USAREUR announces command’s best military journalists, broadcasters

HEIDELBERG, Germany — U.S. Army, Europe selected its best military and civilian journalists and broadcasters from nearly 100 entries during the 2006 Maj. Gen. Keith L. Ware journalism competition.


The 1st Armored Division’s journalists and photographers captured seven first-place finishes.
Sgt. Mary E. Ferguson, 3rd Corps Support Command, earned USAREUR Journalist of the Year honors and Pfc. Jonathan Pruett, 21st Theater Support Command, was selected as USAREUR’s “Rising Star” broadcaster.

The Keith L. Ware competition recognizes excellence in journalism and broadcasting and was named for Maj. Gen. Keith L. Ware, a former Army Chief of Public Affairs. Ware earned the Medal of Honor during World War II and was killed while commanding the 1st Infantry Division in Vietnam in 1968.

The USAREUR 2006 print journalism winners are:

Magazine:
First Place: The Sustainer, 3rd COSCOM.
Second Place: Ironside Magazine, 1AD.
Third Place: Coalition Chronicle, Task Force Victory PAO, V Corps.

Newsletter:
First Place: The Dagger's Edge, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division (1AD).

News Article:
First Place (tie): U.S. Soldiers train Djiboutians, Sgt. Sam Smith, 1AD.
First Place (tie): Sgt. Maj. of the Army Preston: U.S. Soldiers helping, Sgt. Ken Hall, 1AD.
Second Place: Wiesbaden partners reduce waste, Jerry Bryza, 3rd COSCOM.
Third Place: Connecting the Balkans, LeAnne MacAllister 5th Signal Comd.

Feature Article:
First Place: Sharing a lifesaving gift, Spc. Alfredo Jimenez Jr., 1AD.
Second Place: Concentration camp liberator, Sgt. Ken Hall, 1AD.
Third Place: Soldier earns Guinness world record, Spc. Tanya Polk, 1AD.

Sports:
First Place: HHC, 1AD wins, Spc. Alfredo Jimenez Jr, 1AD.

Stand-Alone Photograph:
First Place: NATO Allies trade combat tactics, Spc. Tanya Polk, 1AD.
Third Place: MLRS, Sgt. Sam Smith, 1AD.

Photojournalism:
First Place: Monster Garage, Sgt. Mary E. Ferguson, 3rd COSCOM.
Second Place: V Corps air defense unit trains in Greece, Sgt. John Queen, 69th Air Defense Artillery Brigade.

Art/Graphics in Support of a Publication:
First Place: Danger Forward, Sgt. John Queen, 69th ADA Bde.

Photographic contribution by stringer:
First Place: Live Fire, Spc. Michael O'Neal, 36th ID.
Second Place: Bradley Range in Kosovo, Spc. Eugene DuBielak, 36th ID.

Field Newspapers:
First Place: Striker Torch, 2nd BCT, 1AD.
Second Place: The Talon, 22nd Signal Bde., 5th Signal Comd.

Special Achievement in Print media:
First Place: Sustainer-Special Edition, 3rd COSCOM.

Web based publication:
First Place: 1AD.
The USAREUR 2006 broadcast journalism winners are:

Radio News Report:
First Place: Dental Assistant Appreciation Week, John Bailey, V Corps.
Television Spot/Promo Product:
First Place: JMTC Strong, 7th Army/Joint Multinational Training Command.

Television News Report:
First Place: Patient Liaisons, Don Finlay, V Corps.
Second Place: CHPPMEUR Water Testing, Christian Marquardt, V Corps.
Third Place: Confined Space Entry Course, Don Finlay, V Corps.

Television Feature Report:
First Place: CHPPMEUR Gun Range Safety, Christian Marquardt, V Corps.

Graphics Production: Command Video OIF-5-7, Gerald Bryza, 3rd COSCOM.

First-place winners’ work will be forwarded to the Department of the Army Public Affairs Soldiers Media Center for consideration in the Armywide competition. A panel of judges will select the Army’s best for submission to the Department of Defense’s Thomas Jefferson Awards competition.

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