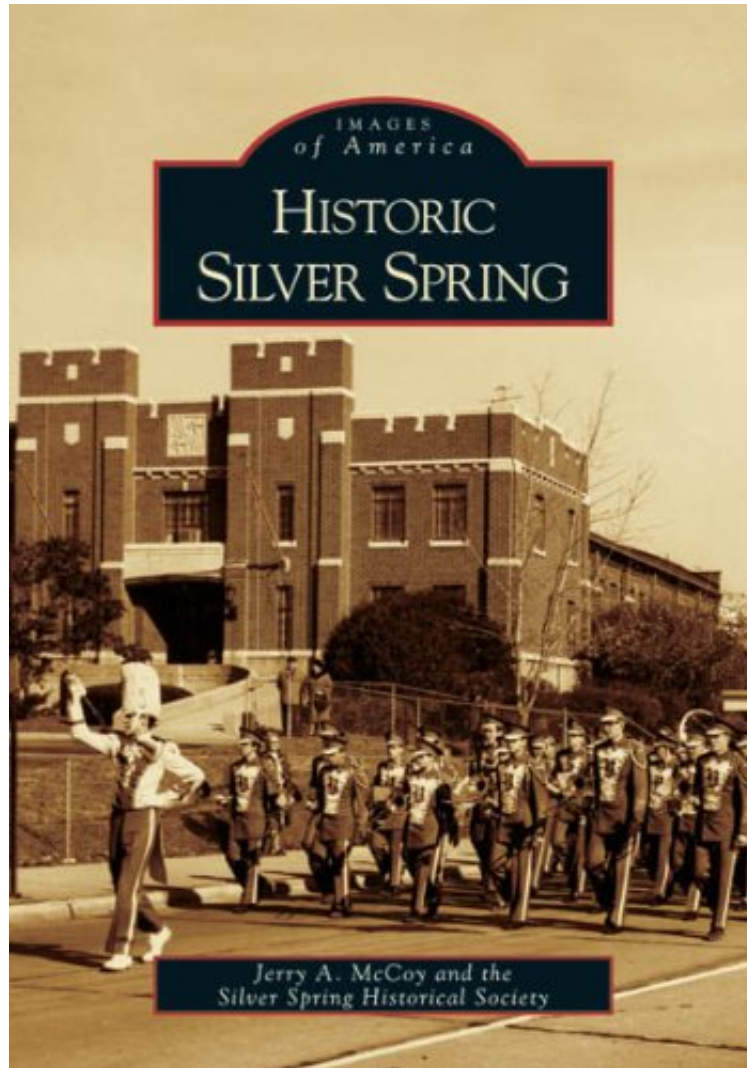


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Jerry A. McCoy, The Silver Spring Historical Society : Historic Silver Spring (MD) (Images of America) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Historic Silver Spring (MD) (Images of America):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This book brings back many fond memories of Silver Spring in the past ...By arycrest Absolutely loved this book, lots of great historical information and pictures. I highly recommend it not only to those who have lived in Silver Spring and Montgomery County, but to anyone interested in the past since it reflects a life and history of years gone by. Mr. McCoy's book brought back so many fond memories for me, both as a young child, a teenager and even as a middle aged adult. I was very young when we lived on Old

Bladensburg Road (University Blvd), back in the mid 40's, but even for a three year old I still recall some things (and later learned of others via my parents) ... our house was easily identified for many years because the chimney was only painted up as high as the top of the roof and left unpainted red brick after that since my father couldn't reach any higher to paint the rest. It was down from the site where Northwood High School would be built years later... Merrill's Grocery Store was within walking distance (a block or two) in the other direction. I recall the fountain at People's Drug Store on Georgia Ave., the smell of fresh brewed coffee still reminds me of back then; the gazing ball Mr. Brant had in his front yard; frozen custard and the polar bears; picnics in Sligo Creek and Rock Creek Parks; our black '39 Ford with the running boards. In the early 60's, as a student at B-CC, our arch rival Montgomery Blair was a school we loved to hate, especially during football season. During my early and mid-adult years, the Silver Spring/Tacoma Park area still played an important part in my life ... I went to MJC and Gardner School of Business on Fenton St. In the mid to late 70's I worked at the U S Customs Service Data Center when it was on the MD side of Eastern Avenue about a block from the historical Silver Spring park and its acorn shaped gazebo and down the street from the Taxi Stand with the world's best half smokes. I gave this well written book of memories five stars and only wish I could have given it more!!!0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good book on Silver Spring MDBy Christina R BjornstadI just moved to Silver Spring. Great book explaining it's history0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Worth buyingBy DVD fanI recommend this book highly to anyone who has lived or worked in Silver Spring or in Maryland. I visited relatives there many times while I was growing up and have many fond memories. I loved this book and the 20 other Images of America books I own. I love the historic photos.

Images of America: Historic Silver Spring celebrates the community's past, beginning with founder Francis Preston Blair's 1840 discovery of the mica-flecked spring and the 1873 arrival of the Baltimore Ohio Railroad. Vintage photographs document the progressive growth of the Main Streets, Georgia Avenue and Colesville Road, and the construction of the Silver Spring Armory and National Dry Cleaning Institute in 1927 and the Silver Theatre and Silver Spring Shopping Center in 1938. The volume culminates with modern pictures of downtown Silver Springs 21st-century revitalization, which continues to preserve the past and secure the future of the area. In a pictorial journey through the community's Central Business District and bordering residential neighborhood, East Silver Spring, Historic Silver Spring honors the people and places that have come before.

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