

Sgt. 1st Class Timothy S. Briggs (left) and Sgt. 1st Class Raymond M. Santiago, representing the Ranger Training Brigade at Fort Benning, Ga., won the 2013 David E. Granger Best Ranger Competition on April 14, 2013. (Photo by Patrick Albright)

## Ranger Training Brigade NCOs Win Best Ranger Competition

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team from the Ranger Training Brigade at Fort Benning, Ga., has won the 2013 David E. Granger Best Ranger Competition.

Sgt. 1st Class Raymond M. Santiago and Sgt. 1st Class Timothy S. Briggs were named the winners of the 60-hour event, which concluded late in the afternoon of April 14. Rangers have set the standard for extraordinary selfless service for more than 300 years. Their dedication is tested, even today, in Afghanistan and in operations like Operation Iraqi Freedom. The leadership, discipline and skill sets Rangers bring to the battlefield cannot be replaced by sophisticated weaponry and advanced technologies. Competitors return to their units with a renewed sense of confidence, which inspires every Soldier they lead, improving combat effectiveness of units worldwide.

Sgt. 1st Class John M. Gendron and Sgt. 1st Class Joshua Horsager, a team from the 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, were awarded second place.

Rounding out the top three, in third place were Sgt.

1st Class Samuel E. Leritz and Staff Sgt. Christopher Brousard, a team representing the 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning.

The winning teams and those teams that finished the competition were recognized at an awards ceremony at Marshall Auditorium in McGinnis-Wickam Hall.

Of the 49 teams that started the event the morning of April 12, just 24 finished the 3-day event. ■



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