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FORSYTH COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION
WINS NATIONAL SOFTBALL AWARD

Athletics Division receives Award of Excellence for second consecutive year

FORSYTHCOUNTY, Georgia – The Forsyth County Parks and Recreation’s Athletics Division recently received the James Farrell American Softball Association (ASA) Award of Excellence. ASA selected Forsyth County for its excellence in hosting the 2009 ASA National Coed Class C Slow Pitch Softball Championship.

The 27-game tournament was held in August at Central Park in Cumming. Fourteen (14) teams from 10 states played in the tournament as approximately 400 spectators filled the stands to watch the games.

During the tournament, an ASA representative and the umpire in chief rated the event based on facilities, maintenance, organization, communication and concessions. The ASA representative awarded Forsyth County with a 97% rating, and the umpire in chief awarded the county with a 99% rating. The ASA national office also rated the tournament based on submitted paperwork and awarded the county with a 100% rating.

In addition to the ratings, each participating team is asked to complete an evaluation form. All 14 teams completed and submitted the evaluation form.

The national office combines the ratings and team evaluations to formulate an overall rating. Forsyth County received a 98% overall rating.

“We welcome opportunities to showcase our quality facilities to members of our community and also to visitors,” Parks and Recreation Director Jerry Kinsey said. “We were very excited to host this tournament here in Forsyth County and are honored by this recognition.”

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Forsyth County previously won the James Farrell ASA Award of Excellence for hosting the 2008 ASA 9-Man and 10-Man Men's Modified Pitch Tournaments, receiving a 97% overall rating. To receive additional information, call 770.781.2215.

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