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## NEWS Gravy Train: LeRoy's Fried Chicken opens, new chef at H. Harper Station

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**LeRoy's Fried Chicken** is open for business. The restaurant is open for lunch and dinner, and offers a limited menu available for takeout only. Go get you some at 1021 Howell Mill Road.

H. Harper Station has a new chef. Evan Cordes has replaced Ethan Ray who took over from Duane Nutter back in February. Cordes has worked most recently at Cakes and Ale and Serpas.



AVB VIA WOW ON FACEBOOK

The Atlanta Business Chronicle published [renderings](#) of the plan for the City Hall East overhaul (which will be known as **Ponce City Market**). Included in the plans for the development are

21,250 square feet of restaurant space, which developers hope will include a Food Hall to house “national and local restaurants, specialty foods, a gourmet market and prepared foods.”

Asha Gomez, creator and chef at **Spice Route Supper Club**, will open her first restaurant this fall. **Cardamom Hill** will be located on Northside Drive. According to the release, the restaurant’s menu will feature the same authentic Indian home cooking that the supper club is known for. The lunch menu will be a limited offering of vegetarian or meat Thali plates, as well as a chicken and waffles option. The dinner menu will feature an array of dishes that range in price from \$12 to \$25.

**Sweet Auburn BBQ**, which already operates a food truck, will be opening a storefront at (guess where?) Sweet Auburn Curb Market. The truck has always had ties to the market, they launched the truck as part of the monthly Urban Picnics held there. Though no official opening date has been announced, word is it will be very soon.

The Real Housewives of Atlanta partied at **BarOne**, a new spot in Grant Park from housewife Cynthia Bailey’s restaurateur husband and Robert “RL” Thomas of the R&B group Next. The lounge, a somewhat curious addition to Grant Park, is scheduled to open July 15. It will be located in the former **El Toro** building on Memorial Drive.

Decatur’s **No. 246** has pushed back their opening once again, but don’t worry – it’s just by one day. They are now forecasting that they will be open on July 12.

More news out of Decatur: **Duck’s Cosmic Kitchen** has hit the streets with an arepas truck called **WOW** (Wonderlicious on Wheels) Food Truck. In addition to arepas, they serve a few items from the Duck’s menu – including what they call BEST DANG DONUTS in the world (they pretty much are, they rock). The truck is already on the schedule for the typical rotation of food truck events around town.

A new neighborhood bar called **The Local at Collier**, owned by the folks behind De Palma’s (Atlanta, not Athens), will be opening on Collier Road. The bar will cater to the college crowd

Apparently, **Benihana** is the latest celeb hot spot in Atlanta? According to their publicist, both Justin Bieber and Kate Hudson ate at the Buckhead location this week. Really, of all the restaurants in Atlanta? Sad.

This week **Sweetwater** released **Browneyed Buckeye**, the newest beer in their limited edition Dank Tank Series. The draft-only brew is available at select bars around town until the supply runs out.

Beginning July 18, **Abattoir** will be open seven days a week. Currently the Westside restaurant is only open Tuesday – Saturday. Dinner service on Sundays will be from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m., with Monday – Saturday hours extending until 11 p.m. nightly.

**Honeysuckle Gelato**, the upscale Southern ice cream truck we [previewed here](#) a few weeks ago, is now up and running. Look for them around town at various food truck events and find a schedule of stops on their [Facebook](#) page.

**Marlow's Tavern** will open their new Cumming location in The Avenue Forsyth on July 26.

**Bad Dog Taqueria** in Emory Village is now open for lunch seven days a week. Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., and the menu is the same as it is at dinner.

**Bagel Palace Deli and Bakery** in the Toco Hill Shopping Center is now open for dinner Wednesday – Saturday. Bagels all day long! In addition to a huge selection of breakfast, sandwiches and salads, they now also serve dinner specials.

Get ready for a **Caribou** stampede. The coffee shop plans to add **100 new locations** in Metro Atlanta over the next 10 years. There are currently only 11 locations in Atlanta.

**Little Caesar's Pizza has taken over** the shuttered Mexico City Gourmet space in Decatur.

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