

DCMA Supports Veterans During National Event in Birmingham

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The 23rd National Veterans Golden Age Games, the largest annual senior sports and recreation competition for veterans, took place in Birmingham, Ala., June 1-5.

This year the games were hosted by the Birmingham Veteran's Affairs Medical Center with the Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Canteen Service and Help Hospitalized Veterans.

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Approximately 1,500 volunteers assisted the 650 veterans competitors participating in the 23rd games. Representing the Defense Contract Management Agency and DCMA Aircraft Integrated Maintenance Operations Birmingham were Air Force Lt. Col. Mike Riley, Capt. Alison Breeden and Master Sgt. Randy Bishop, along with Donna Austin, Theresa Tyree and Barry Jackson. DCMA members assisted with numerous events, including ping pong, indoor horseshoes, marksmanship with air rifles, bowling, shot put and discus. Their socializing and cheers brought smiles to the faces of countless competitors.

The individual and collective efforts of the volunteers ensured veterans from across the country a special week of competition and camaraderie, culminating in a successful event for the VA Medical Center and local community. **C**



Lt. Col. Mike Riley (right), DCMA Aircraft Integrated Maintenance Operations Birmingham commander, poses with a table tennis competitor at the National Veterans Golden Age Games. The games are designed to improve the quality of life for all veterans age 55 and older with a wide range of abilities and disabilities.