Opinion: Women's center thankful for successful event

To the community,

The 12th Annual Sunset Gala Bali Bash hosted by South Lake Tahoe Women's Center at the beautiful Bali inspired home of Dr. Sean Degnan on Sept. 17 was a success.

This event which supports programs and services for people affected by domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse would not have been possible without the support of individuals and businesses in our community who generously made a donation to the gala despite the current state of our economy.

Thanks to the donors listed below, the event raised nearly \$20,000.

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In addition, thank you to all who attended and special thank you to Russel Ketenjian who provided beautiful music for the evening and Ramsay Devereux for delighting guests with captivating fire dancing.

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