Montgomery Arms Apartments

Original Name: Montgomery Arms Apartments

Address: 8700-8722 Colesville Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Architect(s): George T. Santmyers

Year of Construction: 1941

Current Status: Apartments

Original Use: Apartments

The Montgomery Arms garden apartments were designed in 1941 by architect George T. Santmyers. The U-shaped complex is in good condition and the grounds are well-maintained. Constructed of red brick and with a flat roof topped with a thin band of stone, the center building dominates with five stories compared to the side buildings which have three. The architects play with linearity in all facades by recessing and projecting various parts of all buildings and by creating horizontal details above and below all of the black-framed windows. The spandrel panels between many of the windows feature a very fine sawtooth treatment of brick (created by laying bricks at a 45 degree angle). The entry doors to each building are framed by articulated stone trim. Each doorway also has a finely fluted, curved stone canopy. The same material is again used above the canopy for square-shaped, simple, lovely representations of nature and geometric shapes. Another fluted detail is used as a crown again. Two sections of glass blocks incorporating three horizontal bands of black-framed windows complete the verticality above the entry doors.
Static (Fixed) Google Map:

Dynamic (Searchable and Expandable) Google Map:

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