

<u>Terrie O'Connor Realtors Attends an</u> <u>"Honoring The Brave" Event</u>

Recently Darlene Freidman and Maryanne Connaughton, Sales Associates of Terrie O'Connor Realtors, made the distance to attend a NJ Gold Coast Chamber Event, "*Honoring the Brave*". The Chamber held an evening of honoring and thanking the brave men and women of the Edgewater and other Gold Coast area Fire Firefighters that recently battled a furious fire that destroyed hundreds of apartment units in the town of Edgewater at the beginning of the year.



This massive fire ripped through an apartment building

near the Hudson River in New Jersey forcing hundreds of people to evacuate and sending large plumes of black smoke into the air. The large flames shooting into the air from the Avalon at Edgewater Complex were seen from across the river on the West Side of Manhattan and were even seen on the weather radar that night. It was such an intense fire that the borough's Mayor, Michael McPartland had to declare a local State of Emergency.

Edgewater Fire Chief, Tom Jacobson talked about the catastrophic fire at the Avalon building complex and all were so grateful to the firefighters who risked their lives as they raced to carry people out and evacuate people inside. In the end, thanks to these brave men and women only minor injuries were reported and there was no loss of life.

Portions of the proceeds from this event were donated to the Edgewater Fire Department and participating fire departments of the Gold Coast Area.

Pictured above: Edgewater Mayor Michael McPartland, Darlene Freidman and Maryanne Connaughton, Sales Associates of Terrie O'Connor Realtors and Edgewater Fire Chief Tom Jacobson