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COUNTRY CHIC

Western theme flavors annual Vintage Affair

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From left, Vintage Affair host chair Bernadine Richard and honorary chair Sandy Springs Mayor Eva Galambos get in the spirit for the country-chic fundraiser for Community Action Center, serving Sandy Springs and Dunwoody consumers.

The Vintage Affair heads way quest to rustle up \$115,000 i Community Action Center.

Evolving over its nine-year hi private-home dinner to a bal event saddles up Nov. 5 as a soirée.

"It's a different spin," said nc spokeswoman Kristen Risting our 10th annual and the CAC probably going to be black-ti let's go with something fun a laid-back because next year completely opposite."

Committed to helping the no consumers in the cities of Sa Dunwoody is Sandy Springs l Galambos, the event's honor

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"I do think the Community A the most admirable organiza Springs in terms of how muc with fairly limited funding," s its \$1.5 million operating buc one of the most efficient org got."

The economy also has spurrc incentive for 400 attendees t event's mix of restaurant san tastings and silent and live a

"In this climate of need, wha more worthy than CAC?" Gal "Their consumers are genuin terrible problems beyond the Those of us who can, need t

According to Ristino, the non consumers ride out their fina

emergencies by providing 85 families a month with rent or utility payments, 450 families with food, 450 children annually with school supplies, 100 children annually with summer camp, and 100 children annually with holiday gifts.

"It's not the CAC that gives them," she said. "It's the donors and supporters that allow it to come out."

Partners on the consumer comeback trail are 16 event sponsors, including presenting sponsor Neighbor Newspapers, 27 host committee members, a volunteer committee of Sandy Springs residents and honorary hosts Bernadine and Jean-Paul Richard.

"It's always a lovely event and for the best reason we could ever support," Bernadine Richard said.

Also helping attendees put on the feedbag are 14 restaurants and seven wine and beer vendors. Cowboys and cowgirls can kick up their booted heels to country music combo Burt and the Bluegrass while betting folks can try their luck at the live auction or buy \$10 raffle tickets for a trip valued at \$10,000.

If you go

- **What:** Vintage Affair
- **When:** Nov. 5 from 7 to 11 p.m.
- **Where:** The Retreat at Perimeter Summit, 1001 Summit Blvd., Dunwoody
- **Cost:** \$95 per person, \$175 per couple
- **Information:** www.vintageaffair.org



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