

SEPTEMBER 2016
CARDEROCK SPRINGS
COMMUNITY NEWS

ANNUAL NEW-COMERS
ALL COMMUNITY POT LUCK
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH AT THE CLUB

5:30 PM - 8 PM

(for the whole family)

- 5:30 PM - drinks and appetizers/mingle**
- 6:15 PM - pot luck dinner**
- 7:00 PM - meet new members of Carderock**



This is our opportunity to welcome all new residents of Carderock Springs and Carderock South.

Free! There is no cost. (Paid by your association dues).

Please bring a pot luck entree, side dish or dessert to share
 (Appetizers, chips, cheese, and drinks will be provided)

AND...YOU KNOW THE ROUTINE...

PLEASE MAKE A RESERVATION AT

pmrbthmd@yahoo.com

AND.....wishing all our Carderock students a successful and fun school year.

Hope everyone had a great summer. - Phil Rider

Carderock Springs COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Looking forward to our year ahead of building community! All events are at the Club unless otherwise noted.

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Sunday, September 25, 5:30 pm	New-comers Potluck – a Family Event
Sat, Oct 1, 10 am	Daffodil Planting (rain date Sunday Oct 2)
Sat-Sun, October 8,9	Carderock Fall Campout - nearby beside the Potomac River
Sat, Nov 12, 5:30 pm	International Progressive Dinner - starting at the club then continuing on to specified homes
Sat, Jan 14, 2017, 9am – 4 pm (snow date Sat, Jan 21)	7 Cooking Classes - one class per hour, \$10/class

WHY A RSVP/RESERVATION IS SO IMPORTANT TO MAKE



For **ALL of our Carderock social events**, I am asking everyone who plans to attend to make a reservation to enable effective planning for tables, chairs, food, drink, plates, napkins....the list goes on. Why not just drop in with your food contribution? Does it matter? **Yes, it matters.** I need to know you are coming! And it **matters even more** if there is a charge for an event because these social programs involve a budget based on the number of people attending. So please understand that when you do make a reservation, it is equally important to make that a commitment. Of course, things happen that result in a change of plans. My hope is that if/when your plans change that you will let me know asap so I can adjust logistics and the anticipated income.

Also, please note I have been referring to "reservations" instead of RSVP. Several people thought it was necessary to RSVP if they could *not* make an event. That really is not necessary. All I need to know are the numbers of people who will attend, so will ask you to "make a reservation" instead of "RSVP".

Thanks to all for your help and co-operation. – Phil Rider

Carderock CAMPOUT - Sat/Sun Oct 8-9th (Columbus Day weekend)

You are invited to attend the sixth semi-annual Carderock Campout! Families in Carderock will be joining together on Saturday, October 8th for an overnight (or two) Campout in a beautiful wooded campsite at the Marsden tract along the Potomac River just two miles from our neighborhood. Campfire, tenting, fishing, and a hike awaits you in the C&O National Park. Roast hot dogs and marshmallows with old and new friends.



New to the neighborhood? Come and get to know your neighbors! Would you like to learn something about camping? Experienced and new campers are welcome. Soccer games that day? Late afternoon arrival is fine. This event is free to Carderock Springs residents and is sponsored by the Carderock Springs Citizens Association. Please contact: Eric Nothman for details and to sign up. 202-438-5915 (cell); ericnothman@gmail.com

Architectural Review Committee Member Sought



The CSCA Board is seeking an individual to serve on its Architectural Review Committee (ARC). The ARC reviews plans for exterior modifications to residences, as well as sheds, fences and other outdoor improvements, to the Bennett homes covered by our covenants and communicates with the residents about compliance with the community's architectural guidelines. The ARC regularly meets on the first Wednesday each month at the Club at 7:30 pm. There are currently three members of the ARC, which is chaired by Scott Wilets. The ideal candidate for the ARC is an architect or design professional although we have had individuals serving on the ARC in the past who did not possess professional credentials in these fields. Please contact Scott

Wilets, sewilets@verizon.net or CSCA Board President Jack Orrick, jorrick@linowes-law.com if you are interested or have any questions about the position.

UPDATE FROM TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

In an effort to act thoughtfully, fairly, and deliberately to ensure that Carderock residents are well informed and educated on the Fenway Road safety matters prior to their completing a survey concerning such safety matters, the CSCA Traffic Safety Committee has delayed the sending of the survey. More specifically, the distribution of the survey has been delayed until the committee, on behalf of the neighborhood residents, has:

1. Completed the fact finding concerning possible traffic calming options and their efficacy;
2. Collected additional speed data from other sections of Fenway Road; and
3. Offered meaningful education to our residents.



1. Possible Traffic Calming Options and Their Efficacy

The committee has been working with the MCDOT and other local agencies to explore all viable traffic calming options applicable to Fenway Road and their efficacy. While we are still waiting for a few answers to some of our inquiries, a summary of our findings to date can be found at www.carderockcitizens.org. From there, click on the link to the Traffic Safety Measures Comparison for Fenway Road.

In addition, Mark Terry, Acting Chief of Traffic Engineering Studies for MCDOT, has referred the committee to the most recent (1999) and extensive study ever done on traffic calming measures in the United States, entitled, "Traffic Calming: State of the Practice". According to Mr. Terry, MCDOT relies on this document authored by ITE and FHA as its main resource for general data on traffic calming measures. Where parts of "Traffic Calming: State of the Practice" are relevant to our neighborhood issue, we have included a link to this document on the CSCA website, under the title of the document. (Quick reference points can be found in the document titled: The Traffic Safety Measures Comparison for Fenway Road.)

2. Additional Speed Data

The committee has determined that it should collect additional data on the one mile stretch of road rather than relying on data from a single point. Toward the end, we have asked the MCDOT to conduct speed measurements along more sections of Fenway in the coming weeks.

3. Meaningful Education to Residents

Once we have obtained this additional speed data, and once we have completed the options research, it is the intention of the committee and the CSCA Board to bring County experts from MCDOT and other agencies to present speed data and options data to our community in a seminar type forum. The goal of this meeting is to educate our neighborhood prior to the distribution of the survey.

While the committee does not have a date for that seminar style meeting yet, it is our hope that we will hold such a meeting on a Sunday evening in October or November. We will communicate the date of that meeting as soon as it is finalized.

4. Next Steps Beyond Education

Immediately following the seminar style forum, the committee will distribute the neutral fact-based survey, which will already have been vetted by fellow neighbors who have professional experience with surveys. The survey will include links to the documents discussed above, as well as to speed data collected to date and sample photos and renderings of potential traffic calming measures.

In Closing

In the meantime, we want to thank all of you who have shared your input on how to make the fact-finding and decision-making processes concerning this controversial topic as fair and as productive as possible. It is the committee's mission to implement and oversee the fairest and most productive processes possible.

The CSCA Traffic Safety Committee Members (Bill Draper, Bill Moore, Karen Roman, and Julie Weber) will be in touch shortly with a date for the seminar style forum. Until then, please feel free to review the documents (discussed above) on the CSCA website.

Our Daffodil Tribute to Mary Lou Shannon – Volunteers Needed



On Saturday, October 1st at 10 am we will break ground around Carderock Springs to plant hundreds of daffodils as a tribute to Mary Lou Shannon. As many of you know, Mary Lou recently moved to Pennsylvania, but she left behind many friends and flowers (she had amazing gardens at both her Carderock Springs houses) and contributed to the community in many ways for many years.

At the CSCA Spring meeting in April, attendees gave generously to fund beds of daffodils around our neighborhood in recognition of Mary Lou's efforts and friendship. Daffodils were chosen because they are cheery, deer resistant, hardy, increase over time and are relatively inexpensive.

To dig the large holes for the hundreds of bulbs (they will be planted in volume, not individually), we need volunteers with strength and shovels. We also need help to plant the daffodils and spread a top coat of mulch. Please contact Anne Carlson at carlsongardens@gmail.com if you can join the Daffodil Tribute team on Saturday, October 1 at 10 am (and/or rain date Sunday, October 2 at 10 am), and indicate whether you can dig holes or not. And if there's a Girl Scout and/or Boy Scout group wanting to dig in to help, that would be great, too.

Reminder – Please pay your 2016 dues

CSCA dues are \$50 per household for 2016, the same as the past several years. If you have not already done so, please pay your dues now. Payments can be made by PayPal from CSCA website or by check mailed to P.O. Box 237, Cabin John, MD 20817-0237.



Second Printing of Carderock Springs Directories

The CSCA has undertaken a second printing of the directory distributed last December to include newcomers and other changes. If you would like to purchase a copy of the new directory, perhaps as an extra copy to keep in your car or office, the CSCA is selling copies, while supplies last, at the bargain purchase price of \$6 per copy. To order, please send a check payable to Carderock Springs Citizens Association, either directly to CSCA Treasurer Rob Gorman, or to P.O. Box 237, Cabin John, MD 20818-0237.

The Carder-Eco Column

News from the Environmental Committee

Diane Karlik (dianekarlik@verizon.net) CSCA Environmental Chair

The **Mosquito** Question:

What the county is doing, and what you can do as a homeowner to avoid breeding places:

<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Mosquito/>



Medicines and Drugs Disposal



The next Rx disposal is scheduled for October 22....location TBD. Look for an email on CS-Chat and hopefully in the next newsletter. When you cannot wait, please remember NOT to flush any medications into drains or toilets. Instead, mix what you have with used coffee grounds or kitty litter to make them unpalatable, wrap tightly in a plastic bag and place in your regular trash.

Reusing

Several local non-profits are good outlets for your items you can no longer use including:

Sports equipment: <http://www.levelingtheplayingfield.org/>

Household goods, kids items, furniture – will pick up: awidercircle.org

Furniture – will pick up: <http://habitatmm.org/restore-donation-center>

Items for homeless adolescents and families on nearby Greentree Rd:
<http://www.nccf-cares.org/>



Household hints



Suggestions on some of the most germ-laden areas of your house and organic/natural ways to clean them, plus suggestions on avoiding the foods that might most often make us sick:

<http://www.rodalorganiclife.com/home/7-dirtiest-things-in-your-house>

<http://www.rodalorganiclife.com/food/top-12-foods-most-likely-to-make-you-sick>

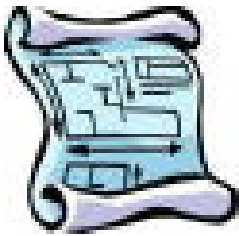
CSCA Monthly Board Meetings

3rd Monday of the Month, 7:30 pm

The Citizens' Association Board meets the 3rd Monday of the month at the Clubhouse. The meetings are open to all community members.

Architectural Review Committee Meetings

1st Wednesday of the month, 7:30 pm



The Citizens' Association has an Architectural Review Committee (ARC) meeting on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Clubhouse. If you are considering an addition or exterior modification of your home, submit your plans for review by the 20th of the month. Design and review procedures plus other documents are available at CarderockCitizens.org. The ARC was created by the covenants which govern your property in Carderock. ARC meetings are open for any & every community member to attend, whether you are renovating or not.

Classifieds

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.

Looking To Rent: A mature and responsible long-time Cabin John renter is seeking to rent a basement apartment or similar space. Excellent references, please call Carolyn 240-204-2953.

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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, 2016. 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.