

LEFT TO RIGHT: SPC Jedidiah Berry, SGT Matt Davidson, SGT Nick Murja, SPC Scott Oleath, SPC Adam Olson, SGT John Wischmeier and SPC Roy Dilworth (kneeling), of Bravo Company, 53rd Signal Battalion, participated in Habifest, a Habitat for Humanity 5K run that took place Sept. 20 in Howard County, Md.



BRAVO COMPANY RUNS FOR HUMANITY

Bravo Company,
53rd Signal Battalion

FORT MEADE, Md. — On Sept. 20, seven Bravo Company Soldiers participated in Habifest, Habitat for Humanity of Howard County’s largest fund raiser of the year. The proceeds help fund construction for two single-family homes in Howard County Maryland, near Fort Meade. The run is a Nationally Certified 5K course bringing in many extremely talented runners. Of the 175 runners the winner was Nicholas Kurgat of Chapel Hills, N.C., who ran an astounding 14 minutes and 43 second. The 53rd Signal Battalion was well represented by SGT Matt Davidson, SPC Adam Olson, SGT John Wischmeier, SPC Roy Dilworth, SPC Scott Oleath, SPC Jedidiah Berry, SGT Nick Murja and SPC Orion Strater. Of the eight, seven ran and one served as the photographer.

Habifest is the third community service event participated in by Bravo Company’s Operations Platoon Fourth Squad in the past four months. In May, fourth squad organized a clothing drive making a large

donation of clothing to a local Women’s and Children’s Shelter. Shortly after that, they spent time at an Assisted Living Facility with fifteen veterans of WWII, Vietnam, and the Korean War. Each event has been well supported by the entire company, all benefiting the surrounding community and representing the United States Army.

“As Soldiers we are organized and equipped to do more than any other group. We have established leaders, hard workers, motivation, and an ingrained sense of servant hood,” one Noncommissioned put it. “When others see us serving they see us, but also the U.S. Army. It gives them a sense of pride for our military. That makes me proud of what I do.”

The next community event being organized is time with a local elementary school class. The details are not yet planned.