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Collection Information

Abstract : History of the Lincoln Fire Department from ca. 1870s to 1990s, largely compiled from town reports.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository

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See Also: Lincoln Public Safety Records, 2003.029; Lincoln Financial Records, 2003.028.

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MARC Access: Collection is catalogued in MARC under the following subject headings (lcs, aat, gmgpc, etc.)

Lincoln (Mass.) -- History.
Firefighters -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.
Fire departments -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.
Fire chiefs -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.
Fires -- Massachusetts -- Lincoln.
Lincoln (Mass. : Town). Lincoln Fire Department.
Sandy Pond (Lincoln, Mass.)
Washburn, Robert M., ed.

Historical/Biographical Notes

The Lincoln Fire Department was established some time after the Lincoln Water Works was established with a pumping station at Sandy Pond. Initially a hose company at South Lincoln or Lincoln Center was established. With extension of water mains to North Lincoln in 1907 a second hose company was formed in that place. Also during 1907 a Board of Fire Engineers was created and issued its first report. First motorized equipment was purchased in 1916, and housed in South Lincoln. The Fire/Police Department Headquarters was opened in 1958, completely renovated in 1994. By 1995 all apparatus was housed at the headquarters building.

Scope and Content

The collection comprises excerpts from annual town reports from 1892 to 1996, edited and assembled by Robert M. Washburn in 1997, which emphasizes the history of the Fire Department. A second paper, also from annual town reports and edited by Washburn, emphasizes equipment and personnel. Also included is a program of the dedication of a memorial plaque and flagpole, in memory of departed members of the Police and Fire Departments, dedicated may 30, 1968.

The collection is arranged topically into two series.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Histories, 1874-1997. (3 items)

Series 2: Memorials, 1968. (1 item)

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Series 1, Histories

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| 1 | 1 | 2003.051.1.1 | <i>Lincoln, Mass. Fire Department</i> , from Annual Town Reports, 1907-1994; comprising chronological list of fire personnel and equipment, with other information : 5 p., map, in binder / edited by Robert M. Washburn, 1996. |
| 1 | 2 | 2003.051.1.2 | <i>History of Lincoln, Massachusetts Fire Department</i> , from Annual Town Reports 1892-1996; with reports, financial records, personnel, equipment, and other information : 45 p. and appendixes, maps, in binder / edited by Robert M. Washburn, 1997. |
| 1 | 3 | 2003.051.1.3 | <i>History of Lincoln, Massachusetts Fire Department</i> , from Annual Town Reports 1892-1996; with reports, financial records, personnel, equipment, and other information : 45 p. and appendixes, maps, in binder / edited by Robert M. Washburn, 1997. Original version with items cut from original reports and pasted into typescript. |

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Series 2, Memorials

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| 1 | 4 | 2003.051.2.1 | Memorial Dedication Services, Honor Roll Plaque in memory of departed members of the Police and Fire Departments, and flagpole plaque dedication flagpole in memory of Chief Andrew J. Dougherty : flier / Lincoln Police and Fire Association, May 26, 1968. |