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P.B. REVIVAL?

As the weather warms up, the beach beckons. So should **Pacific Beach Alehouse**, which is just steps from the surf.

Until recently, though, it was easy to resist this place. Since Erik Jensen left in 2012 to become head brewer at Green Flash, the Alehouse's beers have been unremarkable and inconsistent.

"The house beers," Dan Enjem said, "were not our focus."

Enjem became the Alehouse's head brewer in November. As a home brewer and then as a professional at Thorn Street and Ballast Point, Enjem learned lessons he's determined to use to revive Pacific Beach's craft beer reputation.

To a lineup that includes easy-drinking Japanese lagers and American blonde ales, Enjem is adding what he calls "advanced beer-drinking beers."

"These are not your average beers. They have more complex yeast-driven flavors," he said. "If you are an old pro at drinking beer, these are the beers you look for to show what a brewer can actually do."

The Alehouse will host its official re-launch on April 7, National Beer Day.