

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 Sign Refurbishment

Thanks to Ken Hinga who has been working over this spring to refurbish the entrance signs to Carderock Springs. So far he has worked on 2 signs. The first sign is at Lilly Stone Drive and Hamilton Spring Road, below, where he has straightened and leveled the sign, plugged holes made by carpenter bees, repainted the sign and covered it with a clear epoxy. The bushes which had overgrown the sign have also been trimmed back. Ken has also repainted the sign at Persimmon Tree Lane and Lilly Stone Drive to match the color of other Carderock signs. Thanks also to Barbara Wolanin and Sue Eastman who have been assisting with the repainting of the lettering on the signs.



Next Ken and other volunteers will also be turning their attention to refurbishing the entrance sign off of River Road. The CSCA hopes to restore other neighborhood signs in the future.

In addition to refurbishing the existing signs, the CSCA will be installing new signs reading "National Register of Historic Places" at the entrances to the community off of River Road and Persimmon Tree Lane.

If anyone has an interest in this project and would like to volunteer to help, please contact Sue Eastman sueeastman@aol.com.



Community Calendar

Tuesday June 15, 5 - 7 pm

Carderock's High School Seniors are invited to a celebration at the Club

Monday June 21, 7:30 pm

CSCA Board Meeting via Zoom

<http://carderocksprings.net/zoom>

Wednesday July 7, 7:30 pm

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) monthly meeting via Zoom, email CSCAarc@gmail.com for zoom link

CS Swim Club's Pool Schedule:

<https://www.carderockclub.org/pool-schedule>

Maryland Scales Back Overall Beltway Expansion Plan, But Carderock's Segment Moves Forward

On May 12, 2021, the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) decided to set aside plans to add toll lanes of segments of the Beltway east of Old Georgetown Road, through Silver Spring and Prince George's County and move forward with toll lanes on the Beltway between the American Legion Bridge and Old Georgetown Road (which includes Carderock Springs), and on I-270 from the spur to Shady Grove Road.

This still means for our community that they plan to add two lanes on the Beltway in each direction as well as flyover ramps on each side to connect toll lanes with the MD190/Cabin John Parkway interchange. Montgomery County officials expressed concerns about changing the location of bottlenecks instead of their alleviation and making public-private partnership (P3) unnecessarily expensive.

MDOT plans to issue a supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) in September and to provide a 45-day public comment period. The plan is to issue the Final Environmental Impact Statement in the spring of 2022. MDOT still plans to submit the pre-development agreement, or design contract, to the Board of Public Works for approval in July.



On April 12, 2021 the Carderock Springs Citizens' Association (CSCA) sent comments to the State Highway Administration (SHA) on the Draft Programmatic Agreement and to the Maryland Board of Public Works on the I-495/I-270 Phase P3 Agreement. Both documents list community comments on planned flyover ramps, noise barriers, limit of disturbance, etc. Copies of the letters can be found here:

<https://www.carderocksprings.net/about/newsletters-and-documents>

These CSCA actions are critical to protect our community's historic and residential character as well as properties. If you are willing to volunteer to write letters or attend meetings, please contact Petra Jacobs petraejacobs@gmail.com

Petra Jacobs

Brood X Periodic Cicadas Return After 17 Years

For a few weeks this May/June, our periodic cicadas are buzzing in the trees and providing nourishment for birds, critters and even dogs! They emerge from their shell casings in a marvelous back flip with red eyes and a W or M on each wing. After finding a mate (big selection!) then their eggs hatch and nymphs burrow into the ground. *How old will you be when they return again in 2038?!*



New Printing of Carderock Springs Directory

This coming fall the Board of the Carderock Springs Citizens' Association plans to print a new directory for Carderock Springs to update the last one printed in 2019. For your information to be up-to-date, we encourage you to log onto the on-line directory and provide any new information as soon as possible.

To log in for your first time, or if you have forgotten your password, visit <https://www.atozdirectories.com/home/remind.php>. This will prompt you for a password reset, allowing you to create your own secure password to your account. If we don't have an email address in the online directory account then the reset password won't work. If you have any problems, just email Bill Draper at bdraper99@gmail.com.

The on-line directory will soon be moving to a new platform as well. We will be sending out information on that platform as soon as it is available.



Spring Egg Hunt Fun

Thanks to Bei Wu for organizing the annual Spring Egg Hunt at the Club – and to all her bunny helpers! Bei scheduled multiple sessions to enable small, manageable and safe groups to fill their baskets during the pandemic.



The Carder-Eco Column

News from the Environmental Committee



Mosquito Control: Please remember to empty your bird bath water frequently, check for standing water in planter saucers, and pour out water that may have accumulated on tarps or outdoor furniture. Use a standing fan or table fans on your patio or deck to chase away those bothersome insects. Please do this before calling for mosquito control companies who spray your yard and gardens. The chemicals used also kill other pollinators as well. Please avoid this spraying especially if you have pets and children who play outdoors. Be a considerate member of our community and inform your immediate neighbors should you decide on a commercial spraying, since neighbors may want to protect their outdoor areas and gardens before you spray, and tell the company NOT to spray on breezy or windy days.

You can also purchase various types of harmless equipment to repel or kill mosquitos. If you do that and are satisfied, please share the brands with the community via CS-Chat@groups.io.

From <https://communityforklift.org/>

Are you **remodeling**? Before you bring in the new, let Community Forklift take care of the **old**! Community Forklift now offers deconstruction services — that is, they will come to your home and carefully dismantle and uninstall materials in order to salvage them for reuse! There are many benefits to choosing deconstruction and donation to Community Forklift instead of demolition:

- reduce project costs through avoiding disposal fees and taking advantage of the tax benefits for donating to a 501(c)3 charity;
- environmental benefits include reducing landfill use, preserving natural resources through reuse, and conserving old-growth forest resources;
- create and support good, green jobs in your community;
- provide materials that will benefit your community through distribution to local nonprofit organizations and neighbors in need.

The United States generated 600 million tons of construction and demolition material waste in 2018. That's more than twice the amount of municipal solid waste (i.e. – general everyday garbage) that was created in that year. Reduce the amount of waste you create by choosing Community Forklift's deconstruction services!

For more information or to schedule a deconstruction, please contact CF's DeconWorks Team at DeconWorks@CommunityForklift.org or (301) 985-5180.

From <https://www.treehugger.com/>

- **10 Green Living Habits** That I've Embraced Over the Past Year. The author describes the green, eco-friendly habits she has developed and improved over the past year of pandemic living. Included are eco-friendly cleaning products, shampoo bars and the versatility of the Great Outdoors. Read More: https://www.treehugger.com/green-living-habits-embraced-over-past-year-5183988?utm_source=emailshare&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=shareurlbuttons
- What makes tech “green”? It is “technology whose use is intended to mitigate or reverse the effects of human activity on the environment.” It's not just about stuff. Treehugger teamed up with Lifewire here, a sister site with expertise in all things tech—but unlike most of these awards, it is more about people and ideas than it is about “green” products.
- Interesting descriptions of the best products, but also companies, people in technology, organizations and technologies themselves. All were new to me.

Receive more info via their newsletter: newsletters@treehugger.com

From Friends of the Earth <https://foe.org/org>

The science is clear that Bayer-Monsanto's toxic **weedkiller Roundup** is putting people and pollinators at risk.

Glyphosate exposure has been linked to cancer. And the EPA's own draft assessment found that 93% of endangered species are at risk of being harmed or killed from glyphosate -- including bees and butterflies.

Roundup[®] has contributed to the devastating decline of monarch butterflies. It kills milkweed, the only food source for monarch caterpillars. **The monarch population in North America has declined by 90% in the past 20 years alone while Roundup[®] use skyrocketed.** Monarch butterflies could vanish within our lifetimes if we don't take steps to protect them.

Contact foe@foe.org to sign a petition for Lowes and Home Depot to stop selling Roundup[®] .

Diane Karlik



Planning a renovation?

ARC Approval

As required by the covenants recorded against each lot in Carderock Springs, any outside 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
- 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.

Due to the coronavirus, the ARC meets via ZOOM so if you are planning a renovation, please contact the ARC by email cscaARC@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.

Many thanks to Sue Eastman for creating yet another word house of Mid-Century Modern architectural terms!



For Live, sound hardwood tree removal, which are also covered in the covenants, contact cscaTREE@gmail.com for approval.

Classified

Fiber Arts Camp for Kids.

The summer camp of Carderock resident Anja Caldwell has been one of the best kept secrets in town for more than a decade, and she likes to keep it that way.

She offers students a fun and creative introduction to several traditional fiber arts. Students get to learn and practice knitting, crocheting, weaving, embroidery, needle felting and sewing. We try out different fibers and their processing, as well as study the tools and resources available to create one of a kind artwork and gifts.

Anja is an experienced fiber artist and designer who instructs students of all ages in traditional handwork. The pandemic prompted her to move her studio from Potomac Village to Carderock, where she now offers online and in-person classes by appointment. Many Carderock kids have been “hooked” already, so references from neighbors are available by request.

This year’s big summer camp project will be making an heirloom Teddy Bear from scratch.

June camp weeks are fully booked, but there is still room for the weeks of **July**. The website is www.FiberArt.studio and you can e-mail Anja anja@fiberart.studio for a registrations form or questions. Her Facebook page is [@FiberartStudioBethesda](https://www.facebook.com/FiberartStudioBethesda) and on Instagram you can follow her [@fiberart.studio](https://www.instagram.com/fiberart.studio)

Cabin John Dog Walking



Middy 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.



ADVERTISE: \$10 for 1 issue or \$50 for 1 year in all CSCA newsletters. Submit payment to CSCA, PO Box 237, Cabin John, MD 20818-0237.

The Pandemic



A large percentage of those aged 12 to senior citizens throughout the state of Maryland, in Montgomery County and in the DMV are now vaccinated. Maryland Governor Larry Hogan has lifted multiple restrictions and we are all adjusting to changing year-long mask habits as we venture outside without a mask and visit vaccinated friends inside without a mask.

At the same time, neighbors in our community are widely varied in their comfort level with in-person activities.

“Be gracious and compassionate with yourself and with each other”.
- Jessica Hitchcock

The pandemic has been a moving target for so long and is still severe in various hot spots around the world. We continue to appreciate our local health care front-line workers and our good fortune to have accessible, free vaccines.

Margie Orrick

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CELEBRATION

Tuesday, June 15th, 2021, from 5 until 7 p.m.



Congratulations to the graduating high school class of 2021! This calls for a celebration! All high school seniors in the Carderock Springs community are invited to the clubhouse Tuesday, June 15th, 2021, from 5 until 7 p.m. for a small festivity. Kindly **RSVP** to Kimberly at Carderockspringsevents@gmail.com.

For future social events sponsored by the Citizens' Association, the social committee will send a survey out later this month. Please complete the survey as it will determine additional social events in the future. All ideas and suggestions are welcome.



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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 an annual due of \$50 for a membership year ending December 31, 2021.

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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