S. Lake man accused of nearly killing roommate

A South Lake Tahoe man with a history of battery arrests is behind bars for attempting to murder his longtime roommate.

The 46-year-old South Lake Tahoe woman who was nearly beaten to death the night of Aug. 12 with a mallet was clinging to life 24 hours later at Renown Medical Center in Reno. At this time her name is not being released.

Steven Post, 48, was arrested on attempted murder charges.

Sgt. Shannon Laney said a verbal argument escalated into Post grabbing a rubber mallet like one would use for camping and striking the victim several times in the head and arm.

"He admitted to everything," Laney told *Lake Tahoe News*. "He was arrested on attempted murder based on the weapon and area he was striking."

Being struck in the head often has fatal consequences.

The two have lived together for 18 years, most recently on Azure Avenue near the state line. Post told officers there is no romantic involvement between them at least at this time.

Post was arrested in 2010 and 2011 on charges of battering the same woman. He was not convicted.

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