

## National Jewish Health Night & Day Golf Classic Raises \$210,000

Two-Day Event at Shanahan's and Sanctuary Benefited Morgridge Academy for Chronically Ill Children

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DENVER, CO — Two of Denver's most exclusive venues opened their doors to host the National Jewish Health Night & Day Golf Classic presented by [RE/MAX](#) and sponsored by [Shanahan's](#). Shanahan's steakhouse and [Sanctuary Golf Course](#) welcomed 180 National Jewish Health supporters, who helped raise \$210,000 for [Morgridge Academy](#) for chronically ill children, a free K-8 day school on the campus of National Jewish Health and the only school of its kind in the country.



*Jack Thompson, Dave Steinmetz, Marc Steron and Mike Steerman at Sanctuary golf course for the National Jewish Health Night & Day Golf Classic. The charity event benefited Morgridge Academy for chronically ill children at National Jewish Health.*

On Sunday, July 31, Shanahan's opened solely for patrons of the event. Guests enjoyed drinks on the patio, a decadent dinner, fine wines and a silent auction. Auction packages, which included a Four Seasons golf trip in Hawaii with airfare from United Airlines and a private dinner and wine pairing for 10 at Shanahan's, brought in more than \$16,000 for Morgridge Academy.

The next day, 108 golfers enjoyed spectacular views and an unspoiled round of golf amid open spaces and wildlife at Sanctuary, a top course that is reserved almost exclusively for charity tournaments.

"This is the sixth year we have held this event and it's always a spectacular way to help this unique school on the campus of National Jewish Health," said **Marc Steron**, managing partner of Shanahan's, chair of the National Jewish Health Development Board and chair of the tournament.

The students at Morgridge Academy are facing every day with a chronic illness. At a traditional school, that can mean missing class, sitting on the sidelines during gym and making frantic visits to the emergency room.

"Morgridge Academy provides a safe, friendly and healthy school environment where students succeed academically, medically and socially," [Blair Richardson](#), chair of the National Jewish Health Board of Directors, said Sunday night at Shanahan's.

During the school's recent four-week summer camp, students created a comprehensive wellness plan for themselves by visiting a grocery store and consulting with National Jewish Health cardiologist [Andrew Freeman](#), MD, FACC, FACP, to study how their behaviors can affect heart health. They also exercised at Red Rocks, climbed an indoor climbing wall and went whitewater rafting.

"These are children who struggled with diseases like severe asthma and allergies and cystic fibrosis before finding Morgridge Academy, and now they're enjoying their summer camp activities with friends," Richardson said.

The National Jewish Health Night & Day Golf Classic committee included National Jewish Health Board Members **Stanton Dodge, David Engleberg and Meyer Saltzman, Board Member Emeritus Eddie Robinson, Marc Paolicelli, Laszlo Pook, Dan Raap, Gregg Stone** and **Aaron Wiebelhaus**. In addition to RE/MAX and Shanahan's, sponsors included **Lockton, The Tornberg Family** and **Trautman & Shreve**.

[Morgridge Academy at National Jewish Health](#) is a unique, free day school for 90 chronically ill students in kindergarten through eighth grades. Its mission is to provide a safe, friendly and healthy school environment where students succeed academically, medically and socially.



**National Jewish Health** is the leading respiratory hospital in the nation. Founded 122 years ago as a nonprofit hospital, National Jewish Health today is the only facility in the world dedicated exclusively to groundbreaking medical research and treatment of patients with respiratory, cardiac, immune and related disorders. Patients and families come to National Jewish Health from around the world to receive cutting-edge, comprehensive, coordinated care. To learn more, visit the media resources page.

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