

# Olde Mill Village Crier



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**Contact:**

[Board@Vomca.org](mailto:Board@Vomca.org)

**Meeting:**

**VOMCA**

**October 6, 2021 @ OMHS @ 7PM**

**In the Cafeteria on lower level.**

## President's Message

Welcome Fall! I love this time of year. The weather gets cooler and the leaves start to change and there is so much activity in our community. Please remember that children are back in school and you need to drive carefully and slow down. Also, there will be many activities coming up in our community, so let's take a look at what's coming up.

**Kickball Challenge:** The Eastern District Police Department will be on **Barlowe Field on Thursday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm** to challenge the Olde Mill residents to a lively game of kickball. We will play on our field and it's open to anyone who would like to join in the fun. The snack shack will be open if you'd like to grab a soda or a bag of chips. It should be a lot of fun. So plan on coming out and showing the police what Olde Mill is made of.

**Fall Flea Market:** Our spring flea market is always so popular that we are going to try having one this fall as well. It will be held on **October 9<sup>th</sup> from 8 am till 12 noon at the OMSC parking lot**. This is a great time to clean out your treasures to make room for all the holidays coming up. There are still spaces available. And if you don't have treasures to display come on out and see what others have to offer. We will be selling both breakfast and lunch and it's going to be a wonderful time. To sign up for a space, go to [vomca.org](http://vomca.org) and follow the events link. Click the donate button and you will be on our PayPal page. Questions? Contact me at [mdwhere4u@aol.com](mailto:mdwhere4u@aol.com)

**Fall Fest:** This popular event is back on **October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 am till 3 pm at Barlowe Field**. There will be hay rides, a bouncy house, face painting, pumpkin painting, raffles, games, and food. The Boy Scouts will be there selling their popcorn and AACO Police will be there for the kids to take a look at a police car and play some games and talk to the officers. This is a free event and most of the activities are free. There is a small charge for the pumpkins to use for painting and there will be apples for sale as well as all of the delicious food from the snack shack. So come on out and enjoy a wonderful and fun day at Barlowe Field.

There are other great events coming up including FOOM's big fund raiser, the **Quarter Auction on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm**, our **Annual Tree Lighting event on December 11<sup>th</sup>** and **Santa's Annual Visit on the Fire Truck on December 18<sup>th</sup> at 2pm**. More details for these and other upcoming activities in the November Crier and on our incredible website at [vomca.org](http://vomca.org)

One final thing coming up is the **Election of Officers at our VOMCA monthly meeting on October 6<sup>th</sup> at**



President's Message Continued:

7pm held at OMHS in the Cafeteria on the lower level Plan on coming out to the meeting and joining your neighbors in having a say in who will be leading Olde Mill. We are back at the school for now through the coming year.

Please consider joining VOMCA for 2022. We have 1300 homes and this last year we only had 67 households that joined. Your money pays the taxes on Barlowe Field which is NOT part of the county and to host all of the events that VOMCA holds for the community. We need you to belong to this wonderful neighborhood. Dues are only \$25.00 a year and it's not too early to join. Membership application is on last page of Crier. We need you!

Enjoy the coming fall in the best community to live, play and work in, Olde Mill.

Chris Szverra

President of Village of Olde Mill

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN EVERYONE, SUNDAY OCTOBER 31**

**TRICK OR TREATING STARTS AT 6PM TIL 8PM....HAVE YOUR CHILD CARRY A FLASHLIGHT AND WATCH FOR CARS....GO TO HOMES THAT HAVE THEIR LIGHT ON TO BE SAFE!**







## FRIENDS OF OLDE MILL



Friends of Olde Mill has been busy recently, we have almost completed the new swingset, thank you to all who have volunteered so long and hard to make that happen. The rest of the playground equipment installation is planned for Spring 2022. We had a Community Day to benefit the park on September 25 and it was focused on gardening and continuing to improve the area at the edge of the woods, it gets better and better, and getting the swingset closer to being used.

We did have an unfortunate incident however in early September when someone came to the garden and path area adjacent to the woods and cut down about 30 small trees with no apparent intent but to destroy them. please understand that this type of activity has been extremely rare at the park in the last few years, but we all want to be vigilant and if someone is found to be negatively impacting the area, we want to document that and we will share that information with the police department who we have an excellent relationship with. There is no need for anyone to engage in a conflict with someone suspected of misbehavior at the park.

We are planning for our annual Quarter Auction in November to raise funds to improve the park and are 100% supporting VOMCA in the planning of the October Fall Festival at Barlowe Field so the community can have a little fun and get together (safely of course). Welcome to what we hope to be a wonderful fall season!

We have been discussing how we might be a bit more successful in getting people involved in volunteering and activities, we are a large community and many people come to the park and enjoy the amenities there, but we have less than a dozen involved community members making it all happen. We want to introduce what may be a more personal way community members can help out; you have heard of the “adopt a highway” program? Well, we would like to see if we can get people to adopt a garden, they would have a specific garden, area, or amenity they would take care of, and be recognized for taking care of it, and they could coordinate with FOOM so they can plan do to it on their own schedule. Please give some thought as to how you might be able to pitch in, even just a little time to help out; bring it up to your neighbors, we have found many people are unaware of all of this, even members of our community either are not familiar with the park, or think the county takes care of it.

Randal Stites, President of FOOM

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\*Editor Note: The builder, conveyed the pool and land (Barlow Field) to the community of Olde Mill for \$1.00 in 1975. The responsibility of maintaining the “park/field” became the responsibility of the community. It is a massive job and important for maintaining the value of homes in the community. The County does not take care of the field!





New  
Swing Set  
In  
The  
Background  
Waiting for  
The Mulch  
To be spread.

Barlowe Field  
Beautiful And Ready  
For Fall, Thank You  
To our Volunteers,  
Boy Scouts And  
VOMCA /FOOM Members  
Great Job Everyone!



Fall Fest,  
Saturday,  
October 23  
The boy scouts  
Will be selling  
Popcorn for  
Their  
Troop



## Meeting Agenda And Minutes

Date: September 1, 2021  
Time: 7:11 PM  
Location: Zoom Meetings

### Old Business:

#### VOMCA Treasurers Report:

Checking: \$960.42

Savings: \$1,591.83

#### Swim Club Treasurers Report:

Checking: \$5,846.39

Savings: \$523.61

#### Swim Club Membership Report:

Total: 171

Active: 134

Inactive: 37

VOMCA Membership Report: 67 as of 9/1/2021

Minutes: Discussion, Review and Acceptance: Reviewed and Accepted unanimously

Update on Ace Aquatics: No new updates regarding the 2022 contract, but we anticipate it to proceed fairly smoothly.

Membership Drive – Ideas: Set up a membership table at the park to get some additional visibility and hopefully gain some more members. Maybe look at doing it in October. Suggestion also to potentially use

Fall Fest – October 23<sup>rd</sup> 10 am – 3 pm: Need volunteers to help. We will have games and activities. We will also have the hay ride, allowing for separation.

#### Budget Meetings:

OMSC meeting scheduled tentatively for September 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.

VOMCA meeting still tentative.

### New Business:

#### FOOM Fundraisers

Brian Boru September 30<sup>th</sup> all day: Menu is posted on Facebook and Nextdoor and will be in the Crier. This will go to support the ongoing improvements at Barlowe Park.

Quarter Auction – November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM. Signups will be available through the VOMCA website.

FOOM Community Day – September 25<sup>th</sup> 7 am: We will be working on the garden areas and finishing up any work that still needs to be finished on the swing set.

Calendar and Budgets for next year

Community Responsibilities.

Kickball Event – October 7<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm:

Meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM. Next Meeting October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Josiah John, Secretary

### Members Present:

Randal Stites	Lisa England	Sarah Hakulin	Mary Stites
Chris Szverra	Paul Shaffer	Colleen Flack	
Megan Greenwell	John Tilden	Josiah John	





# Olde Mill 2021 Event Calendar

## JANUARY

Wed 1/6 VOMCA Meeting 7pm online  
Sun 1/10 Mulch Sale Open for Orders  
Wed 1/13 FOOM Meeting 7 pm online  
Wed 1/20 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station  
7:30 pm  
Wed 1/27 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting 7 pm  
online

## FEBRUARY

Wed 2/4 VOMCA Meeting 7 pm online  
Wed 2/10 FOOM Meeting 7 pm online  
  
Wed 2/17 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station  
7:30 pm  
Wed 2/24 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting 7 pm  
online

## MARCH

Wed 3/3 VOMCA Meeting 7 pm online  
Sat 3/6 Community Day #1 @ Barlowe Field 7 am  
Wed 3/10 FOOM Meeting 7pm online  
Wed 3/17 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station –  
7:30 pm  
Sat 3/20 Mulch Sale Contactless Delivery  
Wed 3/24 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting 7 pm  
online  
Sat 3/27 Barlowe Bolt 5K Run Fundraiser 7 -8 am

## APRIL

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

## MAY

Wed 5/5 VOMCA Meeting 7 pm online  
Wed 5/12 FOOM Meeting 7 pm online  
Sat 5/15 Community Day #2 @ Barlowe Field 7am  
Sat 5/15 Peace Officers Memorial Day in the USA  
Wed 5/19 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station  
7:30 pm  
Sat 5/22 FOOM Flea Market Fundraiser @ 490 Cha-  
let Dr. 8-11 am  
Wed 5/27 OMSC Pool Committee Mtg 7 pm @ the  
pool  
Sat 5/29 Memorial Weekend - OMSC Opens 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  
Wed 6/23 OMSC Pool Committee Mtg @ 8263  
Mimico N. at 7 pm

## JULY

Sun 7/4 Night Swim OMSC 8 – 10 pm  
Wed 7/7 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ Pool 6:30p.m.  
Wed 7/7 VOMCA Meeting @ Pool 7 pm  
Wed 7/14 FOOM meeting @ Zoom Mtg 7 pm  
Sat 7/17 Community Day #3 @ Barlowe Field 7 am

## AUGUST

Wed 8/4 VOMCA Meeting @ Pool 7 pm  
Wed 8/11 FOOM Meeting @ Zoom Mtg 7 pm  
Wed 8/18 PCRC—Eastern District Police Station 7:30p.m.  
Wed 8/25 OMSC Pool Committee Mtg @ Pool 7:00 pm

## SEPTEMBER

**Wed 9/1 VOMCA Meeting @ Pool 7 pm**  
**Mon 9/6 Labor Day – Last Day of OMSC 2020 Season**  
**Wed 9/8 FOOM Meeting @ Zoom MTG 7 pm**  
**Wed 9/15 PCRC – Eastern District Police Station 7:30**  
**pm**  
**Wed 9/22 OMSC Pool Committee Mtg @ Zoom 7:00**  
**pm**  
**Sat 9/25 Community Day #4 @ Barlowe Field 7 am**

## OCTOBER

Wed 10/6 VOMCA Meeting @ 7 pm @ OMHS Cafeteria  
Thur. 10/7 EDistrict Police Kick Ball@4:30pm Barlowe Field  
Wed 10/13 FOOM Meeting @ Zoom 7 pm  
Sat 10/23 VOMCA's Fall Fest @ Barlowe Field 10 am – 3 pm  
Wed 10/27 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ Zoom 7 pm

## NOVEMBER

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

## DECEMBER

Wed 12/1 VOMCA Meeting @ Zoom 7 pm  
Wed 12/8 FOOM Meeting @ Zoom 7 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  
Wed 12/22 OMSC Pool Committee Meeting @ Zoom 7 pm



FOOM

Invites everyone to come

To the “Park ”!

You might get to drive

A lawn mower Like Chris and  
then Rest on a nice Bench

In the shade!





# FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY ON THE FARM

Veterans Highway and East-West Blvd., Millersville

4:00-8:00 p.m.

*an initiative of H2 Marketing, hosted by Orphan Grain Train*



Join us every Friday, weather permitting, at the corner of Veterans Highway and East-West Blvd. in Millersville. Visit our Facebook page for more information including a list of trucks and menus. Hope to see you down on the farm!

<https://www.facebook.com/H2foodtruckfridaysonthefarm>

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NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS!

Ever since May, our President Chris Szverra has been making Food runs to NCEON in Glen Burnie. They are in need of cereal, peanut butter and jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, canned meats like Tuna, spam, beef stew, spaghetti O's, pasta, canned milk and Canned juice. The box is on the porch at **8263 Mimico North** And it is checked several times a day. They also take donations by check Made payable to NCEON (Tax deductible also). If you would Like to participate, just swing by the house and drop Off what you can. One person Can make a difference!

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**VOMCA**

**Meeting**  
**Wed. Oct. 6, 2021**  
**At 7PM In OMHS**  
**Cafeteria**

**Sign in link at**  
**[Vomca.org/](http://Vomca.org/events)**  
**[events](http://Vomca.org/events)**

Questions for VOMCA, Contact  
**[Board@vomca.org](mailto:Board@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**

**Water & Wastewater Emergency**  
**410-222-8400**

**County 311....For Information**

**Questions:**

**Email: Editor:**

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**Please use application in this issue**

**To renew your 2021**  
**VOMCA membership.**

**We need your support. Sign up for the Crier is on the application.**  
**Comments welcome!**

**Send a check or use Pay Pal to pay your dues (\$25) at VOMCA.Org.**

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



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**Submissions are due by the **20th of the month** in order to be included in the upcoming issue.**

**Village of Olde Mill  
Community Association**

**490 Chalet Dr.  
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Crier Editor: Sarah Hakulin

**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 \$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.

**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:**

2021 Colleen Flack  
2022 Meghan  
Greenwell  
2023 Paul Shafer  
2024 Sarah Hakulin

**Dues Are Due!**