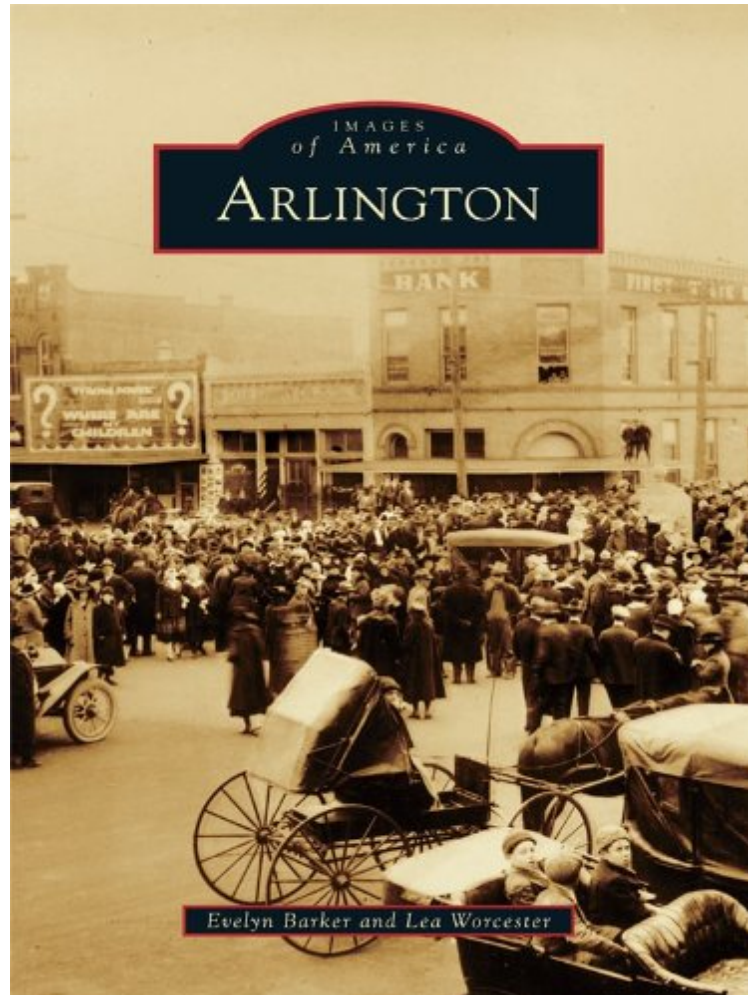


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great local HistoryBy Bill LeeGreat history about the city where I live.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A good History LessonBy James TuohyThis short book brings old, new and existing Citizens of the great little City of Arlington a quick, fun review of the history of this growing City. I enjoyed citizenship here over 40 years ago and do not recognize it now. Some of the "old tales" that were told are now exposed and the naughty and the nice is all shown. The only thing missing was the Car collection Mr Vandergriff (Mayor/ US Rep. Tom Vandergriff's father) had in his original showroom. A great visual trip to an interesting location.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. My grandfather is pictured in this book - he was ...By W. B. HollowayMy grandfather is pictured in this book - he was the Editor-Publisher of the Arlington newspaper and there is a major street named after him in that city - Bowen Avenue. (My middle name) First photos and writeup I

had ever seen. Thanks Evelyn Barker

Historians dispute the founding of Arlington. Some say Arlington started in 1848 when Col. Middleton Tate Johnson started the settlement called Johnson's Station, a forerunner of Arlington. Others say it was 1876, when the railroad arrived, or 1877, when the post office was established. Still others claim 1884 as the founding, because that was when city leaders incorporated Arlington, naming the town after the home of Gen. Robert E. Lee. Whatever date one chooses for the founding, there is no question that Arlington has grown from its frontier origins into the entertainment center of North Texas. Highlights of Arlington's development include Depression-era gambling at Top O' Hill and Arlington Downs, Progressive values in the Berachah Home for Erring Girls, higher education through the University of Texas at Arlington, and economic expansion with General Motors. More recently, energetic citizens like former mayor Tommy Vandergriff helped bring two professional sports teams to Arlington. Today the Texas Rangers and Dallas Cowboys share top billing with the city's other signature attractions--Six Flags Over Texas and Hurricane Harbor.

About the AuthorMining the rich visual collections of the University of Texas at Arlington Library's Special Collections, authors and librarians Evelyn Barker and Lea Worcester explore Arlington's development through photographs, maps, and firsthand accounts of life in this vigorous and aspiring city.