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## News and Happenings

*"Design is a funny word. Some people think design means how it looks. But of course, if you dig deeper it's really how it works." -Steve Jobs*

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### House Rescue - We Love Being Heroes!



Our clients purchased this 1940s home thinking the rundown property just needed a cosmetic makeover. As it turned out, the brick walls were damaged in places, the plumbing and wiring was outdated, there was no insulation in the walls, no air conditioning, and drafty single pane windows. When our team saw it, they thought it looked haunted! The family of five also wanted to modify the layout to create a large open kitchen with adjacent mudroom, update all the bathrooms, and install a family room in the basement. They entreated us to fully oversee the project and finish it as quickly as we could because they were closing on the sale of their previous home. We were able to complete the major renovation of 4,700 square feet in six months, accommodating the clients' wishes. Visit our website Portfolio: Whole House to learn more about this project.

## Modern Addition for a Silver Spring Cape Cod

The owners of this Cape Cod wanted to enlarge their kitchen and create a more open, light-filled living space on the main floor. The clients are Mid-Century enthusiasts, which is reflected in their existing décor. They thought an addition in that style would be appropriate. Given the simplicity of the existing 1933 home, our designer fully agreed.

We extended the rear of the home by 13 feet along the whole width of the house. This added 475 sq. ft. to the existing 1000 sq.ft. on the main floor, providing space for a large kitchen with an island and a sitting room.

Our designer also worked closely with the clients on the design to allow them to accommodate existing Mid-Century furniture pieces as well as planning for new purchases. Visit our website Portfolio: Additions to read more.



AFTER



BEFORE

## Meet Us in Person: Neighborhood Festivals



Our team will be at two festivals this month:

October 22: **Potomac Day Festival**; 10 am to 3 pm

October 29: **Pumpkin Rock n'Roll**; Noon to 4 pm

Come by to say hi or bring photos or plans of your house to ask questions about your remodeling options.

## Volunteering at The Big Build

Several employees volunteered at The Big Build - an interactive festival of tools, trucks, and construction for families. They worked at the NARI Metro DC Chapter's booth teaching kids how to install deck boards, house wrap, drywall, and posts. It was also great for them to interact with volunteers from other remodeling companies and NARI staff. It's one of many fun events and exhibits hosted by the National Building Museum ([www.nbm.org](http://www.nbm.org)) - one of our favorite places in the city. If you're looking for unique holiday gifts, we recommend the museum's shop!

