



# News Release for Colerain Fire

## For Immediate Release

Date: **March 9, 2014**

The Colerain Township Department of Fire and EMS are pleased to announce the upcoming **RETIREMENT** of **Assistant Chief Richard Niehaus**. After 40 years of service to the community, Rick has decided to move on and enjoy the benefits of his long and successful career. A luncheon will be held on March 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am until 2:00pm at Fire Station 25 at 3251 Springdale Road.

Chief Niehaus joined the Groesbeck Volunteer Fire department in August of 1973 and was a charter member of the newly formed Colerain Township F.D. when the Groesbeck and Dunlap Volunteer Departments merged in 1974. While Rick continued to volunteer for the newly formed CTFD, he worked as a career police officer in both Colerain and Springfield Townships before being hired as a career fire captain on CTFD in 1989. In 1997 Rick was promoted to his current position as Assistant Chief.

Throughout his tenure here at CTFD, Chief Niehaus was instrumental in several major endeavors, including the Colerain Avenue traffic preemption system, database management and development, and he was the Committee Chair for the fact-finding investigation into the deaths of firefighter Brian Schira and Captain Robin Broxterman in 2008.

Rick and his wife Jenny live in Colerain Township and enjoy their ever-growing family. The two have three grown sons and five (and counting) grandchildren.

Rick's last day with the CTFD will be this coming Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. The members of CTFD want to **THANK** Rick for his leadership, loyalty and brotherhood over these four decades and wish a long and healthy retirement. **GOOD LUCK RICK.**

Questions or inquiries into this incident may be directed to either Public Information Officer: Captain Steve Conn at 513-615-8698, [sconn@colerain.org](mailto:sconn@colerain.org), Captain Darian Edwards at 513-623-0078, [dedwards@colerain.org](mailto:dedwards@colerain.org) or Bob Rielage at [rielage@colerain.org](mailto:rielage@colerain.org).



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Assistant Chief Richard Niehaus  
DOS: August 1973 – March 2014

## RETIREMENT LUNCHEON

Drop in and bid a farewell to  
A/C Niehaus on his final day of service

**March 14th 11:00-14:00**

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