The Combined Arms Center at Fort Leavenworth is pleased to announce the winners of the 2007 General William E. DePuy Writing Competition on the topic of “Stability Operations.” Forty-one manuscripts were received and judged by a distinguished panel of invited experts.

1st Place  “S.W.E.T. and Blood—Establishing and Restoring Essential Services as a Battle Between Insurgents and Counterinsurgents During Stability Operations,” by MAJ Erik A. Claessen, Belgian Army, $1000

2nd Place  “Reflecting on Stability Operations,” by MAJ Michael B. Siegl, $750

3rd Place  “The New Legs Race: Critical Perspectives on Biometrics in Iraq,” by Andrew Hom, $500

4th Place  “Finding America’s Role in a Collapsed North Korean State,” by CPT Jonathan Stafford (Australia), $250

Honorable Mention

“A Disregarded Dimension in the War on Terror,” by MAJ Todd A. Schmidt, $100

“Stabilizing Influence: Developing a Micro-Financial Services Capability,”
by James E. Shircliffe Jr, $100

by Dr. David A. Anderson/MAJ Andrew Wallen, share $100

Members of the panel who reviewed this year’s contest submissions are:

Lieutenant General Sir John Kiszely, Director, Defence Academy of the United Kingdom
Mr. James Dobbins, Director, RAND Center for International Security and Defense Policy and former Envoy to Afghanistan
Dr. James H. Willbanks, Professor, National Security Affairs, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas
Dr. Seth Jones, RAND Center for International Security and Defense Policy
Dr. Nora Bensahel, RAND Center for International Security and Defense Policy
Mr. Gene Del Bianco, U.S. State Department representative to the Command and General Staff College (Political-Military Advisor, U.S. Embassy-Kuwait, 2002-2004)

The winning manuscripts will be published in upcoming editions of Military Review, the professional journal of the U.S. Army. Honorable Mentions and distinguished submissions that were not formally recognized will be given preferential consideration for publication subject to space constraints and continuing relevance of topic.