THIRD ANNUAL GIVING FUND BENEFIT DINNER RAISES \$15,000!

By **DICK GANDER**, Tahoe Donner Giving Fund Committee Chair

On the heels of awarding \$24,000 in grants to local non-profits, the Third Annual Giving Fund Dinner raised \$15,000 for next year's grants! Eighty diners enjoyed a fantastic meal at the Alder Creek Adventure Center on October 14.

The evening began with champagne and a passed appetizer reception followed by a delicious salad, whole roasted Rocky Jr. chicken with brown butter and rosemary gravy, grilled artichoke and black lentil ratatouille, roasted autumn vegetables, wine on the tables and perhaps the best trout many of us had ever had! **Chef Joe Casey** really brought his A-game to the party!

We thank our sponsors for their support on the big night: **Easterbrook Painting**, **Margo Groth of Dickson Realty**, **Plumas Bank** and **Tahoe Donner**.

Stacy Caldwell, CEO of the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation (TTCF), briefed the diners on the TTCF's goals and plans to attract \$100 million in capital to the region while supporting our many non-profits. TTCF intends to help the region unite diverse interests to solve some of our largest problems, such as the recently convened Mountain Housing Council addressing affordable housing. For more on TTCF, see *TTCF.net*.

Throughout the evening there was spirited bidding on a wide variety of silent auction items. The community was so generous in donations, as were the attendees with their bids.

Thank you to everyone who attended for your generous support: the Tahoe Donner Food and Beverage staff, our sponsors, the silent auction contributors, and most especially to the hardworking Giving Fund Committee members that made it happen: Suzanne Sullivan, Pam English, Lois Ermak, Jeanette Fagerskog, Linda Slattery and Katie Veni.

Please look for our insert in your Annual Assessment letter, which you can use to send in a contribution to next year's grant, or to make an online contribution anytime visit our website at **tahoedonner.com/giving-fund**.



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