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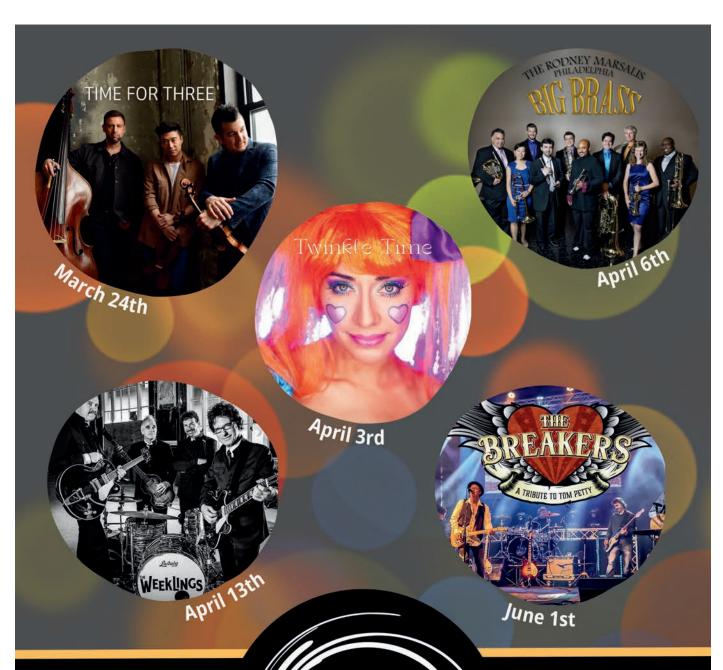
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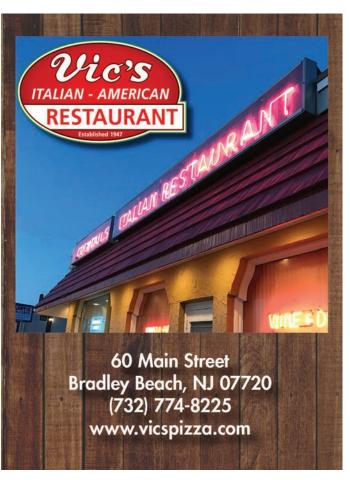
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## Irish Eyes Are Smiling on this St. Patrick's Day

Visit these local hotspots for an Irish toast with ye lads

BY ANTHONY ROSSICS AND THE N&D STAFF N&D MAGAZINE

They've got one in Honolulu, they've got one in Moscow too, They got four of them in Sydney, and a couple in Kathmandu So whether you sing or pull a pint, you'll always have a job 'Cause wherever you go around the world you'll find an Irish pub

t's true that there's an Irish pub in many areas of the world, as the old Irish pub song notes. But there are not many places in the world, save for the Emerald Isle herself, that you'll find pub tradition as strong and true as right here at the Jersey Shore. At this time of year, a sea of green washes over every one of these traditional venues. but the vibrant color is just the beginning. Tasty Irish favorites, the sound of bagpipes, good cheer and of course your favorite Irish drink of choice all are here to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, and really, the whole month of March.

Whether the roots of Ireland run through your veins or not, everyone's Irish on St. Patrick's Day and it is the perfect time to paint the town green.

#### **BRICK HOUSE TAVERN**

The Brick House Tavern located at 3655 Route 66 in Neptune Township will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day by featuring \$4 Jameson hitches to add to any beer.

The tavern will also be serving the St. Patrick's Day Reuben that consists of rye bread, corned beef, Swiss cheese, sauerkraut and thousand island dressing.

#### D'ARCY'S TAVERN

D'arcy's Tavern, located at 310 Main Street in Bradley Beach, is the "Shore's Home to Soccer," but it's also home to St. Patrick's Day celebrations. Plenty of Guinness will be poured throughout the day and authentic and delicious Irish fare will be served.

#### **RIVER ROCK**

River Rock, located at 1600 Route 70 in Brick will be holding a St. Patrick's Day Party with pipes and drums throughout the day. Music will be by Trane O'Stevens Duo at 1



p.m. on Sunday.

River Rock will also have delicious Irish food and drink specials throughout the day.

They will be having \$6 Forged Stouts throughout the month as well as \$6 Slane Irish Coffee.

#### **MJ'S RESTAURANT BAR & GRILL**

MJ's Restaurant Bar & Grill locations at Tinton Falls, Matawan, Middletown, Spotswood, Neptune and Long Branch will feature Irish-themed chef and drink specials throughout the day.

On the Irish-themed food side, the day will feature corned beef sliders, reuben-style potato skins, Irish quesadillas, corned beef & cabbage, St. Paddy's Reuben sandwiches and more.

On the Irish-themed drinks, MJ's will feature \$6 Jameson Irish Whiskey shots and \$6 forged pints of Conor McGregor's Irish Stout.

#### **KELLY'S TAVERN**

Kelly's Tavern located at 43 Route 35 will have bagpipers from 7 to 9 a.m., 12 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. on St. Patrick's Day.

The tavern will also have a St. Patrick's Day Celebration menu with soups, appetizers, entrees and desserts.

Irish specials include Kelly's favorites a Reuben and mini Reuben with corned beef, sauerkraut and Russian dressing over rye and topped with melted Swiss cheese; a corned beef platter of sliced corned beef, boiled potatoes and cabbage and served with rye bread and butter; a hot corned beef or pastrami sandwich, which includes thinly sliced corned beef or pastrami on rye and served with fries.

#### **ASBURY ALE HOUSE**

The Asbury Ale House located at 531 Cookman Ave., Asbury Park will feature music by DJ Encore for a St. Patrick's Day brunch.

The games, giveaways and the calling confetti will also be featured during the celebration. Reservations are required.

#### MCDONAGH'S PUB AND RESTAURANT

McDonagh's Pub and Restaurant located at 2 W Front., Keyport, will feature an all-day Irish celebration starting at 10 a.m.

The festivities will include bagpipers all day, accompanied with Irish foods, such as corned beef and cabbage sandwiches.

#### **SPRING LAKE TAP HOUSE**

Spring Lake Tap House, located on Route 71, will be hosting a St. Patrick's-themed brunch on March 16 and 17 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The St.

Pat's brunches will include a themed menu and specialty cocktails. Reservations can be made online.

#### **MCINTYRE'S PUB**

In celebration of St. Patrick's Day 2024, McIntryre's Pub, located at 1747 Hooper Ave., Toms River will have bagpipers during the afternoon and will return again in the evening. The restaurant will also offer a St. Patty's Day limited menu consisting of traditional Irish dishes such as corned beef and cabbage and Reuben egg rolls.

#### **CELTIC COTTAGE PUB AND PATIO BAR**

The Celtic Cottage Pub and Patio Bar, located at 608 2nd Ave. in Long Branch will offer a St. Patrick's Day menu comprised of corned beef sandwiches, served with potato chips and a pickle, fish and chips, Irish sausage and chips, chicken tenders and cottage fries and a side of cottage fries. All festive entrees are \$15 a plate.

#### **MARTELL'S TIKI BAR**

The normally tropical vibe of Martell's is set to get a little greener on March 17 for St. Patrick's Day with Irish-themed beer and food specials.



Patrons who are feeling lucky can stop by for a brew and a corned beef sandwich or Reuben and participate in giveaways during the day on Sunday.

There's no cover for the St. Patrick's festivities, which last from 12 to 4 p.m. All the while, live music will be provided on the indoor stage by Undisputed, who describe themselves as "modern rock and dance meets hip-hop, punk, pop, ska and funk." Martell's is located at 308-312 Boardwalk.

#### **BEACH HAUS BREWERY**

Beach Haus Brewery, located at 801 Main Street in Belmar, will offer special Reuben and corned beef specials, alongside a drink special menu, for St. Patrick's Day this year.

Beach Haus Brewery is the sole brewery in the Borough of Belmar and has a rotating cast of roughly 15 to 20 beers on tap to be enjoyed by the pint or in flights. The establishment is open on the holiday from noon to 8 p.m. Kitchen stops serving food an hour before closing.

#### **SHORE HOUSE TAVERN**

"St. Pat's is back," according to Shore House Tavern, located at 2114 NJ-88 in Point Pleasant. All month long, a specialty menu is available,

with Irish-themed cocktails, drinks and delicacies.

One of the featured items is their Irish Iced Coffee Flight, featuring four iced down variations of the traditional "Irish Coffee" including Jameson Cold Brew, Jameson Cast Mates IPA, Jameson Orange and Jameson Irish Whiskey. This only costs bar patrons \$12.

On St. Patrick's Day, Shore House will open its doors at 7:30 a.m. and will close at 2 a.m. on Sunday. There will be an outdoor tent, a Jameson ice luge, Irish step dancers, bagpipers, specialty menu, custom cocktails, giveaways and a DJ encore at 3 p.m.

#### THE IDLE HOUR

The Idle Hour, located at 2600 Route 88, will be having their "St. Paddys Tent Party" on Saturday, March 16, with a rain date of Sunday, March 17.

Starting at 1 p.m., residents can enjoy drink specials and a specialty menu. Plus the Mike Dalton Band will be playing from 2 to 5 p.m., with bagpipes playing at 4 p.m.

#### ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN PUBLICK HOUSE

St. Stephen's Green located at 2031 Route 71, Spring Lake, is offering their corned beef and cabbage all month long.

Don't miss the Dublin Rolls, which feature pulled corned beef, braised cabbage, and vegetables wrapped in egg roll skins with Guinness mustard dipping sauce. Fans of Jameson should check out the Lucky Lemonade or the Honey Highball.

On St. Patrick's Day, St. Stephen's will be fully stocked on Jameson, Tullamore Dew and Guinness. The Snakes will be performing all day and night. Corned beef and cabbage will, of course, be served and breakfast will also be served 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

#### **HARRIGAN'S PUB**

Harrigan's Pub. located at Route 71 and Baltimore Blvd. in Sea Girt is your St. Pat's headquarters. While you sip on a perfectly poured Guinness, you can enjoy live Irish tunes by The Black Ties. Harrigan's will be serving Irish favorites including corned beef, shepherd's pie, fish 'n chips, Guinness stew and of course. plenty of Guinness. Bagpipers will be stopping by throughout the day, as well.

#### **MCCANN'S TAVERN**

The Doubting Toms will be performing at McCann's Tavern, located at 1704 Main Street in Lake Como, on St. Pat's from 2 to 6 p.m. The Irish pub's usual Irish fare will be served. alongside a pint of Guinness or your beverage of choice.



#### THE IRISH RAIL

Located at the Manasquan Train Station, the Irish Rail is often a stop at the beginning or end of one's railway journey. On St. Pat's; however, you may want to settle in for a sampling of the Irish menu and a perfect pour of a Guinness pint.

#### **KLEE'S BAR & GRILL**

Located at 101 Boulevard, Seaside Heights, Klee's Bar & Grill always has their Irish flag flying. On St. Patrick's Day, you can expect to find Irish beverages, Irish fare and Irish music. Look for old favorites and St. Patrick's Day staples like corned beef & cabbage and Irish bangers and mash and many more. Klee's has live music every weekend on Friday and Saturday, but this weekend you can expect live music on Sunday too — Jimmy & Gene Duo will go on at 1 p.m.

#### **DUBLIN HOUSE, RED BANK**

Located at 30 Monmouth Street in Red Bank, the Dublin House is well known for its Irish pub atmosphere. You'll enjoy tasty Irish food that takes you back to the homeland including shepherd's pie, corned beef, bangers & mash, a classic reuben and more. The beer will be flowing and the Irish music will be playing on Sunday, March 17, just a little louder than it does on any other day.

#### **IRISH CRAFT BREWS IN OUR AREA**

rea breweries will roll out the green carpet — and specialty brews — for St. Patrick's Day. Here's a few local spots and their plans to help you get into the spirit.

#### **BEACH HAUS BREWERY, BELMAR**

Parade Day Coffee Stout is blended with a roast by local roaster Turnstile Coffee and its still around after its debut for Parade Day at the beginning of the month. BC MacGowan will be performing on St. Pat's, 2 to 5 p.m.

#### **BRADLEY BREW PROJECT, BRADLEY BEACH**

The BBP x Hoagitos collab is also available at the "Ultimate St. Patty's Party" which will feature Hoagitos Reuben sandwiches being served from 1 to 4 p.m. The party continues until 7 p.m. and many seasonal beers will be available all day.

#### LAST WAVE BREWING COMPANY, POINT PLEASANT BEACH

It's officially Red Ale season at the Jersey Shore, according to Last Wave. They will be serving Red Sky, their favorite red ale that tastes extra delicious around St. Paddy's Day with a delicate balance of clean drinkability and rich notes of toffee and caramel.

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#### THE BELMAR/LAKE COMO ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE • SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024

Shamrock-shaped sunglasses shading fair eyes from the uncharacteristically sunny skies and other festive green gear were on full display on Sunday March 3 as thousands packed the parade route along Main Street at the 51st annual Belmar/Lake Como St. Patrick's Day Parade.

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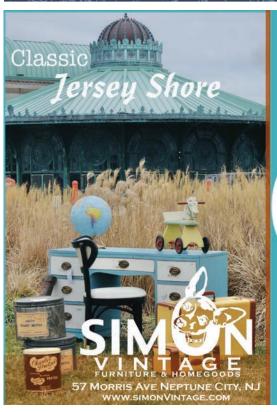
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**SHAYNE MILLER** Director of Marketing and Communications at The Algonquin Arts Theatre

"It's [Fiddler on the Roof] one of the world's biggest musicals. It's got songs that everybody loves. It's just a great piece of theater, and we hope everybody will come and see it."

## **Theater productions** to look forward to this spring

hether it be a night out on the town with your favorite date or a group trip with your closest gal pals, to quote Shakespeare, the play's the thing to do at the Jersey Shore this year. To help plan, Night and Day recently caught up with a couple local theaters, to provide an in-depth look at some local live performances planned for the month's ahead.

#### THE ALGONQUIN ARTS THEATRE, MANASOUAN

The historic Algonquin Arts Theatre has been a longtime fixture of downtown Manasguan, at 60 Abe Voorhees Drive, despite undergoing many physical and logistical changes throughout its lifespan.

Annual programming includes seven to eight main stage productions of plays and musicals, an orchestral music series, a wide variety of jazz and pop concerts, special event programming, student matinee presentations, film presentations and a full complement of classes and workshops in theater, music and dance.

Particularly well-known are its theatrical productions led by Executive Director Pamela Ward. From April 6 to April 21, the theater will put on 10 weekend performances of "Fiddler on the Roof."

Performances will be held on April 6, 7, 12, 13 [matinee and evening], 14, 19, 20 [matinee and evening] and 21. Evening performances will be at 8 p.m. Matinee



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performances will be at 2 p.m. on Saturdays and 3 p.m. on Sundays.

"Fiddler on the Roof" is a musical from the 1960s written by Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick with an accompanying book by Joseph Stein. Based on Sholem Aleichem's stories, the show is set in early 1900s Russia and tells the story of a Jewish milkman named Tevye as

he navigates religion and family.

"It's one of the world's biggest musicals," said Shayne Miller, director of marketing and communications at Algonquin. "It's got songs that everybody loves. It's just a great piece of theater, and we hope everybody will come and see it."

He said the show has a cast of

32 and a nine-member creative team, as well as an additional crew of roughly nine individuals.

To purchase tickets, visit the theater's website at algonquinarts. org. Regular tickets cost \$36 for adults, \$33 for seniors and \$26 for students. Premium tickets cost \$45 for adults, \$42 for seniors and \$35 for students.

#### **UPCOMING SHOWS**

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#### **ALGONQUIN ART THEATRE'S** 2024-2025 SEASON

The Algonquin Arts Theatre has announced its shows scheduled to run through May 2025 and there are many exciting shows included.

Miller said, "We are thrilled to present an exceptional lineup for our 2024-2025 Broadway Series, Each production has been carefully chosen to provide our audience with a diverse range of theatrical experiences. We look forward to sharing these incredible stories."

Andrew Lloyd Webber's masterpiece "Cats" will take the stage beginning on July 13 and run through July 28. "Cats" is the winner of seven Tony Awards including best musical, best book and best score. You'll want to see the Algonquin's spin on this show's breathtaking choreography and dazzling costumes.

In August, "Spring Awakening" asks viewers to step into a world where the vibrancy of youth clashes with the oppressive constraints of society. This musical's fusion of rock and folk music complements the poignant narrative of love, rebellion and self discovery. This musical is for mature audiences only and runs Aug. 10 through 18.

Get ready for a musical extravaganza that will dazzle your senses and ignite your imagination when "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" hits the Algonquin Theatre stage on Oct. 11, running through Oct. 20. The tale of Joseph and his brothers and his rollicking adventure, filled with laughter, love and unexpected twists is great for the entire family.

The holiday season can be celebrated at Algonquin Theatre when Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" has its curtain call on Dec. 7. This winter wonderland of song, dance and holiday cheer runs through Dec. 21 and is sure

to put you into the holiday spirit. Miller said, it's back "by popular demand." He added. "Embrace the holiday spirit with Irving Berlin's 'White Christmas,' a timeless classic that will warm hearts with its festive cheer, memorable tunes. and dazzling choreography."

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" kicks off the new year on Jan. 18, 2025 and runs through Jan. 26. Rediscover the magic of childhood with Charlie Brown. Snoopy, Lucy, Linus, Sally and the rest of the gang.

"In February, Algonquin Arts will present a poignant and powerful production of 'The Diary of Anne Frank,' showcasing one of the most enduring stories of resilience, family, hope, and the human spirit," Miller said, "The Diary of Anne Frank" runs Feb. 15 and through Feb. 22. This newly-adapted play based upon the book, "Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl," seeks to make Anne Frank's deeply moving words leap from the pages of her diary onto the stage.

The ultimate dance session "Footloose" the musical takes the stage on March 28 and runs through April 6. Miller said, "'Footloose' brings the party to Algonquin Arts Theatre this spring in a musical based on the beloved 1984 film with its high-energy dance numbers and infectious music."

Witness the birth of a nation in "1776" — a revolutionary musical experience. With music and lyrics by Sherman Edwards, this play follows John Adams. Thomas Jefferson, Ben Franklin and other iconic figures as they draft the Declaration of Independence. This three-time Tony Award winner runs May 9 through May 18.

Evening shows typically have a 7:30 p.m. curtain and matinees are held at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Visit algqonuinarts.org to make your ticket purchases for the 2024-25 season.



**ELLA FISCHER** The Spring Lake Theatre Marketing Manager

"We are very excited to announce our upcoming 2024-2025 Season."

#### THE SPRING LAKE THEATRE, SPRING LAKE

Located at 300 Madison Ave. in the Spring Lake Community House, the Spring Lake Theatre Company is known for producing Broadway-quality musicals, comedies and dramas with professionally talented casts, lavish sets and costumes, and show-stopping performances.

Led by Executive Director Patricia Barry, the company puts on six different shows per season, with the opening night ticket sales of several performances donated to a different, well-deserving area charity.

This April, the company will present "HMS Pinafore," a comic opera written by Arthur Sullivan and W.S. Gilbert in the late 1800s. The show tells a story that takes place aboard a British ship of the same name. In the story, the captain's daughter falls in love with an average sailor but is

intended by her father to marry a higher-ranking officer.

Marketing Manager Ella Fischer said, "It's a classic." She added that another Gilbert and Sullivan show. "Pirates of Penzance" was very successful a couple of years ago. "We're hoping people will enjoy 'HMS Pinafore' just as much."

There will be Friday and Saturday performances on April 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27, as well as one on Thursday, April 11, which will double as a fundraiser for the Woman's Club of Spring Lake. The Saturdays have two performances each, one at 2 p.m. and one at 7:30 p.m. The other performances, on April 11 and Fridays, will all be at 7:30 p.m.

All proceeds from the April 11 performance will be put toward the Woman's Club of Spring Lake's Scholarship Fund, which each year makes academic scholarships available to young women from Spring Lake or

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#### **SPRING LAKE THEATRE** 300 Madison Ave. **Spring Lake** (732) 449-4530 springlaketheatre.com

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#### THE STRAND THEATER 400 Clifton Ave., Lakewood (732) 367-7789 www.strand.org

4/14 'Swan Lake'

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4/26-4/28 'Spring Awakening' Showing at The Navesink Library 149 Monmouth Street, Navesink

#### **EXIT 82 THEATER** 73 Main Street, Second Floor **Toms River** exit82theatre.com

#### TWO RIVER THEATER 21 Bridge Ave. **Red Bank** (732) 345-1400 tworivertheater.org

4/6-4/28 'A Thousand Maids' 6/8-6/30 August Wilson's 'Gem of the Ocean'

#### **MIDDLETOWN ARTS CENTER** 36 Church St. Middletown Township middletownarts.org

3/22-3/24 'The Lion King Jr.'



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Spring Lake Heights who will be graduating high school this year and plan to pursue higher education at a two or four-year institution in the fall.

Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances can be purchased by visiting the theater's website at springlaketheatre.com and navigating to the "Tickets & Events" tab. They cost \$40 for adults, \$35 for seniors and \$30 for students and children.

Tickets for the April 11 performance can be reserved by contacting Kathleen Dittman at 732-449-5920 or Anne Butler at 732-449-3750. The tickets are \$35 per person and include light refreshments. Doors open at 6:45 p.m.

#### SPRING LAKE'S 2024-2025 SEASON

The Spring Lake Theatre Company has announced its shows scheduled to run through April 2025 and there are many exciting titles included. "We are very excited to announce our upcoming 2024-2025 Season," Fischer

"My Fair Lady" will be on the stage beginning July 6 and running through July 21. "My Fair Lady" is the classic musical about Eliza Doolittle, a spirited Cockney flower girl, as she undergoes a remarkable transformation under the guidance of Professor Henry Higgins. With its iconic songs and charming storyline, this be-







loved musical captivates audiences of all ages.

On Aug. 15, a stage run for "Anastasia" will begin, telling the story of Anya, a young woman on a quest to uncover her mysterious past, as she navigates the glittering streets of Paris and the opulent world of imperial Russia. The show runs through Aug. 25. Fischer said, "'Anastasia' is brand new and we're one of the first theaters in the area to do that performance."

"Jekyll & Hyde The Musical" begins its run on Oct. 11, telling the haunting tale of Dr. Henry Jekyll, a brilliant scientist grappling with his inner demons, as he unleashes his dangerous alter ego, Edward Hyde. The show runs through Oct. 26. "Jekyll & Hyde" promises a thrilling theatrical experience filled with suspense and emotion.

The 42nd annual performance of "Scrooge" will likely draw a sell-out crowd as it does nearly every year. The first show is on Dec. 5 and runs through Dec. 22 in a heartwarming musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' beloved classic "A Christmas Carol." Fischer says, "Scrooge is our best seller for sure. We sell out every year."

"The Prom" debuts on Feb. 14 and runs through Feb. 23. This musical follows a group of Broadway stars whose careers have seen better days as they descend upon a small town in Indiana to support a high school student banned from attending prom with her girlfriend.

Running April 3 through 13, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" follows the captivating story of Joseph, his coat of many colors, and his incredible journey from slavery to redemption. This is not the first performance of "Joseph" for Spring Lake Theatre Company. Fischer adds, "'Joseph' is back again and it's definitely a popular show."

Evening shows have a 7:30 p.m. curtain and matinees are held at 2p.m. Visit springlaketheatre.com to make your ticket purchases for the 2024-25 season.

#### YOUNG ACTORS TAKE CENTER STAGE

Both Algonquin Arts Theatre and Spring Lake Theatre Company have youth programs.

#### **ALGONOUIN ARTS THEATRE** has a Performing Arts Academy, a youth ensemble, teen nights and an internship

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#### **SPRING LAKE THEATRE COMPANY has**

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Other New Jersey youth programs include:

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VISIT dramakids.com/rumson-tintonfalls-long-branch-asbury-park-nj/

#### **BCCT, BRICK TOWNSHIP**

BCCT is nonprofit, community theater group dedicated to the children of Ocean and Monmouth counties. BCCT has received great reviews with a dedicated following from the local community. VISIT bcct.org

#### **HOWELL PAL THEATRE COMPANY** The Howell Police Athletic League

Theatre Company is a nonprofit children's theater company, dedicated to the children of Howell and the surrounding area. They offer theater classes and summer programs.

VISIT howellpaltheaterco.com

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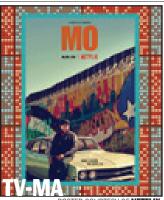
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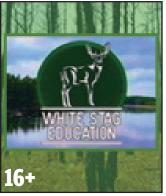
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#### **PODCAST** 'DOWNSIDE'

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#### **KIDS WEB SERIES** 'IT'S LIT!'

It's Lit! is a web series on PBS about literature that was hosted by Lindsay Ellis (bestselling author) and Princess Weekes (editor & essayist). They prompt discussions about literature and what makes it so much fun; covering from sci-fi to history, discussing topics ranging from ethics to whether or not it's actually fair to judge a book by its cover. Great for middle-grade bookworms who are immersed in the literary world.



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Fiction | "The Great Divide" by Cristina Henriquez

Non-Fiction | "Over the Influence: Why Social Media is Toxic for Women and Girls - And How We Can Take it Back" by Kara Alaimo



#### **BOOKTOWNE** Peter Albertelli 171 Main St, Manasquan booktowne.com

Fiction | "All the Colors of the Dark" by Chris Witaker and "Honey" by Victor Lodato

Non-Fiction | "George: A Magpie Memoir" by Frieda Hughes and "Red Comet" by Heather Clark





#### LITTLE POINT BOOKSHOP Kelly Coyle Crivelli 618 Arnold Ave **Point Pleasant Beach** thelittlepointbookshop.com

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Kids ages 1-5 should meet at 5th Ave., ages 6-9 at 4th Ave. to search for more than 3,500 eggs placed in the sand. Golden eggs will win a special prize.

#### **BRADLEY BEACH**

March 23, 12 to 2 p.m.

Newark Ave. Beach, Bradley Beach

Children up to 12 years old can search for eggs in the sand.

#### **FREEHOLD**

March 23 at 1 p.m. sharp **Battleview Orchards, Freehold** 

Free with a donation of money or a non-perishable food item.

POINT PLEASANT March 23, 11 a.m. **Community Park** 

Free (residents only)

Bring your own basket to this event hosted by the mayor and council for residents of Point Pleasant only.

**SPRING LAKE** 

March 30, 11 a.m.

**Divine Park** 

Free (residents only)

Children who live in Spring Lake up to age 8 may participate.

POINT PLEASANT BEACH

March 23, 1 to 4p.m.

Pleasure Park, Forman and St. Louis Avenue

Sponsored by the Point Pleasant Beach Recreation Committee.

**BRIELLE** 

March 23, 11 a.m.

**Brielle Park** 

Free

Children up to age 10 can participate. Rain date: March 24

#### ALLAIRE VILLAGE FLEA MARKET

Saturday, March 16 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. The Historic Village at Allaire \$5 per person. Ages 10 and under FREE.

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**Every Wednesday** 8 - 9:15 a.m. **Blend On Main** [152 Main St., Manasquan] Members - \$15, Non-members - \$20

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#### March 11- March 17 **Throughout Bradley Beach**

Magic rocks with shamrocks painted on them will be hidden throughout the borough including areas near the boardwalk, Main Street, Riley Park and more. If you find a lucky rock, email tourism@bradleybeachni.gov to claim your prize.

#### **CRIMSON KNIGHTS FOUNDATION GALA**

Thursday, March 21 5:30 p.m.

Spring Lake Manor [415 Route 71] Cost: \$85

The Crimson Knights Foundation is celebrating its fourth annual gala later this month. There will be three honorees for the event; Wall Township Police Chief Sean O'Halloran, Tiffany Steiner and Joshua Tennant. Register for tickets at 2024ckfgala.eventbrite.com.

#### WALL ALLIANCE EASTER BUNNY BREAKFAST

Saturday, March 23 8:30 - 11 a.m. **Wall Municipal Building Community** Room [2700 Allaire Road] Adults - \$6, \$7 at the door; Children and seniors - \$5, \$6 at the door

Join the Wall Alliance for a breakfast buffet, focusing on prevention of alcohol and drug abuse, while the Easter Bunny will be in attendance for a picture to remember. Register at register.communitypass.net/wall.

#### **SKATEPARK BONANZA**

Saturday, March 23 Noon - 6 p.m. Salty's Beach Bar, 1705 Main St. friendsofbelmarskatepark.org

First official fundraiser from the Belmar Skatepark Committee will be an all-ages event to raise funds to build a new Belmar Skatepark. Fundraiser will run throughout the day and include prize giveaways, as well as live musical performances by Beach Music Rock Band, Anthony Ferraro & Friends and Neon Garage. Cash only cover to enter; adults cost \$20, kids 12 and under cost \$10. More information found online.

#### **EASTER FLOWER SALE AND CRAFT FAIR**

Fri., March 29 and Sat., March 30 March 29; 4 - 8 p.m., March 30; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. **Wall Community First Aid Squad** [1417 Lakewood Road]

#### **EASTER BUNNY VISITS MANASQUAN**

Saturday, March 30 Noon - 3 p.m. **Downtown Business District in** Manasquan

Visit with the Easter Bunny during your day shopping or dining in Manasquan. Sponsored by the Manasquan Chamber of Commerce.

#### SPRING LAKE CHILDREN'S TROUT FISHING CONTEST

April 6 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Spring Lake

Event is free. Loaner fishing equipment will be available if needed. Food will be provided.

#### **JSCC BUSINESS EXPO**

Tuesday, April 16 5 - 7:30 p.m. **Berkeley Oceanfront Hotel** [1401 Ocean Avenues, Asbury Park]

The public is invited, free of charge, to the 2024 BizExpo sponsored by The Jersey Shore Chamber of Commerce to see more than 70 exhibitors, enjoy free tasting samples from member restaurants, and win prizes from free raffles.

#### **LADIES' NIGHT OUT**

Thursday, April 18 4 - 8 p.m. **Arnold and Bay avenues** 

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#### **EVENTS AND OUTINGS**

#### **CHEFS WHO CARE TASTING FUNDRAISER**

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3/29 Gimme Gimme Disco

3/30 Oceans

4/5 Marc Riblers Watkins Glen Tribute

4/6 Start Making Sense

4/7 Giant Rooks

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#### **ALLAIRE VILLAGE'S EASTER CELEBRATION**

The Village's Easter celebration is being held on Saturday, March 23 and Saturday, March 30 this year, giving visitors two chances to meet the Easter Bunny and enjoy some holiday fun. \$10 per person ages 3 and up will give you access to all the fun items planned including: live animals, music, Easter games, a magician, bonnet decorating, Easter crafts, a scavenger hunt, Easter egg treats, and of course, historic demonstrations. More details at allairevillage.org.



#### JOIN THE GIRLS SCOUTS FOR SPRING FUN!

Down the Bunny Trail will be held at Camp Sacajawea in Farmingdale on Saturday, March 23. Roast Peeps S'mores, create an egg-cellent craft, enjoy a fun scavenger hunt around Bunny Village, snap a photo with the Bunny and much more. No need to be a Girl Scout, this even is open to all. Register at gsFun.org/ bunnytrail.

#### LOCAL SCENE AND HEARD

f you're wondering which local businesses are on the move in your favorite towns in Monmouth and Ocean Counties, we've got the scoop for you. Here's what we're seeing and hearing on the local scene.

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## **Benefit Gala**





#### **EAT CLEAN BRO GALA RAISES \$200,000**

Earlier this month Eat Clean Bro hosted its 3rd Annual Gala that benefited Children's Specialized Hospital at South Gate Manor in Freehold. Celebrities, including Melissa and Joe Gorga, Jenni 'Jwoww' Farley, Danielle and Nate Cabral, Carli Bybel, Todd Frazier and more joined the event to help local kids living with complex medical conditions and special healthcare needs. The meal prep company's third gala raised over \$200,000 for Children Specialized Hospital.

Pictured at left are President and founder of Eat Clean Bro, Jamie Giovinazzo [at right], his wife, Kayla Giovinazzo Director of Brand for Eat Clean Bro, and Keynote speaker and honoree, Gabriella Brehm [center].

Pictured above are Real Housewives of New Jersey Stars attending and supporting Eat Clean Bro's 3rd annual Gala benefiting Children's Specialized Hospital.

## **Ribbon Cuttings**



COURTESY OF THE POINT PLEASANT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

#### **KIERSTEN'S CREATIONS**

Kiersten's Creations, a new gourmet desserts bakery located on 2401 Bridge Ave., hosted a ribbon cutting last Thursday. Owner Kiersten Connor [center with scissors] was joined by Point Pleasant Chamber of Commerce members, Councilwoman Charlene Archer, Mayor Robert Sabosik and Panther's Let's Eat directors. According to the shop website, Ms. Connor, from an early age, had an "indescribable passion" for baking and pastry. She began baking in grocery stores and grew to develop her own recipes. Eventually, she continued her education at The Culinary Institute of America, where she earned an associate's degree in baking and pastry, as well as a bachelor's degree in food business management. "After years of working in the industry, both prior and after culinary school, I have found the most enjoyment from creating and delivering delicious desserts directly to my customers. After learning my true passion was creating smiles through desserts, I decided to launch Kiersten's Creations to continue my journey," Ms. Connor said via her website.



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#### **MAUVE SHOPPE**

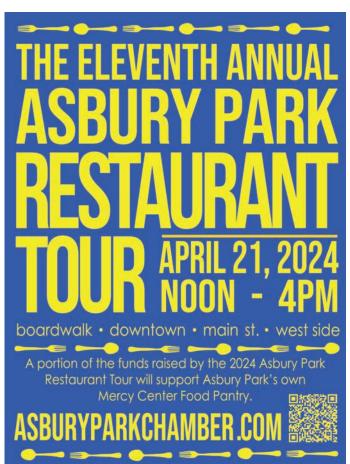
Mauve Shoppe, located at 2801 Bridge Ave., hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony last Thursday with owner Samantha Hernandez [holding the scissors], members of the Point Pleasant Chamber of Commerce, Councilwoman Charlene Archer and Mayor Robert Sabosik. Mauve Shoppe is a boutique selling a variety of clothing. According to its website, their mission is to "empower, inspire and make every woman feel beautiful in our clothing. We believe that beauty is not defined by conventional standards, but rather that each individual is unique and special in their own way." Ms Hernandez "strives to curate a clothing collection that celebrates every woman's uniqueness and individual beauty," according to the website. To learn more about Mauve Shoppe, visit mauveshoppe.com.



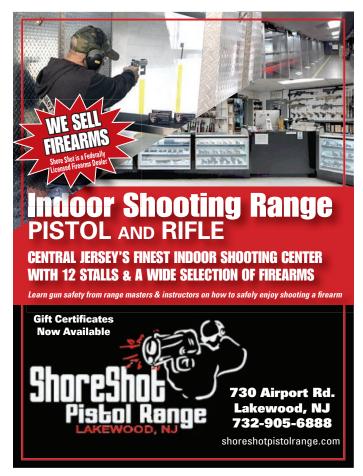
## Coming in April.

#### **BELMAR SURF TACO REOPENS IN APRIL**

Surf Taco's Belmar location has been closed, but will reopen in the beginning of April, according to owner Rob Nagel, who says, "We're refreshing our look and have some exciting summer specials that we're working on." Nagel is excited that Belmar residents and visitors can get back to this prime location, beginning in April. Eight other locations in New Jersey are open and ready to serve hungry diners and there's even a Jupiter, Florida location if you find yourself further south.













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## Specialties that are 40-year favorites

Harrigan's Pub has the perfect pairings to make every day as enjoyable as St. Patrick's Day

On a Friday afternoon at Harrigan's Pub in Sea Girt, you'll find a bustling bar and busy Irish pub-style restaurant. Sizzling steaks come out of the kitchen two at a time and the tap pours are plentiful. Kasey and Bill Passaic are going into their 19th year at the 40-year-old pub serving up old and new favorites to regulars and new faces.

"We're known for our sizzling steak," Kasey says. "It's been a house specialty for over 40 years."

The sliced steak is cooked to perfection (they recommend a medium to medium-rare temp) and covered with just the right amount of seasoning including a hefty helping of garlic. The steak is served over toast points and with your choice of potato. Another great option is the Tuscan Chicken, a newer menu item, that starts with Bell & Evans chicken, served over grilled zucchini, summer squash and topped with fresh mozzarella. The entire grilled-to-perHARRIGAN'S PUB 703 Baltimore Blvd. Sea Girt (732) 449-8228 harriganspub.com

fection dish is finished with a balsamic reduction.

Your meal won't be complete without a perfect pour of Guinness from the bar and this time of year, we recommend a shamrock on top.

If you visit Harrigan's Pub for lunch or dinner, you'll find plenty of menu choices to satisfy taste buds including options from the land, from the ocean from the grill, and a large set of salads and starters to get warmed up with.

The bar — beautifully topped with a copper counter — has 16 beers on tap. Sunday brunch from 11am to 2pm features handcrafted bloody mary's and mimosas. Their craft cocktail menu includes mules, mojitos, margaritas, spritzes and more.

Visit Harrigan's Pub for the upcoming St. Pat's holiday — or any day — and enjoy a delicious meal in the comfort of a welcoming Irish pub atmosphere.



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#### BARS & BANDS



#### **SEA. HEAR. NOW. LINEUP ANNOUNCED**

The Boss is joining the headliners at this year's Asbury Park beach-based Sea. Hear. Now. two-day event. On Sunday, Sept. 15, Bruce Springsteen & The E Street Band lead the lineup for the day, joined by The Gaslight Anthem, Trey Anastasio Band and Norah Jones. Day one on Saturday, Sept. 14 is headlined by Noah Kahan, who is joined by The Black Crowes, 311 and The Revivalists. The full lineup can be found at seahearnowfestival.com. Presale began on March 7 and tickets have now sold out. Waitlist opportunities are available at seahearnowfestival.com.



#### ALL ROADS LEAD TO 'BLUE HIGHWAYS' AT BAR A

Fans of Blue Highways eclectic jam band performances will want to mark their calendars for Saturday, March 23, when they take the stage from 4 to 7p.m. at Bar Anticipation in Belmar. A variety of rock and Americana songs are typical at Blue Highways shows and the crowds typically turn out to hear them.

#### **ASBURY HOTEL**

#### **Asbury Park**

#### www.theasburyhotel.com

Fri. 3/15: St Patrick's Day Pool Party; Sat. 3/16: Dave Vargo, Geneveieve; Fri 22: Stephanie Chin, Above the Moon, Doug Gatta; Sat 3/23: Whitney Kelly, Leah Thompson; 3/30: Shotgun Curly Duo

#### FRATELLO'S

Sea Girt

#### fratellosni.com

Fri. 3/15: Stan Steele; Sat 3/21: Turnpike Mike; 3/22: Three Steps Back; 3/28: Stan Steele; 3/29: Alter Ego

#### Heights 27

#### **Wall Township**

#### www.heights27.com

Fri. 3/15: Groovesharks, Fully Loaded; Sat. 3/16: Gwynne Alden, Bad Gunther; Fri. 22: Rob Messina Band, Tangled Souls; Sat 3/23: Tim Wildeman

#### MJ's RESTAURANT

#### **Long Branch**

#### mjsrestaurant.com/longbranch/

Fri. 3/15: Chris Morrisy; Sat. 3/16: Swamp Eddy & Nina; Sat. 3/23: JLamar; Fri. 3/29: Bill & Andy Show; Sat 3/30: Dakota Leigh

#### Neptune

#### www.mjsrestaurant.com/Neptune

Fri. 3/15: Pat Guadagno; Sat. 3/16: Trane Stevens; Sun. 3/17: Ken & Rich; Fri 3/23: Brue Crew; Fri. 3/29: Guns 4 Hire; Sat. 3/30: Wayne Bilotti Duo

#### **RIVER ROCK CAFE**

#### **Brick Township**

#### riverrockbricknj.com

Fri. 3/15: Jerry LaSatella, Screaming Broccoli & DJ O; Sat. 3/16: Trane O'Stevens Duo, Jay Sol Acoustic; Fri. 22: Plan Al; Sat. 3/23: Brother Pete Duo, Social Saturday with DJ Licious

#### **WATER STREET**

#### **Toms River**

#### waterstreetnj.com

Fri. 3/15: Jeff Lakata Duo; Fri. 3/16: The Black Ties; Fri. 3/22: Brother Pete Duo; Sat. 3/23: DJ Ban3; Fri. 3/29: Todd Robbins Duo; Sat 3/30: The Ruckus

#### STONE PONY

#### **Asbury Park**

#### www.stoneponyonline.com/

Fri. 3/22: Obey Your Master Metallica Tribute: Sat 3/29: Gimme Gimme Disco

#### **WONDER BAR**

#### **Asbury Park**

#### wonderbarasburypark.com

Fri 3/22: Eddie Testa Band; Sat. 3/23: Free Throw with Super American & Carpool; Fri. 3/29: Kendall Street Company & Yam Yam; Sat. 3/30: Anthony Krizan Band

For more listings go to: ndmag.com





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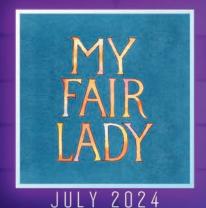
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