



San Antonio Jewish Senior Services

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CHAG PURIM SAMEACH!

Night to Night,
March 23 - 24, 2024



THE SAJSS SCOOP

March 2024

Join us for the **2nd Annual Hamantaschen Bake**, Thursday, March 7!
(See details inside)

We had a great time at **Game On!** Thank you to **Congregation Rodfei Sholom** for partnering with **SAJSS** to host this fun event following the L'Chayim Club Lunch. Congratulations to Sondra Widen for winning the raffle prize donated by **Agudas Achim Sisterhood**. Thank you to everyone who helped with this event. We couldn't have done it without you!



OUR MISSION: SAJSS works to address the needs and enrich the quality of life of San Antonio Jewish older adults and their families.

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The holiday of Purim occurs on the 14th of Adar and celebrates the triumph of the Jewish people in Persia over the wicked Haman's plan to annihilate them. We celebrate Purim by reading the story in the Megillah, donating to those in need, having festive meals, and sharing gifts of food (*Mishloach Manot*). ***We look forward to delivering Purim treats this month!***



Pictured (left to right): Stacey Kline Schwartz, Alvin Loewenberg, Debby Zucker, Ruthie Wurzburg, Sherie Trakhtenbroit, Judy Kelne, Howard Feinberg

The joyous holiday of Purim also teaches about Jewish leadership in the community, reminding us to recognize the committed and passionate leaders at **San Antonio Jewish Senior Services (SAJSS)**. **THANK YOU, SAJSS BOARD OF DIRECTORS and ALL SAJSS VOLUNTEERS!** Your leadership and involvement continue to strengthen our community. May we all have a happy Purim!



Learn. Pray and Have Fun - Together

2nd Annual Hamantaschen Bake



Join expert bakers
Eileen Jalnos & Reesa Pullen!

March 7, 2024

1:00 pm

Congregation Agudas Achim

Visit sajss.com/hamantaschen-bake, or call **(210) 616-4811**.

Cost: \$12/per person OR event sponsor: \$36

Thank you to the following who have already sponsored the event:

Robyn Abelow
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SAJSS Sponsored & Partner Organization Events: March 2024



Contact Sandra for SAJSS program details: (210) 616-4811; sandraw@sajss.com

Complimentary **SAJSS Transportation** is available for SAJSS programs, such as:

Tuesdays, Mar. 5 & 19, 1:00 pm
SAJSS Grief Support Group
SAJSS Conference Room

Tuesdays, Mar. 5 & 19, 2:15 pm
SAJSS Caregiver Support Group
SAJSS Conference Room

Wednesday, Mar. 7, 1:00
SAJSS & Cong. Agudas Achim
2nd Annual Hamentaschen Bake!
\$12 single; \$36 sponsor
Congregation Agudas Achim

Thursday, Mar. 14
10:15 am (Adante Assisted Living)
11:00 am (Adante Ind. Living)
SAJSS Presents Jewish Chats
Thursday, Mar. 28, 10:45 am (Madison)
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We are hiring! SAJSS is looking for a part-time, qualified driver (for Fridays) who enjoys providing friendly assistance to those 60+. If interested, please contact Lety at LetyV@sajss.com or (210) 616-4811.

[Barshop Jewish Community Center](#)

For details, Isabel: (210) 302-6860; resendezi@jcc-sa.org. RSVP required.

Fridays, Mar. 1, 15, Apr. 5, 19, 10:30 am
Quilting Class

Thursday, Mar. 7, 14, 12:00 pm
Intermediate Bridge

Thursday, Mar. 21, 10:15 am
Cooking With Bobby

Thursday, Mar. 21, 7:00 pm
LoneStar Cinema presents: Reckonings

Wednesdays, Mar. 6-27, 6:30 pm
Beginner Hebrew

Wednesdays, Mar. 6-27, 7:45 pm
Advanced Beginner Hebrew

Tues., Thurs., Fri., 12:00 pm
Senior Lunch

[Chabad Center for Jewish Life & Learning](#)

For details: (210) 764-0300; chabadsa.com; info@chabadsa.com.

Wednesday, Mar. 6, 7:00 pm
Advise for Life, the Lubavitcher Rebbe's Guidance for Leading a More Purposeful Life with Rabbi Teldon (Chabad)

Date TBD, 11:30 am
Sunshine Club Lunch

[Chabad La Cantera](#)

For details: (210) 877-4218; israelichabadsa.com

Saturdays, 10:00 am
Shabbat Services

[Congregation Agudas Achim](#)

For details: (210) 479-0307; agudas-achim.org; info@agudas-achim.org.

Friday Services, 6:00 pm

Wed, Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27, 12:00 pm
(In-person/Zoom)
Explore weekly Haftarah with Rabbi Hodson

Wednesday, Mar. 7, 1:00 (Agudas)
SAJSS & Cong. Agudas Achim
Hamentaschen Bake!

[Congregation Beth Am](#)

Small, traditional-progressive, welcoming congregation: www.bethamsatx.org.
Weekly details-Henry: hmbmtx@gmail.com
General info-Gary: kurzban.ruiz@gmail.com

First Fridays, 6:30 pm
Saturdays (Not 1st Sat.) 10:00 am
Services (in-person/Zoom)

[Congregation Rodfei Sholom](#)

For details: (210) 493-3557; rodfeisholom.com; rodfeisa@gmail.com.

Wednesday, Mar. 6, 11:30 am
L'Chayim Club Lunch

[Congregation Shalom of SA](#)

For details: shalomsa.org.

Fridays, 6:45 pm
Shabbat Services (in-person/virtual)
(no service 3/22/24)

Adult Ed Classes: shalom.org/adult-learning

Tuesday, Mar. 19, 7:00 pm (Zoom)
Masking and Unmasking: An Exploration of Megillat Esther
Take a close look at the actual text of Megillat Esther, along with some rabbinic commentary to help understand it better.

Saturday, Mar. 23, 6:00 pm
A Western Purim: Family Purim Party & Megillah Reading (House of Prayer Lutheran Church)
RSVP: tamara@shalomsa.org

[Hadassah San Antonio](#)

For details: hadassah.org; facebook.com/SanAntonioHadassah.

Friday, Mar. 15, 6:00 pm
Erev Shabbat service & oneg (Temple Beth-EI)

[Hebrew Free Loan Association SA](#)

Loans are available for Jewish older adults through the **SAJSS/HFLA Older Adult Loan Fund** and **HFLA-SA Ohr Lanu Medical Loan Fund**: (210) 736-4352, hfla-sa.org.

Sunday, May 5, 2024, 12:00 pm
Centennial Year Celebration Picnic

[Jewish Family Service of SA](#)

For senior case management and counseling: (210) 302-6920; jfs-sa.org.

[Jewish Federation of SA](#)

For details: (210) 302-6960; jfsatx.org.

Indigent Burial Fund to help cover burial costs for those without family or the ability to pay for this final mitzvah.

Holocaust Memorial Museum of SA
Open: M-F 9:00a-3:00p, Sun. 1:00-4:00p

[Jewish War Veterans Post 753 of SA](#)

SAJSS/JWVP Joint Fund is available to support Jewish veteran transportation: (210) 616-4811 or SAJSS.com.

[National Council of Jewish Women SA](#)

For details: ncjwsa.org.

[OASIS San Antonio](#)

Silver Connect partners older adults with volunteers. For info: gbrown@oasisnet.org, store.oasisenverywhere.org, (210) 236-5954.

[Temple Beth-EI](#)

For details: (210) 733-9135; beth-elsa.org.

Sunday, Mar. 3, 10:00 am
Sunday Scholar series w/ Rabbi Samuel Stahl
"A Jewish View of Jesus"

Why I Am A SAJSS LIFE & LEGACY® Donor by Suzanne Huber

I had the privilege of working at Golden Manor Jewish Home for the Aged for 10 years. This experience was life changing. I would have never thought being a nursing home administrator would be my life-long career, but the staff, residents, families, and Board members gave me the opportunity.

Golden Manor was known as one of the best nursing homes in the state. And it was! The care that was provided by the staff was phenomenal. I learned so much from all of the departments including nursing, housekeeping, food service, and activities. I haven't worked for an organization that had staff retention like Golden Manor. Lety Vargas is an example.

Later, after I had left to pursue my career at Morningside Ministries, I joined the Board of Directors. I was happy to be a resource due to my historical knowledge of the agency and my belief that Golden Manor needed to continue with the founder's mission of "honoring thy Mother and Father." I became president of the SAJSS Board 2017-2018 and served 10 years total on the Board helping to guide the agency to the success it is today under the leadership of Stacey Kline Schwartz.

In sum, Golden Manor changed my life. The compassion for seniors I observed in the home, and now with SAJSS, is why I am proud to support the organization.



Thank you to all of our committed LIFE & LEGACY® donors for ensuring the future of SAJSS!

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Wishing you a very Happy Passover!

This Passover, **San Antonio Jewish Senior Services (SAJSS)** will once again coordinate special holiday packages for adults 60+ in the San Antonio Jewish community.

A gift of any size directly supports our mission of providing meaningful Jewish connections for hundreds of older adults.

Become a Passover sponsor:

\$1,800 \$613 \$180 \$36 Every dollar counts!

Make a difference this Passover!

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Passover deliveries are soon upon us!

To ensure we reach you, please return missed calls from SAJSS. If you know an adult 60+ in the Jewish community who would like to be added to our delivery list, contact Sandra at **(210) 616-4811** or sandraw@sajss.com.

SUPPORT GROUPS

with San Antonio Jewish Senior Services

Open to anyone in the community who has suffered a loss or is caring for a loved one.

Tuesday, March 5 & 19
Tuesday, April 2 & 16

GRIEF SUPPORT @ 1:00 PM
CAREGIVER SUPPORT @ 2:15 PM

Facilitator: **Renee Glazier**, BS, MBA & Retired Certified Geriatric Care Manager
RSVP required: **(210) 616-4811** or sandraw@sajss.com
Groups meet at SAJSS office: **13409 NW Military Hwy., #210, SAT 78231**



SAJSS Transportation

San Antonio Jewish Senior Services (SAJSS) offers transportation for adults 60+ in the Jewish community to and from religious services, community events, and medical appointments.

Rides must be reserved **ONE WEEK** in advance, and are subject to availability. For more information and to request a ride:

sajss.com/transportation
or call Lety: **(210) 616-4811**



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The medical G'MACH lends wheelchairs, rollators, walkers, shower chairs, etc., for **FREE** to those in the Jewish community in need of assistance for a limited period.

To request or donate equipment,
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