

The Local Buzz

When you hear anyone talk about ramen, I'm sure the first thing you think of are the cellophane packages that got you through college. But the real deal is actually a dish of complexity, subtlety and skill. (To become a ramen chef in Japan typically takes five years.) Imagine my delight when the [Rehoboth Foodie](#) announced we were getting [our very own noodle shop](#) right here at the beach, in the Safeway shopping center. Can't wait.

Another restaurant just moments from opening is [Rosenfeld's](#) Rehoboth location (across from the new Royal Farms). The sign is up on the building and the [photos on Facebook](#) look amazing. Love the artwork by a local artist who happens to be a [Hirschfeld](#) impressionist. Ocean City fans will be pleased to know that Rosenfeld's just renewed the lease on their O.C. location for another five years.

April 22 is [Record Store Day](#) and you can celebrate locally at our go-to purveyor of vinyl, [Gidget's Gadgets](#). There are albums that are only being released to record stores **that day**, so when you see the line outside the store, you'll know why. [Dogfish](#) owner, Sam Calagione, will do a [meet and greet at the store](#) to promote the latest DFH vinyl release, [Music to Drink Beer To - 3rd Edition](#). (Did you know vinyl records are projected to sell 40 million units in 2017??!! [Forbes](#))

Speaking of [Dogfish](#), their zoomy new building in downtown Reho will be open by Memorial Day! This older article from [Brewbound](#) shows [a drawing of the restaurant campus](#).

OMG we are actually getting an Indian restaurant! Be still my heart. **Indigo** will be in the space where Dough Rollers was on Reho Avenue. [More details here](#).

There are a number of changes to the downtown Rehoboth restaurant scene - Pig+Fish has closed and that location will be a wine bar. That's in addition to the [Vineyard](#) Wine Bar which will open in the former Espuma space. [Cooter Brown's Twisted Southern Kitchen Bourbon Bar](#) has opened in the former Hooter's space in First Street Station. Check out their menu [here](#). Lula Brazil has closed and the space will now host [G Restaurant](#). Other than mentioning "live DJs" their website isn't giving up any info!

[Lori's Cafe](#) has opened for its 21st season and [The Back Porch Cafe](#) will open for their 43rd season on April 28. FORTY THREE SEASONS! Yowza! That's staying power.

The Rehoboth Beach Bandstand has posted its [Summer Concert Series](#) offering everything from blues to country to rock; and, tickets are already on sale for the [Rehoboth Beach Jazz Festival](#) in October. [Freeman Stage](#) celebrates ten years with the likes of Blues Traveler, Jay Leno, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Chicago and more.

A store called **A Ruff Life** "featuring whimsical art on fun products" and [Sara England designs](#) (dog art and products for dog lovers) will open on Baltimore Avenue. **1st & Pond** is opening next to the [Pond Bar & Grill](#) and offering "art and funky stuff". That whole block of South First Street has gotten a face lift and it's lovely! **Pet Wants** is opening next to Dunkin' Donuts on Rehoboth Avenue and appears to be a pet food store.

Over on Wilmington Avenue we now have **TaCaCo Alpacas of Delaware**, a new clothing store featuring items made from alpaca fur: socks, hats, sweaters and yarns, among other items. Check out the [Gazette article](#) here.

Tanger Midway, I mean, Tanger SURFSIDE (whatever...) has a number of new stores in the works: a huge [Adidas](#) store (replacing Reebok); a new [ASICS](#) in the former Coach for men space; [Madda Fella](#), a clothing store inspired by Key West. (**Madda Fella** is Caribbean slang used to express surprise or astonishment.) And [Tory Burch](#) (opening soon) - women's designer clothing, shoes, handbags and accessories.

The Delaware Distilling Company will become the Roadhouse Bar & Grill - deja vu! [Foodie gives us the scoop here](#). The Lewes location of [Kaisy's Delights](#) is now open with a drive thru. Have you had a Kaisy? Decadent, delightful and DEELISH!

In downtown Lewes, [Gilligan's](#) is nearing completion of their brand new building, [Agave](#) hopes to open May 1 following their remodel/ expansion, and [Olive and Oats by Azafran](#) will take over Patty's space.

In between issues of the Local Buzz, we post frequently on our [Local Buzz Facebook page](#), so be sure to LIKE it so you don't miss a thing. There's also a [Local Buzz Facebook page for Ocean City, Berlin and Beyond](#), AND our [Calendar of Events](#) currently has over SIXTY items, everything from Chihuahua races to tea parties to genealogy lectures to car shows and more!

[A Different Kitchen](#) is the new culinary adventure taking over the former Kitchen restaurant space in Paynters Mill.

[Eating Rehoboth](#), walking food tours of some of the best restaurants the downtown area has to offer, returns in May. Get your tickets now!

If you're a fan of [American Pickers](#) on the History Channel, they are currently scouting for [antique collections in our state](#).

The huge structure being built behind the [Movies at Midway](#) is the **Cube**, a premium large-format auditorium, with wide-back recliner seats, floor-to-ceiling screen with digital projection, and a Dolby Atmos sound system (speakers are situated in the front, back, sides and across the ceiling).

How would you like to enjoy an amazing bowl of soup (prepared by area restaurant chefs), have your choice of incredible breads, listen to some local musicians, then go home with your very own *hand thrown soup bowl* (made by the Rehoboth Art League) for just \$25? And know that your money goes to the [Harry K Foundation](#) which feeds hungry kids in Sussex County? Then join me at the [2nd Annual Empty Bowls](#) benefit on April 30, sponsored by the Rehoboth Beach Sunrise Rotary Club. Say hi to me at the event and I'll give you a Local Buzz goody bag as my way of thanking you for supporting this local cause!

A number of my artist friends and fellow writers are part of [The Divine Feminine](#), a multi-faceted event starting May 5. It includes art exhibits, a marketplace, readings, workshops and more.

The Tomato Sunshine spot at Holland Glade Road and Route 1 will morph into a Royal Farms, a restaurant with a patio, and a retail store according to the site plan which was just approved by the County.

How many of these [18 Delaware waterfront restaurants](#) have YOU been to?

Several area farmers' markets are opening starting tomorrow (Friday) with [Milton](#) where you can drink beer and listen to live music while you get your veggies! What's not to love? Coastal Concerts kicks off their season with [Red Priest Wild Card](#) concert which looks like a blast; and that, my lovely Readers, is it for now!