

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.

Carderock Chautauqua Lecture Series at the Clubhouse Inaugural Session: Sunday Oct 10, 7 pm

Carderock's Darrell Tanno was always intrigued by the Chautauqua movement of the late 1800s and early 1900 – the idea that people would seek to educate themselves on a range of topics. As some of you probably know, our own Glen Echo Park was a prominent location for Chautauqua events. In fact, the idea of a Carderock Chautauqua occurred to Darrell while at the park with his granddaughter.



Community Calendar

Sunday Oct 10, 7 pm

Chautauqua (Clubhouse and Zoom)

Sunday Oct 17, 3 - 5 pm

Annual Fall Fest, outside at the Club

Monday Oct 18, 7:30 pm

CSCA Board Meeting via Zoom

<http://carderocksprings.net/zoom>

Friday Oct 22, 9 am to 4 pm

Vaccine Clinic at the Club for Covid, Flu, Shingles, etc

COMING IN NOVEMBER:

Wednesday Nov 3, 7:30 pm

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) monthly meeting via zoom.

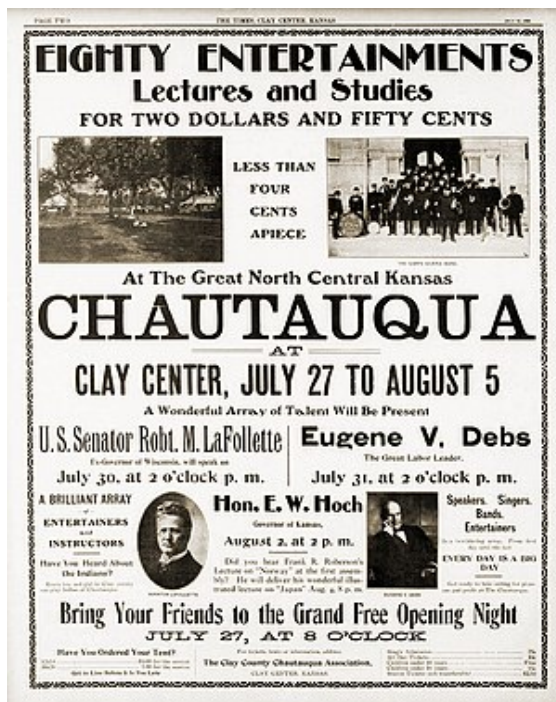
Contact cscarc@gmail.com

Sunday Nov 7, 4 pm

Chautauqua (Zoom only)

Monday Dec 6, 8 pm

Chautauqua (Clubhouse and Zoom)



They may have had Fighting Bob LaFollette and Eugene Debs, but could they have boasted Barbara Wolanin or Eric Caplan?

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In giving the Carderock Chautauqua a try, we have three events with eight talks total scheduled within the rest of 2021. When we were a little more optimistic, we had envisioned our events as in-person gatherings with mingling and chatting afterward. However, we realized that during Covid that some people could not attend such a gathering under any circumstances and that we'd make a "Zoom" option available. Here's our planned schedule:

- Sunday, Oct 10, 7 pm (Carderock Clubhouse plus Zoom)
- Sunday, November 7, 4 pm (Zoom only)
- Monday, December 6, 8 pm (Clubhouse plus Zoom).

The presentations at the first Carderock Chautauqua event on Sunday, October 10, 7:00 pm will be Live at the Clubhouse and will also be available on Zoom as well.

The 3 talks on October 10 are:

How Does Art Get into the U.S. Capitol?

By Barbara Wolanin

Many of you, like me, live in the D.C. area and often see the Capitol from the outside but have never bothered to get a tour inside, and there of course have been no visitors during the pandemic. As Curator for the Architect of the Capitol for 30 years, I took care of a lot of the murals, paintings, sculptures and archives plus was involved in getting approvals for donations and commissions. I will share a few of my most interesting stories with you.

Representing Omar. By Rick Wilson

Twenty years since 9/11. Complete withdrawal from Afghanistan. Television and social media are awash – again – with images of tragedy and conflict. How would the United States respond?

One answer at the time was to use Guantanamo Bay, Cuba as a detention facility for suspected terrorists. Some 780 men were taken there to be interrogated and tried. To date, 731 detainees have been transferred elsewhere, 39 remain detained there, and military commission trials have yielded eight convictions, some of which have been overturned on appeal. Guantanamo, almost forgotten, leaves us all with the question: what should happen to prisoners of a war that has ended? As part of my work as a law professor at American University, I served as voluntary counsel, from 2004 until well into 2007, for Omar Khadr, a Canadian citizen and child of 15 at the time he was seized in Afghanistan. I appeared in federal court on his behalf, as well as in the first military commission proceedings at Guantanamo and international human rights bodies. It was, without question, the hardest case of my more than 40-year career in teaching and practice. This is his story and mine.

The Decameron, and the Florentine

Environment that Fostered It. By Darrell Tanno

Almost 700 years after its publication, the world still loves Giovanni Boccaccio's Decameron. We turn to this seminal work of Western literature for its insightful and humorous stories into human nature – sprinkled here and there with ribaldry. This presentation looks at Boccaccio in the context of a burgeoning Florence on the cusp of the Renaissance, and provides an overview of The Decameron that will make you rush to your Kindle.

After these 3 fall events, we'll assess how things went and where we go from there. See you all at the Chautauqua!

*Darrell Tanno
Carderock Chautauqua Chief*

CSCA Events Committee ISO Volunteers



Looking to meet new people? Interested in being more involved in the community? Love planning parties? If yes, the CSCA wants YOU on the Events Committee. For additional information contact Kimberly Carlins Young at cscaEvent@gmail.com.

Welcome and Farewell

Welcome to **Ali Elyassi** and his family who moved into 8413 Fenway in October with their dog Teddy.

Welcome to **Shahla Sanei** and **Mahmood Akhavan** who moved into 8308 Fenway in September. Their son and daughter-in-law plus Shahla and Mahmood's grandkids also live on Fenway so that's 3 generations of the same family in just a few blocks!

Farewell to **Bonnie and Fred Phelan** who after 30 years at 8308 Fenway have moved to Virginia. Bonnie was particularly active in the community teaching at Carderock Elementary for 8 years, teaching at the Carderock Swim & Tennis Club's Summer Fun program for 6 years, plus being on the Children's committee planning various events including spring egg hunts, summer pool games, the fall festival, etc. Bonnie says they "loved every minute of being part of such a warm and friendly community." Carderock will miss both Bonnie and Fred!

Fall Fest Sunday, Oct 17, 3 – 5 pm



The annual Fall Fest is rapidly approaching with favorite activities for all ages. Various games created and run by kids will have proceeds going to Unicef to support children in Haiti this year. There are also creative crafts, a climbing wall, live music, plus a Chili Contest so bring your appetites! The event is outside in the Club's parking lot and basketball court.



TEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED and you'll earn Student Service Learning SSL hours. Sign up to volunteer at <https://signup.com/go/toQgTvj>



Questions? Contact Bei Wu, wubei1229@yahoo.com

Newcomers' Welcome Dinner Well-Attended

The September Newcomers' Welcome Dinner was a smash hit! With catering from local Carnivore BBQ, music by the Vandelay's, beautiful weather, and a spacious outdoor area at the Club's Pavillion, over 150 residents came to the event.

Thank you to those who organized it and to all who attended, especially our newest residents, the Malayeri family and our established resident of 56 years, Mr Bruce Truett!

See event photos on next page →

The Carder-Eco Column

News from the Environmental Committee



RECYCLING BATTERIES. Kudos to our neighbors for once again collecting batteries for disposal at the MoCo Transfer Station . Francisco Gonzalez has offered to do this regularly once a month from 7705 Hamilton Spring Road. He will be leaving out plastic containers under his mailbox for you on these dates:

- October Collection: October 22-29
- November Collection: November 29-Dec. 6 (slight delay due to holiday)

PAPER. Paper waste has become a real concern with online ordering. It is imperative to keep it as pure and dry as you can (they will still collect wet) since high quality recycled paper is sold at higher prices. Keep your paper bins closed if you can or reserve some dry paper for next time if you have too much. Deconstructing your cartons and nesting them is preferable.

Please do not include paper mailers if they are cushioned with bubble wrap or other plastics. Do not include paper towels, napkins or tissues, but their cardboard tubes should go into the paper bin if you do not compost at home. Do not place plastic lined paper cups or plates into the bin. In addition, if you do not need paper receipts, tell the store that you don't need one. In fact, many still have BPA or BP, chemicals that increase health risks. You can also request the manager to order paper without these toxins.

YARD TRIM. If you are new to Montgomery County, please be aware that yard trash will not be collected in plastic bags. Our yard trash is completely composted and later sold as "Leaf Gro". For that reason, if your plants are diseased

or have a fungus, it is best that you discard those in the trash. You can kill some unwanted plants by using white vinegar or boiling water, rather than herbicides. If you do your own mowing, a mulching mower will add that material as organic fertilizer to benefit your soil.

WEEDS

Weeds can tell you about your garden's health:
https://www.treehugger.com/reading-weeds-say-garden-5202321?utm_campaign=treehugger&utm_medium=email&utm_source=cn_nl&utm_content=25142629&utm_term=

MOSQUITOS

Should you be contemplating how to deal with the large mosquito population, consider the following via the link. Please remember that ALL of the insects are killed by spraying with many of these companies, and the chemicals used may be toxic, especially to smaller bodies...pets and our children. Even those that are less toxic WILL kill bees. In fact, a new resident who walks by my home every day remarked to me that there are so many more birds in my yard than in others on the street. There is plenty for the birds to eat on my property! I don't use pesticides of any type in my garden.

<https://mygreenmontgomery.org/2020/make-your-own-50-cent-pesticide-free-mosquito-trap/>

SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS WHEN REMODELING/DECORATING

Thinking of remodeling, refurbishing, or installing new materials that are sustainable as well as beautiful for your décor? Here is the 2021 Best of Green Awards for the home.

https://www.treehugger.com/best-of-green-awards-2021-eco-decor-5202126?utm_campaign=treehugger&utm_medium=email&utm_source=cn_nl&utm_content=25142629&utm_term=

Diane Karlik

Newcomers' Welcome Dinner – September 25



Worried about falling into a deep rut ?

Many routine walkers and daily cyclists have noticed the deep rutting along the sides of our roads, particularly on Lilly Stone. Heavy rainfalls in the past few years have left their marks. After a rainfall, our interconnecting swales are full of mulch and branches flowing downhill during a storm.

Furthermore, on the CS-Chat since 2008 there have been 30 postings about waterproofing our basements, crawlspaces, and foundations of our historic mid-century modern houses. As a resident told the Rainscape Committee in 2014, she did not expect her Lilly Stone house to become stormwater “waterfront” property.



Lilly Stone Drive

According to Montgomery County’s Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), our neighborhood has minimal “storm drainage infrastructure and an open-section road (no curb and gutter) with grass swales to manage road drainage. While the



Lilly Stone Drive

environmental goal of minimizing grading has been achieved, as the community has matured, increased impervious area and yard compaction over time has resulted in a variety of lot-to-lot drainage issues.”

According to landscape architect Lisa Wilcox Deyo, paving over ruts does not solve the direction of the stormwater runoff. Rather, it pushes it to another edge, where erosion will start again, unless diverted to a maintained, well graded adjacent swale. Swales are in the County right of ways, but need to be maintained by owners. The county, upon request, will regrade a swale so that stormwater flows smoothly. For this, contact MCDOT Project Manager Lacy Hanna at lacy.hanna@montgomerycountymd.gov



Ruts paved on Hamilton Spring Road

Lisa also added that

- residents who have visitors or contractors who are parking in the street, should ask them to park their vehicles and trucks so that ALL the wheels are ON the pavement, not on the grassy Right of Ways; otherwise more roadside ruts are created. Space for access by emergency vehicles should still be maintained.
- contractors and subcontractors should leave the site, including the road edges, in the condition they found it. This is often written in their contract.

Recently I learned that the County DEP has discontinued the Rainscapes Neighborhood Program, which included Carderock Springs and multiple other neighborhoods. Because we received a Rainscape Grant in 2015, the Carderock Conservation Committee was able to get our properties evaluated. See maps below.

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Carderock Springs Neighborhood Project Map

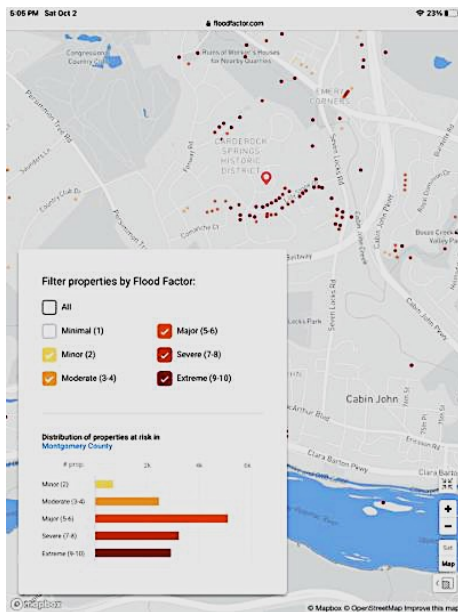
The following map shows all the current and completed projects that fall within the Wheaton Woods Neighborhood boundary. (Please click the double arrow at the top of the map to see the legend)



RainScapes Neighborhood Process in Carderock Springs

The RainScapes Program in Carderock Springs provides a RainScapes assessment for homeowners to identify the most suitable projects for a given property, followed by technical support for homeowners to implement a projects through the RainScapes Rewards Rebate Program.

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Flood Map by Carderock Property Address

\$7,500 Rebates Available

Even with the discontinued rainscape program, County residents with stormwater and ponding issues can still pursue a \$7,500 rainscape rebate from DEP as of October 16, 2021. Depending on MOCO covid policy, these evaluations may be virtual or in person.

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/water/rainscapes/carderock-springs.html>

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/water/rainscapes/rebates.html>

If residents are concerned about current and future flooding issues due to climate change, there are websites with tools to evaluate your risk of flooding in severe heavy rainfalls. First Street Foundation has an excellent site about flooding at <https://floodfactor.com/>

Many of the flooding dots cluster around Lilly Stone Drive, Hamilton Spring Court including the club and tennis area, and parts of Fenway including the area where the bridge collapsed in 2019 due to stormwater runoff. This site has many updated flood maps compared to FEMA, whose maps date to 2006.



Note that in this CS contour topo map above, smaller circles mark higher elevations, and the closer the concentric circles, the steeper the incline increasing water flow.

Other useful websites to investigate your flooding risk are:

<https://mdfloodmaps.net/map/>

<https://www.topozone.com/maryland/montgomery-md/city/carderock-springs/>

Questions about flooding, rainscapes, etc? Contact Sue.

Susan Eastman

Sueeastman@aol.com

Street Parking

Please move any cars parked full-time on the street (except for temporary use, and visiting workmen or delivery vehicles) as the roads in Carderock are narrow and were not designed for cars being parked on a full-time basis. The covenants recorded against the lots in Carderock also prohibit long-term parking on Carderock roads.

Please ask your contractors/guests to park on one side of the street only. Fire trucks and ambulances are 95 to 100 inches wide. Montgomery County recommends no less than 12 feet of clear road for travel access and 20 feet for operational access should a fire truck be called. Some of our streets are quite narrow so that even one-side parking makes for difficult maneuvering, and when vehicles are parked closely together on alternate sides, it may be impossible for emergency (and other) vehicles to get to where they are needed.

Additionally, it is harder to see pedestrians and young bike riders with alternate parking, and the tendency of some of our kids to ride or walk in the middle of the road increases the potential for a disaster.

Planning a renovation? ARC Approval

As required by the covenants recorded against each lot in Carderock Springs, any *exterior* (but not *interior*) modification or additions to the structure 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:

- Additions
- Fencing and Sheds
- Exterior color schemes

The ARC meets monthly on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm. Meetings are open to all residents, whether you are renovating, planning to renovate or interested in listening. When your building project is approved by the ARC, then you will receive an approval sign to post in your yard.

The ARC meets via ZOOM so if you are planning a renovation, please contact the ARC by email cscARC@gmail.com for further instructions regarding your plans for review and approval and to get the zoom link. Applications can also be dropped off at 8009 Hamilton Spring Road.



Further ARC information is on the website www.carderocksprings.net including a 20 page guidelines document that reflects the architectural standards the ARC looks for in exterior modifications.

WHY WE PROTECT OUR TREES

For Live, sound hardwood tree removal, which are also covered in the covenants, contact the Tree Removal Committee cscTREE@gmail.com for approval and to get an approval sign to post in your yard.



Our woodland community is a model of "situated modernism" where much of the existing woodland was preserved when the neighborhood was designed and built over fifty years ago, fitting in with the natural topography. A half century later, Carderock has an extensive mature tree canopy that helps provide privacy, welcome shade for homes, plus food for birds and pollinating insects. A tree canopy's environmental services are more important than ever since mature tree stands absorb and filter huge quantities of storm water which helps reduce downhill flooding and erosion. In a warming climate, trees provide shade, absorb CO2 and help reduce air-conditioning costs. The tree canopy in Montgomery County is steadily being lost to development and this makes our woodland neighborhood more special.

Trees can also become hazards as a result of climate change. The Tree Removal Committee can help you assess if your tree is dangerous and they can make recommendations. A *trained and licensed arborist* should also be consulted to recommend limbing vs. removal of a tree. Beware of chainsaw-wielding, low-priced entrepreneurs who may do more harm than good.

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Dentist



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Cabin John, MD 20818-0237.**

Join Neighborhood list-serve CS-Chat

With the summer behind us, we are
no longer seeing neighbors at the
pool. One way of continuing to
keep your finger on the pulse of
neighborhood activities and news is
by joining the neighborhood
list-serv CS-Chat.

Typical emails are about contractor
recommendations, yard sales or
lost/found pets. Recent emails also
include free shredding, offering free
plants, a descent ('flock') of
woodpeckers, and the Right of Way
between the street and your
property.

To join the list-serv, email
CS-Chat+subscribe@groups.io

Posting guidelines and more
information are at
<https://groups.io/g/cs-chat>

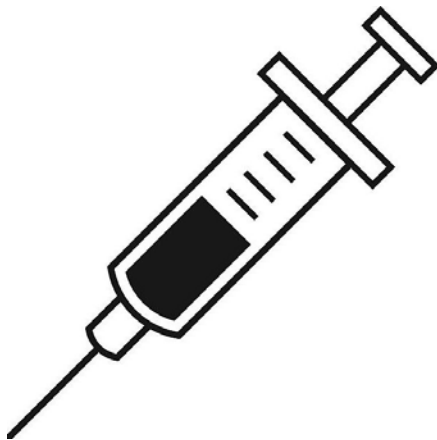
VACCINE CLINIC AT CLUB

Friday Oct 22, 9 am to 4 pm.

Wow! Giant Pharmacy has
confirmed a convenient clinic in
our neighborhood at the
clubhouse for the following
vaccines:

- High-dose Flu vaccine (for 65
years and older)
- Regular Flu vaccine
- Pneumovax 23
- Prevna 13
- Hepatitis- B
- Tetanus (Boostrix) Shingles
(Shingrix)
- Covid Pfizer boosters

Questions? Contact Carolyn
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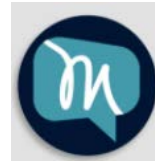


Last Chance to Update the Neighborhood Directory Online before it is Printed Oct 15

The online neighborhood directory in the Membership Toolkit App will be sent to the printer Oct 15. CSCA members will receive a printed copy later in the fall or early winter. Therefore before Oct 15, enter/update your family information including those who are offering babysitting, pet sitting, yard work and/or snow removal so the printed copy is accurate.

Online Directory instructions with screenshots are at
<https://www.carderocksprings.net/about/members>

Questions? Contact Membership Chair Bill Draper
cscacardinfo@gmail.com



Membership Toolkit App → → → Printed Directory



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National Register of Historic Places

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, 2021.

Dues and family information for the Carderock Springs directory may be made online via Paypal www.paypal.me/carderock, Venmo (friend @CarderockSpringsCA and in the comment "What's it for" include your address), or 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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