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Hollywood In Estes Raises Over \$6,000 In One Night For The S.J.S. Foundation

Hollywood at the Reel Mountain Theater Raises Big Bucks For Charity On Thursday night, April 29th, the Estes

Park Film Society created a taste of what it is like to go to a real International Film Festival. One of the Mountain Climbing stars, Jeff Evens, was there to answer questions, and tell some behind the scenes stories of the climbing cult film classic, "Farther Than The Eye Can See." Another rock climbing star present was Nickson Moshi who is Africa's top guide for climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro, Africa's most famous mountain.

Both climbers mingled and talked with the over 200 film and climbing fans, while signing autographs.

The most important stars at the Reel Mountain Theater that night were the founder of the International Stephen Johnson Foundation, Jean McCawley and her daughter, Julie, age ten, a survivor of S.J.S.

All this glitz and glamour was caught on film by Estes Park's Channel 16, Brian

All money, over \$6,000 raised in one night went to the S.J.S. Foundation to help raise awareness of this traumatic and often fatal reaction to over-the-counter and prescription drugs. They also offer information to survivors of S.J.S. to help them deal with the trauma and lifelong physical effects of this crippling syndrome. Information on doctors and con-

tact with other survivors is also provided.

Unfortunately, this makes the S.J.S. Foundation one of the few sources on the planet that offers these services.

The Foundation was well represented at the Reel Mountain Theater during the festivities. A big table display of information and large photos of S.J.S. victims drew more attention than the stars and the silent auction, as it should have.

The auction set up in the theater lobby showed what a generous community we live in. No only did over fifty businesses

donate an amazing array of items to bid on, worth anywhere between \$100 to \$1,000, but the evenings guests outdid themselves outbidding one another in a bidding frenzy in order to give to such a worth cause.

Moses and Penn Street, the Charity and film's promoter are thrilled with the event and would like to thank the 20 volunteers, 50 plus businesses, Reel Mountain Theater and the hundreds of moviegoers who were so

generous with their time and money for such a worthy cause.





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