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Andrews Federal Sponsors Toppers Awards

Suitland, MD (May 23, 2017): Actors, actresses, crew, friends, family and special guests all came together for a gala event celebrating the best in US Army Entertainment Theaters across Europe during the 2017 season. There were 73 awards and 189 nominations, and more than 520 audience members on hand to witness the event.

This year's Toppers Awards, sponsored by Andrews Federal Credit Union, were held for the first time at U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden in the event's 22-year history. They showcased the best and brightest from theater programs across Europe.

"Everyone who has contributed to one of this year's entries is already a highly valued member of a winning team," said Michael D. Formica, Installation Management Command Europe director, as he welcomed the guests and nominees to the event. "Your talent, dedication and hard work enrich us all. On behalf of the total Army Europe, Air Force, and international families, I thank you for providing top-quality entertainment events in the tournament and throughout the year. Congratulations to all of you for a job well done."

Dane Winters, IMCOM Europe entertainment director and one of the evening's masters of ceremonies, said this year's Toppers competition was one of the best he has seen, and hardest for the judges to pick winners.

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Andrews Federal's Michael Bartelle, VP European Operations (right) and Greg Franklin, Karl & Co BMW, present the award for Best Makeup in a Play or Musical to Mikayla Jones for *"The Lusty & Comical History of Tom Jones."*



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