



SOUTH AUSTIN SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

3911 Manchaca Road Austin, TX, 78704

512-978-2400 Monday-Friday 8a-5p

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 Austin Parks and Recreation Department - Seniors



September 2017



The City of Austin is proud to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you require assistance for participation in our programs or use of our facilities, please call (512) 974-3914.

2017 REGISTRATION HAS NOW BEGUN!

2017 PARD Waivers and South Austin Senior Activity Center Advisory Board Registration

ALL participants must have a completed 2017 waiver on file to participate in ALL classes, trips, drop-in, work out room use etc. at South Austin Senior Activity Center.

Stop by the SASAC Reception Desk to complete the form TODAY!!!

NEW Daily Check-in Procedure

Starting January 3, 2017 SASAC will use a new automated check-in procedure

ALL participants will be asked to scan in daily on the computer. To ensure you are ready, please complete a 2017 waiver and have your picture taken and a card printed for your account.

Stop by the SASAC Reception Desk to complete the process TODAY!!!

The South Austin Senior Activity Center (SASAC) is located at 3911 Manchaca Road, just north of Ben White Blvd. SASAC's hours are Monday through Friday from 8a to 5p, with special evening and weekend rentals. Some of the many services we provide include: gardening, games, arts and crafts, health and fitness, group socials, excursions, organizational meetings and private rentals. Friendly staff and volunteers are happy to answer any questions and to guide interested parties through the registration process. A calendar year donation (January-December) of \$10 is appreciated, and an additional \$10 is required if you would like a newsletter mailed to your home. Donations go to the SASAC Advisory Board, directly enhancing the center's offerings. A SASAC volunteer is available at the front desk to collect donations and newsletter payment Monday through Friday from 9a to 1p, or you may register and pay by mail. We thank you for your support and look forward to seeing you here soon.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Medicare 101

September 7th 12pm to 1pm

Come learn more about how each of the four parts of Medicare work. Find out what each of the parts cover.



Capital Metro Reduced Fare Program

September 26th 10am to 12pm

Are you a Senior Citizen? If so, you qualify for the [Reduced Fare ID \(RFID\) Card](#), offered by Capital Metro. RFID Card applicants typically must visit the Capital Metro Transit Store downtown to qualify for and renew an RFID Card. Now, thanks to a partnership with SASAC, Capital Metro is saving you a trip downtown by hosting an off-site RFID enrollment event!

To make sure you can enroll, please bring:

1. Valid government-issued photo ID
2. \$3 cash or credit card (checks will NOT be accepted)
3. Completed [RFID Application for Seniors](#)



Stepping On

October 26 to December 14 2 - 4pm

Are you **60 and older, and currently live at home or independently**, who want to prevent yourself from falling? During this 7 week course staff from Dell Seton Medical Center at the University of Texas will teach simple and fun strength and balance exercises. They will talk with pharmacy, vision, and community safety experts regarding how those things affect their risk of falling. Also simple things you can do around your home to make your home environment safer.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

SASAC ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 13th 12-1p

SOUTH AUSTIN AARP #2426

Wednesday, September 20th 1 - 4p

NATIONAL ACTIVE/ RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Thursday, September 21st 9-12:30p

Birthday Celebration

Thursday, September 28th
12pm

Join us for cake and ice cream to celebrate all friend's August birthdays!!!

AARP Smart Driver Thursday, September 28th 12:30 - 4:30p

This class is designed for the mature driver & it **will not dismiss traffic violations.**

* For insurance discount only *

Fee: \$15 for AARP Members
\$20 for non-AARP Members

Sign up in advance at the front desk.

Payment due on the day of class:

**CASH OR CHECKS ONLY
payable to AARP**

COMMUNITY GARDEN OF EATIN'

Join our group on Mondays to help with our Summer garden maintenance and harvesting. Whether you have a green thumb to lend, or want to develop one, stop by our community garden.

Every Monday at 9a



CARD GAMES

Free Play Bridge

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
11:30a - 1p
FREE

Progressive Bridge

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays
1 - 3p
FREE

Advanced Free Play

Monday 11a - 2p & Thursdays 9 - 11:30a

This group focuses on:

- Competitive Bidding
- Chicago Style Scoring
- Duplicate Practice
- Peer Coaching

FREE



Gentle Duplicate Bridge

Tuesdays 12:30 - 3:30p
Led by Larry Davis,
Contract Instructor
\$5.00

Friday Morning Free Play

Fridays 9 - 11am
Beginner's welcome
FREE

Hand and Foot Canasta

September 14th and 28th
12-4p

A challenging game that's good for the brain. Friendly social group willing to teach you how to play.
FREE

Pinochle

Tuesdays & Thursdays 8a - 2p
FREE

FITNESS

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT OUR TREADMILLS, RECUMBENT BIKES, WEIGHT SYSTEM AND ELLIPTICAL TRAINERS

IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE USING THE
EQUIPMENT, SASAC STAFF IS AVAILABLE
TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

*You should consult your physician
or other health care professional
before starting any fitness program
to determine if it is
right for you and your needs.*

YOGA

**Mondays, Wednesdays
and Fridays 9 - 10a**

Increase your strength and balance
while gaining flexibility. Feel better
physically & spiritually.

Contact Instructor:

Charlie Pivert

**Fee: \$10 drop-in class
\$25 for 3 classes**

SENIORCIZE

Wednesdays 10:30 - 11a

Join Kade for a workout geared
towards adults 50 and older.

Seniorcize is a great way to stay
active and get back into shape.

Instructor: Kade Green

FREE

SENIOR HEALTH AND FITNESS

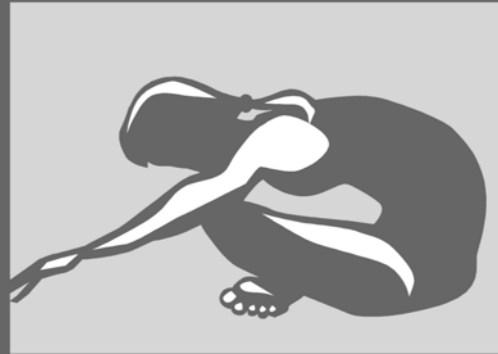
Tuesdays 9 - 10a

Thursdays 8:30 - 9:30a

Total body cardiovascular workout
taught in a FUN class format.

Four sets of activities
(15 minutes each).

**Instructed by video tape
FREE**



T'AI CHI

Tuesdays 10-11a

Fridays 10:15-11:15a

Tuesdays, Sept. 19th – Oct.. 27th

Fridays, Sept. Sept. 22nd- h

T'ai Chi has many proven health benefits
for seniors, from increased balance and
bone strength, to greater strength and
flexibility. T'ai Chi is also very safe and
practiced slowly; it is zero impact.

Instructor: Kade Green, Sifu

Fee: 6 Sessions Tuesdays OR Fridays only

Residents: \$30

Non-Residents: \$36

12 Sessions Tuesdays AND Fridays

Residents: \$50

Non-Residents: \$62

Drop in - per class

Resident: \$5

Non Resident: \$6

FITNESS

BEGINNER LINE DANCE

Mondays 1- 2p

Socialize & learn the basic
steps to fun line dances.

**Instructor: Joan Cox
(512)288-4135**

FREE

ADVANCED BEGINNER LINE DANCE

Mondays 2 - 3:30p

Scout your boots for a healthy body
and mind. Have fun, make friends,
and learn a variety of dances.

**Instructor: Joan Cox
(512)288-4135**

FREE

Stretch and Strength

Thursdays 1:30 - 2:30pm

Join Patti Gagne as she teaches
you how to balance the body's
strength and flexibility.

**Instructor: Patti Gagne
FREE**

Austin Rockin' Line Dancers Thursdays

9:30 - 11a

Rocking Chairettes is a line dance
group that performs at various
locations around Austin and has
been honored with several awards.

**Instructor: Sonja Hemmes
(512)531-9122**

FREE



ZUMBA GOLD VIDEO FOR BEGINNERS

Mondays 10:15-11:15a

Improve your muscle strength,
coordination, posture and mobility.
Come on out and shake it! This is a
drop in class. **FREE**

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Fridays 1:30- 2:30 pm

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				<p>1 Yoga 9-10 Friday Morning Bridge 9-11 Chess Play 10-12 *Tai Chi 10:15-11:15* Free Play Bridge 11:30-1 Bingo 1-3 Progressive Bridge 1-3</p>
<p>4 Closed for Holiday</p>	<p>5 Pinochle 8-2 Sr. Health & Fitness 9-10 Knitting 9-11 *Tai Chi 10-11* Mexican Train 12:15-3:15 Mahjong 1:15 - 3 Gentle Dup. Bridge 12:30-3:30 Ping Pong 12:30-3</p>	<p>6 Yoga 9-10 Ceramics 9-11 Seniorcize 10:30-11 Free Play Bridge 11:30-1 Progressive Bridge 1-3 Painters 1-3:30</p>	<p>7 Pinochle 8-2 Oil Painting 8-4 Advanced Bridge 9-11:30 Sr. Health & Fitness 8:30-9:30 Austin Rockin' Line Dancers 9:30-11 Honey Bee Quilter 9-2 Medicare 101 12:00-1:00 Stretch and Strength 1:30-2:30</p>	<p>8 Yoga 9-10 Friday Morning Bridge 9-11 Chess Play 10-12 *Tai Chi 10:15-11:15* Free Play Bridge 11:30-1 Bingo 1-3 Progressive Bridge 1-3</p>
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TRIPS

LOTTERY REGISTRATION Due: Friday, September 8th
LOTTERY RESULTS AVAILABLE: Monday, September 11th

REGISTRATION FEES DUE: Thursday, September 14th

You may sign up one other person in addition to yourself by calling or by stopping by the center. You may contact the center anytime after Monday, September 11th at 12pm to find out if you were selected for a trip. Staff will call you ONLY if you were selected for a trip. All trips are subject to change due to weather, PARD director approval, or registration numbers.



Kayaking (Austin, Texas)
Monday, September 18th

Kayaking is back! Come tour Lady Bird Lake with us.

Departure Time: 8:45a
Returning Time: 2p
Fee: Free
Additional Expenses: Purchase of Lunch
Activity Level: High



**H. E. BUTT
 FOUNDATION
 CAMP**

Camping at H. E. Butt Foundation Camp
(Kerville, Texas)
Tuesday - Thursday September 26 - 28

SASAC is head to Kerville at the H. E. Butt Foundation Camp for two days of cabin camping and outdoor recreation.

Departure Time: 7a
Returning Time: 4p
Fee: Resident : \$37
Non-Resident: \$38
Activity Level: High - Uneveled walking

TRIPS



S.A.L.T. Fair (Austin, Texas)
Friday, September 22nd

Join us on a trip to Conley Guerrero Activity Center to meet our local police officers at Senior and Law Enforcement Together. Learn what do to in situation and what's available to keep you safe and protected.

Departure Time: 8:45a
Returning Time: 2p
Fee: Free - Lunch included
Activity Level: Low



The Hundred Foot Journey @ Alamo Drafthouse
(Austin, Texas)
Thursday, October 5th

Who wants to go? Assistance League has brought SASAC another great trip to Alamo Drafthouse. We are seeing *The Hundred foot Journey* which includes a delicious lunch.

Departure Time: 10:45a
Returning Time: 2p
Fee: Resident : \$5 - Lunch is included
Non-Resident: \$6
Activity Level: Low



Singing in the Rain @ Zach Scott Theatre
(Austin, Texas)
Thursday, October 12th

Come and experience the rendition of the classic 1952 *Singing in the Rain* at the state of the art Zach Scott Theatre.

Departure Time: 6:45p
Returning Time: 10p
Fee: Resident : \$45
Non-Resident: \$46
Activity Level: Low

VISUAL, LITERARY & PERFORMING ARTS



Let's Sing-a-Long Wednesday Sept. 13th, & 27th 12:15 - 1:30p

Bring your instrument and your singing voice. Celebrate the gift of song!

Oil Painters Thursdays 8a - 4p

Come in and share your creativity with other painters!

Wednesday Painters Wednesdays 1 - 3:30p

If you use pastels, oils, acrylics, etc., bring your supplies and enjoy the fun.

Ceramics Circle Wednesdays 9 - 11a

Bring your ceramic project and join other ceramics enthusiasts as you work.

Honey Bee Quilters Thursday, Sept. 7th & 21st 9a - 2p

The Honey Bees invite anyone interested in quilting to join their monthly meetings.

Contact: Amelia Greene
(512) 282-5507

Knitting & Crocheting Tuesdays 9 - 11a

Bring what you are working on. Share ideas, skills and learn. Participants are willing to teach beginners wanting to learn!

Writing the Stories of Your Life

Next Session: September 6th - October 11th
9:45-11:15a

Your memories are your real family treasures! Have fun learning techniques for retrieving, writing and polishing your memories, so that you can assemble them into your life story.

Contact instructor in advance for information & availability.

Fee: \$48 (6 sessions)

Contract Instructor: Rosalind Bond (512) 441-3014

RECREATION AND GAMES

Bingo 1-3p

Wednesdays, Sept. 13th, & 27th **AND** Fridays
25¢ per card - 8 card limit

Chess Club

Mondays and Fridays 10a-12p
New players and all levels welcome!

Mahjong

Tuesdays 1:15-3p
Join in on the classic game!

Mexican Train Dominoes

Tuesdays 12:15-3:15p

Ping Pong

Tuesdays 12:30-3p
If you are interested in playing at a different time, please call ahead for room availability and to assure staff is available to set up the table.

Recreation Room

Complete with treadmills, recumbent bikes, elliptical machines, a weight system and pool tables. If you need assistance with using the exercise equipment, please let a staff member know. Available for daily use unless posted.

AND MORE

BIBLE STUDY

Mondays 1-3p

Join us for reflection and study with Rev. David Dukes. All are welcome.

FREE

TECHNOLOGY CLASS

**Wednesday, September 20th
9-11a**

Having trouble operating your computer, tablet, or smart phone? Have a general curiosity about current technology? We are here to help you connect.

Please bring your equipment with you for us to assist you.

FREE

INTRODUCTION TO SPANISH CONVERSATION

Mondays 9-10:30a

Want to know more about the Spanish language? This program will introduce you to the alphabet and basic phrases. Bring: notebook, pen/pencil, and a

Spanish dictionary (optional).

FREE

**Volunteer Instructors:
Domingo Herrera**

LUNCH MENU

Meet new friends while eating a hot, nutritious lunch every day at SASAC. A \$1 donation for those over 60 is greatly appreciated to offset the cost of staff, meal-related expenses, dietary supplies, and delivery.

CONGREGATE MEAL REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Meal tickets are distributed on a **FIRST COME-FIRST SERVE** basis beginning at **9:30a** each morning.

Tickets distributed equal the number of meals ordered for that day.

Lunch is served daily **11:30a-12p** with milk and water.

For ineligible guests **OVER 60** (not registered) and guest **UNDER 60**, the cost of the meal is **\$5.39**.

Due to the unavailability of certain items, substitutions are occasionally made.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>*Due to unavailability of certain items, appropriate substitutions may need to be made.</p> <p>**Milk is served every meal.</p>				<p>¹ Judith's Smoked Sausage Tossed Salad Ranch Beans Hot Dog Bun Peach Crisp Lite Italian Dressing Mustard</p>
<p>⁴ <i>Closed for Holiday</i></p>	<p>⁵ Swiss Steak Parslied Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Wheat Bread Vanilla Pudding</p>	<p>⁶ Judith's Smoked Sausage Confetti Coleslaw Ranch Beans Hot Dog Bun Hot Pineapple Tidbits Mustard</p>	<p>⁷ Chilaquiles Casserole Brown Rice Brussels Sprouts Wheat Bread Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>⁸ Cajun Chicken Whole Kernel Corn Mixed Greens Cornbread Fresh Fruit Margarine</p>
<p>¹¹ Piccadillo Beef Spanish Brown Rice Fiesta Vegetables Wheat Tortilla Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>¹² Creamy Garlic Cheese Ravioli Tossed Salad Italian Vegetables Whole Wheat Breadstick Hot Pineapple Tidbits Lite Italian Dressing</p>	<p>¹³ BBQ Honey Mustard Turkey Meatballs Whipped Potatoes Spinach Cornbread Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>¹⁴ Cranberry Dijon Chicken Creamed Peas Glazed Carrots Wheat Bread Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>¹⁵ Veracruz Chicken Couscous Pilaf Broccoli Texas Bread Fresh Fruit</p>
<p>¹⁸ Turkey Rice Casserole Broccoli Glazed Carrots Dinner Roll Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>¹⁹ Salisbury Beef with Onion Gravy Parslied Potatoes Brussels Sprouts Wheat Bread Ambrosia Pudding</p>	<p>²⁰ Charlene's Tuna Macaroni Salad Three Bean Salad Cucumber Onion Salad Saltine Crackers Banana Pudding</p>	<p>²¹ Suellen's Baked Chicken with Gravy Mashed Spiced Yams Collard Greens Wheat Bread Fruited Lemon Gelatin</p>	<p>²² Honey Cashew Beef and Broccoli Brown Rice Herbed Green Beans Wheat Bread Fresh Fruit</p>
<p>²⁵ Bruschetta Chicken Meatballs Orzo Pasta Italian Vegetables Whole Wheat Breadstick Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>²⁶ George's Turkey Gumbo Dirty Brown Rice Country Tomatoes Cornbread Fresh Fruit Margarine</p>	<p>²⁷ Teriyaki Beef Tenders Oven Roasted Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Wheat Bread Fruited Orange Gelatin</p>	<p>²⁸ Tim Andrew's BBQ Pork Rib Patty Corn O'Brien Coleslaw Hamburger Bun Hot Spiced Peaches</p>	<p>²⁹ Chicken and Dumplings Green Peas Rosemary Carrots Dinner Roll Fresh Fruit</p>

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Joe Asevedo, Building and Grounds Assistant

MISSION The purpose of the Parks and Recreation Department is to provide, protect and preserve a park system that promotes quality recreational, cultural and outdoor experiences for the Austin community.

REC PRINCIPLES: RECREATIONAL, ENVIRONMENTAL, CULTURAL

The Austin Parks and Recreation Department uses a professional, systematic and studied approach in determining the programs and services we offer our community. This strategy is reflected in our Recreational, Environmental, and Cultural Program Principles. These principles are used in determining programs and services:

- Provide programs and services that help fulfill the organizational mission, vision, goals and objectives adopted by the Austin City Council and the Austin Parks and Recreation Department.
- Provide programs that follow all applicable laws, ordinances, resolutions and standard operating procedures.
- Develop programs that have a stated purpose, goals and objectives which specify benefits and outcomes that the program will offer participants and the community.
- Offer accessible, affordable recreational, environmental and cultural program opportunities in a safe environment for all ages, abilities, interests and socio-economic levels, highlighting Austin's diversity.
- Encourage and respond to community input in program planning, development and evaluation.
- Programs will balance community needs with financial viability providing an overall financially sound recreation program to the Austin community.