We are a community on the National Register of Historic Places as a prime example of Mid-Century Modern/Situated Modernism architecture where houses complement and blend in with the natural landscape.

Community Calendar

All events are at the Club unless otherwise noted

EVENT



DAY/DATE

Thurs, Oct 11, 7:00 pm MoCo Quiet Skies Coalition Meeting at the Club

(7 pm for background if it's your first meeting, 7:30 pm for regular meeting)

Sun, Oct 14, 3-5 pm Annual Fall Fest at the Club

Mon, Oct 15, 7:30 pm CSCA Board Monthly Meeting (3rd Monday)

Sun, Oct 21, 10 am Daffodil Planting

Sat, Nov 3, 10 – 2 pm Free Paper Shredding at WJ High School

Wed, Nov 7, 7:30 pm Architectural Review Committee Monthly Meeting

Mon, Nov 19, 7:30 pm CSCA Board Monthly Meeting (3rd Monday)

Hardwood Trees Protected in Carderock

One of the main reasons that our neighborhood remains a leafy urban oasis is the presence of many stately mature trees. They are protected under the recorded covenants that cover all of the Bennett-built homes in the neighborhood. Hopefully, you received a copy of the covenants at closing or you received an information sheet from your realtor explaining the procedures for tree removal. Approval is required from the Carderock Springs Citizens Association prior to the removal of any mature hardwood tree that is not dead or diseased and that is over 12" in diameter. All removals should be performed by a Maryland licensed tree expert.

The purpose of the covenants is to ensure that our lovely neighborhood, which has been designated Historic by the State of Maryland, retains its unique architecture and forest-like setting. Our trees are an integral part of that designation. The Carderock Tree Committee works to enforce the covenants as they relate to our beautiful and stately shade trees, and also to help neighbors find answers to their tree questions In the event a homeowner is considering the removal of a protected tree, the homeowner must contact the Tree Committee, which will then meet with owners and determine whether the tree should be removed, or what additional options might be available. (cont. on next page)

(Hardwood Trees, cont.)

It is important to maintain our trees because trees:

- increase property value
- decrease damage from storm water run-off by absorbing excess water
- provide shelter from the sun and reduce home energy costs
- help slow global warming by absorbing carbon dioxide
- provide food and shelter for birds, beneficial insects, and other small animals that enrich our environment



When the Carderock Tree Committee approves removal of a mature hardwood tree, a sign in the yard communicates to neighbors that the tree removal has been approved.

If you are searching for recommendations for tree care, maintenance, feeding or pruning, several are available from neighbors on the Citizens Association website under 'Contractor Recommendations'. If you have any questions you can reach us at cscaTree@gmail.com.

Carderock Tree Committee Nancy Everett, Cheryl Glaessner, Sue Eastman, Linda Stocker

Newcomers' Reception



The annual CSCA Newcomers' Reception held on September 23 was a great success, with over 80 people, including seven new families, attending. Many thanks to Craig Stoltz and Leanne Long for organizing, Tom Deyo for opening remarks, Rob Gorman and Stephanie Land for providing introductions and kid's crafts, Diane Karlik for taking photos and Larry Ondrejko for help with set-up.

Jack Orrick, CSCA President

Neighborhood Directory to be updated



Has your contact information changed? Are you a newcomer? Make sure the CSCA has the correct information for your family for our neighborhood directory and CSCA mailings! Email Stephanie at Stephanie.land@alumni.stanford.edu to provide updates.

\$800 Grant Awarded To Talisman For Conservation Garden To Reduce Flooding

The last of the \$11,930 Neighbor to Neighbor grant from the Chesapeake Bay Trust to Carderock Springs, dealing with damage caused by torrential rains, is an \$800 grant to our neighbor Lee Talisman. Her conservation garden project has reduced not only flooding on her own property but also the substantial runoff from her property to two slightly downhill neighbors. Lee wanted to help reduce the runoff flow by using a series of check-dams and a conservation garden on her property. She also knew that whatever she started would entail incremental tweaking, to make it work better over time for her and her downhill neighbors.

Carderock landscape architect Lisa Wilcox Deyo designed beautiful conservation gardens for the Talismans' front and back yards to better absorb heavy rainfall. A conservation garden is designed to slow down and soak up rain using native plants. Conservation gardens rather than "rain gardens" were installed because they require less depth and are less expensive to install. A partial list of the perennials and grasses chosen to best absorb rainwater included: Carex stricta, Carex evergold, Packera senecio, Echinacea, Aruncus diocea, Dryopteris erythrosora, and Achillea. Two shrubs planted were Leatherleaf Viburnum and Shasta Viburnum. Channels of river rock also slowed down water from storms and created lovely curving designs to complement the plantings. Jeff Snyder of Roots Landscaping installed the project.

Lee is pleased with the effectiveness of her new gardens. Adjacent neighbor Jon Grossman reported that there was less erosion in his backyard. Another neighbor Tyler Tansing reported that there was less pooling at her gate after substantial rains. Both these comments are consistent with the 2017 Survey

Monkey results, where 67% of Carderock respondents said they had erosion, and 41% said they had water pooling for longer than 24 hours

Carderock Springs has been designated an official *Montgomery County Rainscape Neighborhood*. **REBATES for rainscapes that get preapproval from Montgomery County are \$2500.** Grants could cover much or all of the cost of a project. The Talisman garden will be open for a spring 2019 tour.



Local Projects for Conservation Gardens and Rain Gardens

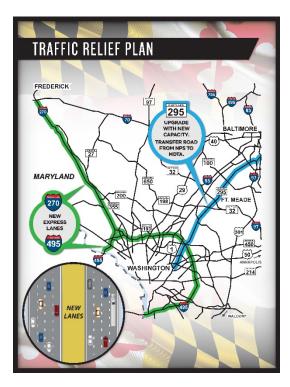
Excellent resource information, including contact information for landscape professionals who have completed training with the county as well as rebate information, can be found on the county's website: https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/water/rainscapes/rebates.html

Jean Ratner <u>JFRatner@gmail.com</u> Susan Eastman SueEastman@aol.com

Beltway Noise and Air Pollution Working Group

Members of the Working Group met on September 5th to discuss community comments on the 15 State Highway Administration (SHA) alternatives. The key three points (see below) were included in a letter from the CS Citizens Association to Governor Hogan and SHA Administrator Gregory Slater. The letter is posted on with Citizen Association website on the Newsletter and Documents page.

- 1. SHA should include sound/air pollution barriers as a part of any alternative that includes new lanes or other capacity increases (Alternatives #2,#3,#4,#5, #6,#7,#8,#9,#10,#11,#12,#13, and #15). The existing barrier of Thornley Court should be reassessed to measure if its height is sufficient to protect the community. A well-developed landscaping plan of dense foliage and plantings to accompany the sound/air pollution solid barrier should be part of the plan.
- 2. SHA should not carry forward any alternative that adds 2 lanes in each direction (Alternatives #6,#7,#8,#9,#10, and #11) as these alternatives would reduce the distance between the Beltway and school/residencies and significantly increase noise/air pollution.
- 3. Any alternative that increases the capacity of the Beltway in the vicinity of Exit 39 (River Road) could have direct impacts on River Road and Seven Locks Road, and would likely have indirect impacts on these roads given the likely increase in traffic volumes. As such, SHA should ensure that its project includes measures to minimize such impacts.



The Spring 2018 Traffic Relief Plan map indicates

- (blue) upgrades with new capacity for Rte 295
- (green) proposed Express Lanes for Rte 270 and 495
- (inset) configuration of new Express Lanes

To follow updates on the SHA Beltway and I-270 Expansion Plans go to https://495-270-p3.com/

Petra Jacobs CSCA Beltway Noise and Air Pollution Working Group

Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition (MCQSC)

Bi-monthly MCQSC meeting this time coming to our community! Meeting locations rotate throughout Montgomery County and this meeting's location is at Carderock Club.



Mark Your Calendars! You're invited to...

Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition Meeting

Date: October 11, 2018

7:00 pm Background Info if it's your first meeting 7:30 pm Updated Status Info

Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition (MCQSC) Leaders will to discuss updates on MCQSC and other airplane noise and pollution related activities

If you haven't participated in previous MCQSC meetings, please come at 7 pm for the New Member Orientation meeting to bring you up to the speed before the regular meeting.

NOTE: There are plenty of spots in the parking lot, but if you park on the street, please park on one side of the street only so as not to impede access.

Other updates:

- 8/31/2018: The State of Maryland filed its response to the FAA's Motion to Dismiss Maryland's Petition for Review
- As always, bookmark https://viewpoint.bksv.com/dca3 and submit your complaint regularly (daily or weekly). Convince your neighbors to submit complaints regularly, too.

Petra Jacobs and Diane Karlik, representatives of Carderock Springs to MCQSC

The Carder-Eco Column

News from the Environmental Committee

Upcoming: Saturday, Nov. 3, 10-2 at Walter Johnson HS- free paper shredding event and donation event sponsored by Dept. of Solid Waste Montgomery County. Limit of 5 paper bags or small boxes. For safety reasons, you will be unable to watch your papers being shredded.

Trash holiday: Week of Nov. 12, trash and recycling slide one day later

Community Yard Sale: Due to scheduling difficulties, this event will be postponed until the Spring.

Recycling Quiz: At the September 23 newcomers' event, we held a fun contest on recycling knowledge. Since rules and procedures vary greatly among jurisidictions and foreign countries, it was a definite challenge for those new to Montgomery County.

The items which were displayed and the descriptions of each are below so that all of our residents can partake in this fun exercise. As you answer, presume that all items have been used in some fashion, but all are clean. Answers are on the next page.

QUESTIONS: For each of the 20 items below, where should you put them? Choose one of the following 5 answers:

	B=blue bin	P= paper bin	T=trash	G=grocery store	H=hazardous waste
2. 3. 4.	Hart I am a second and the second an			11. salad clear clamshell pack12. bubble wrap13. facial tissue/Kleenex14. paper towel15. Styrofoam piece	
7. 8. 9.	compostable produce bag			17. envelo	

Bonus questions:

- B1. What number plastic is not able to be recycled at the current time?
- B2. What should you do if you have a question about a specific item?
- B3. What do I do if I have some broken glass?

If you would like further information on any of the items / answers in the quiz, you may contact me directly. Is there anything else of an environmental nature you would like to see done in CS? Please send any ideas to cscaeny@gmail.com or dianekarlik@verizon.net

Next newsletter: Even though many of our plastics are recyclable, they are not necessarily safe for the environment or our personal health. Various news media have been reporting on the problems mankind has generated with this overuse of plastics, and which now also harm our oceans, our beaches, our wilderness areas and animals as well. Next month I will discuss the different numbers you find on both recyclable and non-recyclable plastics and which ones to make an effort to avoid and the reasons why.

Diane Karlik, CSCA Environmental Committee

ANSWERS and Clarifications to recycling questions here in Montgomery County:

- 1. B
- 2. T (household alkaline batteries are not currently recycled)
- 3. P
- 4. B (#5 plastics are recyclable...check bottom of container)
- 5. B (#5 plastic on bottom of container)
- 6. T (CD jewel cases are non-recyclable plastic...they are #6)
- 7. T regular old type incandescent bulb (not to be recycled)
- 8. T compostable produce bags ruin the mix of plastic bags returned to grocery stores because they decompose and thus cannot be re-used. Even in the home composter, it takes a very long time.
- 9. H button, lithium, or rechargeable batteries contain hazardous materials and should not be placed anywhere except special collection sites at transfer station and some organic markets.
- 10. T (#6 plastic on bottom....#6 plastics are polystyrene ...similar to Styrofoam in chemical make-up ...#6 plastics should not be placed in blue bin. Therefore, compare to #4 above and check the bottom of your containers
- 11. B (#1)
- 12. G (bubble wrap and air-filled packing plastics should be deflated and delivered to stores with the grocery bags)
- 13. T tissue products cannot be recycled, even if clean
- 14. T paper towels cannot be recycled, even if clean
- 15. T (Styrofoam is a #6 plastic)
- 16. H (CFL bulbs contain a bit of hazardous, toxic mercury)
- 17. P (small amounts of cellophane are OK in the paper bin)
- 18. G (even with printing, if they are clean, return with grocery bags)
- 19. G (must be basically clean but they can be recycled via grocery store)
- 20. B (small metal into blue bin)

Bonus question B1: #6 plastics in the polystyrene group, including disc cases, some egg cartons, some meat trays and some disposable plates and cups. Try to purchase plastics made of #5 rather than #6 because #5 are better for you and for the environment. Look for the recycling number on the bottom of the product.

Bonus question B2: If you have a question about disposing of a product, check the Division of Solid Waste Montgomery County website https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/sws/, call 311, or send to cscaenv@gmail.com.

Bonus question B3: broken glass should be wrapped up and placed in trash. Some broken glass like mirrors, windows, glassware and decorative items are not made of the same sort of glass as that in a glass food container. Never put any broken glass into the blue bin.

Hope that your household has learned a few things and can now improve your recycling and trash procedures!

Planning a renovation? ARC Approval and Architectural Salvage



If you're planning a renovation to your Carderock Springs home, there are two important things to know before you begin work: ARC approval for exterior modifications and architectural salvage for interior renovations.

- 1. Exterior: ARC approval. As required by the covenants to maintain the look and feel of our midcentury modern community, exterior renovations must be reviewed and approved by the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) before changes are made. This includes major renovations as well as renovations that might seem more minor, such as window replacement, changing exterior paint colors, new or replacement fence installation and the construction of sheds or accessory buildings on your property. Submit an application and your plans to the ARC beforehand. Initially these can be early conceptual plans and then later on they can be specific elevations on construction drawings. The ARC can often assist homeowners with suggestions on design issues that have arisen with other homes in the past and possible workarounds. Please visit http://www.carderocksprings.net/article/3/architectural-review to learn more about how to initiate a design review. You can also visit http://www.carderocksprings.net/article/19/newslettersdocuments/covenants to gain a better understanding of the design covenants that help maintain the beauty of our community. If you have a question, a member of the ARC will be happy to answer it. The ARC meets on a monthly basis, generally the first Wednesday of each month, starting at 7:30 pm at the Club, to review applications and plans for exterior modifications to Carderock homes. Meetings are open to all residents. To contact the ARC, email cscaARC@gmail.com
- 2. Interior: Architectural Salvage. If you are undertaking an interior renovation, please ask your contractor to gently remove any original elements from your home, then offer these to the neighborhood using the Carderock Springs Chat email group (see information about how to join and post below). Many neighbors wish to maintain the original interiors of their Carderock homes and would very much appreciate your "architectural salvage" doors, light fixtures, tile, countertops, cabinets, sinks, vanities and even original kitchen appliances are all items that someone in the community could put to good use. Please offer any original feature you remove from your home on the Chat before before you throw it away!

To join the Carderock Springs Citizens Chat group, email cs-chat-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. You will be asked for your street address. Once subscribed, to offer an item to the community, just send a description of it along with your name, address and contact information to cs-chat@yahoogroups.com. Your neighbors thank you in advance!

Annual Fall Fest at the Club – be there Sunday, Oct 14, 3-5 pm

In preparation for the Annual Fall Fest at the Club, kids presented in September their ideas for Unicef micro-project fundraisers to support kids in need around the world. A Unicef jury announced this year's teams and winners:

<u>First Prize Elementary School - \$100</u>: Team Craft for Unicef also submitted an inspiring video of the Carderock artists and their crafts which will be for sale:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/bvbezl2l6owgwhe/My%20Movie%201.mp4?dl=0

Team members are Anya, Idika, Phoebe, Addison, Aaria, Loa, Abi, Samuel, Aneesh, Nora

First Prize Middle School - \$100: The Golden Cup Challenge

by the already famous H. Brothers: Gabriel, Jaxen and Grant

<u>First Prize High School - \$100</u>: Megan and Mariano with three (!) games: **Toilet Paper Toss**, **Angry Birds** and new this year **Bowling**

In addition to other great games, activities and delicious food at the Fall Fest, there will also be a **Toy Drive** benefitting families supported by the Wider Circle. Thanks to Unicef jurors Mya Soe-lin and Theres

Kellermann, who is also the founder and much-appreciated sponsor of the annual Unicef fundraiser.

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Handyman: Jose Louis has been working in Carderock Springs for many years, both inside and



outside homes. No job is too big or too small! Examples of his handyman work: small plumbing, repairing items around the house, carpeting and excellent house painting. Outside work: power washing, snow shoveling, plus lawn care including mowing, aerating, seeding, fertilizing, mulching and raking. Recommended by several Carderock residents. Contact Jose Louis at 301-919-0198.

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Cabin John Dog Walking: Midday walks to keep your pets happy and healthy. Many happy Cabin John and Carderock pet owners and their pets will happily give their recommendations. Call Carolyn at 240-204-2953.

Daffodil Planting Sunday, Oct 21, 10 am

Come Join neighbors for another Carderock Springs Daffodil Planting at 10 am on Sunday, Oct 21.

Plant hundreds of cheerful yellow daffodils which will bloom next spring and for many years thereafter around our neighborhood. This is the second time members of our community are coming together to dig holes and plant daffodil bulbs. The first time was a couple of years ago when 500 bulbs were bought with donations and planted in appreciation of Mary Lou Shannon's many efforts on behalf of Carderock Springs. After seeing the pleasure that first planting brought, the Carderock Springs Citizens Association is funding a second daffodil planting this fall. So if you are game to help this planting, please let me know - email me at carlsongardens@gmail.com or call 301-365-3723. Many thanks in advance for your willingness to beautify our community and have a good time with Carderock neighbors.

Anne Carlson



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The Carderock Springs Citizens' Association publishes the Community News at least six times each year. Residents of Carderock Springs and surrounding areas may join the Citizens' Association for an annual due of \$50 for a membership year ending December 31, 2018. Dues and family information for the Carderock Springs telephone directory may be mailed to the Carderock Springs Citizens' Association at Box 237, Cabin John, MD 20818-0237. Our Association represents the Carderock Springs community and implements its land covenants.

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