

Fizz and Feathers Event Raises \$150,000 for National Jewish Health and Chronically Ill Children

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DENVER — More than 300 guests raised \$150,000 for National Jewish Health and [Morgridge Academy](#) on Saturday, September 7, at Fizz and Feathers presented by Bastion. The annual National Jewish Health 5280 AIR Society event was held at Ironworks in Denver, and featured a ‘roaring twenties’ theme.



Event Co-Chairs (left to right): Brad & Kelsey Morse and Margery & Mike Gavin

Morgridge Academy is a free school at National Jewish Health, which serves children in kindergarten through eighth grade who have been diagnosed with a chronic illness. Morgridge Academy is the only school of its kind on a medical campus in the country.

A video at the event featuring the children from Morgridge Academy thanking their supporters brought both tears and cheers from the enthusiastic crowd. In the video, the children explained how support for the event helps fund their specialized programs and gives them the opportunity to thrive in reading, music, athletics and more.

“We love being a part of this event,” Brad Morse, event co-chair, said. He and his wife Kelsey, together with Mike and Margery Gavin were the event co-chairs. “It’s a fun night for a great cause. The school is so important and this is a great way to give back to our community,” Morse said.

Honorary Chairs of the event were Karyn and Ross Chotin, Angela and Daniel Feiner, and Dana and Brian Parks.

The event converted Denver’s Ironworks venue into a modern-day speakeasy and featured costumed ‘flappers,’ who performed several dance numbers that energized the room. Speakeasy 24 kept the dance floor packed as guests danced to songs from the golden era of music and top hits from today.

Some of Denver’s top restaurants treated guests to their best fare and they also enjoyed crafted cocktails at the art deco bar while donning their best Gatsby-like styles. The record-breaking auction offered a variety of impressive packages, including a popular seven-day Maui trip for four people, sports tickets and memorabilia, restaurant packages, fine wines and jewelry.

Bastion, a commercial real-estate company, was the presenting sponsor of the event. Audi Denver was the exclusive auto sponsor and showcased their new R8 on the venue’s bustling patio. ‘**Champagne Sponsors**’ were the Docking Family and MDC/Richmond American Homes Foundation. [See the full list of sponsors.](#)

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