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CARDEROCK SPRINGS COMMUNITY NEWS

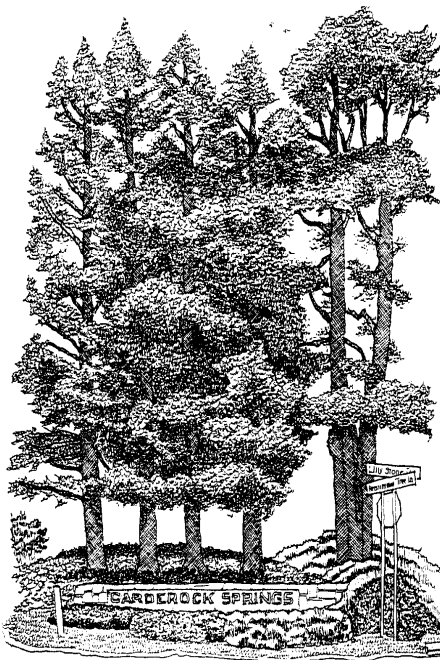
Newcomers to our Neighborhood

Please welcome....

Flavia and Flavio Rasetto and their daughters Ginny (11) and Kiara (7). They moved to 8605 Fenway Road and Flavio can be reached on drrasetto@comcast.net

Dick and Donna Schwartz and their two daughters Kira (20) and Hannah (23) moved to 8005 Park Overlook Drive. You can reach them on ddhkschwartz@gmial.com or 301-229-3064.

They bought their house from Stephanie Greene and Ron Reichel who have moved to Asbury this spring.



Heather Worley and Shaun Mann and their daughters Loie (4) and Scarlet (6) moved to 8208 Fenway Road, the former home of Susanna and Felix Yokel. Heather and Shaun can be reached at heatherbworley@yahoo.com. Heather and her family have been long time members of the swim club and mother Colette is still active in the tennis program.

The Carder-Eco Column

Habitat for Humanity Restore is a non-profit retail outlet specializing in the resale of quality new and used furniture, appliances, building supplies, hardware, doors, cabinets, tools, flooring, tile, rugs, lighting, bathroom fixtures, and more at 50 to 75% off retail prices. It is like a thrift store for building supplies.

Because many items are new and may be donated by contractors, builders, or wholesale/retail companies, you can

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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.

often find enough of a particular product for your needs. Net proceeds go to build homes in partnership with families in the county. All donations are tax-deductible .

You can shop there, volunteer there, and donate there (thus keeping materials out of landfills). They are located at 9100 Gaither Road, off Shady Grove Road. Call 301-947-3304 to schedule a pick up for large items, or you can drop them off Monday through Saturday from 9AM to 4PM. To volunteer, call 301-990-0014 x31 (SSL service hours approved)
www.ReStoreMoCo.org

As an aside, when I just donated some excess wood flooring from a job we had done, I spotted what looked some of those smaller glass globes used in the original Carderock homes. You never know what you can find there! I have several coupons for 10% off any one item should you be interested. dianekarlik@verizon.net

They also sponsor **carsforhomes.org**. for automobiles, trucks, RVs, and boats (whether these are running or not). They help with paperwork, they tow and sell the vehicle, and the money generated goes as well to the home-building projects.

MyGreenMontgomery.org is a website worth checking out for county initiatives, incentives, projects, news and special features, ranging from telecommuting, events such as fishing derbies, energy efficiency, lawn and garden, water and transporation.

Seven “greenwashing” sins (from TerraChoice)

While making “green” choices in products you use, beware of the following misleading or deceptive marketing and product claims

- * Hidden Trade-Off: labeling a product as “green” while ignoring to more important, and possibly harmful, environmental issues such as a product mentioning recycled content without information on its global warming effects
- * No Proof: product with environmental claims that lack supporting information or certification such as light bulbs promoting energy efficiency without certification
- * Vagueness: broad or poorly defined claims that lead to misunderstanding, such as “chemical-free”, “non-toxic” or “all natural” (this is my personal favorite...when you see a label touts “natural” chicken, for example....Of course, ALL chicken is natural).
- * Irrelevance: an unhelpful or unimportant environmental claim, even though true such as claiming a product is free of CFCs which may be true but no product contains CFCs since they have been legally banned for 30 years.
- * Fibbing: untrue or false claims, such as claims to being “energy star” registered but is not on the official list.
- * Lesser of Two Evils: claiming a product is “green” in an effort to distract, such as “organic” cigarettes, or “green” insecticides.
- * False Labels: using words, images, or logos on a product to insinuate endorsement from a third party, which may be a non-existent company or organization.

Diane Karlik, Environmental Committee

Carderock Graduating High School Seniors

Haitham Al-Rahim – Walt Whitman
Kimberly Anderson – Walt Whitman
Scotty Barrett – Walt Whitman
Hawa Boyce – Walt Whitman
Ani Carlson – Walt Whitman
Jack Crissey – Walt Whitman
Sarah Dallan – alt Whitman
Jenny Gathright – Holton-Arms
Melanie Goldberg – Walt Whitman
Weston Hanessian – Walt Whitman
Nina Hartcher – Australia
Rebecca Hughes – Walt Whitman
Bob Jansen – Washington International
Zachary Kramer – Walt Whitman
Nikki Kurtz – Walt Whitman
Grace Laboy – Walt Whitman
Ryan Oshinsky – Walt Whitman
Adrienne Remijan – Walt Whitman
Michael Shapiro – Walt Whitman
Gregory Sharpe – Georgetown Day School
Trisha Sobrino – Holy Child
Matthew Steinwurtzel – Maret
Nicholas Tosini – Walt Whitman
Katie Wollmer – Walt Whitman
Sam Woodbury – Walt Whitman

For college/gap year info, contact Hailey Hanessian, Liz Sobrino, and Paula LaBoy.

Gardening in Carderock Great plants for a great neighborhood

Last month we discussed 4 early-spring-blooming native trees. This month we'll pick up with 5 later-spring and summer-blooming native trees. Again, all of these are generally suited to Carderock gardens in scale and exposure, and (at least in my garden) are deer-resistant (although an initial spray is always advisable).

The seldom-planted red-buckeye (*Aesculus pavia*) is a delightful small tree or large shrub for our open woodlands. In early May it sports large, bright-red bottle brush flowers that are real eye-catchers. Happy in full sun to part shade, it has an irregular habit that suits our semi-woodland neighborhood.

If you have a sunny spot and some space, take a look at the Washington Hawthorn (*Crataegus phaenopyrum*), which is a wonderful 4-season tree. It grows wider than it is tall, and is covered with white blooms in late April-early May. Gorgeous red berries appear in fall

and last through the winter, and with its iridescent silver-grey bark the tree is a striking addition to the winter garden. Be warned that it does have thorns, so best to keep away from pathways.

A true Maryland native is the sweetbay magnolia (*Magnolia virginiana*). Unlike the classic southern magnolia, this is a narrow, multi-stem, generally deciduous tree with lovely and highly scented white blossoms sporadically from May through July. Unlike many flowering trees, it is not in bloom all at once but instead gradually over a long period. It is also a good tree for wildlife, likes dampness, and can take more shade than some of the others. Deer have occasionally bothered young trees here in Carderock, so best to spray regularly or net while small.

The native yellowwood (*Cladrastis kentuckea*) gets mixed reviews in my own garden but is worth mentioning. There are 2 on the Congressional golf course visible from Persimmon Tree Road that are stunning in full bloom. This is a taller (20+) tree with a spreading habit and (in most years), long chains of scented white blossoms. I have had issues with brittle wood, dieback, and alternate-year blooming, but generally they are trouble-free trees. This tree needs full or almost-full sun.

Finally, a personal favorite and last to bloom in July, is the sourwood (*Oxydendron arboreum*). In the middle of the hot summer it is covered with panicles of white flowers that last for weeks, then change into ornamental seed pods that grace the trees through winter. Fall coloration is a brilliant red-orange – one of the best displays of the season. This slow-grower can be awkward when young and requires some patience but the reward is well worth it. Michael Dirr calls it “Truly an all-season ornamental ... second only to Flowering Dogwood “. Last year I found them half-price at a local big-box retailer, so keep your eyes open!

Any of these trees would be a great addition to a Carderock garden. For pictures of these trees, google image the name and you should get multiple pictures. Be sure to check for specific conditions for each tree, and plant accordingly. At this point in the season, it may be wise to wait til cooler fall weather to plant.

Next Month : ‘Hazy, Hot and Humid’ – Plants that Can Take the Heat.

Nancy E. Everett, graduate certificates in Landscape Design and Horticulture

Women of Carderock

Thursday, June 21

The June meeting of the Women of Carderock will be a visit to the Ratner Museum. We will meet at the Carderock clubhouse parking lot at 12noon and carpool from there. Please RSVP to Marilyn Mayerfeld at 301-469-6004 if you plan to join us. The Ratner is a museum of contemporary art and we have a reservation for 12:30pm. It should be an interesting visit.

Classifieds

Summer Help:

College sophomore available for all types of jobs this summer. Love animals and experienced in pet care and dog walking. Trained in child care, camp counselor for several summers. Enjoy playing sports and organizing activities with young children. Sports enthusiast and college lacrosse player; able to coach children in soccer and girls lacrosse. Gardening experience includes lawn mowing, weeding, etc.

Natalya Schill

Home: 301-469-4973

Cell: 240-888-8571

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.

Save the Date – September 8 – Carderock Springs 50th Anniversary Celebration

Please save Saturday, September 8, 2012, for the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Carderock Springs community. The event is being planned as a fun, informal event to recognize the half century since the first Bennett homes were sold in Carderock, and perhaps most importantly, as an event where neighbors can meet and greet each other. We are planning an evening event, with a happy hour and short program, followed by a catered dinner and live music/dancing at the Carderock Springs Club. A committee has been formed to organize the event.

In particular, we are looking to identify those families/individuals who have lived in the neighborhood for the entire life of the community. If you are one of such families, or know of them, please contact Jack Orrick jorrick@linowes-law.com or Mary Lou Shannon maryloushannon@mrisc.com.

We are also interested in getting artifacts from the early days of the community, pictures, brochures of Bennett homes, newspaper articles, etc. We especially need photos to create a slide show. Dig into those albums and boxes of photographs or slides. Mary Lou will make digital images and return your originals.

More details will follow as the event gets closer. Please note the date on your calendars now!

Jack Orrick, Member-at-Large

Celebrating Fifty Years Did You Know?

The wooden signs for the knobs and the three entrances to the Carderock community were designed by Bennett's well-known landscape architect, Thurman Donovan. He also designed rustic streets signs that have since been replaced by the County, and landscape plans for each model.

Mary Lou Shannon, Member-at-Large

