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PLATINUM AWARD: *Barbara McLane of By Design Kitchens, Etc.*

The Laguna Niguel designer created a dynamic and functional plan for this extensive kitchen remodel. The Laguna Hills homeowners, a young, sophisticated couple, entertain frequently using hired chefs and caterers.

"They wanted an attractive, functional kitchen in their newly purchased home that would delight them, their guests and even the most fussy chef," McLane said.

She created an unusually wide-angled island using an existing structural column as an anchor. Custom-designed polished stainless steel cones hold round glass tables at both ends of the island. For entertaining ease, she added a turning buffet table made of blue Silestone, located above the steel cones.

Maple cabinets and granite countertops combined with the gracious curves and stainless-steel appliances for a "modern and sleek design theme," she said.

The judges said, "That kitchen was very innovative. The choice of materials was excellent. The outdoors seem to come inside."