell your children/grandchildren that you help build that just for them. See you at the park.

Be Safe. Have Fun. And be a part of the greatest community to live, work and play in. Olde Mill!!!

President's Message:

Chris Szverra,

President of VOMCA

VOMCA Meeting Minutes

VOMCA Meeting Agenda

Date: May 4, 2022

Place: ZOOM

Time: 7 PM

Old Business:

VOMCA Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$1,933.26

Savings: \$1,592.04

LOC: Progressing as expected

VOMCA Membership Report: 93 Members as of 5/4/2022

OMSC Treasurer's Report:

Checking: \$23,168.35

Savings: \$523.68

OMSC Membership Report:

Active: 74

Inactive: 40

Total: 114

Minutes from April - Read and Approve: Approved as published.

Easter Egg Hunt Wrap Up: Didn't go as well as expected but may have been due to weather. The girls softball team that practices at Barlowe Field helped with hiding eggs.

Police Kickball Game: Date TBD; possibly first part of October 2022.

Fundraisers: Ledo's Fundraisers May 5th and 25th to support OMSC. Proceeds will help support the water line repairs recently completed at the pool.

Playground Update: 5 upper poles are set in concrete, and the slides and climbing ladder have been attached.

Community Day #2: May 14th. Not sure what work needs to be done. More info as we get it.

OMST Clean-up Day: May 14th: This will coincide with a parent meeting also at the pool. They will be pressure-washing the deck and chairs.

FOOM Flea Market – May 21st:

New Business:

Community Concerns

Vandalism Part 2: We tried power-washing the paint, but it didn't come off the bricks. AACPD has promised to provide increased presence around our park.

Speed Bumps: No updates yet. Reportedly the county will be doing a traffic count to determine if there is a need.

No Events in June: We plan to focus our efforts more on the events in the Fall.

FOOM Update: Events as listed above. FOOM will also be paying a portion of the repairs for the water lines, since some of the lines repaired go to the Snack Shack, which supports FOOM events.

Working on Marley Creek Clean-up: Still no word on the status of this issue.

Softball Team: They are paid up for the season. No game is scheduled for May 8th (Mother's Day). They are looking forward to having the snack shack open for their games.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:56pm.



Lovers of Barlowe Field – Welcome to summer!

When you see this the pool may be open and our park will be full of happy faces, what else could we ask for? We have had some very big goals this year, and many we have met, others we are about to meet, but we always need another hand to help us make things better. Please be aware that the small volunteer group we have does ALL the maintenance and improvement work at the park except for cutting the grass, Ed with E. L. Landscaping gets all the credit for that. Yes, we are requesting that if you come and enjoy all the things the park has to offer to our community, come out and lend a hand from time to time, we have a large variety of things to do, planting, painting, repairing, improving, even just picking up trash as you walk around. Whatever might be the sort of thing you enjoy, we have it, but we do not know you yet, please contact us and we can guide you to this very satisfying opportunity.

Every May we run a Flea Market in the pool parking lot, we just finished it and had great success, over 20 sellers, and far more buyers, and our cooking team cooked from 7am until 1pm, egg and bacon sandwiches gave way to hamburgers and hot dogs, and for the adventurous a hamburger with egg and bacon, I ate one of those and it was wonderful! All the money raised that day goes directly to improving Barlowe Field, if you like the park, please support these events with your participation and donations.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT UPDATE: the reality is that we have a limited group of volunteers, and those same individuals typically participate in FOOM, VOMCA, and the OMSC organizations and are always helping. The playground equipment project has taken a large amount of time and effort to get it moving along and we still need a few more weeks to complete it. Many of us had to pause to help the pool prepare to open and will have spent Memorial Day weekend enjoying it, however as with all vacations at some point it is back to work. **Saturday June 4th** we will be back out assembling the next section (maybe more than one) of the playset and yes, we would like your help from 8am to noon. Please send me an email if you are available to help and I will answer any questions you may have. The work has been made a bit more time consuming because the holes we bored for the poles have been impacted by the rain and we need to move some loose sand back out of them so we can proceed.

Since we have no other FOOM events this summer other than the community day on June 16 for more general park clean up and repair, we will be focusing on the playground equipment installation every Saturday (and maybe a Sunday). We anticipate that we need 3 more Saturdays to get it all up and installed and hopefully one more to spread the mulch in place all around it. Help is requested for all those efforts.

I would like to answer a few of the questions I have received recently from community members regarding things we hope to do at the park

Signage: we would like to raise funds to put a new sign at the parking lot entrance introducing Barlowe Field to all who come, we would also like to put up a sign that explains this is not a county park, we receive no funds from them or help in keeping it great, that is all of us.

Basketball Court: We would like to make improvements to this area, we are in need of installing a second set of backboards as it is getting lots of use and the existing court is somewhat small. We would also like to install a Pickleball Court (look it up it is all the rage!) and somewhat less impressive we need to seal the blacktop to make it last.

Dog Run: Wow we have so many dog lovers that use the field, and we love that. We would like to put a dog run between the pool and basketball court that will allow dog owners to take their dog off leash (leash laws) and we hope to add some fun features in this area.

Please feel free to contact me at rstites@polingerco.com, I will see you at the park!

Randal Stites
President of Friends of Olde Mill
VP of The Village of Olde Mill Community Association
Proud resident of my community
rstites@polingerco.com

Community Announcements:



4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Join us for a

POOL PARTY

Hosted by

*The Olde Mill Swim Club
and VOMCA*

Monday, July 4th, 2022

From 8:00 - 10:00PM

490 Chalet Drive

Millersville, MD 21108

Contact Chris at mdwhere4u@aol.com

*Open to all Village of Olde Mill
residents and MSC members*



Community Announcements:



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)

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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

Photos from Around Olde Mill 2022

Volunteers Working on the Playground



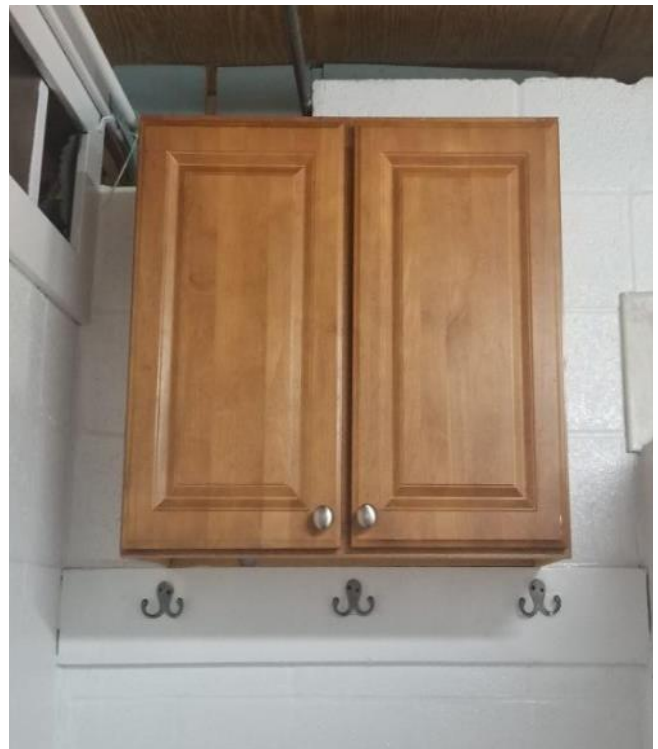
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Flea Market Sale



Photos from Around Olde Mill 2022

Cabinetry and other items installed at OMSC



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

JUNE

Wed 6/1 VOMCA Meeting @ OMSC Pool 7 pm
Wed 6/8 FOOM Meeting - TBD 7 pm
Sun 6/19 Juneteenth Federal Holiday
Wed 6/22 OMSC Committee Meeting - ZOOM 7 pm

JULY

Mon 7/4 Night Swim/4th of July Event OMSC 8-10pm
Wed 7/6 VOMCA Meeting @ OMSC 7 pm
Wed 7/13 FOOM meeting - TBD 7 pm
Sat 7/16 Community Day #3 @ Barlowe Field 7 am
Wed 7/27 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting – ZOOM 7 pm

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

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



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:

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.

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webadmin@vomca.org

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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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Emergency:

410-222-8400

County 311...For Information

Questions? Email:

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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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