

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)  
Board Meeting  
November 20, 2002**

The meeting started at 7:30 p.m. at the home of John Carlson. John Carlson, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Telly Encarnacion, Malcolm Head, and Malcolm Stevenson attended.

**1. Minutes.** Approved the October minutes.

**2. Treasurer's Report.** Approved the November Treasurer's report. Stevenson noted that he is waiting to receive a quote from an insurance broker to renew the directors insurance for CSCA board members.

**3. Neighborhood signage.** Lisa Deyo reported on efforts to replace, repair and paint neighborhood signs. Deyo contacted an individual who produces signs for the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC). The cost to replace and paint signs varies depending on the number and features. For example, the cost could range from \$400 for 5 or less signs, \$350 for 5 to 30 signs, and \$300 for more than 30 signs. The board agreed to move forward with the sign replacement, repair and painting project and requested that Deyo work with the contractor to develop estimates. Several board members noted that if the project exceeds \$10,000 they would want to consider other options. To ensure the price is competitive, Stevenson offered to contact another reputable company to seek an alternative bid.

**4. Directory.** John Carlson reported on the status of the directory. Carlson approved the page proofs on November 20 and verified that the advertisements were correct. Rockville printing estimates it will complete the printing of 600 directories by November 25 or 26. The total cost is about \$1,950. The board agreed to charge residents \$5 for additional copies. In order to distribute the directories, Telly and Paul plan to use the new database to divide the neighborhood into 5 section in which Malcolm Stevensen, Malcolm Head, John Carlson, Lisa Deyo and Telly will distribute portions of the directory. In recognition of Paul's hard work in working on the directory, Malcolm gave Telly a bottle of wine (for Paul).

**5. ARC.** The board continued the discussion on developing a policy statement for "tear downs" and major renovations. In preparation for a discussion at the annual meeting in April, the Board agreed to hire a lawyer to give the Board a legal opinion of options and parameters with in which the Board can operate. The board requested that Stevenson seek out a lawyer with extensive experience.

The board noted that it has not received a status report from the ARC in several months and requests that the ARC submit a report at the next meeting.

**6. Quarry Matters.** Stevenson updated the board on the resolution of the zoning request by Tri-State quarry in response to objections from the West Bradley Citizens Association. The County Council approved a special exception that would allow Tri-State Quarry to build a building supply display center of up to 7,500 square feet as an ancillary function to the quarry. This compromise will ensure that the quarry remains in operation (with the addition of a building supply display center) until a later date when the quarry would most likely be converted into housing.

**7. Newsletter.** The board requested that John Surr publish the next newsletter sometime late November and mid-December.

**8. Miscellaneous matters.** The board briefly discussed parking on streets, beautification of Carderock Springs Drive, truck traffic on Lilly Stone, and leaf collection, but did not make any decisions. The board noted that it would like to discuss the status of Beltway barriers at a future meeting.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, January 14, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Malcolm Stevenson. Please note that January 21 is the alternative date.

*Submitted by John Carlson on November 22, 2002*

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)**  
**Board Meeting**  
**October 22, 2002**

The meeting started at 8:00 p.m. at the home of Lisa Wilcox Deyo. John Carlson, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Telly Encarnacion, Malcolm Head, Malcolm Stevenson, and John Surr attended.

**1. Minutes.** Approved the September minutes after incorporating several minor edits from Malcolm Stevenson.

**2. Treasurer's Report.** Approved the October Treasurer's report. The board agreed to renew membership in the Montgomery County Civic Federation (\$65). Malcolm Stevenson, Malcolm Head and Lisa Wilcox Deyo would continue to serve as delegates. Stevenson noted that the insurance policy for CSCA directors has lapsed and that he has requested a quote from an insurance broker.

**3. House Tour.** The house tour netted \$342. The board approved a proposal to use the proceeds for community improvements.

**4. Neighborhood signage.** Deyo reported on efforts to replace, repair and paint neighborhood signs. Based on the inventory of signs conducted in June and July, the board identified at least four signs that need replacing. Deyo noted that two additional signs need to be replaced according to Phil Brown. In addition, all the signs (24 in total) need to be repainted. The board agreed to move forward with the sign replacement, repair and painting project and requested that Lisa contact National Park Service officials to find contractors who could produce wooden signs and then to solicit bids.

**5. Landscaping.** Board members noted the successful landscaping work at the River Road entrance sign.

**6. Directory.** Carlson agreed to work with the Rockville Instant Printing on the final stages of the directory. The board agreed to use green as the cover for the 2002-3 directory and to contract for 600 copies of the directory. Telly Encarnacion will make final edits to the directory and submit it to Carlson. Malcolm Head has gathered advertisements for the directory. Mary Lou Shannon will occupy the same advertising space as the 2000 directory and Teresa Kellermann will assume the space previously used by Dottie Redlack.

**7. ARC.** The board discussed a situation concerning stones around a mailbox on Fenway Road, but declined to take a position on the dispute between neighbors. The board continued its discussion on concerns associated with tear-downs and out-of-proportion re-modeling. Several board members received feedback from the community regarding the draft statement (i.e., denying applications for replacement houses or additions adding more than 50 percent to the existing floor area if the resulting house is significantly larger or higher than the existing house or otherwise is inconsistent with Carderock Springs design standards). Some community members noted that the statement would disadvantage smaller models and would not address the fact that lots have varying sizes and dimensions. The board agreed that further dialogue is necessary and that a portion of the annual meeting in April should focus on this issue. The board encouraged John Surr to include a brief article in the newsletter.

**8. Quarry Matters.** Stevenson noted that several residents along Lilly Stone Drive and Park Overlook have voiced concerns with a proposal by Tri-State Quarry to seek an amendment to the current zoning regulation governing the quarry. As it currently stands, the amendment would: 1) allow expansion of operations through the special exception process, including the construction of up to 7,500 square feet of commercial building space for use in connection with quarry and building supply operations; and 2) legitimize the quarry's existing operations so that it could remain in the building supply business if it ceases to operate as a quarry. Stevenson noted that he was not aware of the proposal until recently and reminded the board that the Master Plan requires Tri-State quarry to go thru the special exception process if it intends to develop the site for non-residential purposes. He also noted that the West Bradley Citizens Association is actively opposing the zoning change. Stevenson explained that the primary strategy for not objecting to the zoning change is the desire for the quarry to continue operating in a profitable manner that does not significantly alter its impact on the community in order to stave off larger scale development of the site, most likely for housing, as is now planned for the other two area quarries. The board agreed with this strategy.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, November 12, 7:30 p.m. at the home of John Carlson (8625 Fenway Road).

*Submitted by John Carlson on October 29, 2002*

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)**  
**Board Meeting**  
**September 10, 2002**

The meeting started at 7:45 p.m. at the home of Telly Encarnacion. John Carlson, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Telly Encarnacion, Malcolm Head, Malcolm Stevenson, and John Surr attended. Martha Donnelly participated during the first part of the meeting

**1. Minutes.** Approved the June minutes after deleting a reference to the River Road entrance and pool sign in section on neighborhood signage.

**2. Treasurer's Report.** Approved the September Treasurer's report.

**3. Landscaping.** Martha Donnelly (landscape architect) reviewed the status of plants at the River Road entrance sign and her recommendations for additional plantings. Donnelly estimated the cost of supplementing the plantings at about \$600, including materials and labor. The board agreed with recommendations (e.g., greater concentrations of plants, use of plants that have demonstrated resilience in the unique environment at the base of the sign). The board thanked Donnelly for her hard work and dedication to the project.

**4. Directory.** Telly Encarnacion reported that she and Paul Encarnacion completed the first draft of the directory. Telly plans to distribute portions of the directory to John Carlson, Lisa Deyo and Malcolm Stevenson to proof-read. Carlson also plans to update the directory with additional e-mail addresses that he has received in recent weeks (in response to articles in the newsletter). The board recommended that the directory include language stating that the directory is private and intended for use residents to contact one another. The board set the prices of advertising at the following rates (with the goal of recovering the costs of printing the directory): \$300 full page, \$160 half page, \$120 one-quarter (business card) page. The current goal is to publish the directory by mid-November.

**5. House Tour.** The house tour is scheduled for September 22 from 2-5 p.m. Mary Lou Shannon requests that board members greet residents at the "refreshment" house at 7709 Glenmore Springs Way.

**6. Neighborhood signage.** Lisa Deyo requested an estimate from Phil Brown to repair/replace the signs. Deyo plans to update the board at the October meeting.

**7. Persimmon Tree Road.** Malcolm Head and Malcolm Stevenson reported on effort to improve visibility and address safety concerns along two parts of Persimmon Tree Road -- intersection of Eggert Road and hill near Saunders Lane -- in response to three recent auto-related fatalities. In addition to pruning near the approach to the stop sign at Eggert and Persimmon Tree Roads, a coalition of community leaders and local residents from the surrounding communities are urging that Congressional Country Club remove trees along Persimmon Tree to improve visibility. Notwithstanding recommendations to install a four-way stop sign at Eggert and Persimmon Tree, the County has no plans to install a stop sign at this intersection.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, October 22, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Lisa Deyo (Lilly Stone Drive).  
*Submitted by John Carlson on October 22, 2002*

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)**  
**Board Meeting**  
**June 13, 2002**

The meeting started at 8:15 p.m. at the home of Malcolm Head. John Carlson, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Telly Encarnacion, Malcolm Head, Malcolm Stevenson, and John Surr attended.

**1. Minutes.** Approved the May minutes.

**2. Treasurer's Report.** Approved the June Treasurer's report. Stevenson requested that Telly Encarnacion review the renewal deadlines and ensure that the officers' insurance for board members is current.

**3. Directory.** Telly Encarnacion noted that the her husband, Paul, is working on developing the database for the CSCA directory. John Carlson provided Encarnacion the completed forms from members. The Board discussed the role members will take in updating the database and printing the directory.

- Encarnacion: Focus on producing a new Access database (and will report on progress at the next Board meeting or via e-mail)
- Carlson: Assist Encarnacion in data entry and will serve as point person for receiving e-mail addresses (in response to an article that Surr will incorporate in the next newsletter)
- Deyo: Plans to act as the primary liaison to the printer (Rockville Instant Press)
- Head: Lead efforts to solicit advertisements and to serve as the primary repository of extra directories.

Note for future reference: The Board noted that the map in the 2000 directory should be modified to remove an incorrect easement. The Board stated that advertising should be priced to cover the cost of publication.

**5. Neighborhood signage.** Deyo, Head and Stevenson reviewed the results of their inventory of neighborhood signs. After a discussion on the appropriate criteria for replacing versus painting signs, the group recommended the following:

Replace signs:

Lilly Stone Drive:

- Pine Cone Knob
- Red Oak Knob

Park Overlook Drive:

- Park Lane

Hamilton Spring Road

- Hickory Hill

Repaint/repair:

Entrance Signs:

- Carderock South (Persimmon Tree Road & Tomlinson)
- Persimmon Tree Lane and Lilly Stone Drive
- River Road and Carderock Springs Drive
- Swim club sign on Fenway (across from Carderock Springs Drive)

- Swim club sign on corner of Fenway and Hamilton Spring Court
- Lilly Stone Drive:
- White Pine Knob
  - Red Oak Knob
- Park Overlook Court:
- Oakdale
- Park Overlook Drive:
- Dogwood Hill
  - Cedar Hill
  - Rock Hill
  - Poplar Hill
- Stone Trail Drive:
- 8205-09
  - 8216-20
- Persimmon Tree Road:
- Cabin Oak Hill
- Magruder Mill Court:
- Laurel Hill
- Fenway Road
- Fern Hill
  - Holly Hill
  - Pine Hill

Deyo plans to solicit bids to determine the cost of completing the project.

**7. Kachina Lane/Synagogue.** Stevenson has not received additional information (other than the material the synagogue provided for the newsletter) on the status of the summer camp. Stevenson added that neighbors have confirmed that the lights are routinely left on until 10:30 p.m.

**8. ARC.** The board discussed concerns associated with tear-downs and out-of-proportion remodeling. The board agreed to the following draft statement and noted that further community input would be necessary: "The Board will instruct ARC committee to deny applications for replacement houses or additions adding more than 50 percent to the existing floor area if the resulting house is significantly larger or higher than the existing house or otherwise is inconsistent with Carderock Springs design standards."

**9. Speeding Cars and Traffic.** The board decided to defer further action until the September meeting.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, September 10, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Telly Encarnacion (7507 Hamilton Spring Road). Telephone: (301) 767-0263

*Submitted by John Carlson  
July 23, 2002*

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)**  
**Board Meeting**  
**May 21, 2002**

The meeting started at 7:30 p.m. at the home of John Carlson. John Carlson, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Telly Encarnacion, Malcolm Head, Malcolm Stevenson, John Surr and Augusto Tono attended.

**1. Minutes**

No minutes to approve. The minutes of the annual meeting on April 23 will be approved at the 2003 annual meeting.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

The Board welcomed its new Treasurer, Telly Encarnacion and approved the Treasurer's report.

**3. ARC.** No new matters to review. Only one pending matter regarding an addition to a house.

Several board members suggested that the board discuss at a future meeting its policy on "tear-downs" in light of mounting pressure to build larger homes on lots. The Board discussed some of the issues concerning "tear-downs" and covenants governing various sections of Carderock Springs. The Board plans to discuss this issue at greater length in the future.

**4. Subregion master plan.** Malcolm Stevenson proposed that the Board authorize an additional \$2,500 to reimburse a portion of legal fees incurred by the West Bradley Citizens Association for an attorney who represented Carderock and West Bradley Citizen's Associations last year. The board approved the proposal.

**5. Neighborhood signage.** The board approved a proposal to inventory all the Carderock Springs signs and to seek proposals from contractors to repair or repaint signs throughout the neighborhood. Lisa Deyo and Malcolm Head will conduct the inventory.

**6. Annual Beautification Award.** Board members discussed the process for granting awards to neighbors who beautify common areas. The board agreed to award \$100 to neighbors who have demonstrated the "most improvement" in landscaping common areas. The Board will seek nominations from the Carderock Springs Garden Club for "most improved common areas" prior to the annual meeting (usually in April). Lisa Deyo plans to notify the garden club.

**7. Kachina Lane/Synagogue.** Stevenson reviewed several issues concerning parking lot lights, parking, landscaping, summer camp proposal and a new fence at the corner of Carderock Drive and Kachina Lane.

*Lighting.* Several neighbors have complained about lights that have been left on the entire night. Steve Shapiro (Adat Shalom's community liaison) agreed that the lighting is a problem but did not offer a solution.

*Parking.* Stevenson noted that a neighbor's driveway was blocked by a synagogue member and that some cars have been parked dangerously along Persimmon Tree Lane.

*Landscaping.* Stevenson noted that several trees (which the board helped fund) have died. In addition, the synagogue has been parking its trash dumpsters in the middle of the parking lot, which is unsightly and in violation of requirements to place dumpsters near the kitchen.

*Summer Camp.* Neighbors are concerned about a proposal to offer a summer camp and its impact on traffic (and compliance with the zoning ordinances). The synagogue plans to communicate with the board or the Carderock newsletter on its proposal shortly.

*Fence at Carderock Drive/Kachina Lane.* Stevenson noted that the neighbors along Carderock Springs Road and Kachina Lane recently erected a fence that prohibits pedestrians and bicyclists from passing through. Board members expressed concern that this would limit pedestrian and bicycle traffic (for kids) and could exacerbate relations among the synagogue, neighbors, and community.

**8. Quarry Matters.** No new matters to report.

**9. Directory.** Telly Encarnacion volunteered to help John Carlson in developing a data base for the Carderock Springs directory.

**10. Speeding Cars and Traffic.** Lisa Deyo noted that speeding along Lilly Stone is becoming an issue again. She urged Board members to encourage neighbors to contact the police. John Carlson requested that the Board send a letter to the David Taylor Naval Center and the National Park Service (Clara Barton Parkway) requesting that they get a permit to allow trucks on the Clara Barton Parkway in order to limit truck traffic along Eggert Drive and Carderock Springs roads (primarily Lilly Stone Drive). Stevenson agreed to send a letter and Deyo offered to call her contact at the Navy.

**11. Community events.** Carlson noted that that the April 27<sup>th</sup> clean-up of the Cabin John Creek was a success.

**12. Newsletter.** John Surr noted that the next newsletter will include an article on the annual meeting and Jonathan Graham's lecture on deer, draught and deep shade.

**Next meeting:** Thursday, June 13, 8:00 p.m. at the home of Malcolm Head.

*Submitted by John Carlson  
June 4, 2002*

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)**  
**Annual Meeting**  
**April 23, 2002**

The meeting started at 8:00 p.m. at the Carderock Springs Club. John Carlson, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Malcolm Head, Malcolm Stevenson attended. Approximately 25 members of the Association attended.

**1. Guest Speaker**

Jonathan Graham of Graham Landscaping and Design talked about "Deer, Drought, Deep shade -- Gardening in Carderock." A summary of the lecture is attached.

**2. Minutes**

The Citizens Association approved the minutes of last year's CSCA meeting (April 25, 2001).

**3. Election of Officers**

MaryLou Shannon submitted nominations for the election of officers. Shannon nominated Telly Encarnacion as the new Treasurer to replace Joyce Darilek, who served as Treasurer for the past 7 years. Ms. Encarnacion is a substitute teacher and parent of two children in Carderock Springs. Shannon also nominated incumbent officers for an additional term: Malcolm Stevenson for President, Malcolm Head for first Vice President, Lisa Wilcox Deyo for second Vice President, and John Carlson for Secretary. The Citizens Association approved the officers.

**4. Summary of Issues and Accomplishments**

Malcolm Stevenson reviewed the significant issues and accomplishments during the past 12 months.

- *Master Plan.* Stevenson reported that the County Council approved (7-2) the Potomac Master Plan. The 20-year plan calls for the continuation of the two-lane policy for River Road and permits residential developments in several nearby quarries. The most significant quarry development project involves the Stoneyhurst quarry, which is bounded by Cabin John Creek and the firehouse along River Road. The Master Plan permits up to allow 97 residential units, which the developer of the 13.3 acre parcel plans for "empty-nester" housing. The Plan does not permit commercial/retail development. Stevenson noted that the Board worked together with other associations, primarily West Bradley Citizens Association in commenting on the Master Plan. The Plan also authorizes up to 40 units on the Giancola quarry property with the stipulation that the developers find a solution regarding access to major roads. The Giancola quarry is located at the north corner of Seven Locks and River Roads. The Plan also requires that the Tri-State quarry to go thru the special exception process if it intends to develop the site for non-residential purposes. The Board also worked with the Avenel Citizens Association to lobby for sidewalks along Persimmon Tree from Oaklyn Lane to MacArthur Blvd.

- *Beltway barriers.* Last summer, neighbors abutting the beltway approved a state highway plan to install barriers. The barriers are scheduled for installation in 2006.
- *Lilly Stone Traffic Calming and Sidewalk Project.* Lisa Deyo reviewed efforts to install sidewalks along Lilly Stone and traffic calming measures. In response to CSCA requests, the county studied traffic flows, stepped up police patrols, and changed signage alerting trucks to weight restrictions on Lilly Stone Drive. Deyo noted that efforts to install sidewalks on Lilly Stone were not successful despite lobbying efforts.
- *House Tour.* Last September, the Association sponsored a neighborhood house and garden tour. The tour netted \$623.71 which the Board donated to the American Red Cross to help the victims of the September 11 attacks.
- *Kachina Lane/Synagogue.* Synagogue. Stevenson reviewed efforts to work with the Adat Shalom Synagogue on landscaping along Kachina Lane. The Board provided matching contribution to start some planting along Kachina Lane. Stevenson has worked with the synagogue's liaison to address concerns over the parking lot lights.
- *Directory.* The Board is beginning work on publishing a new directory later this year.

#### Association Feedback

- *Quarry.* In response to a question on efforts by the Tri-State Quarry to maintain berms, Stevenson noted that the county requires Tri-state to keep all its overburden on site and to manage run-off into the Cabin John Creek. One resident stated that Tri-State Quarry agreed to plant trees along the southern side of the quarry (parallel to Lilly Stone Drive). Stevenson stated that he would revisit the issue with quarry management.
- *Carderock Springs Drive beautification.* One resident requested that the Board contact the M-NCPPC to look into ways to cut back vegetation and beautify the entrance to the neighborhood.

#### 5. Community events

Stevenson reminded the Association of plans to clean-up portions of the Cabin John Creek at on Saturday morning, April 27. The creek clean-up is sponsored by the Friends of Cabin John Creek. Stevenson also noted that there will be a pet adoption sponsored by the Humane Society on April 27 at the Clara Barton community center in Cabin John.

#### 6. Beautification Award

Stevenson announced that the Board will sponsor an annual award for neighbors that beautify the knobs throughout the neighborhood. MaryLou Shannon announced this year's contest to Charlie Casper for the outstanding work he and his neighbors have done to the White Pine knob on Lilly Stone Drive. Casper accepted the award and discussed the various approaches his neighbors tried over the years to landscape and maintain the area. The Board plans to award recipients with a gift certificate from a local plant nursery to supplement beautification efforts.

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## 7. Recognition of Service

Stevenson recognized the following individuals for their service during the past year and awarded each a bottle of wine:

- Alan Saterove for contributions in working with the county to resurfacing the roads
- John Surr for editing the Carderock Springs newsletter; and
- Lisa Deyo for efforts to research sidewalks and traffic calming strategies on Lilly Stone Drive.

*Submitted by John Carlson  
April 29, 2002*

## **Highlights from Jonathan Graham's Discussion on "Deer, Drought, Deep shade -- Gardening in Carderock."**

Jonathan Graham of Graham Landscape and Design briefed the Association on three factors that affect landscaping in Carderock: deer, drought and deep shade.

The deer population has grown dramatically in the past decade. What was once an occasional sighting is now an everyday event. While beautiful, deer destroy trees and plants. The drought, which extends from Maryland to Maine, is putting stress on trees and gardens. Finally, as the native hardwoods mature, they are gradually closing the forest canopy and making almost everyone's yard very shady.

The following are Graham's tips for dealing with these challenges:

- View shade as an advantage in that shade helps to moderate temperature extremes, retains moisture, and enriches soils by generating more leaves that eventually decompose.
- Remove lower branches to increase filtered light by thinning out smaller trees to reduce competition for soil moisture.
- Invest in your soils by taking the time to prepare beds before planting. Moreover, enrich existing beds with nutrient-rich compost material. For example, Leafgro is a high nutrient product that Maryland Environmental Service produces from its leaf collection process. It can be used to enrich soils and as a mulch. Soil enrichment is particularly important since the native soil of Carderock is clay with little nutrient value.
- Water. Use sprinklers, not soaker hoses to water plants. The more physically involved, the more likely you'll know how much water you are applying to your plants. Alternatively, "gator" or tree bags are very effective and easy to use in watering trees. They slowly dispense water over a 6-8 hour period.
- Limit the size of your lawn. Edge your lawn to give it definition and use ground cover plants in shady areas.
- Good design is essential and often overlooked. Be sure to create a large enough mass of color or texture to create an impression. Use more variegated plants as design tool to help stand out in shady areas.
- Use plants that deer do not like or apply deer repellent products or bird netting.

Graham reviewed dozens of plants that work well in most Carderock gardens. The following are some of the plants that have passed the test of time in Carderock.

### Shade Gardens/Tree Species

- Asian dogwoods (*Cornus kousa*)
- Redbuds (*Cercis canadensis*)

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- Native River Birch (*Betula nigra*)
  - Native American hollies (*Ilex* species)
  - Native red or swamp maple (*Acer rubrum*)
  - Franklin Tree (*Franklinia altamaha*)
  - Sweetbay magnolia (*Magnolia virginiana*)

#### Shrub Species

- Dwarf Fothergil (*Fothergilla gordenii*)
- Native inkberry (*Ilex glabra*)
- Native winterberry (*Ilex verticillata*)
- Hybrid witch hazels (*Hamamelis* species)
- Oakleaf hydrangea (*Hydrangea quercifolia*)

#### Ground Covers

- Dwarf astilbe (*Astilbe chinensis*)
- Allegheny Spurge (*Pacysandra terminalis*)
- Periwinkle (*Vinca minor*)

#### Perennials

- Native and hybrid columbines (*Aquilegia* spp.)
- Ferns
- Lenen roses (*Helleborus*)
- Foxgloves (*Digitalix excelsa*)
- Bleeding heart (*Dicentra* species)

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 12, 2002**

The meeting started at 7:40 p.m. at the home of Joyce Darilek. John Carlson, Joyce Darilek, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Malcolm Head, Malcolm Stevenson, John Surr, and Augusto Tono attended.

**1. Minutes**

The Board approved the minutes of the February 12, 2002 meeting.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

The Board approved the March 2002 Treasurer's report. Joyce Darilek reviewed some of the comments on the CSCA renewal letters. For example, some members expressed appreciation for work on the beltway barriers. Other members urged the Board to remind dog owners to keep dogs on leashes and to clean up after pets.

**3. Directory.** Lisa Deyo stated that she does not have an electronic copy of the 2000 CSCA database. Malcolm Head suggested that the Board hire someone to compile a new database and to use the database to identify members interested in serving as volunteers, lobbying, landscaping, etc. Malcolm Stevenson noted that he would look into the costs and logistics of finding someone to develop a database for the directory.

**4. Annual Meeting.** The Board discussed options for speakers at the annual meeting on Tuesday, April 23 at 8:00 p.m. at the club. The nominating committee will include Mary Lou Shannon, Paula LaBoy, and Joyce Darilek. Aside from Darilek, who announced at the last meeting she intends to resign, all other Board members are interested in serving next year. The Board suggested that Stevenson ask Callum Murray of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission to discuss the recently approved Potomac Master Plan.

**5. Persimmon Tree Sidewalks.** Nothing new to report.

**6. Lilly Stone Traffic Calming and Sidewalk Project.** Nothing new to report.

**7. Kachina Lane/Synagogue.** Stevenson sent Steve Shapiro an e-mail regarding the parking lot lights. Shapiro agree that there is a problem and planned to look into options. The Board also discussed parking on Persimmon Tree Lane by synagogue attenders. Stevenson mentioned he also would discuss this with Shapiro.

**8. ARC/Covenant Matters**

Augusto Tono reported on efforts to resolve the dispute between the ARC and Janet Rodier of 7811 Hamilton Spring Road concerning an approved renovation at 7807 Hamilton Spring Road. Tono sent a letter to Ms. Rodier outlining the approval process and how the project on 7807 Hamilton Spring Road is consistent with that process.

**9. Master Plan.** Stevenson reported that the County Council approved (7-2) the Potomac Master Plan. The plan calls for a continuation of the two-lane policy for River Road, Falls Road, Seven Locks and Bradley Blvd. The plan also permits residential development on the Stoneyhurst quarry (but no commercial development). It also permits residential development (up to 40 units) on the Giancola quarry with the stipulation that the developers find a solution regarding access to roads. The Tri-State quarry will have to go thru the special exception process.

**10. Newsletter.** John Surr distributed a draft of the March newsletter.

**Next meeting:** Tuesday, April 23, 7:30 p.m. at the Carderock Springs Club.

New e-mail address: Joyce.dari@aol.com

*Submitted by John Carlson  
March 28, 2002*

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)  
Board of Directors Meeting  
February 12, 2002**

The meeting started at 7:40 p.m. at the home of Malcolm Head. John Carlson, Joyce Darilek, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Malcolm Head, Malcolm Stevenson, John Surr, and Augusto Tono attended. R. Van Raalte also attended.

**1. Minutes**

The Board approved the minutes of the January 8, 2002 meeting.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

The Board approved the February 2002 Treasurer's report. To date, 185 households have renewed memberships.

R. Van Raalte asked about the \$2,400 in legal fees. Malcolm Stevenson reviewed work of Roger Titus on the Potomac Master Plan.

**3. Directory.** The board discussed plans for updating the directory of the Carderock Springs Citizens Association. Joyce Darelik and Lisa Deyo provided John Carlson a stack of renewal forms and the computer file, respectively. Carlson plans to consult with Paula LaBoy to acquire the software program and update the program.

**4. Persimmon Tree Sidewalks.** Nothing new to report.

**5. Lilly Stone Traffic Calming and Sidewalk Project.** Nothing new to report.

**6. Kachina Lane/Synagogue**

The board discussed ways to raise the night-time lighting issue with the Adat Shalom Synagogue. Augusto Tono reported that the lights are on until 11:00 p.m. Stevenson added that the neighbors abutting the synagogue have not complained about the lights in recent months. Stevenson plans to discuss the matter with the synagogue at an appropriate time.

**7. Master Plan and Stoneyhurst Quarry.** Stevenson updated the board on the Potomac Master Plan and zoning for the three local quarries, which the County Council plans to vote on February 26. Stevenson noted that the owner of the Stoneyhurst accepted language to restrict commercial development, but allow 97 residential units. The board also discussed issues concerning the height of the berms in the Tri-State Quarry.

**8. ARC/Covenant Matters**

Tono discussed a letter from Janet Rodier of 7811 Hamilton Spring Road concerning the addition on neighboring 7807 Hamilton Spring Road. Tono noted that the project on 7807 Hamilton Spring Road is consistent with the covenants and is within the setback requirements. Tono added that the covenants do not specify how the addition would be used (e.g., wood-working

shop). Tono and Stevenson reviewed the process for considering modifications to homes and reminded the board that the covenants are enforceable so long as they are consistent with previous approvals. The Board requested that Stevenson and Tono send a letter to Janet Rodier reviewing the approval process and how this project is consistent with that process.

**9. Newsletter.** The board discussed plans for the annual meeting (scheduled for April). They noted that the next newsletter should include a request for nominations. John Surr suggested that the Board look for representation from South Carderock. Stevenson asked board members to announce their intentions to serve next year. Darilek announced that after 7 years on the board she intends to resign as Treasurer this year.

Stevenson noted that Realtor Therese Kellerman asked for permission to publish the newsletter on her website. After some discussion, the board granted approval and requested that the entire newsletter be reproduced.

The board also discussed several thefts in the neighborhood and the need to urge the community to be vigilant.

**10. Landscaping.** Stevenson reminded the board of the need to prune the Stedman garden near the entrance to the Swim and Tennis club. The board approved of a proposal for Stevenson to contact Martha Donnelly and work with the Garden Club on this project.

**Next meeting:**

Tuesday, March 12, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Joyce Darilek.

*Submitted by John Carlson  
February 20, 2002*

**Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA)**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**January 8, 2002**

The meeting started at 7:40 p.m. at the home of Malcolm Stevenson. John Carlson, Joyce Darelik, Lisa Wilcox Deyo, Malcolm Stevenson, John Surr, and Augusto Tono attended.

**1. Minutes**

The Board approved the minutes of the November 13, 2001 meeting.

**2. Treasurer's Report**

The Board approved the year-end 2001 Treasurer's report.

**3. Directory.** Malcolm Stevenson plans to distribute the letter to residents in late January requesting updates and renewal of membership to the Carderock Springs Citizens Association.

**4. Persimmon Tree Sidewalks.** Stevenson sent a letter to the council president Steve Silverman endorsing the proposal to construct a sidewalk along Persimmon Tree Road.

**5. Lilly Stone Traffic Calming and Sidewalk Project**

Lisa Deyo reported that no one has volunteered to assist the Board with traffic calming efforts notwithstanding a request for assistance in a newsletter. Deyo reported that the county changed the truck signs along Lilly Stone noting weight restrictions for trucks.

**6. Kachina Lane/Synagogue**

Nothing new to report.

**7. Master Plan and Stoneyhurst Quarry**

Stevenson attended the December 11 County Council meeting to hear testimony on the Master Plan. The current Master Plan includes zoning for the Stoneyhurst Quarry to allow 97 residential units (targeted at "empty-nesters") but no retail. Stevenson noted that the Council briefly discussed the Giancola property (near the beltway). Council member Dacek raised concerns regarding access to River Road and voiced opposition to the proposal to put 40 units on the property. Stevenson noted that the West Bradley Citizens Association opposes a change in zoning for Tristate Quarry that would give the owners greater leeway to use the parcel for commercial or residential purposes. Stevenson sent a letter to Council President Silverman opposing a proposal to change the "two lane" road policy for River Road.

**8. ARC/Covenant Matters**

ARC provided preliminary approval of additions on 7807 Hamilton Spring Road, 6917 Persimmon Tree Road, and 7604 Hamilton Spring Road.

**9. Newsletter**

John Surr plans to send a newsletter in early February.

**10. Website.** Augusto Tono expressed interest in exploring options for establishing a Carderock Website.

**Next meeting:**

Tuesday, February 12, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Malcolm Head.

*Submitted by John Carlson  
February 8, 2002*