

# 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.

## CSCA Fall Open House

Join us Sun. Nov 5<sup>th</sup> at the Club

You are invited to come to the Carderock Club on Sunday, November 5, from 7 – 8:30 pm for the Carderock Springs Citizens Association Fall meeting.

We will have beer, wine and waters and light snacks. We will have social time for neighbors to connect with each other, followed by an informative talk and Q&A session facilitated by Steve Holland, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases at NIH. Steve's talk will be "A Shot in the Dark? What you need to know about the various vaccines such as RSV, Flu, and Covid and mRNA vaccines in general."

All in the community are invited to attend. There is no charge.



**Sunday, Nov 5, 7 – 8:30pm**

CSCA Fall Open House at the Club

**Saturday, Nov 11, 9:30 – 11am**

Cuppa Carderock Village courtside at the Club

**Monday, Nov 20, 7:30 pm**

Monthly CSCA Board Meeting

<http://carderocksprings.net/zoom>

**Sunday, Dec 3, 9am**

Table Tennis Teams Tournament at the Club

**Wednesday, Dec 6, 7:30pm**

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) monthly meeting at the Club  
Contact [cscARC@gmail.com](mailto:cscARC@gmail.com)

**Wednesday, Jan 3, 7:30pm**

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Contact [cscARC@gmail.com](mailto:cscARC@gmail.com)

**Monday, Jan 15, 7:30 pm**

Monthly CSCA Board Meeting  
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Arch via Amanda Skura



## FALL FUN IN CARDEROCK

From the chili/soup cook-off to the home decorating contest, it was a festive fall in our community

Members of the community enjoyed a SPOOKtacular Fall in Carderock with several festive activities including the Halloween Parade (as seen above), first annual adults only Halloween Party, Fall Fest and Welcome Dinner.

See a full list of the winners of the chili/soup cook-off, home decorating contest and Halloween costume contest later in the newsletter!

# Traffic Safety Committee Update

The Traffic Safety Committee held its first meeting on October 14. To recap, the members were selected by the Board and include, Jennifer Hughes (chair), Jonathan Fogg, Myadali Soe-Lin, Andrew Jaco, Claire Shields, Ariana Foley and Mercy Beehler. Rick Wilson is serving as the Board's liaison to the Committee. The Committee determined that their first and priority focus would be traffic safety options for Fenway Road between Lily Stone Drive and Carderock Springs Drive. The view is that this is where most of the speeding occurs and where the most pedestrian traffic occurs, including a number of children who ride their bike to school and are at school bus stops. The Committee will spend some time, working with the County Department of Transportation and other sources, to identify options that are appropriate for that road segment.

*Jennifer Hughes*

# MDOT Announces Public Meetings on Beltway/American Legion Bridge Project

The State Department of Transportation has announced a series of public open houses to update residents on the status of the State plans to widen the American Legion Bridge and Rte 1-495 to the I-270 spurs.

The dates, times and places for the open house meetings are as follows:

- Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School (Cafeteria) Monday, November 13, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (4301 East-West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814)

- DoubleTree by Hilton, Wednesday, November 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877)
- Frederick High School (Cafeteria), Thursday, November 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (650 Carroll Parkway, Frederick, MD 21701)

The Carderock Springs Citizens Association has been actively involved in commenting on the plans to widen the Beltway adjacent to Carderock Springs and Carderock Springs South. Neighbors interested in this project should plan to attend one of the open houses and let any of the members of the CSCA Board of Directors know of their participation.

*Jack Orrick*

# Table Tennis Tournament

Carderock Springs Table Tennis is organizing its first Carderock Springs Table Tennis Teams Tournament on Sunday, December 3rd.

Do you like to play table tennis? Find yourself a partner and team up. Young or adult, beginner or advanced, anyone can play. (If you know your ranking, make sure your combined USA TT ranking is below 2400 points). Teams will consist of 2 players.



The tournament will be held in the Clubhouse at the Carderock Springs Swim and Tennis Club Sunday, December 3rd and starts at 9 AM. The room will be open at 8:30 AM to allow warm-up. The tournament is expected to last until well into the afternoon. Make sure to pack or order lunch.

To participate please contact [hpzevenhuizen@gmail.com](mailto:hpzevenhuizen@gmail.com) before 9pm on Friday, December 1.

## House Decorating Contest Winners

Thank you to our households that participated in the second annual Halloween House Decorating Contest! With so many phenomenal yards, it wasn't easy, but the winners are:



**Best Halloween Display:** 8217 Hamilton Spring Ct. (pictured here)

**Best Creative Use of Recycled Material:** 8000 Park Overlook Dr

**Best Traditional Fall Display:** 8215 Lilly Stone Dr.

**Scariest:** 8633 Fenway Rd.

**People's Choice (Most Votes Overall):** 8117 Hamilton Spring Rd. \*2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row! (photo below)



A special thank you to Ashkan Malayeri, Caroline Walsh,

Diane Karlik, Jennifer DeMarinis, Lipika Dash, Meaghan Curry, and Stefanie Naskret for serving as judges! And be on the lookout for an email at the end of next summer revealing a new category!

## Welcome Dinner Success!

Thank you to those that attended the Welcome Dinner held in September at the Swim and Tennis Center Pavilion. Over 100 people attended including almost a dozen new families. The event could not have been possible without the board's support, community volunteers, and resident attendees. I hope to see you next year on *Saturday, September 21, 2024!*

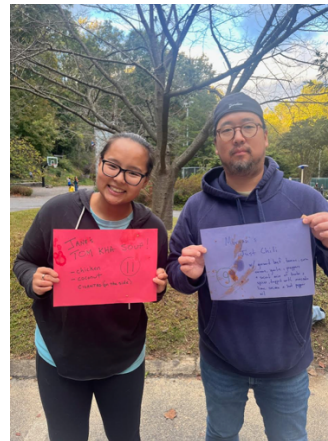
*Kimberly Young  
CSCA Event Chair*

## Fall Fest's Chili & Soup Winners

It was great weather for the Annual Fall Fest this year. From the petting zoo to the rock-climbing wall to the Cuppa station, it was a fun time for all. And the chili and soup cook-off surely did not disappoint! Without further ado, the winners for this year were...

**Chili winner:** Morgan Kim with Morgan's Just Chili

**Chili Runner up:** Jason Rezaian with Smokin' J'a Not Texas Chili



**Soup winner:** Jane Gorman with Tom kha kai soup

**Soup Runner up:** Tara Salehi with Tara's Famous Persian Soup



Thank you to all the participants. Next year is looking delicious already.

*Jen DeMarinis*

# CARDEROCK ANNUAL FALL FEST

*Thanks to the organizers and all the volunteers for such a fun fall event!*



*Collage by Lipika Dash*

# HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY WINNERS

It was a spooky and exciting night at the first annual adults only Halloween Costume Party.  
Drumroll please for the best costume winners...

**BEST COUPLE:** Mothmen  
(Jill & Gareth)



**BEST TRADITIONAL HALLOWEEN COUPLE**  
(Paola & Enrique)



**FAMOUS COUPLE:**  
Stephanie Seymour & Axel Rose (Aja & Brett)



**FAMOUS CELEBRITY COUPLE:** Kourtney Kardashian & Travis (Angela & Jake)



**MOST SCARY:**  
Twins from the Shining (Beth & Travis)



**BEST MOVIE COUPLE:**  
Jurassic Park (Rob & Stephanie)



**FUNNIEST COUPLE:**  
It was a TIE!  
Parisian Bed Bugs (Lisa & Dan)  
Gas Blower & Leaf (Katie & Andrew)



**BEST DIY COSTUME & POPULAR VOTE WINNER:**  
Hamilton "Spring" & Carderock Mailbox (Ashish & Anne)



Special Mention:  
**CARDEROCK LIFE**  
Globe light, snake, Fenway Rd  
Traffic control, Carderock  
MCM Mailbox, Hamilton "Spring"



Photos by Lipika Dash; Thanks Amanda Skura for the spectacular balloon backdrop!

# The Glend

## Our Community's Newest Garden

Springing into a fall bloom...at the end of Glenmore Spring Road.



Thank you to all you neighbors and gardeners who donated plants and shrubs and to all the walkers who have encouraged us while we water, dig, and weed.

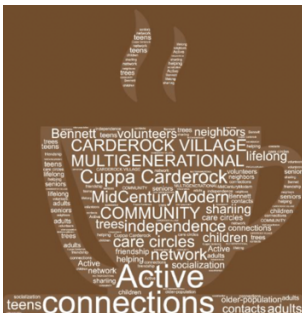
Come visit soon!

*Arienne Mahieu and Sue Eastman*

# Carderock Village

## You Already Belong

Connecting neighbors of all ages for friendship, learning, growing, playing & helping - Please join us for the next Cuppa CARDEROCK Village on Saturday, November 11 from 9:30 to 11am, Courtside at Club. Drop by to Connect. All ages invited.



As Carderock Villagers, we believe in the inherent potential and generosity of individuals across generations. We aspire to connect neighbors of all ages for friendship, learning, growing, playing, and helping. We want to provide services and activities for all ages, with the opportunity to serve and support as well as to be served and supported.

*Sue Eastman, Howard Harris, Maja Husar, Carolyn Finney LoBuglio, Rosemary Oshinsky, Katalin Roth, Jean Ratner, Katherine Stifel  
Carderock Village Steering Committee*

# Want to Remove a Tree?

The removal of sound hardwood trees from residential properties are subject to the original Bennett covenants.

CSCA Tree Preservation Guidelines require that for any hardwood tree located on a Carderock residential property with a trunk diameter of 9 inches or more at shoulder height that is not dead or in an emergency situation, i.e., immediate danger of falling on a house or other property or endangering personal safety, the homeowner must contact the Tree Committee ([cscatree@gmail.com](mailto:cscatree@gmail.com)) for approval to remove the tree. The Tree Committee will seek information from the homeowner as to the reasons for removal, the species of the tree, whether or not an arborist has been contacted and other pertinent information. Following submission of this information, the Tree Committee will arrange a site visit to evaluate the situation. The Tree Committee will then make a determination as to whether or not the tree can be removed, or if alternatives to removal exist, based on various factors including safety, tree canopy preservation, screening or privacy, tree health, effect on neighbors and cost.



Properties where the Tree Committee has approved tree removal receive an Authorization sign in their yard to communicate to neighbors that the tree removal has been approved.

## Planning a Renovation? ARC Approval and Architectural Salvage



If you're planning a renovation to your Carderock Springs home, here are two important things to know before you begin work: Architectural

Review Committee (ARC) approval for exterior renovations 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, whether you are renovating, planning to renovate or interested in listening. If you are PLANNING A RENOVATION, PLEASE

- Contact the ARC by email [cscarc@gmail.com](mailto:cscarc@gmail.com)
- Submit your Application for Property Modification – with required plans and neighbors' signatures - by dropping materials off at 8009 Hamilton Spring Rd.

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. As the project becomes more defined, homeowners should return for another meeting to review construction drawings with specific elevations. Additionally the ARC may make recommendations and want to see amended drawings and details.

Specifics 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@groups.io](mailto:CS-Chat@groups.io) email group. Many neighbors wish to maintain the original interiors of their Carderock homes and would very much appreciate your doors, light fixtures, countertops, cabinets, sinks, vanities, tiles, etc.

## CSCA Daffodil Planting

Once again, the CSCA is supporting a daffodil planting this fall to bring a beautiful blooming in the spring. Two hundred bulbs will be planted along the guardrail on Fenway Road and in other Carderock Springs locations (this is a much smaller number than in previous years). If you are interested in helping to plant the bulbs, please contact me at [carlsongardens@gmail.com](mailto:carlsongardens@gmail.com). The date of the planting will be on a weekend later this month.



*Anne Carlson*

## The Carder-Eco Column News from the Environmental Committee



### Quote of the Month

“Now I truly believe that we in this generation must come to terms with nature, and I think we’re challenged, as mankind has never been challenged before, to prove our maturity and our mastery, not of nature but of ourselves.”

—Rachel Carson

### Website of the Month

<https://www.tomsguide.com/how-to/7-surprising-ways-you-can-reuse-old-coffee-grounds>

In case you missed this from the Washington Post about the organization Leveling the Playing Field that provides sports equipment to those who cannot afford them

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/sports/2023/09/26/recycled-sports-equipment-nonprofit/>

Why you should be lazy and leave your leaves in the yard

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/climate-solutions/2023/10/14/raking-leaves-yard-fall-environment/>

## Trash and Recycling

The next change to Wednesday will be the week of Christmas, when pick up takes place on Wednesday, December 27. There is NO change the weeks of Veterans Day or Thanksgiving.

## MoCo’s Light Bulb Swap

Go Carderock! Our environmental committee sponsored lightbulb exchange a few weeks ago netted a huge 233

incandescent/CFL/ fluorescent bulbs that are now being replaced by LED bulbs, some of which were supplied by the residential arm of the



Montgomery County EPA on that same day.

Needless to say, they were quite impressed and participants will now be saving the county from energy waste from old style lightbulbs.

## Sustainability

Students at Boston University have embraced and emphasized sustainability and upcycling by transforming their current and thrift store purchases into their own designs. As one student said, “in a world where we find so much uniformity .... thrifting and upcycling fashion is an incredible way to express one’s self and find community” as thrifting has become a social event.

UPcycling the lithium-ion batteries used to power personal electronics, electric vehicles, medical equipment and more is one way to meet the demand for these materials...lithium, cobalt and graphite. This minerals are mined in small quantities, plus much is found in geographical regions where the existing trade policies now in place and in the future and upcycling can ensure lower prices and higher production.

*Diane Karlik*



# CLASSIFIEDS

## Driveway Sealing



Seal coating your asphalt driveway is the best way to keep it jet

black this summer. Carderock resident Tyler Veirs and his Dad own a driveway seal coating, crack filling and parking lot striping company. View samples of our work at <https://veirsenterprises.com/projects/> and contact Tyler at [tyler.veirs@veirsenterprises.com](mailto:tyler.veirs@veirsenterprises.com)

## Plumbing



The Drain Guys is a plumbing company owned by

Taylor Lovett, a resident of the Carderock community. We specialize in drain cleaning, water heaters, leaks, water lines, and more. All of our employees are vaccinated and wear masks. If you have any plumbing needs, please call 240-885-9264 or visit [dmvdrainguys.com](http://dmvdrainguys.com). We provide free estimates and consultations.

## Chimney



Old chimneys are at risk of leaking poisonous gases into your house?

Blackburn Chimney, owned by Taylor Lovett, a resident of the Carderock community, specializes in chimney cleaning, repairs, and inspections. Make sure your chimney is safe and in good condition. All our employees are vaccinated and wear masks. Call 301-965-1341 or visit <https://blackburnchimney.com/>.

## Cleaning



Swept Away Cleaning provides professional house cleaning services to Maryland, Virginia, and Washington DC. Owned by a Carderock neighborhood resident, they strive to provide excellent house cleaning you can trust at an affordable price. Recurring cleans, deep cleans, and more! Call them at 240-220-9816 or visit [www.sweptawaycleaners.com](http://www.sweptawaycleaners.com)

## Fiber Art Classes/Camp



Carderock's Anja Caldwell offers weekly fiber art after school classes, crafting bees, private instruction, parties and workshops for kids age 6 to 16. Also adult instruction by appointment and a bi-weekly craft group. We teach knitting, crocheting, weaving, sewing, felting, embroidery, beading and other traditional handwork.

See [www.FiberArt.studio](http://www.FiberArt.studio) for a list of classes and to register. Be well and make something today!

Carderock references available. For more info email Anja Caldwell, [anja@fiberart.studio](mailto:anja@fiberart.studio) or call 240 600 0170

## 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 240-204-2953.

## Bakery



Rhonda's Bakery is sharing Carderock Rhonda's love

of baking by delivering fresh natural/organic treats directly into the hands of Carderock neighbors. The bakery also provides special orders for birthday parties and brunches. Follow Rhonda's Bakery on Instagram; or from the website <https://rhondasbakery.com> order a Box of the Month, place a Special Order, or subscribe to email updates; or email questions to Rhonda at [Rhonda@RhondasBakery.com](mailto:Rhonda@RhondasBakery.com)

## ISO Home Rental in CS Nov+ & Box Transport to Houston TX

If you have a Carderock house to rent in November+ or if you can take storage boxes to Houston, Texas, this fall/winter, please contact Sandy/Barbara Silverman: [silverman05@comcast.net](mailto:silverman05@comcast.net)

## House Painting



Deaton Painting is a professional house painting company located in the Montgomery County area. They specialize in both exterior and interior house painting as well as cabinetry painting. Their team of expert painters is licensed, insured, and ready to take on all shapes and sizes of house painting projects. Call 240-220-9567 or visit [www.deatonpainting.com](http://www.deatonpainting.com) to get a free quote on your project.

**Advertise in this NEWSLETTER:**  
**\$10 for 1 issue or \$55 for 1 year in all CSCA newsletters. Submit payment via Venmo (friend @CarderockSpringsCA), Paypal (paypal.me/Carderock) or snail mail to CSCA, PO Box 237, Cabin John, MD 20818-0237.**

# 🎃 HALLOWEEN PARADE 🎃



**CARDEROCK SPRINGS**  
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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 annual dues of \$50 for a membership year ending December 31, 2023.

Dues and family information for the Carderock Springs directory may be made online (preferred) or mailed:

- Paypal ([www.paypal.me/carderock](http://www.paypal.me/carderock) and in the memo write your snail mail address),
- 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.

## **Carderock Springs Citizens' Association Board Members**

Jack Orrick, Rick Wilson, *Co-Presidents*

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Katalin Roth, *At-Large*

Meaghan Curry, *At-Large*

Brian Glenn, *At-Large*

Steven Seitz, *At-Large*

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Sandy Silverman, *ARC*

Katherine Stifel, *ARC*

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