

The Project Design and Site Survey





Our Peace Garden is currently registered with the “Million Pollinator Garden Challenge”.

<http://millionpollinatorgardens.org/>

Did you know that Pollinators are responsible for **1 out of 3 bites** of food we take each day? More nectar and pollen sources provided by more flowering plants and trees will help improve the overall health and numbers of declining pollinators. Increasing the number of pollinator-friendly gardens and landscapes will help revive the health of bees, butterflies, birds, bats and other pollinators across the country. How many pollinators do you see in the Peace Garden today?

Join the Pollinator Garden Challenge!

-  [Plant a pollinator garden](#)
-  [Plant Sustainably](#)
-  [Support Pollinator Businesses](#)



(Above) The Peace Garden site before we started the project.



(Above) During the pathway design.



(Left) Professional Engineer providing site survey techniques lesson to the Girl Scouts and school Garden Club during design.

**CARROLL CREEK
MONTESSORI PUBLIC
CHARTER SCHOOL**

MEMORIAL PEACE GARDEN

*Dedicated to and inspired by:
Sophie and Madigan Lillard*

**Located at 7215 Corporate Court Drive
Frederick, Maryland 21703**



Girl Scouts troop #81151 and parent volunteers pose for a picture in the Peace Garden.

Dedication



The Peace Garden at Carroll Creek Montessori School (CCM) was created in 2013 to honor the Lillard sisters who died in a house fire. Sophie was a first grader at the school and Madigan would have attended the following year. The peace garden evolved through the years and was revitalized and rededicated with the help of Master Gardener, Analiese Kennedy and the Junior Girl Scouts of Troop 81151 as their bronze award in 2018.

Objectives

Many parts of the garden honor the girls' memory with elements of nature that they loved interspersed throughout including fairy houses (representing each of the Lillard children), butterflies on the bench and plants that they loved. In the redesign, Analiese incorporated new elements with the idea to:

1. *Provide a symbol of hope for the future*
2. *Promote respect and peace at our school*
3. *Encourage a curriculum of cross-cultural understanding, environmental studies, and alternative conflict resolution.*



Blessing of the Peace Garden at the rededication ceremony in June 2018.

Elements of Design

- Path of Peace
- Path of Discovery
- Peace Tree (weeping cherry)
- Friendship Bench



Flower Meanings

Throughout history, flowers have taken on special and hidden meanings. The Girl Scouts chose plants and flowers whose meanings honored the memory of the Lillard sisters. As you walk through the garden notice the assorted colors, scents and textures of the plants. Can you find all of these?

<i>Plant Name</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
Arborvitae	Unchanging Friendship
Black-Eyed Susan	Fun & charming with a flair for happiness and a heart full of smiles!
Coleus	Sheath/Protection
Daisies	Innocence and Hope
Bronze Fennel	Strength
Hosta	Devotion
Lamb's Ears	Appreciation for yourself and others
Morning Glories	Affection
Obedient Plant	Bravery
Peony	Happy Life
Pink Roses	Happiness
Rosemary	Remembrance
Salvia, Blue/Purple	I think of you
Weeping Cherry Tree	Abundance of new beginnings and possibilities renewed
Zinnia	In memory of an absent friend



Butterflies observed in the late summer garden!



POC for the Peace Garden is Analiese Kennedy at akennedy@mmcimd.org Please contact us for information on how you can help sustain the gardens at CCM.

