



IMCOM-Europe announces top Warriors

HEIDELBERG, Germany - For a third-straight year, a noncommissioned officer from U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart was selected as the Installation Management Command-Europe NCO of the Year at the IMCOM-Europe Best Warrior Competition award ceremony June 1 at Heidelberg's Patrick Henry Village Pavilion

At the event attended by approximately 300 loud and proud attendees, Staff Sgt. Christopher McDougall, a military policeman, was announced as Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, while Spec. Luis Berber, a military policeman from USAG Grafenwoehr received Soldier of the Year honors.

"Stuttgart kept its winning streak alive, and IMCOM Soldiers in Europe kept alive their streak of displaying outstanding professionalism and Soldiering excellence during this contest," said IMCOM-Europe Command Sgt. Major Tracey Anbiya.

The top NCO and Soldier were congratulated from Diane Devens, IMCOM-Europe region director, who presented all competitors with certificates and a director's coin, while a host of corporate sponsors from various military communities also recognized awardees.

The Soldier competition was held at Grafenwoehr in May where participants underwent a comprehensive evaluation of skills ranging from physical fitness to military knowledge, including land navigation exercises, weapons qualification and written exams.

"Like their fellow soldiers in tactical combat units, our IMCOM Soldiers maintain their sense of warrior proficiency to be able to execute on the battlefield when the calls to arms is sounded. But our IMCOM Soldiers also maintain their 'at home' mission by taking care of our communities," said Anbiya. "It is the spirit of the IMCOM soldier that we recognize today."

The two region selectees now will represent IMCOM-Europe at the Military District of Washington competition scheduled for next month at Fort Belvoir, Va.

In attendance at the event were Maj. Gen. Robert B. Brown, Chief of Staff, United States Army Europe; Brig. Gen. Charles D. Estes, Chief of Staff, V Corps, and garrison commanders, senior enlisted leaders, Soldiers, DA Civilians, the 2010 Soldiers' Show Performers and IMCOM-Europe representatives from throughout Europe.

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Other competitors were:

NCO Category:

Sgt. Mark Arnett-USAG Kaiserslautern
Sgt. Jonathan Copp-USAG Wiesbaden
Staff Sgt. William Delong-USAG Vicenza
Staff Sgt. Niger Jones-USAG Bamberg
Sgt. Nathan Magorian-USAG Ansbach
Sgt. Jeremiah Sutton-USAG Benelux

Soldier Category:

Spec. Juan Anchondo-USAG Wiesbaden
Spec. Selma Colesbacco-USAG Ansbach
Spec. Michael Crawford-USAG Vicenza