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Navajo Nation thanks pilot Adriel Heisey for 24 years

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Nov. 21, 2019 – Speaker of the Navajo Nation Seth Damon thanked the Navajo Nation’s pilot of 24 years Adriel R. Heisey for his service to the Nation at his retirement luncheon today, Nov. 18, 2019.

Mr. Heisey’s service includes providing reliable and safe air service to a number of past and current Speakers, Presidents, and Navajo Nation programs.



PHOTO: Speaker Seth Damon (standing) gives words of appreciation to Adriel Heisey (left) as he moves into retirement after 24 years with the Navajo Nation. Window Rock, AZ, 11/21/19.

“On behalf of the 24th Navajo Nation Council, I wish to thank Adriel for his years of service to our Nation and to our people. We wish him the best in his future endeavors as we graciously celebrate with him in his retirement,” said Speaker Damon.

Speaker Damon presented a bolo tie to Mr. Heisey at the luncheon on behalf of the Legislative Branch. Division and program staff from all three branches of the Navajo Nation were in attendance to show their appreciation for Mr. Heisey.

Mr. Heisey’s service to the Navajo Nation includes not only his piloting expertise, but also his affinity for aerial photography. Mr. Heisey’s photographs of the Navajo Nation have been featured in many publications, including National Geographic, the Smithsonian, Geo, and more. He also authored the book “Under the Sun: A Sonoran Desert Odyssey”.

President Jonathan Nez and First Lady Phefelia Nez were also in attendance for Mr. Heisey’s retirement luncheon.

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