

Party at Altitude Rocked Denver, Raising More Than \$160,000 for Chronically III Children

Sky high event of the season benefited Morgridge Academy at National Jewish Health

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DENVER — More than 400 guests packed the rooftop of DaVita World Headquarters on August 19 for <u>Party at Altitude</u>, the second annual event of the National Jewish Health 5280 AIR Society™. The event was presented by Mercedes-Benz of Denver and Integrated Properties, Inc., and raised more than \$160,000 for <u>Morgridge Academy</u> for chronically ill children



The 5280 AIR Society is a group of young professionals who support National Jewish Health and is chaired by Angela and Daniel Feiner. Party at Altitude event chairs were Ross Chotin, Rachel Moskovich and Brian Parks. See full list of 5280 AIR Society and Steering Committee members.

"The 5280 AIR Society supports the hospital's important work," Feiner said. "Together, we are driving fundraising and awareness, and paving a way for the next generation of leaders at National Jewish Health."

In the surrounds of the cool airy décor created by Design Works, stylish partygoers sipped on craft cocktails from the hosted sky bar and enjoyed the panoramic views from the rooftop terrace. Live music by Soul X and Tone Play with DJ Shake One rocked the house and the crowd danced the night away. The party also featured a silent auction, games, stunning VIP area, ice sculptures, and food and cocktails from restaurant sponsors, including Habit Doughnut Dispensary, ink! Coffee, LIQ-CRÈME alcohol infused-ice cream, Margs Taco Bistro, Marcella's Ristorante, Palm Restaurant, Sloan's Lake Tap and Burger and STK Denver.

While enjoying the sky high event of the season, guests generously supported Morgridge Academy, a tuition-free school for chronically ill students in kindergarten through eighth grades. Students learn to manage their diseases while succeeding academically. The school is located on the campus of National Jewish Health.

Event Chair Parks, who is also a National Jewish Health board member and former Morgridge Academy student, spoke about the impact of attendees' support on the school's 90 students. "Morgridge Academy provides a safe and healthy environment where students succeed academically, medically and socially. Most come from families that are at or below the poverty level. The staff give students the skills they need to lead healthy, productive and active lives."

A highlight of the evening was a surprise check presentation from CBS4 Denver for more than \$20,000 for Morgridge Academy.

"The technology purchased with this grant will help ensure that Morgridge Academy can continue to provide an excellent education that prepares its students for the 21st century environment where they will learn and work," said CBS4 reporter Dominic Garcia.

Major sponsors of Party at Altitude included Presenting Sponsors Mercedes-Benz of Denver and Integrated Properties Inc; Sky Sponsor MDC/Richmond American Homes Foundation; Valet Sponsor Winter Park Resorts; Sky Bar Sponsors Peak Beverage and Republic National Distributing Company; Altitude Sponsors Rachelle and Chris Bodnar, The Chotin Foundation, Angela and Daniel Feiner, and Joan and Stephen Parks; and Media Sponsors CBS4, Mix 100 and 950 Altitude Sports Radio.

For more information about the 5280 AIR Society or Party at Altitude, contact Clem Connolly, national director of special events, western region, at 303.728.6546.

5280 AIR Society

The 5280 AIR (Asthma, Immunology and Respiratory) Society was launched by Angela and Daniel Feiner in 2016. The Denver-based group is modeled after the New York AIR Society. Some of the New York members and their families had been treated for asthma, allergies and/or immune system disorders at National Jewish Health. This common tie gave them the inspiration to make their mark by supporting National Jewish Health events and eventually starting their own event. Since the group's inception in 1991, the New York AIR Society has raised \$4 million for the institution.

Morgridge Academy

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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