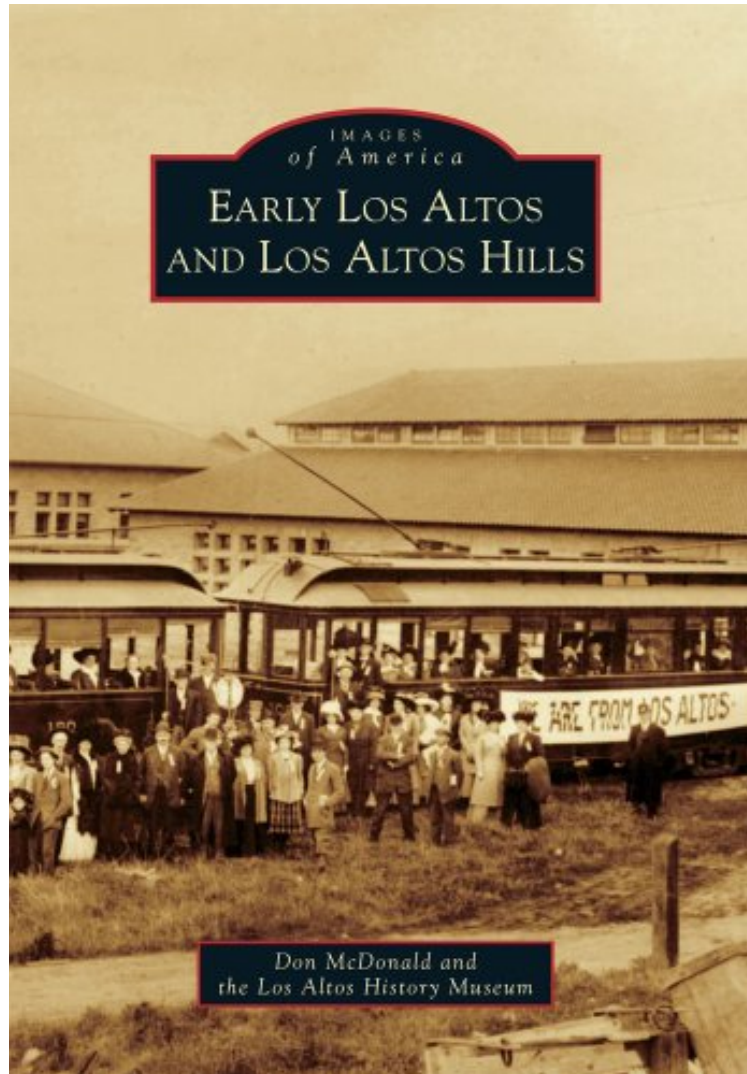


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About the AuthorDon McDonald, longtime volunteer at the Los Altos History Museum, has been passionate about local history for over 30 years, weaving each new piece of information into an ever-expanding story. Learn more about the Los Altos History Museum and its programs at [www.losaltoshistory.org](http://www.losaltoshistory.org).