

SOUTHWEST JEWISH CONGRESS 2019 Award Recipients

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Lifetime Achievement Awards



ANH VO

- Philanthropist; owner of Cindi's NY Delicatessen, Restaurant & Bakery
- In the 70s, escaped Vietnam with family on a small boat; embraced "American dream"



EDDIE DEEN

• Owner/Pitmaster, Eddie Deen and Company

Stan Golden Men of Action

Award Recipients

 Community outreach through educational programs at DISD Carter High School and Soul's Harbor homeless shelter

Audrey Kaplan Inspiring Women of the Southwest Award Recipients



DEBBIE DENNIS

- Oncor Chief Customer Officer & Senior Vice President Human Relations Corporate Affairs
- Developed and implemented community-based initiatives
- Dallas Mayor's Youth Fitness Initiative Public-Private Partnership



GILES DAVIDSON

- Businessman, Philanthropist and Social Impact Leader
- Leadership DISD, educational issues at the local, state and national levels
- Champions issues such as mental health, equity and social justice in the non-profit sector



BARBARA GLAZER

- Inspired to provide safe and secure communities so that everyone can feel accepted and supported
- Initiated Caregivers Day Out Program at Temple Shalom allowing freedom for caregivers of people with special needs
- Developed uplifting and engaging activities for Alzheimer's patients



TRINI GARZA

- Civic Leader and Businessman
- First Elected Hispanic Member of the DISD Board of Trustees, 1969
- Retired as Deputy Regional Director of U.S. Department of Education in President Clinton's Administration



MARY EVANS SIAS, PH.D.

- American Association of State Colleges and Universities Director, Millennium Leadership Initiative and Assistant to the President
- The Dallas Chapter, of the Links, Incorporated
- President, Cottonwood Creek Garden Club; ACES board member



STAN LEVENSON

- 50 year career in Public Relations and Strategic Communications
- Past chairman, Greater Dallas Chamber's marketing committee
- Member, university advisory boards, Urban League of Greater Dallas, and Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum

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- Executive Director SANE Initiative
- Board, Safer Dallas Better Dallas
- Opened Dallas Area Rape Crisis Center; works to ensure sexual assault victims have immediate, compassionate, and comprehensive professional evaluation and treatment by a trained professional



TEVAR WATSON

Stan Golden Men of Action

Award Recipients

- President of The Hamilton Park Bobcats youth football, mentors over 100 children yearly
- Ensures kids have weekend food
- Attends "Donuts with Dads" with kids who would be alone, monitors grades, provides birthday parties and a safe place to do homework



MARSHA WILLIAMSON

- CEO of Dallas 24 Hour Club
- Provides safe, sober transitional living for homeless addicted people seeking a new life; coordinated fundraising and building of a new 75 bed facility, serving over 600 residents during its first year
- Park Cities Presbyterian Church "Baby Boomer" Steering Committee



PAUL ZOLTAN

- Immigration Attorney; Refugee Support Network co-founder
- Trains courtroom observers for a recently-established initiative to determine the scope of due process violations in Dallas Immigration Court
- Mentors other attorneys on *pro* bono cases representing refugees

Future Inspiring Women

ESHA KOTHAPALLI

- Senior, Allen High School; will attend Texas A&M majoring in public health in the honors program
- Completed the JFS Rabbi Gerald J. Klein Summer Internship; served children at Color Me Empowered
- Taught English skills to elementary kids at an orphanage in India



Future Men of Action

• Senior, Yavneh Academy; will attend UT Austin after gap year to study in Israel

ZACH BERNSTEIN

- Co-President, Students Against Terrorism; planned charity tournament "Points for Peace" to aid victims of terrorism in Israel
- Shaare Tefilla, youth leader

Aakilah McCoy

- Senior, Cedar Hill High School; will attend Texas A&M University to pursue biology for a career in Pre-Medicine
- Volunteered for many charities since the 6th grade working with The Dallas Links, Inc. STEAM Academy
- Scholar Athlete and Academic All State 1st TEAM, Texas High School Powerlifiting Association



MATTHEW A. JOHNSON

- Senior, Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas; will attend Loyola Univ. of Chicago majoring in Biology
- Jesuit Diversity Executive Board; Social Justice Immersion Program (International Children's AIDS Orphanage, Guatemala)
- Dallas Children's Advocacy Center; Minnie's Food Pantry

