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October 8, 2019



The Gainesville-Hall County Community Council on Aging will honor Governor & Mrs. Nathan Deal with its **5th Annual Quality of Life Award** on **November 11, 2019**. Governor & Mrs. Deal were chosen to receive this special honor because of their combined commitment to improving the quality of life for residents throughout Gainesville and Hall County, and yes, throughout the great State of Georgia and the United States of America.

This power couple is a big deal to millions of people across the country, but to those of us in Gainesville-Hall County, the Deals are neighbors, actual extensions of our families. Their contributions are numerous. First Lady Sandra Deal is an educator, author, historian, and volunteer extraordinaire. As part of her campaign as First Lady, Mrs. Deal read to thousands of students and made literacy a hallmark of her time in the governor's mansion. Mrs. Deal's commitment continues through a host of organizations such as the Georgia Literacy Commission, the Georgia Children's Cabinet, and the Georgia Older Adults Cabinet and she has impacted projects such as *Read Across Georgia*, *Get Georgia Reading*, *Babies Can't Wait* and *Look Again*. As if her plate wasn't full enough, in 2015, Mrs. Deal co-authored a book, "Memories of the Mansion," with two Kennesaw State University professors, Dr. Catherine Lewis and Dr. Jennifer Dickey.

Governor Nathan Deal has served our community during his time in the United States Army, in the courts as a lawyer, prosecutor and judge; in the Georgia Capital as a state senator; and in Congress as a US Representative from Georgia's 9th District. In his most recent role which spanned from 2011 to 2019, Governor Deal led Georgia to become the No. 1 state in the nation for business for five years in a row - a first in Georgia history. His work on economic development also included tax reform, workforce development initiatives, investments in education and infrastructure. Governor Deal revived public transit in the state through a number of measures including the Transportation Funding Act of 2015, which will generate \$10 billion in new transportation funding over 10 years and he made interstate commerce easier with the expansion of the Jimmy DeLoach Parkway near the Port of Savannah. Governor Deal also implemented a series of bipartisan criminal justice reforms, including expanded access to Accountability Courts, greater sentencing discretion for juvenile court judges and removing barriers to give returning citizens a chance to rejoin the workforce and support their families. He made investments in education a top priority as is evidenced by his devoting a higher percentage of the budget to K-12 funding than any governor in the past 50 years. He worked closely with the General Assembly to fully fund K-12 education and save the HOPE Scholarship from bankruptcy, expanded the HOPE Grant for students attending technical colleges, and established the REACH Georgia Scholarship, a public-private partnership that provides scholarships to high-achieving students in underserved areas.

The Gainesville-Hall County Community Council on Aging (CCOA) is the leading nonprofit advocacy organization for the greater Hall County community. Since 1983, the agency's mission has been to advocate and generate volunteer and financial support for critical services important to older adults. For the past thirty years, CCOA has targeted its efforts to bringing attention and leverage state and federal funding for our community's Meals on Wheels and the Senior Life Center programs. Proceeds from each Quality of Life Ceremony goes toward these programs and other senior initiatives.

Please join the Gainesville-Hall County Community Council on Aging in celebrating Governor & Mrs. Deal for the difference that they made in our community and in this world. The 2019 Quality of Life Ceremony will be held in the Ramsey Conference Center at Lanier Technical College on **Monday, November 11, 2019 at 6pm**. For sponsorship and ticket information, please contact Phillippa Lewis Moss at 770.503.3340 or go online to <http://www.ccoagainesvillehall.org/>.



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Public service is a call that few answer and even fewer respond to with the combination of humility and grace of Governor & Mrs. Deal. Their love of country and commitment to the *servant leadership* philosophy have fueled their work in education, business, public safety, wellness and so much more. To lead with others in mind is the epitome of public service and it is for this reason that the Gainesville-Hall County Community Council on Aging is pleased to announce Governor & Mrs. Nathan Deal as its 2019 *Quality of Life Honorees*.

You are cordially invited to join the Gainesville-Hall County Community Council on Aging in honoring Governor & Mrs. Deal at the 2019 *Quality of Life Reception and Award Ceremony*. The event will take place at the **Ramsey Conference Center at Lanier Technical College** on **November 11, 2019 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm**. Tickets and event sponsorships can be obtained using the attached forms. Feel free to contact me should you have any questions at 770.503.3340, pmoss@gainesville.org, or go online to <http://www.ccoagainesvillehall.org/>.

Sincerely,

Phillippa Lewis Moss

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Administrative Director
Community Council on Aging

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Lanier Technical College * Ramsey Conference Center

Sponsorship / Ticket Information

Contact Name _____
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Contact email _____

I will sponsor CCOA's 2019 Quality of Life Award Recognition at the level indicated below:

_____ **PLATINUM SPONSORSHIP** – 2 Tables with 20 Seats **\$ 10,000**
Company name/ LOGO prominently displayed in room and brochure

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_____ I have enclosed check # _____ for \$ _____

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Website at <http://www.ccoagainesvillehall.org/>.

Sponsoring Organizations, please email logo in PDF or EPS format to pmoss@gainesville.org by November 1.

Thank you for your Sponsorship.
Please return form with check made payable to:
Gainesville-Hall County Community Council on Aging
430 Prior St. S.E., Gainesville, GA 30501 * 770.503.3340 or 770.503.3342

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Your attendance is requested at the Reception & Awards Ceremony honoring

Governor & Mrs. Deal



Monday, November 11, 2019

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Lanier Technical College * Ramsey Conference Center * 2535 Lanier Tech Drive * Gainesville, GA 30507

Tickets are \$40pp

Dress is Business Attire

Proceeds benefit Gainesville-Hall County Community Council on Aging
 for programs targeting older adults such as Meals on Wheels and the Senior Life Center

I am unable to attend ceremony, but would like to make a donation in the amount of \$_____.

Please find enclosed my check in the amount of \$ _____ for #_____ of attendees @ \$40pp. The names of attendees are listed below: I. _____

2 _____	3 _____	4 _____
5 _____	6 _____	7 _____
8 _____	9 _____	10 _____

**Thank you for responding on or before November 1.
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