Sample the Sierra captured in a haiku

Janill Gilbert of South Lake Tahoe is headed to Sample the Sierra on Aug. 21.

She won *Lake Tahoe News'* contest to define what Sample the Sierra means. This is her winning haiku:

Wine, Herb, Cheese Sublime.

Ski Run Culture Tastes Divine

Sated Appetite



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The inaugural Sample the Sierra is a cooperative effort to increase awareness of the region's bounty, heritage, culture and activities through a market-to-table event featuring tastings from Sierra Nevada chefs and restaurants – all created with local produce, and paired with local wineries. Food and wine tasting will be from 1–4pm. The festival starts at noon and ends at 5pm.

All of the fun is on Ski Run Boulevard in South Lake Tahoe.

Featured restaurants and chefs include Bistro Danielle, Latin Soul, Blue Angel Café, 4 Seasons Soup and Salad, Black Bear Inn, Heavenly and Kids Inc Pies. Restaurants will prepare tasting with fresh products from featured growers including, Sacred Paths, Z & B Ranch, Beal's Orchard, Perez Produce, Rainbow Orchard, Harris Tree Farm and Storm Valley Ranch.

Featured wineries include Wofford Acres Vineyards, Lava Cap Winery, Madrona Vineyards, Perry Creek Winery, Picchetti Winery, Latcham Vineyards, Chevalier Winery and Jodar Winery.

The event marketplace will showcase regional products such as honey, jams and soaps. A juried, original art show will feature pottery, painting, photography and handmade crafts by regional artists and artisans. Live entertainment, including local bands Late for Dinner and Left of Cool, storytellers, acoustic musicians and activities will round out the program.

Festival admission is free. Food and wine tasting is \$20, food only tasting \$10 and tasting for children is \$5. For more information, visit www.samplethesierra.com or call (775) 588.1728.