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## Past president given BBA award

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Award recipient Donna Kain, left, gets a hug from BBA past president Elizabeth Gill.

The Buckhead Business Association presented Donna Kain, one of its past presidents and a vice president at State Bank & Trust, with the first annual Karl A. Bevins Service Award for "exemplary dedication and service" to the BBA and the Buckhead community.

The award was presented to Kain during the BBA's quarterly luncheon meeting April 15 at the 103 West events facility on West Paces Ferry Road. Nearly 200 business and community leaders attended the luncheon at which David Ratcliffe, Southern Company chairman, president and CEO, was the principle speaker.

The Karl Bevins Service Award was first presented last year to Bevins, Atlanta's first traffic engineer, in celebration of his 94th birthday and in recognition of his "faithful membership" in the BBA since 1982 and his service to the community. It is to be presented annually to a BBA member selected by the executive committee of the board of directors.

In presenting the award to Kain, immediate BBA past president Elizabeth Gill said that like Bevins, "has worked tirelessly for the BBA and the Buckhead community time and time again."

In addition, Gill pointed out that Kain "has given of herself to several causes in Atlanta," including Multiple Sclerosis, and served on the boards of several civic and professional organizations.

"This is unbelievable," Kain told the group. "Just to have my name next to Karl Bevins...when you think about all the man did for the city. It is amazing. But this organization has done much, much more for me than I have ever done for it. I love this community. Thank you so much."

Bevins was not able to be at the luncheon because he was recuperating at home from a recent hip replacement operation.

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