

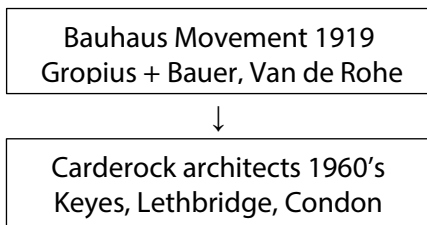
# CARDEROCK SPRINGS Community News

We are a community recognized by the **National Register of Historic Places** as a prime example of Situated Modernism, where houses complement and blend in with the natural landscape.

## The Modernist Movement From Bauhaus To Carderock

With our rich architectural heritage, it is even more critical that the Carderock community and its various committees—such as Architectural Review Committee (ARC), the Tree Committee, and Carderock Springs Rainscape Neighborhood Program-- preserve the peaceful treasure which we have. It is illuminating to think that through the education and design training of our architects Keyes, Lethbridge, and Condon, our houses are just one, two or maybe three degrees of separation from those designed by the pillars of modernism. The Bauhaus movement started 100 years ago in 1919.

The developer Edmund Bennett is certainly a well know name to all of us here in Carderock Springs since he developed our community of Mid-Century Modern (MCM) homes back in the early 1960's. The term MCM wasn't even invented until 1984! In fact, in the original brochure advertising Carderock Springs, the word modern or modernism cannot be found. Words like unique, siting, design, research findings, budget, cathedral ceilings, chrome features, indoor-outdoor, skylights, low wide overhangs, and latest materials were the descriptors to describe the models for sale. However, there are some other names that we should add to our conversations about Carderock: Keyes, Lethbridge, and Condon (KLC).



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### Community Calendar

*All events are at the Club unless otherwise noted.*

**Mon March 18, 7:30 pm**

CSCA Monthly Board Meeting

**Thurs March 21, 7:30 pm**

Montgomery County Quiet Skies  
Coalition meeting at Avenel  
Community

**Sat March 30, 10 am**

Memorial Service for Ky Ewing at  
St Francis Episcopal Church

**Wed April 3, 7:30 pm**

Architectural Review Committee  
Monthly Meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Wednesday of each month

**Sun Apr 7, 5 pm**

Progressive Dinner at various  
homes

**Sat April 13, 10 am - noon**

SHA Meeting on Beltway  
Widening, Pyle Middle School

**Sun April 28, 6:30 pm**

Annual CSCA Election Meeting

*(Bauhaus cont from previous page)*

Keyes, Lethbridge, and Condon was the go-to architectural firm for the developer Bennett, and based on the architectural history of the Capital area, this firm was one of the most formative and influential in the 1960's. They won 25% of the awards given by the Potomac Valley Chapter of the AIA. Their partnership was a blend of many complementary talents and became a training ground for local modernists, including Hugh Newell Jacobsen.

According to Ben Forgey of the Washington Post, "the partners disdained what they viewed as historical affectation and rejected many a commission where it was called for. They discovered a market niche and thought it was a wave of the future." Keys added, "Actually we didn't have much competition in terms of modern architecture."

Arthur Keyes was the principal partner in KLC. He pursued architecture as an undergraduate at Princeton, where Beaux-Arts classicism dominated, and then joined the Frank Lloyd Wright group in Taliesin. Finding that too much of a cult, he then went to Harvard School of Design in 1939 to study with Walter Gropius and Marcel Breuer, both of Bauhaus fame and who emigrated from Nazi Germany. Given these two international icons of design, Keyes was still able to carve out his own modernistic style. He wrote,

"Gropius would say, 'start from scratch, start with a white box, and then try to think out something logical and do it differently.' That was a surprise." While at Harvard, Keyes designed a Frank Lloyd Wright style house in contrast to the predominant International Style of his professors. Then he worked for the US Navy in Washington DC and was part of the design team for the WWII amphibious assault vehicle.

Francis Lethbridge was considered the dean of local architecture where he was able to blend his modernistic tendencies with historic preservation. He did not consider this contradictory nor regressive. He was a graduate of the Yale school of Architecture. Like, Keyes, it was the Navy that brought him to this area.

David Condon, the third partner who joined them in 1958, got his degree in architecture from UC Berkeley, where the emphasis was on environmental design. Condon then worked for Charles Goodman for four years as his lead designer before joining KLC. Charles Goodman had designed other MCM communities such as Hollin Hills and Hammond Wood about 10-15 years before Carderock. He graduated from the Armour Institute of Technology, now called the Illinois Institute of Technology, just before Ludwig Mies Van de

Rohe (Bauhaus) joined the faculty. Goodman, like Keyes, merged Frank Lloyd Wright concepts with those of modernism—sometimes called soft modern.

## 2019 CSCA Dues

Please pay your 2019 dues to CSCA. Mail your \$50 check, payable to CSCA, to PO Box 237, Cabin John MD 20818-0237.

Alternatively, login to PayPal, pay \$51.80 to [cscatreas@gmail.com](mailto:cscatreas@gmail.com) and include a memo with your name and snail mail address.

Note that Citizens Association dues are separate from the Swim and Tennis Club dues.



# Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition (MCQSC)

**Next MCQSC mtg: Thursday, 3/21  
at 7:30 PM**

Please mark your calendars for our next Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition meeting, which is scheduled for **Thursday, March 21st** at the **Avenel Community Association office, 9501 Beman Woods Way, Potomac.**

7:00 PM - Newcomer's orientation;  
7:30 PM - Full meeting begins

# Progressive Dinner -- aka "Mobile Dinner Party"

***Sunday, April 7, 2019,  
cocktail party starts at 5  
p.m.***

No, it's not a dinner to discuss Medicare for All. It's Carderock's yearly "mobile dinner party."

The evening starts at 5 p.m., with a welcome cocktail and an appetizer course at the home of event chairman Craig Stoltz.

From there, groups of 6 to 8 fan out to different hosts' houses for an entree, then to another house for dessert.

It's a wonderful time, very different from other Carderock events -- a great chance to spend relaxed time with neighbors old and new, enjoying conversation, wine, and a delicious, inevitably eclectic 3-course meal.

Sound fun? We're actively recruiting hosts for all 3 courses, and "sommeliers."

So what can you do for the dinner?

- Sign up to host an appetizer, entree, or dessert.
  - Appetizer hosts bring an appetizer to the pre-event cocktail party
  - Entree and dessert hosts welcome a group of 6 to 8 into their homes to enjoy the course.
  - Not a cook? Please join the fun by bringing wine for the entree course.
- Then all you have to do is show up at Craig and Pam's house at 5 p.m. on Sunday April 7, and we'll provide a little map of your itinerary.
  - Walk/drive to the entree house. Eat and enjoy.
  - Walk/drive to the dessert house. Eat and enjoy.

After-parties have been known to occur!

Contact

Events Coordinator

[Craig Stoltz](#)

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# 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: Architectural Review Committee (ARC) approval for exterior modifications and architectural salvage for interior renovations.

### EXTERIOR: MODIFICATIONS CONSIDERED BY ARC



As required by the covenants recorded against each lot in Carderock Springs, any outside modification or additions to the structures on a lot must be reviewed and approved in advance by the Architectural Review Committee. This may include, but is not limited to the following: fencing, sheds, exterior color schemes, and live, sound hardwood tree removal. The ARC is an appointed committee comprised of residents who are trained as architects/designers. 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.

Please submit an application and your plans for review to the ARC beforehand. Initially these can be early conceptual plans and then later on they can be construction drawings with specific elevations. The ARC can often assist homeowners with suggestions on design issues that have arisen with other homes in the past and possible workarounds. Details on the ARC submission process and the application form are on the CSCA website which also has a 20 page document of architectural guidelines that reflect the architectural standards the ARC looks for in exterior modifications, outdoor landscaping features and sheds. To contact the ARC, email [cscarc@gmail.com](mailto:cscarc@gmail.com)

**INTERIOR: ARCHITECTURAL SALVAGE.** If you are undertaking an **interior** renovation, consider offering **gently removed original elements** from your home **to the neighborhood** using the Carderock Springs CS-Chat email group. Many neighbors wish to maintain the original interiors of their Carderock homes and would very much appreciate your doors, light fixtures, tile, countertops, cabinets, sinks, vanities, etc.

# Trees

Carderock's trees are an important part of our environmental setting and the appeal of our neighborhood. If you wish to remove a tree, the covenants for all Carderock homes require approval by the Tree Committee. More information on the tree removal process is at <https://www.carderocksprings.net/our-landscape-tree-removal>.

We breathe in what the trees breathe out, and they breathe in what we breathe out....  
forever overwhelmed by the beauty of nature's design...

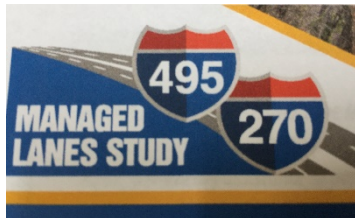


Nancy Everett, Cheryl Glaessner, Linda Stocker  
*Working to protect our health* 🌲 🌲  
Carderock Tree Committee ([cscaTREE@gmail.com](mailto:cscaTREE@gmail.com))



# Beltway

## Summary of the Beltway Expansion Community meeting on February 10



Panelists from the State Highway Administration (SHA) Lisa Choplin, Jeff Bolden, Karen Brookman, Kathryn Robbins, Joseph Vervier and others presented SHA's goal to address traffic congestion with regards to the Beltway expansion.

### Timeline:

- Spring 2018 – Scoping,
- Summer-Fall 2018 – Preliminary Range of Alternatives and Screening,
- Winter-Spring 2019 – Alternatives Retained for Detailed Study;
- Hearings in early 2019 (April),
- Summer 2018-Spring 2019 Pre-solicitation; P3 designation by Bureau of Public Works

- Summer 2019-early winter – Draft Environmental Impact Statement –RFQ & RFP
- Fall 2020 – Record of Decision,
- 2021-Construction starts.

Carol Rubin, Stephen Aldrich from The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission mentioned several concerns regarding the feasibility of current SHA plans and its environmental impacts.

Senator Susan Lee and Delegates Marc Korman and Sara Love presented bills to strengthen public input and environmental reviews of the Beltway expansion project:

- HB-102/SB-442 would extend to all counties a 40-year old law that gives Eastern Shore counties a veto over toll lane projects.
- HB-695/SB-788 would require the state to do an environmental impact statement before it can select a design or hire a toll developer.
- HB-663/SB-781 would put into law Governor Hogan's campaign promise that no homes would be taken for the Beltway expansion.

Christopher Conklin from the Montgomery County Department of Transportation explained the County's Master Transportation Plan that addresses congestion comprehensively (not only focusing narrowly on Beltway expansion, but also arterial roads, public transportation options, etc). Aaron Kraut represented Councilmember Friedson to express his intention to gather community's input.

Carderock Springs, South Carderock, Persimmon Tree Lane and other residents mentioned past failures of the SHA to honor its commitments to mitigate noise and air pollution during the last changes to the Beltway, removing invasive plants between the Beltway and community that were at least partially protecting us from noise and air pollution, and asked questions about what SHA plans are for performing noise and air analyses.

The next meeting is Saturday, April 13, 10 am to noon at Pyle Middle School.

# The Carder-Eco Column

## News from the Environmental Committee

From last month's newsletter: Adding to my list of alternatives when needing to find new homes for your unwanted items, one reader suggested Facebook's "marketplace" section.

Below are a few links to interesting articles:

### Food

<https://www.treehugger.com/green-food/eating-organic-6-days-reduces-pesticide-exposure>

Four families were tested for various chemicals before and after organic diets, and there were dramatic results. This study clearly demonstrates the benefits of going organic.

The US Dept. of Agriculture runs tests to determine the amounts of pesticide residue in produce samples. Then the Environmental Working Group (EWG), a non-profit, non-partisan research and educational organization analyzes these tests and calls their list "the dirty dozen".

It is therefore better to start with these produce items. For 2018, these were, starting with the worst, strawberries, spinach, nectarines, apples, pears, cherries, grapes, celery, tomatoes, sweet bell peppers, and potatoes.

If you prefer to start slowly, you can comfortably continue buying conventional "clean foods" including avocados, non-GMO sweet corn, pineapples, cabbage, onions, frozen sweet peas, non-GMO papayas, asparagus, mangoes, eggplant, honeydew melon, kiwi, cantaloupe, cauliflower, and broccoli.

### Clothing

<https://www.treehugger.com/sustainable-fashion/teacher-wore-same-dress-100-days>

I couldn't help but chuckle when I read this, especially after having been a middle school and high school teacher, often dealing with teens' self images and "need" to stay in style. If nothing else, it could be something to show your child in order to start a conversation.

### Home Remedies: Little Black Ants

<https://www.thespruce.com/controlling-little-black-ants>

### Recycling

<https://www.treehugger.com/plastic/recycling-bs-update-even-aluminum-recycling-mess>



Even though I have written many newsletter articles on recycling, some environmental organizations have long felt that the interest in and business of recycling was spurred on by the manufacturers of packaging materials, as a feel-good, but not environmentally friendly solution. Now that China is no longer accepting our recycling, many jurisdictions are needing to find alternatives (landfills) or having to pay, rather than receive funds, for the recycling of such materials as paper and aluminum cans. Next month I will let you know what I can find out about MoCo.

In the meantime, it is a good idea to pressure manufacturers to use sustainable choices in packaging, and for us to practice smart shopping. For instance, I have just written to a very popular chain of food stores, wondering why they continue to place some of their packaged vegetables in a #6 plastic, a plastic that isn't even recyclable in our county, especially when this same store packages other vegetables in compostable trays.

*Diane Karlik*



## International Dinner

Neighbors brought favorite dishes representing their national heritage to the International Dinner in early March. Our international community always serves up some amazing, authentic gifts to share.

This year we dined on delicious food from nearly 2 dozen countries representing all 7 continents including Antarctica!



## Carderock's Got Talent!

In February brave neighbors of all ages showcased their diverse talents - dancers, musicians, singers, a comedian plus visual artists, jewelry makers, bakers and even a mixologist – at a fabulous talent show. Big applause to the organizers and the team of judges, too!





## Classified

### Tutor Specializing in

#### International Students:



School is hard enough without it being in a second language! Get expert help today and give your student the support he or she needs. Confused by the American school system? No problem, I can show you what's expected, what is normal and keep you from worry. I have 30+ years experience teaching English to students from all over the world and have tutored International students in a variety of subjects. So don't delay, get ready for the new school year today! Contact Sharon Nothman: 202-438-2233, [sharonnothman@gmail.com](mailto:sharonnothman@gmail.com)



#### 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.

### Interior Design Studio:

"We create thriving spaces" through Residential & Commercial Interior design; Space Planning & furniture layouts; Planning, Remodeling & Expansions (managing & working with your builder & architect); Custom and Unique furnishings, including: Furniture, Lighting, Accessories, Artwork, Window treatments, Rugs. Design is not about style – It is a problem-solving tool. Good design focuses first on function & then aesthetics that reflect your personality. Experience the difference. Contact Carderock resident Noreen Chohan [noureen@studiofiza.com](mailto:noureen@studiofiza.com) 301.365.1741 studiofiza.com

### 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.

## Memorial Service

*10 am March 30*

The Memorial Service for Ky Ewing will be held at 10 AM on Saturday March 30, 2019 at St. Francis Episcopal Church in Potomac.



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### Carderock Springs Citizens' Association Board Members

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, 2019.

Dues and family information for the Carderock Springs 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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