



# Economic Development Newsletter

DEER PARK, TEXAS

*“Shop Local; No Tricks, Just Treats!”*

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## **ART ALERT:**

Donny's Paint & Body recently had a mural painted on the north side of their building at 417 Center Street. The artist is Whitney Haden, a La Porte resident. She also painted the murals on the Shell FCU parking garage, and her work can be seen on Facebook at [@Murals By Whitney](#). Donny's is one of several local businesses that have beautified their building by allowing it to become a canvas for local artists. Donny's Paint & Body has been in business for over 30 years in Deer Park, so you know that you can trust them to take care of virtually all of your automotive needs. Reach them at (281) 479-8431. Be sure to stop by there soon and take your picture in front of the “wings”.

## **Fighting for Your Rights**

The DAG Law Firm is now open at 2822 Center St. (next door to Fleming Chiropractic). DAG is a personal injury law firm that has been fighting for client's rights for over a decade. Attorney David Aziel Garcia, a Deer Park graduate, has committed his legal practice to maximizing compensation for clients who have been injured as a result of the wrongdoing of others. To date, he has successfully fought for and recovered millions of dollars on behalf of his clients. If you or a loved one has been injured through no fault of your own, reach out to DAG Law Firm at (713) 444-5060 with either a call or text 24/7. You can also visit their website at [www.DAGLawFirm.com](http://www.DAGLawFirm.com).



## **COMING SOON**

- Paradise Café Sushi & Stir Fry will open later this year at 2205 Center St. (former location of Chinese Wok). They also have a location in Mont Belvieu.
- Sycamore Grounds Coffee House has announced they are coming to Deer Park near the intersection of Center St. and San Augustine St. (next door to Victory Properties). They recently moved a 100-year old house from The Heights in Houston to the new Deer Park location. They also have two locations in Pasadena. Sycamore Grounds is a neighborhood-style traditional coffee house with bakery items, teas and juices.

## NOW OPEN

New Orleans Seafood Kitchen restaurant is now open at 3709 Center St. (former location of Vega's restaurant). The New Orleans inspired menu focuses on Cajun and Creole style dishes, including fried and grilled seafood, po'boys, burgers, gumbo, crawfish bisque, etoufee, fried alligator, Cajun tacos and so much more. You will find their menu on Facebook at [@NewOrleansSeafoodLP](#). You can also call them at (281) 930-7270.



## Pool Perfection

Monument Pool Service is a family owned and operated company based in Deer Park. Upholding the highest levels of standards, they care about customer service, not just pool service. The owners are Deer Park natives Steve and Laura Matejka. They offer weekly pool maintenance from full service to chemicals only. Monument Pool also specializes in pool repairs, cleanings, start-ups, inspections and "pool school" (for new pool owners). Visit their website at [www.monumentpoolservice.com](http://www.monumentpoolservice.com) or call them at (832) 375-9009.



## Your Logo Here:

Industry Logo is celebrating their two-year anniversary at 805 Center St. (next door to Donald's Donuts). The owners are Deer Park residents Ryan and Chelsea Seabranck. Let them help you with your business's marketing and promotional needs. They can embroider your logo and tag lines on caps and hats, shirts, bags, coolers, golf bags, etc. You can also choose from a huge selection of promotional products. For more information, call them at (281) 691-8943 or see products on their Facebook page [@theindustrylogo](#).



## Invest in Yourself

The Next Chapter Cosmetics is now open at 120 E. 8<sup>th</sup> St., and the owner is Deer Park local Jennifer Meekins. The business is one of several tenants in the Deer Park Chamber building, near the intersection of 8<sup>th</sup> Street and Center Street. Services consist of cosmetic injections, including Botox, Jeuveau and Xeomin. She also does the lip flip, brow lift and chin lift. Be sure to also ask about IV hydration and cosmetic fillers. Book an appointment soon by using the booking app at [www.jennifermekins.glossgenius.com](http://www.jennifermekins.glossgenius.com). You can also call Jennifer at (832) 675-2099 or email [thenextchaptercosmetics@gmail.com](mailto:thenextchaptercosmetics@gmail.com).



## Eat Local ❤️

The Ugly Crust Bakery now sells delicious items every day at The Health Nut in Deer Park. Stop by soon at 2606 Center St. and enjoy



their pies, cookies, cupcakes, cakes, gourmet coffees, candies and much more. The Health Nut also serves an amazing lunch. For over 40 years, The Health Nut has been known as both a health-food style café, plus a great store for finding natural beauty products, gluten free foods, local honey, loads of vitamins and herbal ingredients. Let their knowledgeable staff recommend products for whatever ails you. Be sure to check both business's Facebook pages or call (281) 479-7713 for more info.



## Refinish Your Cabinets

Shane Woods has opened The Fine Finish Institute at 4610 Center St. (the former Meineke building at the corner of Center St. and Evie Ln.) Shane also operates "U Park It – U Sell



It" in the parking area of the building. Shane is a '93 Deer Park graduate and his mom used to own Golden Dreams Jewelry in Deer Park. After falling in love with auto refinishing during Mr. Humphry's auto paint and body class at Deer Park High School, Shane got his start at Donny's Paint and Body. His passion for refinishing has grown over the years, and he now refinishes high-end furniture and cabinets. The Institute also provides a space

for Shane to train/teach cabinet makers and painters how to correctly refinish cabinetry. His techniques are top notch and last longer than traditional refinishing. All products are water-based and look amazing, as you can see on his Facebook page [@The Fine Finish Institute](#). For information and bookings, call Shane soon at (314) 884-0640.

## Spuds + More

The Spud Shack is now open in the former location of Lone Star Tacos at 3811 Center St. The owner is Deer Park local James Thompson, and the restaurant offers baked potatoes with over 20 different topping options, plus they have a large menu that features appetizers, soup, seafood platters, a salad bar, desserts and more. It's a family-friendly place where kids eat free on Tuesdays. Visit [www.spudshackdp.com](http://www.spudshackdp.com) for the complete menu, or call them at (281) 884-8042.



## RESTAURANT FOR LEASE

Baytown Seafood has closed its doors at 2424 Center St. as of September 30. The owners would like to lease the building, and will also consider furniture and equipment. The 3,300 square foot building has a drive-thru and sits at the corner of Center St. and San Augustine St. Call the owner Rivan Mak at (713) 894-0657 for information.



## Travelers Welcome

There are two huge tourism developments happening in our region, and they will both positively affect Deer Park's hotels and tourism community. Webster will be the home of Great Wolf Lodge's second location in Texas (the large indoor waterpark is also located in Grapevine near Dallas). This 400,000-square-foot facility has broken ground on 35 acres just behind American Furniture Warehouse on IH45. It will bring 350 new jobs to the area and will offer entertainment, lodging, an indoor waterpark and a convention center. Look for it to open in 2024. Secondly, Royal Caribbean is building a 161,000-square-foot cruise terminal at Pier 10 at the Port of Galveston, and it along with Royal Caribbean, Carnival and Norwegian are also active with new cruise ships inbound. The terminal is set to open soon in November 2022.



## Bits & Pieces

- Kids eat free every Tuesday at Spud Shack at 3811 Center St.
- Frame It Deer Park, the frame/embroidery shop that was located at 2604 Center St. for over 13 years, has moved across the street to 5813 Page Street (right behind Beyond Beaute).
- Lessons With Austin is moving from their 1,800 sf building at 4514 Center St. to a 3,700 sf space at 4801 Center St. They are also changing their name to Space City School of Music. They offer group and private music and voice lessons. Call them at (281) 857-4075 or visit [www.lessonswithaustin.com](http://www.lessonswithaustin.com).
- Fun Fact: Pumpkins are classified as a fruit, not a vegetable. Basically, anything that originates from the likes of a flower is technically a fruit.
- Fun Fact #2: According to [CandyStore.com](http://CandyStore.com), Reese's Peanut Butter Cups are the top Halloween candy of the year in Texas, followed by M&M's and Skittles. As for the worst Halloween candy... that would be Candy Corn, followed by Circus Peanuts and Peanut Butter flavored Kisses. Candy Corn, incidentally, was originally called "chicken feed" when it was first popularized around the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, and the boxes were labeled, "Something to Crow About!"

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