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1st Place - "Midnight Maintenance" by SSG Derrick L. Mims

Co. D, 3rd Bn., 158th Avn. Regt., 12th Cbt. Avn. Bde., Germany

Aug. 6, 2005, Kandahar, Afghanistan

For the Soldiers of Task m, close of business doesn?t mean sundown?aircraft maintenance c

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2nd Place - "Look Out Below" by 1LT Bridget L. Deuter

Co. A, 96th Avn. Spt. Bn., 101st Cbt. Avn. Bde., Fort Campbell, Ky.

Dec. 2, 2005, Over Iraq

A UH-60 door gunner ma 240H machinegun to provide aerial security during a flight from Taji to

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3rd Place - "Days End" by SSG Derrick L. Mims

Co. D, 3rd Bn., 158th Avn. Regt., 12th Cbt. Avn. Bde., Germany

Dec. 19, 2005, Kandahar, Afghanistan

As another day comes to he sun sets behind several Chinooks from Task Force Storm and the

4th Place - "Raven UAV Launch" by MAJ Oliver L. Hasse
TRADOC System Manager for Unmanned Aerial Vehicle Systems, Fort Rucker, Ala.
March 29, 2005, Taji, Iraq
A Soldier from the 4th Br d Artillery, 3rd Inf. Div., hand launches a Raven unmanned aerial vehi

Honorable Mention - "Roof Top Landing" by CPT Michael Sines
Co. B, 214th Avn. Regt., Cbt. Avn. Bde., 25th Inf. Div., Wheeler Army Air Field, Hawaii.
Jan. 29, 2005, Afghanistan
A CH-47 lands on a snov roof-top of a high mountain forward outpost to pick up troops for a mi

Honorable Mention - "Flying Freedom" by CW2 Michael J. Heuer
Co. F, 1st Bn., 106th Avn. Regt., Illinois Army National Guard, Peoria.
April 30, 2005, Springfield, Illinois
A CH-47D Chinook flies an flag during the Springfield Air Rendezvous in Illinois.

Honorable Mention - "Keeping Them Flying" by SGT Ryan C. Matson
HHC, 101st Cbt. Avn. Bde., Fort Campbell, Ky.
Nov. 18, 2005, FOB Q-West (near Mosul), Iraq
SPC Matthew Spence wi 2nd Bn., 101st Avn. Regt., works on an AH-64D Apache rotorhead in

Honorable Mention - "Goin' Vertical" by DAC Karen E. Soto
U.S. Army Aviation Technical Test Center, Fort Rucker, Ala.

Sept. 10, 2005, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.
An AH-64D Apache fires ed chaff and flare cartridge during tests of new anti-aircraft counterme

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Honorable Mention - "Sunday Morning Security" by 1LT Bridget L. Deuter
Co. A, 96th Avn. Spt. Bn., 101st Cbt. Avn. Bde., Fort Campbell, Ky.
Nov. 23, 2005, Iraq
An OH-58D Kiowa Warri s early morning aerial security for a logistics convoy moving from Kirk

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Honorable Mention - "Sunset Behind 538" by CW2 William H. Murray
Co. C, 5th Bn., 101st Avn. Regt., Fort Campbell, Ky.
Nov. 6, 2005, FOB Speicher, Tikrit, Iraq.
A Black Hawk crew cond flight maintenance on UH-60 #538 just after a mission during a beaut

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Honorable Mention - "Armed Angel" by MAJ White, Jeffrey W.
HHC, 1st Bn., 101st Avn. Regt., Fort Campbell, Ky.
Sept. 26, 2005, Udairi, Kuwait
An AH-64D Longbow de morning from Kuwait with another aircraft enroute to a forward base

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Honorable Mention - "Freedom over Mosul" by LTC Edward McKee
HHC, 1st Bn., 151st Avn. Regt., S.C. Army National Guard, Columbia.
Jan. 31, 2005, Mosul, Iraq
MAJ J. Ray Davis, left, a y McElveen, S.C. ARNG AH-64A pilots, display "Old Glory" after a lo