



Results of Traffic Survey #2 – Trial Islands

The results of the Traffic Survey #2 conducted in June indicate that out of a total of 266 individual household responses, 167 households, or 62.76% of the total, support the trial, while 99 households, or 37.22% of the total, do not. There were a number of duplicate responses from the same address and a few addresses that were either not complete (*i.e.*, did not give a specific household address) or were from addresses not within the geographic area of the Carderock Springs Citizens Association database area. These responses were not considered. Where we had contact information in our database for residents who provided different responses from the same household, we contacted the residents to confirm which response we should use.

The vote of the residents living on Fenway Road (including 5 properties that have frontage on Fenway but have street addresses on other roads) was 29 in favor and 23 opposed to trial islands. This represents a 67.5% (52/77) response rate for Fenway Road residents.

The Board intends to request the County to install the temporary islands for a three month trial basis sometime this fall. We aim to conduct the trial during the school year, so everyone can get a better sense of the impacts that they may have during a time when there are school kids biking or walking to school, and also to determine the impacts of snow or icy weather. The proposed location in the 8300 block of Fenway and concept plan for the trial islands are posted on the CSCA website: <http://www.CarderockCitizens.org/>

There will be no decisions made on the permanent installation of islands until after this trial period, during which we also will be asking the County to conduct additional speed studies, and after a further community survey on the issue.

Many thanks to all who participated in the survey.

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Community Calendar

All events are at the Club unless otherwise noted



DAY/DATE	EVENT
Monday, July 17, 7:30	CSCA Board Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, August 2, 7:30 pm	Architectural Review Committee Monthly Meeting
Sunday, August 13, 3 – 6 pm	Community Scavenger Hunt and Pizza Supper
Monday, Sept 18, 7:30 pm	CSCA Board Monthly Meeting
Sunday, September 24	Newcomers Potluck

One other thing that we have mentioned previously, but want to emphasize. The Traffic Safety Committee and the Board have been working very conscientiously to develop and to publicize the options that the County has presented to us for traffic calming on Fenway Road. Since Fenway Road is a County road we must work with the County DOT and Police to determine options for traffic safety. Unlike some private communities that you may be familiar with, we do not have the ability to install signs, speed boards, or other physical implements in the road right-of-way, which includes the grassy areas and swales on each side of Fenway Road, without the permission of the County. We do not have any police power to impose fines on motorists who speed along our streets. That being said, we are continuing to work with the police on this issue, and they may place speed cameras, when necessary, and potentially to allow us to install an electronic speed board to indicate traffic speeds at some point in the future.

Jack Orrick
CSCA Board President

Townhomes Proposed to be Built at Quarry Springs Project on River Road

The developers for the Quarry Springs condominium project on River Road next to the fire station have filed with the Montgomery County Planning Board (MCPB) amendments to the Project Plan, Preliminary Plan and Site Plan for that project which would replace the two approved, unbuilt multi-family condo buildings with 44 townhome units. A copy of the plan amendments and supporting traffic study and other ancillary documentation can be accessed on the Planning Board's website, www.montgomeryplanning.org/development under preliminary plan number 12004042A and site plan number 820050298. The MCPB will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments, which is tentatively scheduled for September 21, 2017, at its Silver Spring offices located at 8787 Georgia Avenue.

Under the original plan, a total of 97 condominium units were approved for construction at Quarry Springs. To date, 50 units have been constructed, some of which are occupied and others are being marketed for sale. The developers indicate in the materials filed with MCPB that the net impact on traffic would be slightly less with the townhome plan as compared with the multi-family condo buildings as there would be 44 new units constructed compared with 47 additional units under the original plan. According to the traffic study conducted by the developers, this would result in a net of two fewer trips during both the am and pm peak hours on River Road.

The townhomes would be built in 4 connected series of townhomes on generally the same footprint as the planned multifamily buildings adjacent to a ring road that had been originally planned for the community. They would all be four stories in height, so the overall height of the new buildings would only be one story lower than the planned multi-family buildings, which would have mirrored the existing buildings on the site. The townhomes will have a limestone base and stucco finish on the upper levels and will generally have the same architectural features as the existing multifamily buildings. The townhomes will have attached two car garages, with surface parking for visitors. The existing underground garage will continue to serve the existing 50 condominium units. Residents of the townhomes will be entitled to use the clubhouse and pool facility on the site. An addition to the original landscaping plan is a tot lot as it is anticipated that there will be more children living in the project under the new plan.

The Carderock Springs Citizens Association has not determined whether or not to take a position on this development. If anyone is interested in getting involved, please contact Jack Orrick or another member of the CSCA Board.

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News from the Environmental Committee

TREE CONSERVATION EDUCATION

The committee arranged for a Spring walk in 2016 that was informative and well-attended. Conservation Montgomery will come to our neighborhood to discuss OUR trees and OUR particular environment, however only if a minimum of about 20 residents sign up. I am contemplating doing this again this Fall (or next Spring if all dates are currently booked), if the sufficient number of residents express their interests and make a reservation. . The committee will pay the fee associated with this, so please....I am asking interested parties to contact me on dianekarlik@verizon.net or cscanv@gmail.com . It might be helpful for you to know that should we go ahead, the bulk of the committee budget will be spent. I am counting on those making reservations to actually attend since it is my feeling that this is a good use to make use of our portion of the CSCA dues that are paid by residents. Therefore, I ask that only those who are up to date with dues should register.

YARD SALE by and for CS

Due to disinterest at this time, the mid- Fall date will be cancelled. If you have second thoughts, or think that such an event would be successful at another time, check last month's newsletter for details (on the website as well) and let me know at either of the email addresses above. It would be an environmental, re-cycling/re-using and social event. Thank you.

ARTICLES THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO YOU

- Inventions that have influenced our lives and culture

<https://www.treehugger.com/culture/seven-sustainable-wonders-world.html>

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<https://www.treehugger.com/culture/seven-sustainable-wonders-world.html>

- Ways to combat the increasing presence and dangers of ticks

<http://www.popsci.com/how-to-avoid-ticks>

- Species that may be adversely affected from climate change

<http://www.popsci.com/weather-climate-change-species-under-threat>

- Ways, some old fashioned, and some other suggestions to cool your home to accompany or replace your use of AC

<https://www.rodalorganiclife.com/home/how-keep-your-house-cool-without-ac>

<https://www.rodalorganiclife.com/wellbeing/ways-stay-cool>

Diane Karlik, DianeKarlik@verizon.net
CSCA Environmental Committee Chair

Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition (MCQSC): Update

Some good progress: On Tuesday, July 11, The Montgomery County Council was expected to approve funding to hire special counsel, Dentons Law Firm, to investigate the legality of the arrival flight path changes over our neighborhoods. The MCQSC policy and strategies committee advocated strongly for this action, and they are grateful that it appears to be moving forward. Assuming that the measure is approved as expected, thank you's to Roger Berliner and other members of the County Council would be great! By the time you receive this, we will have announced this on the CS chat, and the news would most likely appear as well in local newspapers. However, in the interim, please do not stop **emailing to our elected officials**:

Councilmember	CONTACT
Berliner	Councilmember.Berliner@montgomerycountymd.gov
Elrich	Councilmember.Elrich@montgomerycountymd.gov
Floreen	Councilmember.Floreen@montgomerycountymd.gov
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and also entering noise complaints concerning excess air traffic to <https://complaints.bksv.com/dca> . It is imperative that different households register at least once to be meaningful. Repeated complaints are important and if each of us in CS can register a complaint, our voices will be clearly heard.

YOUR ACTION NEEDED! Submit your support to legislative changes proposed by Montgomery County Quiet Skies Coalition (MCQSC).

Bills to reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) were introduced in the U.S. Congress, and marked up in the House and Senate Transportation Committees. Over the next few months, these bills will be further negotiated, amended, and ultimately voted on. MSQSC has concerns about these bills as they do not address concerns of citizens across the country who are being severely impacted by noise and pollution from airplanes.

MSQSC sent letters in early July to the relevant committee chairs and ranking members requesting that the bills include that the FAA or any successor organization (privatization in the future?) should be required to:

1. Reduce the threshold for noise impact from DNL 65 (decibel noise level) to DNL 55, as is the case in most other countries.
2. Establish rules that set upper limits on the frequency of flights resulting in high impact noise over a single location, and distribute such noise as equitably as possible across geographic areas surrounding the airport (which is not our current situation)
3. In addition to safety and efficiency concerns, align policies with current noise, environmental, health and safety research concerning impacts to Americans on the ground.

As the bills move forward, MCQSC is staying in touch with our Maryland delegation: Rep. Jamie Raskin, Sen. Chris Van Hollen, and Sen. Benjamin Cardin. They have been incredibly supportive of MCQSC's

concerns, and they have assured MCQSC that they will do whatever they can to represent our interests as this process moves forward.

YOUR ACTION IS NEEDED! If you could please encourage our Maryland representatives to get these concepts into a final bill and thank them for their continued support, that will be appreciated. It is important that the legislature include FAA responsibilities to our communities.

Maryland Representatives

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Rep. Jamie Raskin	Nina Weisbroth, nina.weisbroth@mail.house.gov Kathleen Connor, Kathleen.connor2@mail.house.gov
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Senator Benjamin Cardin	Ann Jacobs, ann_jacobs@cardin.senate.gov Ken Reichard, ken_reichard@cardin.senate.gov

PLEASE REMEMBER that the coalition is not simply concerned with noise issues, although these have become particularly bothersome as we spend more time outdoors at this time of year. What is happening now adversely affects our property values as well as has environmental and health implications. The fine particulates present in the jet exhaust have been shown to increase risk of and exacerbate lung disease, and the ever-present noise brings with it negative consequences on our blood pressure.

Diane Karlik and Petra Jacobs

Carderock Springs Representatives on the Quiet Skies Coalition

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 and every community member to attend, whether you are renovating or not.



CSCA Monthly Board Meetings, 7:30 pm

The Citizens' Association Board meets the 3rd Monday of the month at the Clubhouse. (There is no August 2017 meeting). The meetings are open to all community members. Minutes and financial reports are posted at CarderockCitizens.org.

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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.

**COMMUNITY SCAVENGER HUNT
(for the whole family)**



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 3
PM at the club
FOLLOWED BY A PIZZA
SUPPER**



**(with wine, beer and soft
drinks)**

**\$5 per person or \$15 for family of more than 3
PLEASE RSVP to Phil Rider at pmrbthmd@yahoo.com
so he can organize the groups and order food/drink**

**WELCOME ALL THE NEW-COMERS
TO THE CARDEROCK COMMUNITY
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

at the club

**BRING A MAIN COURSE OR SIDE
TO SHARE
DRINKS AND DESSERT WILL BE
PROVIDED**



STARTS AT 5:30 PM

The whole family is welcome to come

Carderock Springs Citizens' Association Board Members

Jack Orrick	President
Bill Moore	Vice President
Stefan Lobuglio	Secretary
Rob Gorman	Treasurer
Sindy Udell	Member-at-Large
Bill Draper	Member-at-Large
Seth Hertlein	Member-at-Large
Yvette Quintela	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

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, 2017. 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.