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USA BRINGS HOME 108 MEDALS, 42 GOLD AT WORLD MASTERS INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS IN DAEGU, SOUTH KOREA

(Daegu, South Korea and Washington, DC)—Team USA won 108 medals, including 42 Gold, 34 Silver, and 32 Bronze, at the World Masters Indoor Athletics Championships in Daegu, South Korea. At the week-long track & field meet, concluded Saturday, two age group world records were set by 65 year-old distance runner Kathy Martin of Northport, New York, in the 3000 and 1500 meters, and two by 80 year-old sprinter Bob Lida of Wichita, KS in the 400 and 200 meters. Throwers made an exceptional showing; ten of twelve left with medals according to Masters Vice-Chair Jerry Bookin-Weiner, among the 102 Americans entered. 85 year-old Gloria Krug of New Oxford, PA topped individual golds with seven field event wins.

On Saturday, the meet's final day, USA teams made a superb showing in the 4X200 relays, including a world record by the men's 65 team of Charles Allie, Charles Powell, Thad Wilson, and Bill Collins. The women's 55, men's 35, and men's 50 teams set American records in the 4X200.

74 nations and over 4600 athletes 35-99 competed in Daegu. Top teams in golds and overall medals were Australia 59/124, Great Britain 50/118, USA 42/108, Spain 38/80, Germany 27/83, host South Korea 27/65, Japan 26/70, and France 26/66.

Meet photos (by Rob Jerome) of several American stars in action in Daegu may be found at: <http://www.weinerpublic.com/Daegu/index.html>. Many thanks to Rob for his outstanding contribution.

Full results are available at: <https://results.simplyregister.net/Daegu2017/full.html>

USA Medals are detailed below by USATF Masters Awards Co-Chair Mary Trotto, and Records by Masters Awards Co-Chair Rachel Guest.

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