



NATIONAL VETERANS GOLDEN AGE GAMES



Thursday, July 14, 2016

Veterans Set to Celebrate End of 2016 Games

The 2016 National Veterans Golden Age Games will wrap up in Detroit tonight, with the Victory Celebration in the Renaissance Ballroom of the Marriott at the Ren Cen. The event begins at 7:00 p.m., with doors opening at 6:30 p.m.

Master of ceremonies will be Rich Luterman, Chief Meteorologist from Fox2 News here in Detroit, and a proud Air Force Veteran. Several additional awards will be handed out, along with words from several special guests.

Following the ceremony, Veterans will enjoy refreshments along with live music from “Soul Train”.

“I come to the Games not only for the health and fitness aspect, but to continue the camaraderie and challenge our lives,” said Charles K. Jackson of Houston. This is Mr. Jackson’s 6th NVGAG.



2016 Games Provide a Chance for Reunion, 50 years in the Making



Vietnam Veteran Jim Temme was thrilled to be attending his 2nd National Veterans Golden Age Games this year in Detroit, but even more exciting was the possibility to reconnect with some guys he served with in the Army nearly 50 years ago.

On Wednesday afternoon, Jim and his fellow Veterans, Bob Onyx of Ohio and Larry Eichstadt of Plymouth, Michigan reunited. It was the first time they had seen each other since their days in Vietnam!

“It’s one of the special aspects of these Games,” said Adam Stephens, Local Organizing Committee Coordinator. “Veterans make new friends and get to reunite with old ones!”

Despite the fact that Bob and Larry aren’t competing this year, Jim did his best to encourage them to give it a try next year!



Photos: Top left—Jim Temme and Bob Onyx; Bottom left—to r: Bob Onyx, Larry Eichstadt, Jim Temme; Bottom right—to r: Larry Eichstadt, Jim Temme

Information

Athlete Meals

Breakfast,
Monday–Thursday,
5:00–8:00 a.m.,
Marriott Ren Cen
Renaissance
Ballroom

Lunch, Dinner
Use your Debit Card
provided at
Registration!

Medical Suites:
Area outside of Cobo
Halls A & B

**Command Center,
Lost and Found:**
Cobo Center, Room
314, Motor City Room
313-576-2016

Airport Shuttle Information

FRIDAY

**Shuttles depart
from 3:30 a.m.
to 3 p.m. every
30 minutes.**

**Visit the airport
kiosks near the
registration
desk at the
Marriott for
flight check-in!**

**Please take
luggage with
you to the
shuttles!**

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Boccia AMB

Single/Double
Cobo Hall B

7AM-11AM: 75-79
1 PM-5 PM: 65-69

Horseshoes AMB

Cobo Hall A
7AM-11AM: 85+, 80-84

1 PM-5 PM: 70-74

Nineball AMB

Cobo Hall A
7AM-11AM: 60-64

Table Tennis AMB

Cobo Hall B
7AM-11AM: 65-69

Shuffleboard AMB

Cobo Hall A
7AM-11AM: 70-74

1 PM-5 PM: 55-59

Badminton AMB

Singles/Doubles
Wayne State Univ.

7AM-11AM: 60-64
1 PM-5 PM: 55-59

Bowling W/C & VI

W/C Adapted
Skore Lanes
7AM-1PM

Shot Put AMB

Wayne State Univ.
7AM-11AM: All Ages

Track AMB

Wayne State Univ.
7AM-5 PM: All Ages
1500 m, 100 m, 400 m,
Powerwalk, 200 m, 800 m

Discus AMB

Wayne State Univ.
1 PM-5 PM: All Ages

VICTORY Party

Renaissance Ballroom,
Marriott Ren Cen
7 PM

VCS Bingo Night Always a Favorite

Veteran Canteen Service has been hosting a Bingo Night for the National Veterans Golden Age Games for as long as they've been involved with the Games!

That special evening took place last night in the Renaissance Ballroom at the Marriott Ren Cen. This year VCS celebrates its 70th anniversary.

"We give back more than \$8 million dollars to programs like the Games," said Denise Knowles, VCS. "Bingo Night allows us to award nearly a thousand prizes to these participants!"



Wednesday Photo Album



TONIGHT!

Victory Party

**Renaissance Ballroom
Marriot Ren Cen, 4th Floor**

7:00 p.m.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Photos

Award ceremony photos can be downloaded at no cost from **Shutterfly**.

<https://nvgag2016detroit.shutterfly.com/>

Official VA flickr page:

www.flickr.com/photos/veteransaffairs/albums