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August 10, 2004

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 10, 2004

Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-19065 Maryland (State or other jurisdiction (Commission file (IRS Employer of incorporation) number) Identification Number)

17801 Georgia Avenue, Olney, Maryland 20832 ______ (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 774-6400

Item 5. Other Events ______

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On August 10, 2004, Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc. issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99 - News Release dated August 10, 2004.

Signatures

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC.

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By: Hunter R. Hollar

Hunter R. Hollar President and

Chief Executive Officer

Dated: August 10, 2004