



**Request for Awards
Nominations
(Deadline ~ March 6th)**

Changing Lives

March 30 — April 1
Marriott Augusta Hotel
Augusta, Georgia



Aging Services of GA 2009 Awards Nominations Request

Dear Aging Services of Georgia Member,

Each spring, the Aging Services of Georgia membership comes together to participate in quality educational programming, to meet new vendors, renew old friendships and to honor those who provide excellence in service to the Association, their organization, and the community they serve. You are invited to participate by nominating individuals who are ***Changing Lives of older Georgians***, those who enhance our collective reputation by their involvement, innovation, leadership, advocacy, as well as personal and organizational generosity.

The Awards Committee is comprised of a cross-section of Aging Services of Georgia members, who represent the continuum of aging services. The Committee reviews the nominations and selects the winners.

Nominations may be submitted by individuals, organizations or groups. Use a separate form for each nomination. Each nomination should include:

- A completed entry form to include a chronology of the individual's involvement in the field of aging services.
- A cover letter explaining why you believe the nominee should be considered for the particular award.

Each nomination may include:

- Up to three letters of recommendation supporting the nomination.
- Newspaper clippings, brochures or other materials supporting the nomination.

All awards will be presented during the Aging Services of Georgia Annual Conference Awards Dinner, Monday, March 30, 2009, at the Marriott Augusta Hotel & Suites in Augusta, GA.

In order for nominations to be considered, they must be received at the Association office by March 6, 2009.

Sincerely,

Tom Rockenbach
Chair
Awards' Committee

Walter Coffey
President
Aging Services GA/GIA

Jacque Thornton
Sr. Vice President
Aging Services GA/GIA

Aging Services of Georgia Award of Honor

The Award of Honor, the Association's highest award, is presented to a distinguished individual who has provided outstanding leadership to the Georgia Association and whose exemplary service and commitment to quality have advanced both the association and the aging-services field.

- Individuals whose organizations are members of Aging Services of GA are eligible for this award.
- Nominee has provided imaginative leadership and exceptional service to the Association
- Nominee has accomplished significant goals over a period of time.
- Nominee's cumulative achievements are notable and worthy of State recognition.

Past recipients: 2008 Tom Rockenbach, Presbyterian Homes of Georgia; 2007 Jean Wright, Clairmont Oaks, Inc.; 2006 Carolyn Duhart, Springfield Gardens; 2005 Patricia "Pat" Pepper, Campbell-Stone Apartments 2004 Rita Swaim, Decatur Christian Towers

Aging Services of Georgia Trustee of the Year Award

This award recognizes individuals and governing boards that demonstrate excellence in leadership or governance accountability and whose organizations are aligned with the Quality First principles.

- Individuals of governing boards of Aging Services of GA member organizations are eligible for this award.
- The nominee has provided recognizable leadership worthy of State recognition.
- The nominee advances principles of responsible stewardship, financial integrity and fund development.
- The nominee engages in integrated strategic planning in collaboration with key stakeholders to ensure the organization's future success in meeting community needs.
- The nominee has fostered growth and change through understanding the aging-services environment.
- The nominee's accomplishments demonstrate a significant contribution to the well-being of persons served.

Past recipients: 2008 Barry Spurlock, Lutheran Towers, 2007 Jack Benedict, Presbyterian Homes of Georgia 2006 Barbara Blackford, Senior Connections; 2005 Amy Carpenter, Lutheran Towers; 2004 Karol Mason, Wesley Woods, Inc.

Aging Services of Georgia Volunteer of the Year Award

This award is presented to a resident or non-resident, group, or individual, volunteer of an Aging Services of Georgia member facility that has performed significant volunteer service to clients/residents, and has demonstrated unusual commitment to preserve the dignity and well-being of the residents/clients.

- Nominee serves an Aging Services of Georgia member organization
- Nominee has served the organization for a significant period of time directly or indirectly.
- Nominee has made a difference in the life of the organization or an individual that is significant.
- Nominee has demonstrated significant commitment to service of residents/clients in the area of aging.

Past recipients: 2008 Phillip Shapiro, The Cohen Home, Ruth Jones, Magnolia Manor-Americus, The Wheeler Family, Wesley Woods Towers; 2007 Ruth Dennis, Campbell Stone Apts.; 2006 Ginny Boll, Hellenic Tower, Marguerite Bryant, Big Bethel Village; 2005 Yvonne Clark, T.F. Williams Court Apartments, Savannah; 2004 Dorothy "Duff" Hagerty/Zandra Matthews (GAHSA Volunteer)

Aging Services of Georgia Distinguished Service Award

This award recognizes the achievements of members, non-members or institutions in making outstanding contributions toward the welfare of older persons in areas such as research, education, communication, public policy, or innovative programs. *(It is not required that the nominee be an Aging Services of Georgia/AAHSA member.)*

- Nominee does not have to be an Aging Services of Georgia or AAHSA member.
- Nominee has spent a significant period of time meeting the needs of or serving the aging community or an organization that serves the aging.
- Nominee has made contributions toward education, communication, public policy, or innovations in working with and serving seniors.

Past recipients: 2008 Andrea Price, Canterbury Court, 2007 Ken Weber, Wesley Woods Senior Living; 2006 Katherlene Coughlin Williams, Law Firm on Williams & Edelstein; 2005 Michael D. Kelly, Ziegler Capital Markets Group; 2004 Scott Nilsson

Caring Heart Award—New Award's Category

This award recognizes the achievements of frontline staff and direct care employees, whose caring spirit have made significant impact upon the lives of older adults, while working for an Aging Services of Georgia member organization.

- Individuals who are employees of organizations that are Aging Services of Georgia members are eligible.
- Nominee has made a significant and positive difference in the life of senior residents/clients.
- The attributes of the nominee has enhanced the organization's commitment to quality.
- Nominee has been an inspiration to their peers/co-workers regarding work ethics and has developed strong relationships with residents, clients and families.

Aging Services of GA ~ Award Nomination Form

**Nominations must be received in the Aging Services of Georgia office by
Friday, March 6**

Award of Honor Volunteer of the Year Award Caring Heart Award
 Distinguished Service Award Trustee of the Year Award

Nominee: _____

Facility/Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____

E-Mail _____

Please explain why you believe this nominee should be considered for the particular award. (List specific instances of this individual's involvement in the field of aging services):

Please limit any letters of recommendation to support this nomination to a maximum of three (3). If selected, will nominee be able to attend the Awards ceremony, in Augusta, GA on March 30, 2009 to accept the award?

Yes No

Submitted by: _____

Facility/Organization: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____

E-Mail _____

Has the nominees' organization signed the AAHSA Quality First Covenant? Yes No

If possible, please attach the nominees' resume, bio or curriculum vitae.

Return nomination to:

Aging Services of Georgia Awards

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