

## Community Updates

### Sandy Cederbaum, Oakland Mills Village Manager

**Buy Local Buy Fresh**  
**Oakland Mills Farmers Market every**  
**Sun. 9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. through Nov. 20th**

We are officially entering the busiest season of the year. School has started and with that comes Back-to-School nights, programs and homework! The Oakland Mills Board and staff are Oakland Mills Schools biggest supporters. We support our schools through donations for events and programs and by having our Community Organizer represent us at OM Principal Cluster meetings. We have adopted a new initiative that will recognize achievements and achievers at all OM Schools. The Board will collaborate with school administrators and PTAs to make this program a success. We're so proud of OM schools, students, educators and parents and will share significant achievement with the community throughout the year.

This month is our biggest event of the year ~ the **Oakland Mills Cultural Arts Festival!** Join us on October 15th, rain or shine, for a fun filled day (11 am—4 pm) filled with great entertainment, fantastic array of vendors, informative displays from non-profits and delicious festival food!

**Lively Arts For Little Ones** ~ celebrating it's 40+ season debut on Friday, Oct. 21 with Carousal Puppets in "Monster Revue". The show is at the Other Barn and tickets are \$5 for everyone ages 2 and up. Lively Arts is a wonderful introduction to the arts for young audiences.

**PEI WEI Fundraiser for Oakland Mills!** The Oakland Mills Community Assoc. has been selected to hold a fundraiser at their restaurant on Tuesday, October 18. Please tear off the flyer attached and join us at Pei Wei that day (between 4pm and 9 pm.) Eat in or Carry out ~ proceeds will support **our** Oakland Mills community cultural events. **\*\*YOU MUST BRING THE FLYER TO PEI WEI SO THAT WE CAN RECEIVE CREDIT.\*\***

## Public Meeting For Input On Aquatics Master Plan

The following two public meetings are scheduled regarding the Aquatics Master Plan:

**Tuesday, October 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Slayton House, located at 10400 Cross Fox Lane;**

**Wednesday, October 12 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Owen Brown Community Center, located at 6800 Cradle-rock Way. Both meetings will feature the same content.**

For more information on these meetings and to register, please visit [aquatics-master-plan-publicmeeting.eventbrite.com](http://aquatics-master-plan-publicmeeting.eventbrite.com).

Registration is appreciated, but not required. For assistance, please call 410-715-3166 or e-mail [Scott.Templin@ColumbiaAssociation.com](mailto:Scott.Templin@ColumbiaAssociation.com).

For more information on the Aquatics Master Plan process, visit [ColumbiaAssociation.org/AquaticsMasterPlan](http://ColumbiaAssociation.org/AquaticsMasterPlan).



**Lively Arts For  
Little Ones at  
The Other Barn**

**October 21st  
10 am**

**Carousel Puppets  
"Monster Review"**

## PEI WEI

**Restaurant Fundraiser Event  
TUES. OCTOBER 18, 4—9 pm**

**Eat-In or Carry-Out  
20% of order will support  
Oakland Mills! You must bring  
attached flyer so Oakland Mills  
received our 20% credit.**

## PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISPOSAL

**HCPD will dispose of unused  
or expired medication for safe  
disposal. Drop off at:  
Oakland Mills Police Station  
Sat. Oct. 29 ~ 10am—2pm**



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**Oakland Mills  
Community Association**

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**Community Office Hours**

Mon-Thu 9 am-8:30 pm  
Friday 9 am-4:30 pm  
Saturday 9 am-12:30 pm

**Village Board Meetings**

2nd and 4th Tuesdays  
7:30 pm

**RAC Meetings**

1st and 3rd Thursdays  
7:30 pm

**OM Board Members**

Abby Hendrix, Chair  
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# Oakland Mills Community Association News ~ October, 2011

## Crime Prevention Meeting To Focus On Forming Neighborhood Watch Programs

**FREDERICK EILAND, OM COMMUNITY ORGANIZER**

Crime is on the rise in many communities and Columbia is no exception. What can we do as a community to help fight crime?

There are several preventive actions we can take to protect ourselves from crime. For example, at a recent community meeting, it was learned that many of the homes that were broken into didn't have alarm systems. Although alarm systems can be costly they do cut down on home break-ins. Another neighborhood crime victim was so rushed on returning home from work one evening that he left something of valuable in his car- his laptop computer. The next morning he discovered that his car had been broken into and the laptop stolen. Valuable items left in automobiles are tempting targets for thieves and thieves will take advantage of the opportunity.

As a community we have to be more careful about our safety. Watch out for your neighbors and ask them to watch out for you. And always call 911 if something seems wrong, out of place, or suspicious.

**On October 13, 2011 the Oakland Mills Community Association will host a Community meeting with Howard County Police Officer Russell Burris (Community Police Resource Officer). The main focus of the meeting will be crime prevention and how to form a Neighborhood Watch Program on your street. The meeting will start at 7:00pm and last until about 9:00pm.**

Most crimes are preventable. Here are some crime prevention tips from our local police:

**Lock Doors**—including garage, garage entry and storage shed doors

**Consider purchasing an alarm system and if you have one—use it.**

**Report suspicious activity by calling 911.**

**Remove all items of value from your vehicle, including GPS systems and accessories, cell phones, computers, loose change, bags, purses etc.**

**Illuminate your house at night and especially when away from home.**

**Look out for your neighbors; get to know their habits.**

**Let someone you trust know when you are out of town and when you expect to return.**

## OCTOBER Calendar of Events at The Other Barn

- October 5 Art Night 6:30 pm —8:30 pm**  
Relaxed evening of creativity and conversation. Bring your crafts, projects, games or just simply come and socialize.
- October 13 Crime Prevention Meeting 7:00 pm**
- October 15 OM Cultural Arts Festival Rain or Shine! See flyer for details!**
- October 19 Stamping with Gina 7:00 pm**  
Create greeting cards that are nicer than store bought. \$15 per session
- October 21 Lively Arts For Little Ones 10:00 am**
- October 23 Jazz In the Mills 5:00 pm—7:00 pm**  
Featuring Jazz Vocalist Sandra Y. Jonhson. See flyer for details!
- October 26 Nature Crafts for Ages 5-11 6:30 pm**