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CARDEROCK SPRINGS COMMUNITY NEWS

CSCA to Publish a New Directory

We are ready to publish a new directory by the first of the year. Please take a moment to update your household information; including any services your children are offering in an effort to make sure the new directory is up to date. The form attached to this newsletter needs to be returned by December 7th.

If you have any questions please email either CSCAmembership@gmail.com or CSCAtreas@gmail.com

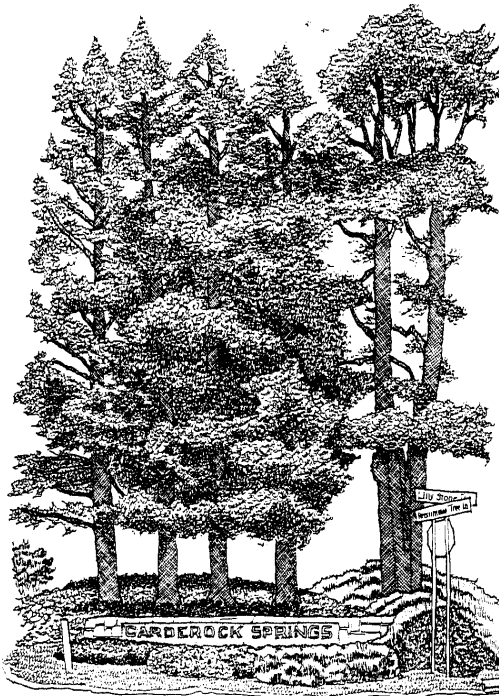
Then and Now – Who was Tomlinson?

By Judy Welles

Who was the man who moved the area from rural to residential and for whom Carderock Springs' and Cabin John's Tomlinson Avenue is named?

In 1911, J. S. Tomlinson, owner of the American Land Company, bought 500 acres of farmland in the area of Cabin John, and in 1912, he sold the first lots for the new community of Cabin John Park. John Summers Tomlinson had plats drawn for a community of 600 homes in four sections. But the development of Cabin John Park was not Mr. Tomlinson's only distinction.

Born in Turnersburg Township, North Carolina, on the Tomlinson family farm in 1849, he was one of six children. As a teenager, he fought briefly for the Confederacy,



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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, 2012. Dues and family information for the Carderock Springs telephone directory may be mailed to the Carderock Springs Citizens' Association at P.O. Box 237, Cabin John, MD 20818-0237. Our Association represents the Carderock Springs community and implements its land covenants.

enlisting in 1863 and serving until 1865 in Company G, 10th Regiment, N.C. State Troops which was the first N.C. Artillery Regiment. His family encouraged education and he returned to the farm to go to high school and on to Rutherford College. He lived on the farm until he was 21 and became a teacher in the local schools.

In 1875, he bought an interest in the "Piedmont Press" newspaper in Hickory, NC, and became its editor for 10 years. His brother William F. Tomlinson joined him to help publish the newspaper. As editor, John Tomlinson reported, wrote the news and even took photographs for the small town newspaper, displaying a writing skill that would be the basis for the Cabin John Park marketing brochure he authored years later. He also edited and published a book of biographical sketches of the members of the North Carolina state legislature.

According to an historian for Hickory's Masonic lodge, where Tomlinson became Master in 1879, the newspaper was printed on the second floor of a building and Sweet Sixteen chewing tobaccos were manufactured and sold by Tomlinson on the first floor. The tobacco business supported Tomlinson's efforts to keep the paper going but in 1885 the newspaper and tobacco businesses were sold. Tomlinson wrote an editorial in 1885 with the interesting comment, "Cigarette smoking has become such a nuisance that small signs have been printed and are kept for sale: 'No Cigarette smoking allowed in this office.'"

The Tomlinson brothers relocated to Asheville, N.C., and worked for "The Asheville Daily Citizen" newspaper. But a year later, in 1886, John Tomlinson moved to Washington, D.C. to begin work as a clerk in the U.S. Treasury Department. William followed his brother John to Washington and became a clerk for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

John became active in the National Guard in Washington, D.C., holding the military ranks of Captain of the Treasury Guard, Captain of the Engineers Company, Sharpshooters Regimental Rifle Inspector, Colonel of the Second regiment and he retired with the rank of Major.

The brothers each retired from Civil Service after 20 years of service. William organized the North Carolina Association in Washington, DC. John Tomlinson retired in 1906 at the age of 57 and began a new career in real estate in D.C. He bought and sold property becoming well-known in Washington's business community.

In 1911, Tomlinson saw an opportunity to purchase land in Cabin John, a scenic area of farmland near the Potomac River not far from the city. Incorporating the American Land Company, he bought most of the Dowling farm. His map of the lots named the two streets that carry his name today and all of Cabin John's streets, later renumbered. The Tomlinson Street that is now part of South Carderock Springs, once was also part of Cabin John.

Tomlinson married Mary Wilder of Louisburg, N.C. and they had one child born in 1895. They named him John Wilder Tomlinson. He joined the Army aviation service in 1918 and was killed in an air crash in Texas while preparing for service overseas. He is buried at Arlington National Cemetery. In a letter thanking friends for their condolences, John and Mary wrote about their son and closed by expressing the hope that "A sorrow of this kind will never fall across your pathway."

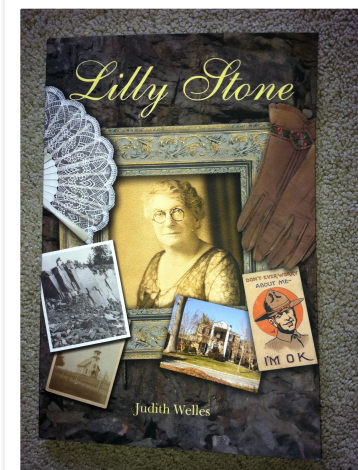
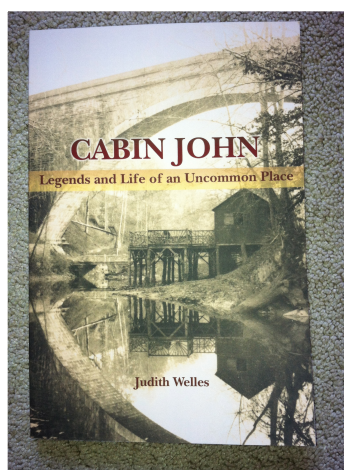
Hickory Masonic Lodge has a letter from John Tomlinson, dated January 21, 1925, requesting information about the year he served as Master of the Lodge. The letter is on Cabin John letterhead and indicates that John S. Tomlinson was president and his wife M.W. Tomlinson was secretary. The letterhead also states, "Homes and Investments near the Capitol" and "Low Prices and Easy Terms."

He died July 11, 1927, in Washington, D.C. at age 78, from a “lingering illness” according to the Hickory “Daily Record” newspaper at the time. He is buried in Rock Creek Cemetery. His grandniece, Mrs. Lucy Tomlinson (Wilder) Allen, formerly a state legislator in North Carolina, is one of few remaining descendants and she shared information. She was amazed to learn about Cabin John.

For those who work for or have retired from the Federal Government, it is interesting to note that Cabin John Park and also Glen Echo were founded by men who were civil servants. Despite extensive marketing and inexpensive prices, distance from Washington and difficulties of travel at that time made sales more difficult than Tomlinson might have hoped. Relatively few lots were sold, especially along Persimmon Tree Road, and ultimately his company went out of business. Imagine what he might think if he returned today!

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Judith Welles is author of the newly published Lilly Stone about the woman who owned the land that became Carderock Springs and for whom Lilly Stone Drive is named. She also authored the local history Cabin John: Legends and Life of an Uncommon Place. Both books are available at the Bethesda Co-op or from www.judithwelles.com. Judy presented a talk on Lilly Stone at the Fall 2012 meeting of the Carderock Springs Citizens Association.



CSCA Events Committee Meeting

The Carderock Springs Citizens Association Events Committee will have a meeting on Wednesday, December 5, at 7:30 pm at 7912 Park Overlook Drive. Agenda includes planning for the Newcomer's Reception Party (see Page 6) in January as well as preparing the 2013 proposed budget for the CSCA Board. Please call 917-454-8089 or email joetobin@hotmail.com with any questions.



CSCA Board Approves New Member of ARC

The CSCA Board has approved the selection of Ryan Robbins, a Carderock resident, as the third member of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC). Everyone who knows Ryan believes he brings an informed, committed yet balanced approach to assisting his ARC team members Doug Soe-Lin and Scott Wilets in providing advice to his neighbors on the Covenant guidelines and future architecture in the Carderock community.

Ryan was born in Michigan, raised in Washington DC and graduated high school in North Carolina. At the age of 14, Ryan recognized his passion for wood and became a young carpenter apprentice. He spent the next 16 years in home improvement, remodeling and new construction developing an in-depth knowledge of his trade and perfecting his woodworking talents. While working for several Raleigh builders, Ryan planned for, managed and worked all phases of residential and commercial projects. His love of precision carpentry led him to focus on interior home remodeling including providing insights to the exterior planning for home additions. In 2009 Ryan returned to Bethesda to build his own company and has been successfully working on home remodeling projects throughout the Metropolitan DC area, and especially in his beloved Carderock community.

An avid fisherman who always has a fishing pole on hand, Ryan also loves skiing out West and playing poker with friends. His true passion is working in his shop transforming exotic woods into everyday furniture. Ryan is very excited about his new role on the ARC where he will help his Carderock neighbors look to and build for the future of their community. Ryan can be reached at (301) 575-7066.

The Carder-Eco Column News from the Environmental Committee

COLLECTIONS/DRIVES

Recent drives: We collected over 75 pairs of flip flops and crocs, and 35 pairs of other shoes which have been sent to be recycled into the manufacture of different sorts of products. Thank you to Karen Roman and Lisa Bronfman for organizing the collection at our schools.

Current drives: Early holiday drive for household items in excellent condition (no clothing, please) and new gift items for Santa shops at a Wider Circle. See the CS-chat for details as to where and when to deposit these. Drive will end first week of December. Currently, drop-off locations are at 8027 Fenway (Karlik), 7 Carderock Court (Shannon), 8103 Glenmore Spring Road (Hubley), 8405 Fenway Road (Corbin), 8620 Fenway Drive (Sobrinio), 7808 Hamilton Spring Road (Lepard/Tosini) and 8112 Tomlinson Avenue, in South Carderock, off Persimmon Tree Road (Kramer). Boxes and bins will be near a front door, some other entrance, or garage. For additional information, contact dianekarlik@verizon.net or check the CS-chat.

Future drive: Starting mid-January, for business wear and accessories in excellent condition to add to inventory for the new initiative from a Wider Circle to help those in need enter or reenter the work force. More information upcoming in chat and next newsletter.

I am always looking for new ideas, as long as they contribute to Reduce, Re-use, Repurpose, and Recycle. Thank you to all of you who have written me asking questions, comments, thanks and more as a result of the CS-chat entries and this newsletter. There is nothing like feedback!

HELPFUL HOLIDAY HINTS (with an ecological bias!)

- ★ The EPA has stated that in the US the amount of trash increases by 25% between Thanksgiving and the New Year. How can we do our bit to decrease that?
- ★ Inform Yourself: watch The Story of Stuff on YouTube
- ★ There is so much information available on the internet...try some new searches for ecological ways to prepare for and enjoy the holidays.
- ★ When discarding, keep in mind that so much of what we throw away can be recycled and/or kept out of the trash stream. Hold onto these items made of metal, textiles, toxics, electronics, and deposit them yourself at the Transfer Station or wait for one of my collections that I announce on the CS-chat.
- ★ Let me know personally when you have something to be deposited at the Transfer Station. I will keep your name and let you know personally via e-mail the date of my next collection.

Packaging:

- Purchase items that have minimal packaging, if possible
- Purchase items with re-cycled packaging
- Re-use the packing material when possible
- Recycle comics, decorative paper, etc. for wrapping
- Decorate plain brown bags with stamping, coloring, etc.

Decorating:

- Use natural items...acorns, pinecones, berries, evergreens, holly
- Fill bowls with seasonal/colorful fruits, nuts, beans
- Fill hurricane vase with above and embed soy candle in middle
- Purchase/use colorful cloth napkins in place of paper products
- Use LED holiday lights in place of the older type
- Various house plants can be decorated, and some even mitigate the toxic effects of indoor air pollution (Aloe, Weeping fig, Spider, Red-edged Dracaena, Bamboo Palm, Snake Plant, and others)

General Purchasing:

- Consumables
- Gift cards
- Shop local businesses
- Buy Fair-Trade items
- Purchase an Experiential Gift (tickets, tours, etc.)
- Make a charitable purchase in someone's honor (like Heifer Org.)

Specific Ideas:

- "Coupons" for services (a teen, for example, can give I- phone or tech. lessons)
- Bird feeders, houses, Bat boxes
- Reusable stainless steel water bottles or non-BPA plastics
- Reusable lunch bags, sandwich wrappers, re-usable implements for lunches at school or at the work place
- Compost pails for the kitchen counter
- Reusable/Refillable filters for those single-serve coffee makers (instead of expensive and plastic waste-producing pods...the earth too pays a price for convenience)
- Reusable coffee mug (many places, including Starbucks, give discounts)
- Reusable shopping bags (the kind that fold up and attach to purse...the Co-Op has one)

- New kitchen cookware that does not have a Teflon surface
- Recycled glassware
- Search the internet for all sorts of gifts made of recycled materials
- Items made from bamboo, organic cotton, natural jute, wool, even Tencel
- Go shopping for Vintage items
- Indoor mushroom farm kits
- Soy candles
- Do-It-Yourself Kit for cleaning supplies (spray bottles, labels, Castille soap, natural oils such as lavender, peppermint and tea tree oil, with instructions you get from the internet... or make it yourself as a gift in a recycled basket or bag)
- A Family Gift, rather than individual ones (puzzle with puzzle holder/mat, for example)

There are so many more ideasjust consider the R's when celebrating your holidays

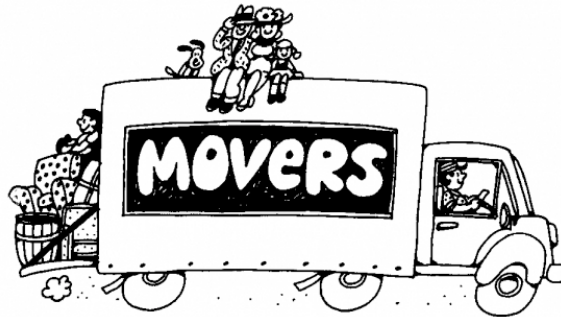
**Reduce
Reuse
Re-purpose
Recycle**

Diane Karlik, Environmental Committee

NEWCOMERS WELCOMING PARTY & POTLUCK

January 13, 2013

SAVE THE DATE



WHEN: January 13, 2012 (Time TBA)

WHERE: The Carderock Springs Swim and Tennis Club

WHO: Everyone!!!

BRING: Something super tasty!

WHY: For newcomers – everyone who moved into a house in the

Carderock Springs community during 2012 – to come and meet the members of the community, other newcomers, and all the Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA) Board Members.

RSVP: Joe Tobin at (917) 454-8089 or joetobin@hotmail.com

(Interested in helping the CSCA Events Committee plan the event? Please let Joe know.)

Newcomers to Our Neighborhood

Please welcome....

Marcelo Cima and Dolores Cima and their three children have moved to 8405 Lilly Stone Drive. Milagros is a senior at NYU, Matias a junior at U. of Md, and Benjamin a junior at Gonzaga. You can reach them at 301-320-7417 or virasoro@wis.edu.

Mike and Daniela Wolf and son Raphael, age 7, moved into 3 Carderock Court, the former home of Marilyn Thomas and Dick Victory. You can reach them at 301-681-0858.

Valeria Maciel and Facundo Martin are new residents to 8024 Fenway Road. Their home number is 301-365-5727.

Kristen Ameluxen-Schafer and Perry Peron have recently moved into 7017 Buxton Terrace with their Zambian cat named Tiger. They can be reached at 301-718-9592.

Mary Lou Shannon, Member-at-Large

Gardening in Carderock

The Not-So-Clean Fall Cleanup, and Other Chores

As the days get shorter and cooler and inside activities command our time, it's natural to spend less time outside fiddling in our gardens. But outside chores abound, chief among them the dreaded 'fall clean-up'. We know there are too many leaves to let them sit on our yards all winter (or until they conveniently blow away to our neighbors' yards), but what do we really need to do? I don't pretend to offer a perfect solution, but here are some thoughts on getting ready for winter.

Leave those leaves – or at least some of them. Certain industrious neighbors mow through all of their leaves and use them for compost – wonderful stuff for the garden – but I have many huge trees and have ruined several lawn mowers trying to deal with piles of leaves taller than me. I do, however, fill 2 large compost piles with all I can haul, and always leave a thick layer in my shrub and perennials beds for extra winter protection. They break down slowly and enrich the soil.

Leaves are fascinating. In fact, the type of leaf a tree produces may influence your planting decisions. We all observe how the oak leaves are the last to fall, thick, heavy, and acidic. The stately beeches often keep their copper-colored leaves through half the winter, brightening the winter landscape with movement and color. I have come to appreciate those trees with smaller leaves that require little or no cleanup – the locusts, the river birches, crape myrtles, and the serviceberries among them. The lovely japanese maples hold their scarlet leaves a long time, then drop them almost all at once where they spread their gorgeous color on the ground. The parrotias hold their leaves til mid-December most years, with red, orange and yellow often on the same tree.

But on to other chores. While some clean their perennial and shrub beds completely, I advocate a messier approach that allows for both food and cover for birds and other small creatures. Goldfinches and other birds love the seedheads of black-eyed susans and coneflowers, while joe-pye weed, sedum, and other perennials provide additional and needed winter food. Instead of becoming yard waste, fallen branches can be placed around tender or newly-planted shrubs to provide extra protection from heaves and frosts, winter winds, and deer. Many perennials are also beautiful in the winter and keep the garden from looking so empty. Save your thorough clean-up for the Spring!

Fall is also a good time to attend to your tools. Pruners and shovels can be cleaned, oiled, and stored away (although winter is a great time for pruning many plants). It is also not too late to plant bulbs, many of which are now on sale. If you are bothered by deer, ignore the tulips – which are also not dependably perennial – and select daffodils that will naturalize and spread. ‘Ice Follies’ and the scented ‘Thalia’ have done well in my garden, as well as the miniature daffodil ‘Jetfire’. Deer have also not bothered my grape hyacinths (Muscari), early snowdrops (Galanthus), or scilla, but sometimes the crocus disappear. They are so inexpensive that I simply plant more. You may have a later and slightly smaller bloom the first year after a late fall planting, so make sure you dig a proper hole and add bone meal or other enrichment if the soil is poor.

In this season of giving thanks we should remember those hardy garden plants that continue to bring color and interest in the late fall. The oakleaf hydrangeas are still gorgeous with their huge red leaves and dried flowerheads, as are many other hydrangeas. The hybrid camellias such as ‘Winter’s Star’ and ‘Winter’s Interlude’ have bloomed steadily for several months, as have the ‘Encore’ azaleas. The abelias have been going since late July, and I harvested the last of my ‘Knockout’ roses for Thanksgiving. With rewards like these, it is worth the time spent on those chores.

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A Carderock Community Carol Sing-Along **Hermion Presbyterian Church** **7801 Persimmon Tree Lane**



Sunday, December 16, 5:00 - 6:00 P.M.
 Come as you are for a relaxed hour of simple family delight.
 Hot Cocoa and Cookies!

Classified

Cabin John Dog Walking: Midday walks to keep your pets happy and healthy. Call Carolyn at 301-257-1076.

Handyman: Jose Luis will help with any and all chores in and around the house and garden, including painting and drywall work, indoor repairs, gardening and clean up, mowing, mulching, edging, transplanting, power washing, fence, pathway or platform construction, and any other kind of heavy work, on a reasonable hourly basis. Contact Carderock neighbor Ray at 301-469-0192.

Looking for kind, experienced lady to provide help for my elderly mother while she convalesces from a recent illness. She is 87 years old and lives independently in a condo on Cathedral Ave. in DC. As she regains her strength, she will need assistance preparing meals, house cleaning and doing laundry. Will require one day each week from 8am to 1 pm. Responsibilities will include weekly cleaning of small apartment, laundry, and preparation of several nutritious meals. These could be refrigerated and warmed for dinner over the next week until the helper comes again. Please provide resume and references to Chris at ctgordon14@gmail.com or call 301-320-2249.