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NEW HOMES IN DEER PARK

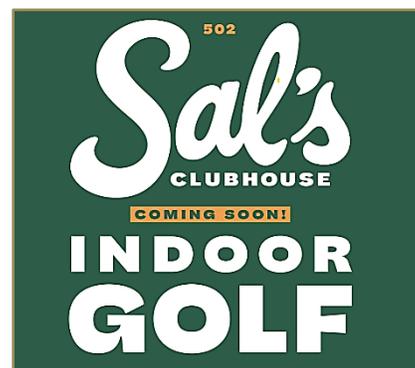
Now open in Deer Park: East Meadows Place by K. Hovnanian Homes. These homes are already selling fast, so now's the time to find your place in this exciting community. Discover spacious new-construction homes starting from the upper \$400s, designed with the room you need and the style you love. Choose from a variety of floorplans offering up to 5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, 4-car garages, and more than 3,700 sq. ft. Every home features exclusive interiors - classic, farmhouse, or loft - professionally curated so your home feels beautifully designed from day one. Visit the temporary sales office today, explore online at www.Khov.com/EastMeadowsPlace, or call 888-425-1635 for details. The model home is under construction now (should be open by late March). East Meadows subdivision spans between E. Pasadena Blvd. and Spencer Blvd. (just west of Monument Baptist Church and Walmart), and is a mix of custom built and builder tract homes that are already built. These 32 new homes are the final phase of this established subdivision, and will build-out the subdivision at a total count of 350 homes.



Fun Fact: Single women now constitute approximately 24% of all *first-time* homebuyers, marking a significant rise in their influence on the U.S. housing market. As the second largest group of buyers after married couples, they represent 20% of the homebuyers — outpacing single men who make up only 10%.

Grip & Rip - Indoors

Sal's ClubHouse will open later this month at 502 Center St. as a premium indoor golf destination that includes retail, entertainment, training and streaming. You can swing in to find the perfect golf environment with 70 degrees, no lost balls and no rain in sight. Upgrade your golf game on the top courses in the world with these amazing simulators. Some bays will be available 24/7 with membership. Stay tuned by following them on Facebook at [@Sal's Clubhouse](https://www.facebook.com/SalsClubhouse) or visit www.salsclubhouse.com.



A New Vibe

Boba Club is now open at 9315 Spencer Hwy. in Deer Park, conveniently located near Nails of America, H-E-B and MOD Pizza. This sleek, modern café is serving up bubble tea, Vietnamese coffee, Cocoube coffee, specialty drinks, smoothies, snacks, and more — all in a stylish space where you will want to hang out. Be sure to try some of their fan favorites like Taiwanese crispy popcorn chicken, the Biscoff Croffle, or a Vietnamese banh mi



made with their signature homemade pâté. One visit and this spot just might become your new happy place. Find them on Facebook or call (346) 233-3000 for more information.

Discounts Galore!

Deals and Steals #2 is marking their 4-year anniversary at 3310 Center St., located in the same shopping center as Food Town, right next door to S-K Liquor. This ever-changing discount store is all about the thrill of the hunt—you never know what treasures you'll find. Inventory and deals change daily, with large bins stocked full of items like clothing, toys, shoes, household goods, bedding, and more. Furniture even makes an appearance from time to time. Fresh merchandise arrives every Tuesday, when all items are priced at \$7 each. Prices drop to \$5 on Wednesday and continue to decrease



each day throughout the week. The store is closed on Sundays and Mondays, but by Tuesday the bins are restocked and the pricing cycle begins again. For weekly specials and featured finds, follow their Facebook page at [@Deals and Steals #2](#).

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Fix Pain Fast

Airrosti Rehab Center is now open at 316 W. San Augustine St. (across the street from Sycamore Grounds). The 20-year-old company is headquartered in San Antonio and has over 600 locations nationwide. Their goal is to fix pain fast with no needles, surgery or invasive procedures. If you have been living with chronic and nagging pain or have recently experienced an acute injury, Airrosti can help find the root cause and offer treatment options for efficient, effective and lasting relief. You can schedule an appointment at www.airrosti.com or call their main number at (800) 404-6050.



Nationally Recognized ❤️ Locally Loved

ABC's Good Morning America (GMA) is celebrating America's 250th birthday by featuring 50 states in 50 weeks. For their Texas piece, the GMA team rolled through to spotlight Deer Park's Skateworld. They later featured a barbecue restaurant in Arlington and Houston's Baylor College of Medicine. Skateworld, located at 410 W. Pasadena Blvd., was featured because of the way it bounced back after receiving



devastating damage from the January 2023 tornado. The story has a happy ending, as the completely re-built rink now has an indoor playscape, 3,600 additional square feet of space and a full kitchen, along with countless other improvements. Deer Park is so appreciative of owner J. Malone and his family for keeping this treasure in our community for the past 50 years. All pricing information and booking options for parties can be found on their website at www.skateworlds.com or you can call them at (281) 479-2816.

Ranked #1 in the Country

San Antonio-based H-E-B has once again been ranked the No. 1 grocery retailer in the nation, earning the top spot for the fifth time in nine years according to Dunnhumby's latest annual grocery ranking. Founded in 1905, the family-owned company now operates more than 440 stores and is firmly entrenched as the top grocery retailer thanks to its ability to consistently deliver exceptional savings, quality, shopping experience, and product assortment. Here in Deer Park, H-E-B at 4701 East Blvd. recently celebrated 10 years at its current location. Deer Park's original H-E-B opened 30 years ago at 3601 Center Street in a building less than half the size of today's store. Since relocating, the expanded store has grown into one of Deer Park's top 10 employers; a true hometown success story tied to a Texas retail giant.



Elevate Your Workspace

Professional office space is now available for lease at 203 Ivy Ave. in Deer Park (near Hwy. 225). The spaces consist of three single offices and one multi-person concept that can accommodate 4 to 6 workspaces. Included is a full-service kitchen and access to a 75-person board room. Utilities are included – tenant contracts their own internet and phones. Reply to heather@allianceportregion.com for more information. This building is owned by the Economic Alliance Houston Port Region, which provides professional economic development services for the businesses and communities surrounding the 25-mile Houston Ship Channel.

Icebreakers in Galveston

Davie Defense Inc. is significantly expanding its shipbuilding operations in Galveston and Port Arthur, investing more than \$730 million and creating over 2,400 new jobs as it ramps up production of Arctic icebreakers. With the recent acquisition of Gulf Copper & Manufacturing Corp.'s shipbuilding assets in both cities - and all required federal approvals secured - Davie Defense is positioning Texas at the forefront of America's renewed shipbuilding efforts. Company leaders say they intend to make their Texas facilities ground-zero for revitalizing the U.S. shipbuilding industry, strengthening domestic manufacturing, accelerating reindustrialization, and enhancing the nation's warfighting readiness by constructing complex vessels for both government and commercial clients. Davie Defense is currently in negotiations with the U.S. Coast Guard to deliver Arctic Security Cutters and is also fabricating fully outfitted structural units for the Navy's Flight III Arleigh Burke-class destroyers. Supporting this growth, Galveston College and Gulf Copper Dry Dock & Rig Repair have launched a new Shipfitting Training Program designed to equip students with hands-on skills for high-demand careers in maritime and industrial trades, with a focus on ship construction and repair (salaries will average \$105,000/year).



Bits & Pieces



- QJS Engineering will soon open at 418 E. San Augustine (former location of Les Ellard Insurance). The building was recently sold, and the new engineering firm will open soon.
- Have a small business? You are invited to attend the Small Business Round Table held locally each month and led by the Small Business Development Center. Get answers to your questions and explore best practices with fellow entrepreneurs Go to www.uh.edu/sbdc and click on "training – in person".
- Fun Fact: Royal Caribbean International's Icon of the Seas, the world's largest cruise ship, will begin sailing from the Port of Galveston in August 2027. The ship has a crew of 2,350 employees, features 20 decks and holds over 5,600 passengers.

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