

Hennessy trophy arrives



Photos by Ann McCormick

ABOVE - The Air Force Hennessy Award Trophy as it is displayed at the Thunderbird Inn.

RIGHT - The dining facility was decorated with balloons, streamers and party favors and there was a mariachi band playing for live entertainment.



ABOVE - Col. Hank Andrews (center), 377th Air Base Wing commander, flanked by Maj. Nathan R. Hines (right), 377th Services Squadron commander, and Robert Vick, dining facility manager, speaks at a celebration held at the Thunderbird Inn dining facility to celebrate bringing the Hennessy Award Trophy back to Kirtland. The Thunderbird Inn was awarded the 2005 John L. Hennessy award for best food service operation in the Air Force in March. A team consisting of members of the 377th Services Squadron traveled to Chicago May 21, to be presented with the Hennessy trophy by the National Restaurant Association.



The junior force with a senior voice

Chief Master Sergeant Joseph Kahn, Kirtland Chief's Group president, presents Senior Airman Larry R. Simon, 377th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, the Kirtland Chief's Group Sharp Troop Award June 7. Airman Simon is a bioenvironmental engineering journeyman and also Team Kirtland Junior Force Council president. In this capacity, he is charged with identifying the needs of the junior force and providing feedback to senior leaders. Currently, you can see Airman Simon around the base providing information briefings on JFC at newcomer's orientation sessions, the first term Airman's Center and civilian newcomers' orientation sessions. Look for a monthly JFC Corner column in the Nucleus soon.



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512th Rescue Squadron change of command

Lt. Col. Ty Calderwood (left) accepts command of the 512th Rescue Squadron from Col. Paul Harmon, 58th Operations Group commander, at a change of command ceremony in Hangar 1001A June 6. Colonel Calderwood comes from Moody Air Force Base, Ga., where he served as the 41st Rescue Squadron director of operations. The outgoing commander, Lt. Col. Clair Gilk, is moving on to the Air University at Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Ala.



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31st Test Squadron, Det. 1 change of command

Maj. Jeffrey M. Hebert (center) accepts command of the 31st Test Squadron, Det. 1 from Lt. Col. David G. Rose, 31st Test and Evaluation Squadron commander, during a change of command ceremony in the Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center's Leaf Presentation Center June 2. Major Hebert previously served as the AFOTEC Test Support Directorate Evaluation Division chief here. The outgoing commander, Lt. Col. Kenton T. Wood, right, is moving on to serve as the Airborne Laser Program Office Integration and Test deputy commander.