

Letter: Lake Valley firefighters thank community

To the community,

Lake Valley Volunteer Firefighter's Association held its 55th annual Fire Fighters Ball on March 10. The Ball was given a new theme this year as the firefighters hosted a sold out elegant event at the Edgewood Tahoe, which included fine dining, a presentation by Lake Valley Honor Guard, auctioning of firefighters skills such as yard cleanup, car detailing to name a few, an ongoing silent auction packed with dozens of items that were so generously donated to Lake Valley by our community and live music and dancing.

The evening also included a presentation in which the benevolent Lisa Maloff was honored and thanked for her generous donation of \$150,000 to the Firefighter's Association. The donation along with proceeds of the evening will be used to construct a new on-site fire and rescue training building in order to enhance firefighting and rescue skills and bring the highest level of "all risk care" that Lake Valley prides itself on. The new building will benefit neighboring agencies as well by giving the option of joint trainings between the departments. The old building being deemed unsafe after over 30 years of use had to be demolished.

Lake Valley Fire Department would like to personally thank Edgewood Tahoe for the use of the beautiful facility for this event and to all the many businesses and private parties that so generously donated prizes for the silent auction, and grand prize giveaways. It is a pleasure and honor to serve this community.

Chris Heng, Lake Valley firefighter