

Company 34 would like to thank the Recreation Committee for the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Firefighter's Ball. Our firefighters definitely felt the appreciation from the community with over 90 people in attendance. The food prepared by Cindy Peyton and her staff was wonderful, and the service was great. The In vocational prayer was provided by Pastor Dr. ED Bedrosian and was very heartfelt. After dinner Administrator Chris Kirk introduced all the firefighters. Cal Fire Battalion Chief Steve Reeder and Captain Marc Hanlon were also in attendance and were amazed at the support we receive from our community. Jim Money was commissioned to be the auctioneer for our annual Oak Shores pin. Tamara Horton donated two framed photographs that brought in \$100.00 from resident Gerry Main. Mark Banner and Tamara Horton also donated a half cord of wood, which brought in \$125.00 from resident Dan Wheeler. Ivan Wheeler won the auction with a \$400.00 donation and will hold on to the pin for the second year. Jim then took a vase and worked the room for individual \$100.00 donations and after 15 minutes or so the vase was filled, he was even taking IOUs! Thanks Jim! Donators were the Randy and Janice Gilenwater, The Byche's, Don and Leona Young, Jim and Sue Money, Brad and Lynn Walker, Randy and Nancy Feltman, Kent and Joanie Douglas, Bob and Shari Sutherland, Bob and Shayla Lever and \$20.00 cash donation was found mixed in, from? Donations of more than \$100.00 were received from Wayne Rumbles, Alice Englund, Dick and Jenn Fredrickson and Barbara Alena. The rest of the evening was filled with music and dancing with music by DJ Jim Lovato. Special Thanks to Janice Gillenwater and her crew for organizing decorating and cleaning up he mess left behind, also the bartenders for keeping the guest happy! All the money raised at this event will help support fire department activities in our community, along with any needed station and equipment supplies.

#### Other News:

The storage and transportation of fuel has come to the attention of our community, due to the lack of a gas station close to us. A committee consisting of board member Bob Sutherland and Fire Department Administrator Chris Kirk was formed to bring some ideas on how to create a policy for the safety of our firefighters and community. Current state laws regarding storage, states that only 5galons can be stored inside a residence and 10galons outside a residence, and that transportation of up to 120 gallons or 1,000 lbs total volume is allowable with restrictions per the DOT, creating a policy is not an easy task. Cal Fire Chief Steve Reeder will attend the next board meeting on April 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss the issue.

#### Training:

We have been training on structure fire initial attack, Earthquakes, and EMS protocols. The Major Incident Plan is once again being refreshed and should be complete soon. E-34 R-34 and Patrol-34 are all in service and ready to respond. Boat-34 should arrive in the middle of April, just in time for summer season. We are always looking for firefighters to join company 34 to protect the community in which we live, if interested please contact Chris Kirk @ 472-9272 or 440-7948 or any of our firefighters.

Respectfully Submitted  
Chris Kirk  
Administrator Company 34