

Village says goodbye to Chief Reeder

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The Village of Tinley Park would like to wish a warm farewell to Fire Chief Forest Reeder, who will retire Tuesday, June 1.

Chief Reeder has been in fire service since 1979. He previously served as division chief for the Des Plaines Fire Department, director of training for the Southwest United Fire Districts, battalion chief for the Pleasantview Fire Protection District, and captain/shift commander for the Palos Fire Protection District.

Chief Reeder has received numerous awards for life saving actions and is co-author and supervising editor of three editions of a best-selling fire service textbook/curriculum. He's also an Ironman Triathlon athlete who has competed in eight full-distance races.

Deputy Fire Chief Steve Klotz will serve as Interim Fire Chief until a permanent replacement can be found. Thanks to Chief Reeder for many years of service to Tinley Park! He will be missed.