

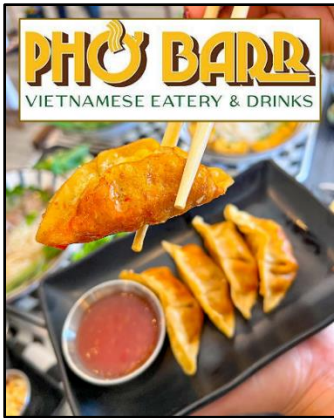


Economic Development Newsletter

DEER PARK, TEXAS

Thank You for Supporting Deer Park Businesses!

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Savor the Flavor

Pho Barr has opened at 3717 Center St. (former location of Krab Kingz). They also have locations in Webster, Katy and Dickenson. Open for dine-in or take-out, Pho Barr is a family owned and operated Vietnamese restaurant. Their menu includes salads, noodle soups, rice plates, vermicelli bowls, Vietnamese sandwiches, “ultimate fries”, Bo Luc (filet mignon cubes served with veggies on a hot stone plate), and much more. You will find the menu on their Facebook page [@Pho Barr](#) or on their website at www.PhoBarr.com. You can also call them at (346) 230-7988.

Apartments: Phase 1 Will Open Soon

Dakota at Deer Park apartments are currently being constructed at 800 W. Pasadena Blvd. Phase 1 units are scheduled to be ready by early October, and the entire complex is scheduled to be completed by February 2024. The development is three-story and consists of efficiency units, plus 1, 2, and 3-bedroom units. There will be a total of 298 units upon completion, and it will feature luxury amenities and upscale interior features, balconies, walk-in closets and more. Leasing agents are now working onsite, but you can also call them at (713) 622-0022 or visit www.dakotaprop.com/our-construction.



Come for the food - Stay for the Fun

Time Out Sports Bar #3 is now open at 1200 East Blvd. (corner of East Blvd. and 13th St. in the former location of Capt. Benny's). This is a family-owned business that has been in our area for 32 years, and they have four other locations in the region. Time Out features a full-service kitchen serving appetizers, burgers, salads, sandwiches, crawfish and more. You will love the breeze on their giant outdoor covered patio, plus there is the signature Time Out bar and plenty of sports to watch. Find them on Facebook at [@Timeout #3 Sports Bar & Grill](#) or call them at (281) 487-8552.



Privacy & Sun Protection

Have a window that really allows the afternoon heat to invade your home? Forget the shades and consider professional window tinting. Deer Park residents Josh and Allison Harris (DPHS class of 2010) have recently opened Harris Window Tinting at 2676 Center St. in Deer Park. Protect your business, home, motor home and vehicles with benefits such as improved energy efficiency, increased privacy, reduced glare, and protection from harmful UV rays. Tinted windows also add an extra layer of security to your property by making it difficult for thieves or vandals to see inside. Call them today at (832) 429-5390 or email harriswindowtint@gmail.com. You can also find them on Facebook at [@HarrisWindowTinting](https://www.facebook.com/HarrisWindowTinting).



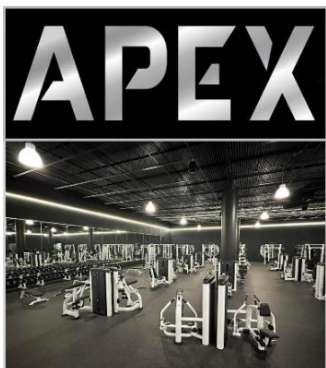
It's OPEN!

Sycamore Grounds Coffee House is now open at 313 W. San Augustine (near the intersection of Center St. and next door to Victory Properties). They also have a location in Pasadena. Sycamore Grounds is a neighborhood-style traditional coffee house with bakery items, teas, juices and a drive-thru! Find out more at www.SycamoreGrounds.com or find them on Facebook.



At Your Service!

Local resident Sandra Sifuentes has opened Sandra Notary Services, a mobile notary service that comes to you when you need a notary public for legal documents, bank forms, oaths, mortgage loans, auto titles and more. She also provides certified copies. Sandra is certified, trustworthy, licensed, bonded, insured, punctual and experienced. Experience the convenience of this service as she travels to your location and saves you the hassle of finding a notary for your important documents. Call Sandra today at (356) 268-7972 or email her at Admin@SandraNotaryServices.com. You can also find her on Facebook at [@Sandra Notary Services](https://www.facebook.com/SandraNotaryServices).



NOW OPEN

Apex Gym is now open 9701 Spencer Highway in Deer Park (the former Food Town location at Spencer and Underwood Road). Members have 24/7 access to a 50,000 square foot facility, including 10,000 square feet of outdoor workout space. Apex also features commercial-style and warehouse-style training areas, plus large luxury locker rooms, saunas, group classes, supplements, apparel shop and more. Stay updated by following them on Facebook or Instagram at [@theapexgym](https://www.instagram.com/theapexgym) or call (832) 348-6377.

Pick up You Knitting Whenever You're Sitting

In April 1917, the United States entered into World War I, which had been waging since 1914. Deer Park's contribution to that war effort was to form a local Stitch & Chatter Club, giving women a chance to visit while knitting sweaters, socks and other warm clothing for the troops. In fact, the entire country started knitting, as the men on the front lines were desperate for warm clothing. Knitting was promoted as a patriotic duty. People knitted not just at home but at work, church, on public transport, in the theater, etc. A sitting grand jury in Seattle knitted socks. The New York Philharmonic society issued a plea in 1915 for the audience members to



please refrain from knitting, as it disrupted performances. The Deer Park Stitch & Chatter Club, however, knitted to their hearts' content. In those days, socializing also consisted of box suppers at the schoolhouse, savings bond rallies, church socials and "tacky parties" with prizes for the tackiest outfits. Occasional shopping trips were taken to Houston, although most shopped locally at W.H. Dickerson Mercantile in Pasadena. When the war-ending Armistice was signed in November 1918, residents heard whistles blowing and guns firing in celebration of the ending of the war.



Bits & Pieces

- The City recently approved the plans for a new McDonalds that is now under construction at 9330 Spencer Hwy. (just east of HEB).
- Harris County recently offered to purchase 1,000 acres north of Armand Bayou Nature Center from Exxon Mobile Corp. in order to preserve wildlife habitats and educate the public about their importance. The native ecosystems act as a giant filtration system for our Bay Area. The nature center has three ecosystems: riparian forest, bayou and marshes, and about 900 acres of coastal prairie. The prairies are critical to the ecosystem, yet only 1% of the original land coverage of coastal prairies remain. The purchase deal is currently in the "due diligence" phase with environmental studies being conducted.

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