



Economic Development Newsletter

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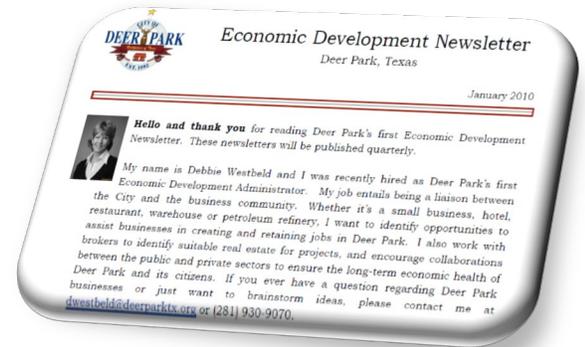
This Valentine's Day, Show Some Local Love



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One Hundred & Counting...

This newsletter marks a significant milestone as we celebrate the 100th issue! The Economic Development newsletter began in January 2010 with a simple introduction and articles highlighting Walmart's major renovation and the construction of Candlewood Suites on East Blvd. A heartfelt "Thank You" to the Deer Park community for unwavering support over the past 15 years and continuing to champion our local businesses.



Give Your Yard a Make-Over

Martin Land Design is a home-based business in Deer Park, owned by local resident Amanda Martin. As a landscape architect, Amanda specializes in outdoor spaces and residential garden design. Her beautiful gardens can be found flourishing across the Houston area, from Bay Oaks and River Oaks to Morgan's Point, League City, Friendswood, and beyond. Let Amanda transform your home and landscape by crafting unique, elegant outdoor spaces. Reach out today at (281) 979-3451, email info@martinlanddesign.com, or visit www.martinlanddesign.com to schedule your design consultation.

Strut in Style!

We're excited to welcome a fresh, locally-owned business to the neighborhood. Another Vice Print Shop, a chic boutique featuring women's and children's clothing, has officially opened at 1006 Center St., right across from Antonio's restaurant. Owned by Heather League, a former resident, the boutique offers a unique selection of clothing, shoes, accessories, and more. Whether you're shopping in-store or browsing www.shopanothervicetx.com, you can expect high-quality, locally crafted pieces that make a statement. Stop by the boutique Wednesday through Friday, from 10 am to 5 pm, and on Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm. For more information or to place an order, give Heather a call at (713) 979-7997. Be sure to swing by, support a local business, and find something special for yourself or your little ones.



It's Open

Announcing the opening of Shukos Ave. 502, serving delicious dishes at 3601 Center St., right next door to Planet Fitness at the intersection of Center St. and Pasadena Blvd. The owners of Shukos Ave. 502 come with years of experience and a loyal following from their popular food truck in the Houston area. After much success, they decided to expand and open a storefront to share even more flavors with the community. Deer Park is now the lucky beneficiary, as the menu offers a vibrant mix of dishes from Mexico, Puerto Rico, El Salvador, Guatemala, and beyond. Currently, Shukos Ave. 502 is open daily from 10 am to 9 pm, with plans to extend hours and introduce a full breakfast menu in the coming weeks. Whether you're in the mood for Latin fried chicken, hamburgers, grilled French-bread sandwiches, spaghetti, enchiladas, or a kid's meal, there's something for everyone.



Morning Acupuncture

Morning Acupuncture is now open at 2009 Center St., right across from Chalupas Taqueria. The clinic is owned and operated by Dr. Jung Park, a skilled practitioner with extensive expertise in ancient Chinese medicine. Dr. Park is dedicated to providing personalized acupuncture treatments tailored to meet your unique needs, helping you achieve holistic wellness and balance. At Morning Acupuncture, you'll find a warm, welcoming environment designed to promote relaxation and stress reduction. The compassionate staff is committed to addressing a variety of health concerns, empowering clients to take an active role in their wellness journey. Whether you're seeking relief from pain, stress, or looking to improve your overall health, Morning Acupuncture is here to support you. To schedule an appointment, call (832) 660-8409 or visit www.morningacuclinic.com, and take the first step toward a more balanced, healthier you!



Starting or Growing a Small Business?

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) for San Jacinto College is located right here in Deer Park at 203 Ivy Ave (in the Economic Alliance building). SBDC provides advice, counseling and mentoring for anyone looking to start or grow a small business. Robert Carlson, their business advisor, will stay with you every step of the way and the best news is that it is all free of charge. Got to www.sjcd.sbdcnetwork.net for more information. You can also reach Robert at (281) 485-5214.





Eat Your Heart Out ❤️❤️❤️❤️

Marco's Pizza has a sweet deal on their heart-shaped pizzas for Valentine's Day. They actually sell heart-shaped pizza all year long, but on Valentine's Day – if you use the code **Val10** - you will get a One-Topping Heart Shaped Pizza for only \$10.99. Call (346) 633-2500 to order. Marco's is located at 3401 East Blvd., Suite 200 (intersection of East Blvd. and Pasadena Blvd.) They have take-out and delivery.

Valentine's Day Ideas

- ✿ **Somethin' Sweet Gourmet Cupcakes & Bakery**
118 Dixie Dr., (281)476-4441
- ✿ **Frosting Dreams and All the Things Bakery**
901 W. Pasadena Blvd., (346) 315-5620
- ✿ **A&A Bakery (Mexican Bakery; conchas, bolillos, cookies, etc.)**
3709 Center Street
- ✿ **Deer Park Jewelry Factory**
4005 Center Street (281) 930-8262
- ✿ **Flower Cottage of Deer Park**
4510 Center St., (281)542-6900
- ✿ **Deer Park Florist**
806 Center St., (281)479-2374
- ✿ **Eclipse Massage & Spa**
4132 Center St., (281)478-0300
- ✿ **Healing Hands Massage**
201 San Augustine St, Ste. A, (281)910-4713
- ✿ **Wellstone Massage**
114 Dixie Drive, (832)326-9466



What's "Brewing" in Deer Park?

A. Karim Afshar has been a Deer Park resident since 1989, and he also happens to be a member of the family that owns Ahmad Tea, which is a family-based, four-generation tea business based in England. Ahmad Tea is not only tagged as "the world's most exclusive tea", but has also gained fame for its beautiful gift packages, tins and caddies. The company sells tea in 75 countries and is manufactured (depending on the flavor) in various places worldwide. Mr. Afshar ran the company's only North American sales office from his Deer Park home for many years, but he moved the office 13 years ago to 444 W. Pasadena Blvd. (near Skateworld) in order to have more space. He sells to distributors and high-end stores throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico. To learn more visit www.ahmadtea.com or call Mr. Afshar at (281) 476-4832.

A Space for Space

Construction has started for the \$200 million Texas A&M Space Institute to be built next to NASA's Johnson Space Center. The four-story facility will be owned and operated by Texas A&M



University, and will include research “garages” for research, lab space and classrooms, plus administrative space and an auditorium. The building will include landscapes that recreate the surfaces of Mars and the moon, each the size of a football stadium. It will support training for space missions, including simulated landing on the moon and Mars, as well as advanced research and development in aeronautics, robotics and other fields. The Space Institute is being built on a 32-acre site off Saturn Lane and near Nasa Road 1, which is part of the 240 acres that Johnson Space Center freed up for further commercial development. The remaining space was leased by Austin-based ACMI, which will develop and sublease and lab buildings. See the complete building design fly-through at www.youtube.com/watch?v=zWrMrV7H4VE.



Bits & Pieces

- Peggy's Childcare has a part-time position from 7:30 am to noon. Call (281) 479-7948 to learn more.
- Republic Grill, the restaurant located at Battleground Golf Course, has brought back their Weekly Specials. Stop by at 1600 Georgia Avenue soon and have a lovely lunch overlooking this premier golf course.
- Look for Firehouse Subs in Deer Park to soon re-open with a new owner. Stay tuned for more details.
- Ellard Insurance Agency at 418 E. San Augustine is undergoing a complete remodel and once the work is complete, they will invite the public for an open house in the spring. Stay tuned to this newsletter for event details.
- Area News: Work is underway for the concert venue at the site of former Gulf Greyhound Park in La Marque. The developer, JMK5 Holdings, expects completion in the second quarter of 2025. Las Vegas-style VIP suites and cabanas are in the works along with a 60,000 square foot addition to the building that will accommodate 12,500 people.

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