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### **Compete in the Georgia Golden Olympics Celebrating 35 years!**

If you are competitive, interested in meeting new friends, or just having fun, plan to participate in the 35th annual Georgia Golden Olympics scheduled for September 27-30, 2017, in the city of Warner Robins. The annual competition is open to adults ages 50 and older. Events include tennis, golf, swimming, track and field, cycling, bowling, 5K run and walk, horseshoes, billiards, wii bowling, pickleball and much more. Events are divided into age categories and medals are awarded for each.

A registration fee of \$40.00 allows the participant to enter 3 events. Additional events are \$7.00 each. Bowling, tennis, golf, cycling and archery require an additional fee. Fees are non-refundable. All registration must be received by August 1.

The Georgia Golden Olympics is a qualifying site for the National Senior Games Association and qualifies athletes in even years for the National competition, held in odd years. The 2017 National Senior Games are scheduled for June 2-15, 2017 in Birmingham, AL. The 2018 Georgia event will be the qualifying games for the 2019 National Games in Albuquerque, NM.

The purpose of the games is to create an awareness of the abilities of older adults, to maintain and improve health and wellness and to promote an interest in lifetime sports, recreation and physical activity. The founding organizations of the event are: Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Public Health (now the Georgia Department of Public Health); Robins Air Force Base, Services Divisions; Georgia Recreation and Park Association, Senior Citizens Section; Georgia Health Care Association; the University of Georgia, J. W. Fanning Institute for Leadership and Community Development and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

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