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### **Haywood County Senior Games Closing Week & Banquet Highlights**

On Wednesday, May 19, 2016 the 2016 Haywood County Senior Games came to a close with an awards banquet held at the Canton Colonial Theater, Annex. Daniel Taylor, local Senior Games coordinator with the Haywood County Recreation Department, welcomed the vibrant group of 70 people who came to enjoy a dinner catered by the Breaking Bread Café. After dinner, Daniel presented medals to the 2016 Haywood County Senior recipients in attendance and concluded with the “Willis Spirt of the Games Award.” The award is given to the male and female senior competitors who participated in the most events during the games. This year the Willis Spirt of the Games Awards went to Ken Taylor and Barbara Vaughn.

The Haywood County Senior Games is coordinated by Haywood County Recreation & Parks in partnership with Haywood County Schools, Haywood Regional Fitness Center, Lake Junaluska Conference Center, Smokey Mountain Billiards, Town of Canton, Town of Clyde, Waynesville Parks & Recreation and AARP-Haywood County Chapter. T-shirts were sponsored by Haywood Cancer Center.

Registration for the 2017 Haywood County Senior Games will open late March 2017. If you are interested in competing in next year’s games please contact Daniel Taylor at Haywood County Recreation & Parks at 452-6789 or [drtaylor@haywoodnc.net](mailto:drtaylor@haywoodnc.net)

Congratulations to everyone that participated and won a medal in the 2016 Haywood County Senior Games!

Cornhole – Old Hazelwood Gym

*Gold-* Women’s: Diane Rasmussen (55-59), Ruth Elson (60-64), Lynn Milner (65-69), Marty Dye (70-74), Carolyn Phillips (75-79), Jean Logsdon (80-84) and Ruby Maloney (90-94). Men’s: George Kenney (55-59), James Payne (60-64), Lee Starnes (70-74), Ken Taylor (75-79), Bill Wilson (80-84) and Charles Matlack (85-89).

*Silver-* Elizabeth Fleming (60-64), Barbara Vaughn (65-69), Patsy Weaver (70-74) and Beverly Slone (75-79). Men’s: Jesse Patmore (70-74), Dan Fowler (75-79) and Bob Allen (85-89).

*Bronze-* Susan Hartsell (60-64), Wanda Kenney (65-69), Marti Peithman (70-74) and Janice Magnuson (75-79). Men’s: Gary Smith (70-74) and Bruce Johnson (75-79).

## Bocce – Waynesville Rec Park

*Gold-* Diane Rasmussen (55-59), Elaine Tonne (60-64), Lynn Milner (65-69), Marty Dye (70-74), Janice Magnuson (75-79) and Dottie Horton. Men's: James Payne (60-64), Doug McLaughlin (70-74), Ken Taylor (75-79), Bill Wilson (80-84) and Bob Allen (85-89).

*Silver-* Women's: Susan Hartsell (60-64), Evelyn Zulla (65-69), Patsy Parton (70-74), Beverly Slone (75-79) and Jean Logsdon (80-84). Men's: Jesse Patmore (70-74).

*Bronze-* Women's: Elizabeth Fleming (60-64), Barbara Vaughn (65-69), Sharon Shook (70-74) and Carolyn Phillips (75-79).

## Golf – Waynesville Golf Club & Spa

*Gold-* Women's: Martha McDermott (60-64), Charlotte Provost (65-69), Beth Thompson (70-74) and Betty Henderson (75-79). Men's: Steven Wood (55-59), Scott Siewert (60-64), Jack Guinn (65-69), Randy Curnow (70-74), Verlin Edwards (75-79), Peter Kennedy (80-84) and Dave Allison (85-89).

*Silver-* Women's: Kathy Korber (60-64) and Alice Lance (70-74). Men's: Gary Lance (60-64), Tom Lance (65-69), Larry Sobil (70-74) and Bob Bahnsen (85-89).

*Bronze-* Women's: Marti Peithman. Men's: Peter Franquet (70-74) and Charles Matlack (85-89).

## Track & Field – Pisgah High School

### 50m & 100m Dash

*Gold-* Women's: Barbara Vaughn and Men's: Ken Taylor

### 200m & 400m Dash & 800m Run

*Gold-* Wanda Kenney

### 1500m Run

*Gold-* Women's: Wanda Kenney and Men's: Mike Tomkinson.

### Softball Throw

*Gold-* Women's: Martha McDermott (60-64), Barbara Vaughn (65-69), Marty Dye (70-74) and Carolyn Phillips (75-79). Men's: Mike Tomkinson (65-69), Ken Taylor (70-74), Bill Wilson (80-84) and Bob Allen (85-89).

*Silver-* Women's: Ruth Elson (60-64), Wanda Kenney (65-69), Patsy Parton (70-74) and Janice Magnuson (75-79).

*Bronze-* Women's: Elizabeth Fleming (60-64) and Rebecca Benhart (75-79).

### Discus

*Gold-* Women's: Ruth Elson (60-64), Barbara Vaughn (65-69), Patsy Parton (70-74) and Janice Magnuson (75-79). Men's: Dan Linker (65-69), Lee Starnes (70-74) and Bill Wilson (80-84). *Silver-* Women's: Elizabeth Fleming (60-64), Wanda Kenney (65-69), Marty Dye (70-74) and Rebecca Benhart (75-79).

### Shot Put

*Gold-* Women's: Ruth Elson (60-64), Wanda Kenney (65-69), Marty Dye (70-74) and Janice Magnuson (75-79). Men's: Dan Linker (65-69), Lee Starnes (70-74), Ken Taylor (75-79), Bill Wilson (80-84) and Bob Allen (85-89).

*Silver-* Women's: Elizabeth Fleming (60-64), Barbara Vaughn (65-69), Patsy Parton (70-74) and Becky Benhart (75-79).

### Running Long Jump

*Gold-* Women's: Wanda Kenney (65-69). Men's: Lee Starnes (70-74), Ken Taylor (75-79) and Bob Allen (85-89).

*Silver-* Women's: Barbara Vaughn (65-69).

### Standing Long Jump

*Gold-* Women's: Wanda Kenney (65-69) and Rebecca Benhart (75-79). Men's: Lee Starnes (70-74) and Bob Allen (85-89).

*Silver-* Women's: Barbara Vaughn (65-69).

Disc Golf

*Gold-* Women's: Elizabeth Flemming (60-64) and Rebecca Benhart (75-79). Men's: Doug McLaughlin (70-74) and Bill Wilson (80-84).

Photo Captions

Golf = Left to right Bob Bahnsen, Dave Allison & Charles Matlack

Disc Golf = Janice Magnuson