

Annual tasting features 50+ wineries-restaurants

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Soroptimist International of South Lake Tahoe's biggest fundraiser of the year – "An Evening of Food and Wine Tasting" – will be at Harrah's Tahoe Convention Center on Nov. 13 from 6-9pm.

SISLT's event is considered one of the "go to" social events of the year by many locals and features food and wine from more than 50 restaurants and wineries. With all the new wineries attending this year, you can save yourself the drive and do all your tasting locally.

In addition to having an excellent time catching up with friends, participants can feel great knowing that all the proceeds will be funneled back into the local Tahoe community through educational scholarships, environmental programs, arts education, youth activity sponsorships and social service projects. With funding slashed for so many programs, it is up to our close-knit community to support each other and invest in our own future.

This year 21 grants were awarded to programs including Elementary Arts Education, Parks & Recreation Equipment, Special Olympics, CASA and The Women's Center. With about \$50,000 contributed each year, there is bound to be a friend, neighbor or relative who has benefited from this philanthropy.

The food and wine are delicious, laughing with friends is fabulous, but the satisfaction of building a vibrant and healthy community is priceless.

Call 866.801.8652 for more information. A complete list of restaurants and wineries can be found at www.sislt.org along

with ticket information. Credit card orders are available.

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