

Brimfield

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Roger Sandall
Brimfield Fire Department

6 July 1993

Biographical Information and Summary of Interview:

Roger Sandall made a presentation to the Brimfield Historical Society on 6 July 1993. It was recorded on cassette tape. In April 2022, Kim (Claybaugh) Hanks converted the cassette to a digital recording.

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Time Stamp for Major Topics:

- 00:00 Introduction of Speaker by Velma Clark
- 02:18 Introduction of presentation by Fire Chief, Roger Sandall
- 03:55 Beginning and formation of Brimfield Fire Department
- 04:50 Previous Fire Chiefs
- 06:35 Early Years of the fire department and its equipment
- 09:18 Service area and more discussion of equipment
- 10:50 Financial support of the fire department; increased services; formation of fire district
- 14:34 Phone alert system; expansion of fire district; additional equipment,
- 16:18 Fire numbers and tri-county addresses
- 17:35 Fire house expansion; training
- 18:55 Fire house remodeling; expansion to Kickapoo
- 20:50 BYE ambulance expansion to Brimfield
- 21:35 Cost of equipment; tax rate; aging equipment, current fire officers
- 26:27 How firefighting has changed
- 29:18 - Q&A; 911 dispatch; cellular and mobile phones; enhanced 911 services; firefighter expenses; services times

Topics Covered/Key Words:

Roger Sandall
Brimfield Fire Department

Brimfield Historical Society

Velma Clark

Fire Chief

Dave [David] Clark

Charles Moss

J Savage

W H Wilson

George LaFollette

Harland "Scout" Pemble

Gerald [Jerry] Heinz

Murray Miller

Dave [David] Clark

Ken Fishel

Roger Sandall

Doctor Roberts

Russ Ludkey

Larry Heinz

Bill Simmons

Danny Rogers

Jeff Sollenberger

[See booklet on the history of the Brimfield Fire Department by David Clark in the Brimfield Public Library's Local History collection.]

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