

Restaurant Activity Report—Lead Report

Current Real Estate Transactions, Leases Signed, Ownership Changes, and Business Brokerage Activity.



For restaurant contact information, please call Restaurant Activity Report at (443) 974-8897.

Seemingly Overzealous

224 East Blvd.
Charlotte, NC 28203

www.seeminglyoverzealous.com

Garrett Tichy

Co-Owners

Est. Opening Date: May 31, 2025

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Regional

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Desserts

Summary: Seemingly Overzealous will open its third location in late May 2025 at 224 East Blvd, Charlotte, North Carolina 28203. The allergy-friendly ice cream shop, owned by Garrett Tichy and Jessica Berresse, offers gluten-, dairy-, and egg-free treats, including 12 rotating flavors and homemade cones. The Dilworth shop will feature bar seating, a small patio, arcade games, and a mural by local artist Brett Twokat.

A'LEURER

TBA
Greensboro, NC 27408

Dolo Harrison

Co-Owner

Est. Opening Date: May 2, 2025

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: American

Summary: A'LEURER LLC, a new restaurant in Greensboro, North Carolina 27408, is set to open in May 2025. The restaurant will be led by head chef Dolo Harrison. A'LEURER aims to offer a unique atmosphere and flavors to the community. Interviews for various positions will be held soon.

Rio 150

8164 S Tryon St
Charlotte, NC 28273
www.rio150.com

Rashel Limper

Owner

Est. Opening Date: July 1, 2025

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Regional

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Mexican

Summary: Family-owned Mexican restaurant Rio 150 is slated to open its fourth location this July at 8164 S Tryon St, Charlotte, North Carolina 28273, in the former Chili's Grill & Bar at Whitehall Commons. Operated by Rashel Limper, her husband Dylan, and their family, the restaurant will offer a menu of tacos, fajitas, nachos, tostadas, enchiladas, flautas, and homemade salsa, along with a wide tequila selection and large shareable margaritas.

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Barley Jean's Bakery

22 Union St N
Concord, NC 28025
www.barleyjeans.com

Melissa Allen

Owner

Est. Opening Date: July 1, 2025

Publication Date: April 17, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Bakery/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Barley Jean's Bakery is opening its first brick-and-mortar location this summer at The District Exchange, a new retail hub launching in July at 22 Union St N, Concord, North Carolina 28025. Owner Melissa Allen has operated the bakery for over two years through farmers markets and pop-ups, and the 200 sqft space will offer fresh baked goods including cinnamon bread, focaccia, cinnamon rolls, snack mixes, granola, cookies (like chocolate chunk and sugar), and dog treats.

Sushi Sho

2213 Cloverdale Ave
Winston-Salem, NC 27103

Est. Opening Date: May 19, 2025

Publication Date: April 17, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Asian

Summary: Sushi Sho, Winston-Salem's first all-you-can-eat sushi restaurant, will open soon at 2213 Cloverdale Ave, Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27103. Currently in the final stages of renovation, the restaurant will offer unlimited sushi, hibachi, a la carte Japanese cuisine, and bubble tea.

Spooky's Bar

20 Fisher Terry St
Thomasville, NC 27360
www.spookysbar.com

Est. Opening Date: Sep 30, 2025

Publication Date: April 17, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 to \$50

Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: Spooky's Bar, owned by CastleBoo, is a haunted-themed bar located at Castle Boo in Thomasville, North Carolina. Set to open in late 2025 at 20 Fisher Ferry St, Thomasville, North Carolina 27360, the venue will feature signature spooky drinks, live entertainment, and eerie, immersive spaces designed to create a hauntingly fun bar experience.

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Di Fara Pizza Tavern

3151 Elion Drive
Horseshoe at Hub RTP
Durham, NC 27709
www.difarapizzatavern.com

Gregory Norton
Owner
Est. Opening Date: Aug. 1, 2025
Publication Date: April 17, 2025

Location Type: Regional
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Pizza/Italian

Summary: Di Fara Pizza Tavern is set to open a new location this Fall 2025 at the Horseshoe at Hub RTP, featuring 4,000 sqft of space and a menu focused on authentic New York-style pizza. Owners Gregory and Valerie Norton are committed to maintaining the family tradition by using traditional recipes and techniques. The new restaurant will include seating for 145 patrons, a walkup bar, and a private dining room, with plans to employ 50-60 staff members. The menu will include pizzas, New York "heroes," and salads, and they aim to replicate the Brooklyn pizza experience with a specialized water filtration system for the dough. Di Fara Pizza Tavern will operate seven days a week, with specific hours to be determined.

Smash Ping Pong Bar

500 Glenwood Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27603

Katherine Goldfaden
Vice President
Est. Opening Date: Aug. 15, 2025
Publication Date: April 17, 2025

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 to \$50
Menu Type: Bar & Grill/Pub

Summary: The Carolina Ale House in Raleigh's Glenwood South neighborhood at 500 Glenwood Ave has closed to make way for Smash Ping Pong Bar, a new entertainment venue by LM Restaurants. Katherine Goldfaden, vice president of brand strategy, stated that the closure follows the NCAA championship game to facilitate renovations before N.C. State's fall semester. Smash will focus on an upscale nightlife experience with ping pong tables, offering handcrafted cocktails and shareable plates, though the final menu is not yet revealed. Smash is scheduled to open in August 2025.

Sora Sushi Ramen

930 Broadstone Way
Suite 100
Apex, NC 27502

Tian Zhang
Owner
Est. Opening Date: April 30, 2025
Publication Date: April 17, 2025

Location Type: Independent
Lead Type: New Opening
Average Check: \$20 and Under
Menu Type: Asian

Summary: Sora Sushi & Ramen will soon be opening at 930 Broadstone Way, Apex, North Carolina 27502. They will be serving Japanese cuisine such as sushi, ramen, and more. The owner hopes to be open by end of this month or early May 2025.

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Half Shell

2161 Hawkins St.
Charlotte, NC 28203

Jeff van Dyke

Co-Owner

Est. Opening Date: Oct. 1, 2025

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$50 and Up

Menu Type: Steak/Seafood

Summary: Half Shell, a new seafood restaurant from Jeff van Dyke, Connor van Dyke, and Bruce Moffett of Moffett Restaurant Group, is set to open by the end of 2025 at 2161 Hawkins St, Charlotte, North Carolina 28203. Located within the Linea development in South End, the 3,221 sqft space will include a 1,000 sqft patio and feature a menu centered on raw bar offerings like oysters and ceviche, as well as lobster rolls, tuna burgers, and oyster po'boys.

The Iberian Pig

110 East Blvd.
Charlotte, NC 28203
www.iberianpig.com

Federico Castellucci

President & CEO

Est. Opening Date: June 23, 2026

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Regional

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 to \$50

Menu Type: European

Summary: The Iberian Pig, a modern Spanish tapas concept from Atlanta-based Castellucci Hospitality Group, is set to open in summer 2026 at 110 East Blvd, Charlotte, North Carolina 28203. Located in South End's 110 East development, the restaurant will offer a creative menu inspired by the Iberian Peninsula, including dishes such as marinated Spanish olives, empanadas de carne, calamares, and imported cheeses and meats.

The Smoke Pit

8136 Providence Road
Charlotte, NC 28277
www.thesmokepitonline.com

Devin Barbee

Partner

Est. Opening Date: May 16, 2025

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Regional

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 to \$50

Menu Type: BBQ

Summary: The Smoke Pit, a popular North Carolina barbecue chain, is set to open a new location sometime this year at 8136 Providence Rd, Charlotte, North Carolina 28277, in the former Chili's building. Known for its generous portions and slow-smoked meats, the menu will feature favorites such as brisket, pulled pork, ribs, burnt ends, and smoked chicken, complemented by scratch-made sides like mac & cheese, collard greens, and sweet potato casserole.

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Jingle Leaf

8011 Hydon Dawnn Lane
Cary, NC 27518

Jingyuan Xiong

Partner

Est. Opening Date: July 1, 2025

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Classic/Varied

Summary: Source reported that the owners have submitted plans for a new construction of restaurant operations to offer in the former Kinoko space at 8011 Hydon Dawn Lane, Cary, North Carolina 27518.

Narrative Coffee Co.

300 Morris St.
Durham Innovation District
Durham, NC 27701
www.narrativecoffeecompany.com

Rod Lawson

Owner

Est. Opening Date: Aug. 1, 2025

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Independent

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Bakery/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Narrative Coffee Co. will open its first brick-and-mortar shop this Summer 2025 at 300 Morris St. in the Durham Innovation District. Previously operating through a mobile coffee trailer and carts, owner Rod Lawson aims to establish a permanent presence in his hometown. The shop will feature various beverages, including specialty lattes, and plans to hire seven employees. With a three-year lease for a 1,500 sqft space, Narrative joins other new tenants at Durham.ID, serving the nearby office workers, including those from Google.

Haraz Coffee House

1105 W. Main St.
Durham, NC 27701
www.harazcoffeehouse.com

Hamzah Nasser

CEO/Founder

Est. Opening Date: Feb. 1, 2026

Publication Date: April 15, 2025

Location Type: Franchise

Lead Type: New Opening

Average Check: \$20 and Under

Menu Type: Bakery/Coffee/Snacks

Summary: Haraz Coffee House, a Yemeni coffee chain, is expanding to Durham with plans to open a new location at 1105 W. Main St. in early 2026. This shop will be part of a broader expansion into the Triangle area, which includes additional locations in Raleigh. The Durham site will contribute to Haraz's reputation for sourcing coffee beans directly from Yemen, offering a unique experience reflective of Yemeni coffee culture. Franchisee Hajaj Kaid aims to create a welcoming environment for locals and students alike.