



*We are a community on the **National Register of Historic Places**
as a prime example of Mid-Century Modern/Situated Modernism architecture
where houses complement and blend in with the natural landscape.*

Results of Fenway Road Traffic Island Referendum

As reported at the CSCA Annual Meeting held on May 6, the community vote on installing permanent traffic islands on Fenway Road was **148 against versus 72 in favor**. Consequently, the Board notified the County Department of Transportation that the community did **not wish to proceed with the islands**.



Mark Terry of the Montgomery County Department of Transportation replied with the following message:

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Just wanted to confirm our phone conversation regarding the community’s decision not to proceed with the permanent traffic calming islands. As you know after much dialog over the years, the calming islands were the only option that Fenway Road qualified for that the community was willing to consider. The initiative mentioned by County police regarding the

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Community Calendar

All events are at the Club unless otherwise noted



DAY/DATE	EVENT
Mon, June 18, 7:30 pm	CSCA Board Monthly Meeting
Sat, June 23, 9am – noon	Grateful Shred at Clara Barton CC (suggested contribution \$5/box)
Wed, Aug 1, 7:30 pm	Architectural Review Committee Monthly Meeting
SAVE THE DATE	
Sunday Sept 23, time TBD	Annual Welcome Potluck to welcome newcomers

(Fenway Rd Traffic Island Referendum, cont.)

use of speed monitoring signs is not presently an approved option available in Montgomery County. The community may wish to request the deployment of our SMART trailers along the roadway. Used as the educational aspect of our traffic claiming initiative, along with the posted speed, these trailers display an approaching vehicles actual speed. Should you decide to pursue this option you can notify us anytime by email at TrafficOps@montgomerycountymd.gov.

Thank you for taking the time to follow-up.

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The Board wishes to thank the members of the Traffic Safety Committee for working on the referendum and, together with Stephanie Land, the CSCA database manager, tabulating the results.

Jack Orrick
CSCA Board President

Working Group on Carderock Covenants



At its May meeting, the Board of Directors of the CSCA voted to establish a **working group to focus on the recorded covenants in Carderock Springs, which require architectural review committee approval of exterior modifications** to Bennett constructed homes, including fences, sheds and other auxiliary structures. This group would like to evaluate options for publicizing, interpreting and enforcing the covenants within a defined policy framework for the benefit of the community as a whole.

The Board has discussed a number of options, but believe that more discussion, research and alignment needs to occur to decide on the best options for the community.

We are hoping to add some additional folks to serve on this committee. At this time we have not established a set meeting time or frequency, and expect that much of the work can be done independently. The goal would be to develop a recommendation that could be presented to the Board for its consideration, and the Board would then determine how best to implement a plan.

Anyone interested in participating in this working group should contact Board President Jack Orrick cscaPres@gmail.com or Board Secretary Tim Williams cscaCardInfo@gmail.com who has volunteered to lead the working group.



Information for New Home Purchasers in Carderock Springs

- **Carderock Vision Statement:** Edmund Bennett designed and built Carderock Springs in the 1960's. His vision for Carderock was that the natural landscape should dominate the built environment. Following in his vision, the Carderock Springs Citizens Association (CSCA) has affirmed that as we maintain, alter, and expand our homes, we will 1) respect the tradition of simple buildings of modest homes, 2) be deferential to existing proportion of openings, horizontality, and projections of roof lines, windows, and walls, 3) preserve hardwood forest growth, 4) and enhance tradition of contemporary design.
- **Covenants.** Carderock Springs is a neighborhood with legally binding covenants which govern your property and the 400 other houses in the community. If you are modifying the exterior of your home, installing fences or sheds, you will need to obtain approval from the CSCA Architectural Review Committee (ARC), which has established **ARC Design Guidelines**. In addition, any removal of mature hardwood trees with a trunk diameter exceeding 12 inches requires approval from the Tree Committee. See the CSCA website for information on ARCI Design Guidelines, procedures for submitting plans to the ARC, application to accompany plan submission and tree removal guidelines. <http://carderocksprings.net>
- **National Register** In 2009 the neighborhood was officially listed on the National Park Service's **National Register of Historic Places**. Carderock Springs was chosen as a prime example of situated mid-century modernism where houses complement and blend in with the natural landscape. Inclusion is an honor for the community; it does not place any constraints on actions owners may wish to take to alter their homes. Carderock's covenants requiring ARC approval remain the means for preserving the architectural integrity of the community. The ARC Design Guidelines assist homeowners and their design team in making decisions in the design process.
- The **Maryland Historical Trust (MHT)** will review any exterior modifications to residences in Carderock when the homeowners are applying for the **state rehabilitation tax credit**. If alterations are made that result in a property no longer retaining the integrity of the original design, then they do run the risk of becoming non-contributing to the historic district. This determination would be made by the Maryland Historical Trust and the National Park Service. See list of contributing properties at: https://mht.maryland.gov/secure/medusa/PDF/NR_PDFs/NR-1472.pdf
- **The Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit** program offers a **20%** income tax credit on eligible expenditures for certified historic structures. This program is intended to encourage owners of historic properties to retain and maintain the historic features and materials that make their properties significant through the incentive of a tax credit. http://mht.maryland.gov/taxcredits_homeowner.shtml

TREE REMOVAL PROCESS



Carderock is a lovely wooded community with recorded covenants and strict guidelines regarding tree removal of **healthy hardwoods which are over 12 inches in diameter at chest level**. The approval process for removing trees is now part of a committee (the Tree Removal Committee) composed of Nancy Everett, Cheryl Glaessner and Linda Stocker. Many thanks to Mark Zimsky for serving as the CSCA tree contact for the past several years - his dedication has absolutely been appreciated. If you would like to remove a healthy tree, contact cscatree@gmail.com.

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 (ARC).

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. Since the first Wednesday in July is a holiday (July 4), the ARC will meet Wednesday, August 1.



If you are considering an addition or exterior modification of your home, 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.

Details on the ARC submission process and the application form are on the CSCA Website at: <http://www.carderocksprings.net/article/3/architectural-review>. The website 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

Sue Eastman, ARC Liaison

Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition (MCQSC)

On May 17th, the Montgomery County Council approved a request made by MCQSC and supported by Councilmember Berliner and Council President Riemer, to allocate \$125 K in FY2019 to hire an airspace design expert to work with FAA on re-designing current airplane paths. **Huge thanks to Carderock Springs residents who have been very engaged in contacting MoCo Council members to make this happen!** There will be a collaboration with Arlington County. Arlington Board Chair Libby Garvey proposed to jointly fund this expert (each \$125 K) next fiscal year.

Notes from the MCQSC meeting on May 10, 2018:

- It has taken years to pry information from the FAA regarding a series of moves in 2015 that concentrated all arrival traffic over Montgomery County. This air traffic, with few exceptions, follows the same 7+ mile path. Carderock Springs is in this path. Approaching flights used to be better distributed between Montgomery County, the Potomac River, and Fairfax, Virginia. None of the multiple changes in procedures was disclosed to Montgomery County or the State of Maryland. The FAA has not disclosed any environmental work related to moving flight paths and the accompanying noise.
- On April 4, Governor Hogan sent a letter to FAA's Acting Administrator informing him that the State of Maryland has retained Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell, the law firm that prevailed in the City of Phoenix litigation. The Governor indicated in his letter that the State of Maryland would prefer to work with the FAA to resolve problems over flight paths than to pursue legal action. FAA responded to this letter (the content of the response unknown). At this time, it appears that Governor Hogan and Attorney General Frosh have decided it may be more productive to "work with" the FAA to mitigate community impacts rather than filing a lawsuit.
- IMPORTANT! Please keep filing noise complaints at <https://viewpoint.bksv.com/dca3> to demonstrate that our community is not getting used to the completely unacceptable level of airplane noise. When choosing "event type" (too loud, too frequent, etc), choose only one event to simplify results reported. Instructions for Mobile Noise Complaint App: The new airplane noise complaint app is available free at Apple and Google Play. Once you have registered, your information is saved. To file subsequent complaints, you only need to **enter the type of complaint and the time of day**. While the app requires your name, address, telephone number and email, the airport authority (MWAA) redacts that personal information prior to releasing any noise complaint data it collects. Title of the app: Viewpoint App by Bruel & Kjaer Sound & Vibration Measurement. To download the app from Apple, go to: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/viewpoint-app/id1136548254?mt=8>. To download the Android version, go to Google Play <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.bksv.viewpoint&hl=en>

The next MCQSC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be at a new location which will be announced on the website by early July at the latest. The URL for the website is www.mocoquietskies.org. Airplane news and a wealth of information is posted there!

Petra Jacobs and Diane Karlik, representatives of Carderock Springs to MCQSC

Working Group on Beltway Noise and Air Pollution

The CSCA Working Group on beltway noise and air pollution was active in April and May, communicating with various government representatives regarding the air and noise effects of the Beltway on nearby communities.

April 16, 2018: The Working Group reached out to Senator Lee, Delegates Kelly and Korman, Council President Riemer and Councilmember Berliner on behalf of Carderock including the Carderock Springs Elementary School (CSES) children to seek leadership and support in protecting the community from harmful exposure from air pollutants and traffic noise caused by Interstate 495. All representatives were responsive including meeting with Working Group members during the State Highway Administration (SHA) Open House on April, 19, 2018.

April 30, 2018: CSCA with support of the Working Group submitted to SHA I-495 & I-270 Scoping Comments, expressing concern about the current negative health impact of the Beltway and planned Beltway expansion that will increase the physical right-of-way (ROW) and bring lanes closer to Carderock homes and CSES. CSCA requested that the scope of a planned SHA's environmental review includes conducting a noise and air pollution study, evaluation of our community for Type I abatement under existing and future conditions and include as part of the project a solid noise/pollution barrier along both sides of the Beltway and replanting the area between the Beltway and Carderock Springs.

May 18, 2018: Senator Lee and District 16 delegates, led by Marc Korman, requested from the SHA (Administrator Slater) a response to their questions on the scope of alternatives considered by Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) questions on a necessity of adding four new lanes on a road with defined peak-direction traffic flows, concerns about potential property takings needed to expand the right of way for respective roads, etc. Importantly, the letter specifically sought to determine how will impacts on adjacent neighborhoods be measured. The letter specifically mentioned the Carderock Springs neighborhood and the removal of vegetation at least partially protecting our community from harmful effects of the Beltway. The letter states: "As this project moves forward, we want to know that MDOT (Maryland Department of Transportation) is committed to taking all prudent steps to protect adjacent neighborhoods from noise and pollution".

May 30, 2018: SHA informed the Working Group that preliminary alternative workshops will be held in July 2018. Their purpose is to learn about current options and to have an opportunity to testify on behalf of our community regarding concerns related to the Beltway expansion. Dates and locations of these workshops will be posted on www.495-270-p3.com.

Thanks so much to everyone talking to Senator Lee and Delegate Korman at the Open House or on other occasions. It is very encouraging to see their support of our community! We look forward to learning about the SHA response and further negotiations. Please email Petra Jacobs (petraejacobs@gmail.com) if you want to get involved in this important effort.

Carderock will miss...

Longtime Carderock resident **Laurence John Long**, a chemical engineer by training, worked in the financial services industry for Legg Mason and co-founded the Washington Service, a financial information company.

Larry served in the Carderock community in various roles throughout the years—most of them involving the families' activities. Larry was President of the Carderock Springs Swim Club, climbed the Swim Team volunteer roster for 16 years serving as Timer, Head Timer, Starter and Meet Referee, and coached for the Carderock Springs Boys' Football Team for 8 years. For many years he volunteered at So Others Might Eat.

A Fulbright scholar, he and his wife Alvina raised 6 children who were also active in the Carderock community, on the swim team and working at the Club. Larry valued humor, hard work and his Irish heritage. Larry is survived by his wife Alvina, 6 children and 19 grandchildren.

A long-time resident of Carderock Springs and a World War II vet, **William Perry Stedman, Jr.** was a career Foreign Service Officer who specialized in Latin America and economic affairs. Bill had economic, consular, and political assignments in Argentina, Costa Rica, Germany, Guatemala, Mexico and Peru. He served as Ambassador to Bolivia.

After retiring, Bill was a Senior Policy Advisor for the Partners of the Americas, served on the boards of DACOR (Diplomatic and Consular Officers, Retired) and the Senior Seminar Alumni Association.

Bill enjoyed swimming at the Carderock Club, reading mystery novels, listening to piano and guitar music, watching the Baltimore Orioles and Washington Redskins, and doing the *New York Times* and *Washington Post* crossword puzzles. He was age 95 when he passed this spring. He truly touched the lives of many people of all ages who enjoyed his conversation and even mentoring.

For over 50 years Bill was married to **Janet "Jay" Andreae Stedman**, an avid gardener, secretary of the Carderock Springs Citizens Association, and active member of the Carderock Springs Garden Club. The Jay Stedman Memorial Garden is in the circle near the entrance to the Club. Jay passed away in 1994. Bill and Jay are survived by their daughter (Diana) and their two sons (Jim and Larry), two granddaughters, and two great-granddaughters.

All of Carderock extends our sympathies to these families on the passing of their loved ones.



The Carder-Eco Column

News from the Environmental Committee

Lawn Care. If your landscaper or lawn care company uses chemicals, please be sure that they place one of those yellow flags near the easement. Pedestrians, children and dog walkers need to know that there was an application in order to avoid getting anything on their shoes, clothing and pets. Be sure that your landscaper is licensed to use the products he/she chooses to put on your property.

Processed Foods – Buyer Beware.



<https://www.nutritionaction.com/daily/what-not-to-eat/have-you-been-fooled-by-these-foods/>

Solution...try **NOT** to buy anything at a grocery store in a can, jar, bag or box **with more than 5 ingredients**. Purchase fresh, recognizable products, without chemical additives.

Recent E-coli on romaine lettuce outbreak. How it could have happened and what to do to avoid contamination

<https://www.treehugger.com/health/how-avoid-e-coli.html>

The EU is ahead of us in controlling the use of harmful pesticides.

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2018/apr/27/eu-agrees-total-ban-on-bee-harming-pesticides>

Why is Organic Food Important? It is more than the food!

(based on article from the non-profit Food Tank organization)

Organic consumers are everywhere and their numbers are growing. Data show that over 80 percent of U.S. households buy organic food, and the demographics of organic consumers matches the [diversity](#) of the American population.

Yet along with the assault on the NOSB, the House Farm Bill zeros out funding for the National Organic Certification Cost Share Program and the Agricultural Management Assistance program which help small and mid-size farmers transition to organic and afford organic certification. It eliminates the Conservation Stewardship Program, the nation's largest conservation program by acreage, and a critically important program that supports organic farmers. And while the bill proposes to increase funding for organic research from \$20 million to \$30 million, this is short of the \$50 million [requested](#) by the organic community and a slim shadow of the billions included for research for conventional agriculture. [Less than one percent](#) of federal agricultural research dollars go to organic farming. See the National Organic Coalition [scorecard](#) for an analysis of how organic fared in the House Farm Bill.

(Carder-Eco, cont)

Because our government doesn't give organic farmers and businesses the tools they need to keep pace with growing consumer demand, the U.S. accounts for 44 percent of global organic sales, but just [four percent](#) of global farmland under organic production. That means U.S. farmers are losing out on the chance to feed Americans' growing appetite for organic food, and our farms, rivers, and rural communities remain [soaked in toxic pesticides](#) and [overloaded with synthetic nitrogen](#).

The science is clear that **organic farming is key to future food security. To feed the future, we're going to need a food system that is less reliant on synthetic chemical inputs and fossil fuels, more resilient to the shocks of extreme weather events and one that uses water wisely.** Organic farming does all that and more. It has been proven to yield more in times of drought and floods and to use less energy and water, all while protecting pollinators like bees and butterflies, essential to one in three bites of food we eat.

And those on the frontlines of pesticide exposure—farmers and farm workers exposed in the fields, rural communities living in pesticides drift zones, and low-income communities in the shadows of chemical manufacturing plants—need a rapid shift toward an organic future.

Now is the time to urge your elected officials to immediately halt this attack on organic standards and expand funding for certification cost share, organic research, and conservation agriculture programs in the Farm Bill. Now is the time to expand healthier, more sustainable food and farming systems, not roll them back.

Diane Karlik, CSCA Environmental Committee

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Handyman: Jose Louis has been working in Carderock Springs for many years, both inside and outside homes. No job is too big or too small! Examples of his handyman work: small plumbing, repairing items around the house, carpeting and excellent house painting. Outside work: power washing, snow shoveling, plus lawn care including mowing, aerating, seeding, fertilizing, mulching and raking. Recommended by several Carderock residents. Contact Jose Louis at 301-919-0198.



Interior Design Studio: "We create thriving spaces" through Residential & Commercial Interior design; Space Planning & furniture layouts; Planning, Remodeling & Expansions (managing & working with your builder & architect); Custom and Unique furnishings, including: Furniture, Lighting, Accessories, Artwork, Window treatments, Rugs. Design is not about style – It is a problem-solving tool. Good design focuses first on function & then aesthetics that reflect your personality. Experience the difference. Contact Carderock resident Noreen Chohan noreen@studiofiza.com 301.365.1741 studiofiza.com .



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 at 240-204-2953.

International Potluck at the Club in April: Over 100 residents enjoyed favorite dishes from other Carderock families and made new friends!



The next social events include BBQs sponsored by the Swim & Tennis Club (4th of July and Labor Day celebrations) and the much-beloved Newcomers Potluck sponsored by the Citizens' Association on Sept 23.

Carderock Springs Citizens' Association Board Members

Jack Orrick	President
Tom Deyo	Vice President
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Petra Jacobs	Member-at-Large
Stefan Lobuglio	Member-at-Large
Jenny Spreitzer	Member-at-Large
Julie Weber	Member-at-Large
Larry Ondrejko	Club Liaison
Margie Orrick	Newsletter Editor
Scott Wilets, Doug Soe-Lin, Katherine Stifel	Architectural Review Committee (ARC)
Sue Eastman	ARC Liaison

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, 2018. Dues and family information for the Carderock Springs telephone 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.