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MEDIA ADVISORY: 2nd Gainey Cup to begin May 4

WHAT: The 2015 William J. (Joe) Gainey Cup is a four-day competition that pits 19 six-man Cavalry Scout teams against back-to-back events as they compete for the title of Best Scout Squad.

WHO: The competition is hosted by the 316 Cavalry Brigade and Cavalry Scout Squads from across the Army from six-man teams to compete. Units participating this year include the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; the U.S. Army National Guard; the 25th Infantry Division, Fort Shafter, Hawaii; the 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, New York; 2nd Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas; and Canada, among others.

WHEN: The first event is scheduled to begin at 6 a.m. May 5 and the competition will wrap up at approximately 11 a.m. May 8. A formal award ceremony will be held directly after the competition's ending May 8.

WHERE: The competition will take place in various locations on Harmony Church. The award ceremony will be held at Harmony Church in Building 43.

WHY: The four-day Gainey Cup Competition was established in 2013. The competition challenges six-man Scout Squads teams in events that test their physical conditioning, Cavalry skills and team strategies.

HOW

For the community: The competition is open to the public and several events are spectator-friendly. A schedule of events will be released to the community May 1, via the Fort Benning Facebook page: <https://www.fb.com/fortbenningfans>. Family and friends are encouraged to tweet updates on their teams during the competition using the hashtag #2015GaineyCup, @Fort Benning.

For the media: *A list of media opportunities will be released May 1, however, media who wish to cover any part of the competition should contact the Public Affairs Office to register for media credentials **no later than 1 p.m., May 4.***

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