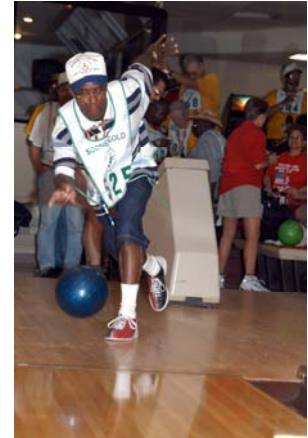


WEBSTER ROSE — LOOKS FORWARD TO FELLOWSHIP!

Since his first competition at the National Veterans Golden Age Games four years ago, Webster Rose, 59, has been a strong advocate for the event. In 2003, 2004 and 2005, his specialty has been horseshoes, although he also enjoys bowling and croquet. Rose, who lives in Norfolk, believes his best performance was in Oklahoma City last year, where he narrowly missed winning a medal in horseshoes. He belongs to a team of seven Hampton athletes who call themselves “The Magnificent Seven.” Together, they claimed nine medals last year.



A veteran of the Vietnam War, Rose served in the U.S. Army from 1966-68. His served as a “tunnel rat,” a dangerous occupation during those years. When he left the Army, Rose carried with him the military values of service to country and comrades. He has volunteered at the Hampton VA Medical Center’s nursing home for many years, where he continues to be inspired by his work and dedicates himself to the veteran patients depending on him. In a similar way, he feels a strong connection to the other Games participants.

Rose is grateful to event organizers and the excellent activities they plan, which encourage the athletes to get to know each other. He knows that the Hampton VA Medical Center employees have been working hard to “go all out” welcoming America’s veterans to the Games.

For Webster Rose, the favorite part of this experience is the friendship that develops between athletes and he remains focused on the Games ahead. He has been training hard and is determined to claim a medal in at least one of his events. Watch for this member of “The Magnificent Seven” to do a magnificent job in 2006!