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10 GAME-CHANGERS
MAKING A DIFFERENCE

BACK TO NATURE

STUDENTS THRIVE AT
ENVIRONMENTAL
NATURE CENTER

MAKING SPIRITS BRIGHT

HOLIDAY GIFT GIVING
GETS CREATIVE

A STYLISH SEASON

HOLIDAY DRESSES
FOR EVERY OCCASION



- SEGERSTROM CENTER'S CULTURAL CAMPUS
- DERBY GIRLS LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL



WING LAM,
FOUNDER,
WAHOO'S
FISH TACO



SOCIETY

THE WOODEN FLOOR'S WINE TASTING BENEFIT

1 John and Heidi Oswald, Tim and Amber Smith 2 Sarah and Thom McElroy, Yvonne and Damien Jordan 3 Allie Atwood, John Votava 4 Bill and Barbara Yingling 5 Greg and Kassandra Richardson 6 Ginny and Rich Hunsaker 7 Janice and John Markley



Wine enthusiasts and arts patrons came together at the annual Keep the Promise Wine Tasting Benefit, which netted more than \$260,000 for The Wooden Floor, a nonprofit that brings dance and performance education year-round to students across Orange County. Held at Big Canyon Country Club, the sold-out event welcomed more than 280 guests and marked the organization's 30th anniversary year. Guests sipped a selection of 14 highly rated, rare wines from around the world, which were donated by honorary co-chairs and premier sponsors John and Janice Markley. Following a Champagne toast, students shared their personal stories of time spent at The Wooden Floor. Executive Director Dawn S. Reese also thanked attendees; with their support, the organization has helped 100 percent of its program graduates complete high school on time and enroll in higher education for the past nine consecutive years. —A.H.