

AF Research Lab goes to the mall

Dr. Imelda Delarue, (right), discusses Kirtland AFB's world-renown telescope facilities with two visitors to the Air Force Research Laboratory booth during Albuquerque's Astronomy Day activities, Sept. 25. The laboratory's Directed Energy Directorate showcased the Starfire Optical Range and its 3.5-meter telescope, the DOD's most sophisticated telescope, at a local shopping center. Dr. Delarue was one of a half dozen scientist volunteers who manned the exhibit during the daylong event.



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Lab academy begins school projects

The Air Force Research Laboratory is recruiting teachers and students from New Mexico schools for educational projects, called flights, involving fifth-grade through high school students. Those interested can call 505-846-6936 or e-mail AFRL/techtransferforeducation@kirtland.af.mil for more information. Information and fact sheets on the projects are available at www.de.af.mil/TTE.

The Air Force STARBASE® La Luz Flights are intended to interest students in math and science. The space exploration and colonization activities for the Mars Missions Flight combine the use of math, science, engineering, communication and, for fifth-graders, the arts. The Providing Engineering and Technology Experiences for Students, or PETES, Flight encourages middle school students to explore math, science, technology and engineering fields. The Students Planning And Conducting Engineering, or SPACE, Flight involves high school student teams who design and conduct yearlong research and development projects under the guidance of teachers and mentors.