UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 11, 2019



BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-35625 (Commission File Number) 20-8023465 (I.R.S. Employer

2202 North West Shore Boulevard, Suite 500, Tampa, Florida 33607 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (813) 282-1225

 $\label{eq:NA} N/A \end{result}$ (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company $\ \square$

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 11, 2019, the Company will present business and financial information at a publicly available webcast meeting (the "Analyst and Investor Meeting"). Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 are the Analyst and Investor Meeting presentations to be made by Elizabeth Smith, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and David Deno, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial and Administrative Officer. During the course of the Analyst and Investor Meeting, the Company's executives will discuss the Company's strategic review of the casual dining segment, portfolio growth initiatives and the key drivers behind the momentum at the Outback Steakhouse brand.

The meeting will begin at approximately 9:00AM EDT and end at approximately 1:00PM EDT. A live webcast of the meeting will be available from the Company's website at http://www.bloominbrands.com under the Investors section. A replay of the webcast will be available following the conclusion of the presentation.

The information contained in this Item 7.01, including Exhibits 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any document whether or not filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, regardless of any general incorporation language in any such document.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Number Description

99.1 <u>Analyst and Investor Meeting Presentations made by the Company on March 11, 2019</u>

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 11, 2019

BLOOMIN' BRANDS, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Joseph J. Kadow
Joseph J. Kadow
Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer











2019 Investor Day

March 11, 2019



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Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements contained herein are not based on historical fact and are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of applicable securities laws. Generally, these statements can be identified by the use of words such as "guidance," "believes," "estimates," "anticipates," "expects," "on track," "feels," "forecasts," "seeks," "projects," "intends," "plans," "may," "will," "should," "could," "would" and similar expressions intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these identifying words. These forwardlooking statements include all matters that are not historical facts. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the Company's forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to: consumer reaction to public health and food safety issues; competition; increases in labor costs; government actions and policies; increases in unemployment rates and taxes; local, regional, national and international economic conditions; consumer confidence and spending patterns; price and availability of commodities; challenges associated with our expansion, remodeling and relocation plans; interruption or breach of our systems or loss of consumer or employee information; political, social and legal conditions in international markets and their effects on foreign operations and foreign currency exchange rates; our ability to preserve the value of and grow our brands; the seasonality of the Company's business; weather, acts of God and other disasters; changes in patterns of consumer traffic, consumer tastes and dietary habits; the effectiveness of our strategic actions; the cost and availability of credit; interest rate changes; compliance with debt covenants and the Company's ability to make debt payments and planned investments; and our ability to continue to pay dividends and repurchase shares of our common stock. Further information on potential factors that could affect the Company's financial results and its forward-looking statements is included in its Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 27, 2019 and its subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Company assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement, except as may be required by law. These forwardlooking statements speak only as of the date of this presentation. All forward-looking statements are qualified in their entirety by this cautionary statement.

This presentation contains certain non-GAAP measures which are provided to assist in an understanding of the Company's business and performance. These measures may differ from non-GAAP measures used by other companies and should always be considered in conjunction with the appropriate GAAP measure. Reconciliations of non-GAAP measures to the most comparable GAAP measures are provided at the end of this presentation.

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Liz Smith Chairman and CEO

Introductions and Strategy Review



Agenda for Today

Strategic review 9:00a to 9:30a

Financial outlook 9:30a to 10:15a

Brand updates 10:15a to 11:00a

Portfolio growth initiatives 11:00a to 11:30a

Management Q&A 11:30a to Noon

Culinary presentation Noon to end



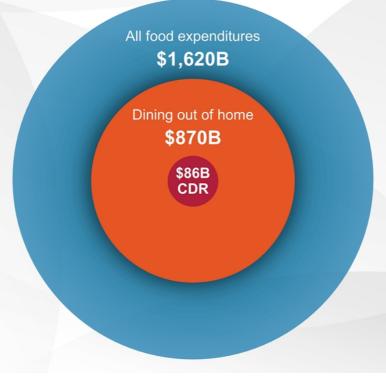
Key Messages for Today

- Great brands in casual dining are alive and well
- Lines blurring between CDR and other dining options presents growth opportunities
- BLMN strategy is to "win within" and "extend beyond"
- Made portfolio investments to drive growth
- Step-change in our platform for customer scale
- · Inflection point of growth and margin is here
- We have the right team to keep the momentum





CDR is \$~80B of \$~1.6T Total Food Expenditures



National Restaurant Association, USDA



The Ongoing Supply/Demand Imbalance in CDR Challenges Sales Comps

Over the last ten years...



Source: Knapp Trac



Changing Customer Preferences Impact Traditional CDR Experience



On-demand convenience (where and when)

- 28% of consumers stay at home more vs. two years ago
- Among 18-34, 30% replacing carryout with delivery



Digital interaction and engagement

- 2B+ digital restaurant orders in 2018
- 11 hours of screen time per day
- 34 days per year spent on social media
- 121 emails received per day on average



Food is an immersive, social experience

300 million food-related Instagram posts in 2018



Source: NPD, Restaurant Business, QSR Magazine

New Dining Formats have Emerged to Meet New Needs





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Brands are Using New Ways to Connect and Interact with Customers



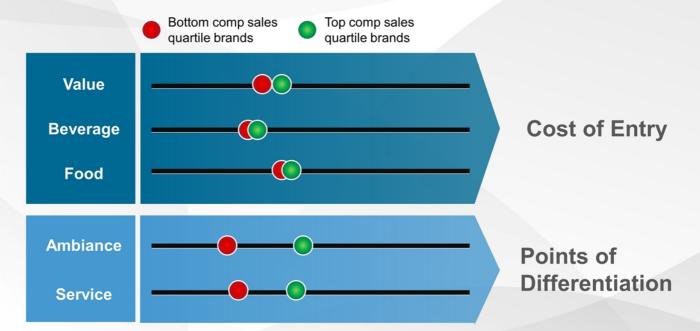
What Has Not Changed: In-Restaurant Execution Remains Critical





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Winning in Traditional CDR Requires a Differentiated Experience



Net social media sentiment (+ minus -)

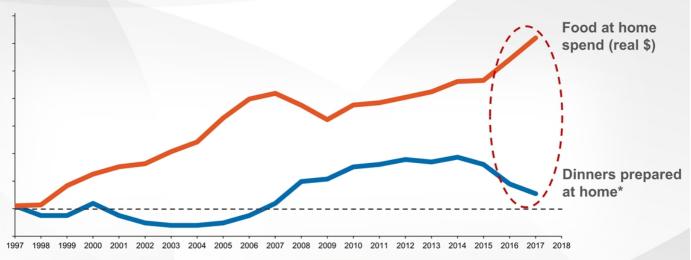


Source: Black Box Intelligence and White Box Social Intelligence

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Growing Opportunity to Bring Food to Our Guests' Tables at Home

Indexed to 1997



Extend Beyond



*Source: The NPD Group/National Eating Trends® and CREST®, years ending February 2018

In-Home Dining has Evolved Away from Homemade to Home Consumed

Convenient More Convenient

Dry Packaged Only Groceries Including Fresh and Frozen

Meal Kit Delivery w/Fresh Ingredients

Groceries, Prepared Meals

Restaurant Delivery









Peapod

















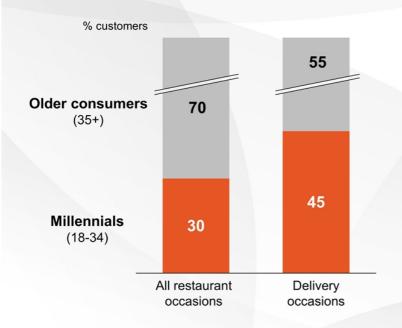




Source: The NPD Group

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Delivery is the New Normal for Young Consumers



46%
of Boomer+
<1 meal per month
delivery

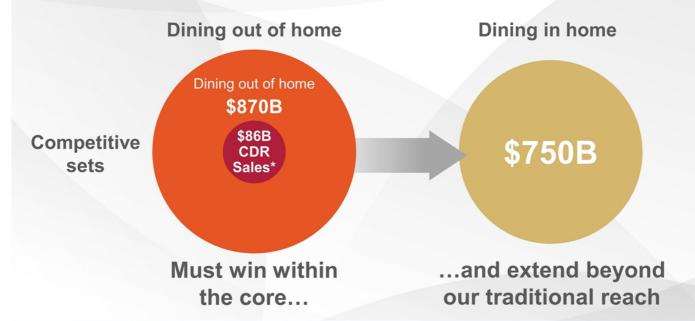
29% of Millennials >1 meal per week



Source: The NPD Group/Delivery Custom Survey, June 201

delivery

New Paradigm Creates Opportunity for BBI





Source: The NPD Group/CREST® YE Dec '1

Our Priorities are Clear

Fortify the Core

360° In-Restaurant Experience





Enhanced Quality and Service



Reach Our Customers



Off-Premises



Loyalty



Digital



We <u>Have Invested</u> to Fortify the Core...

360° In-Restaurant Experience





- \$20M invested in service training and labor
- \$400M invested in remodels across brands

Enhanced Quality and Service



- \$30M invested in:
 - Food quality
 - Portions
 - Reduced complexity



...And Built an Infrastructure to Reach Our Customers

- 500+ units live
- 300 remodels in next three years to support off-premises
- Built personalization capabilities
- Integrated into all brands
- Built digital ordering platformHighly rated digital app



Off-Premises



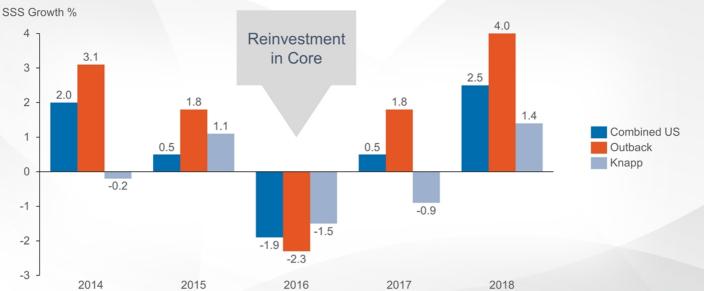
Loyalty



Digital



The Investments are Paying Off





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BLMN Portfolio Construct for Sustainable Growth



Tightly edited portfolio









Brand differentiation

360° Customer Experience

Off-Premises

Platform for customer scale

CRM / Loyalty

Digital



David Deno CFAO

Financial Outlook



Agenda

- 2018 Recap
- Long-Term Growth Framework
- Capital Allocation Philosophy
- 2019 Guidance



2018 Recap



Key Takeaways from 2018

- Focus on healthy sustainable traffic
- 2 Qualified incremental sales layers across loyalty, digital, and off-premises
- 3 Robust margin expansion opportunity with large investments behind us
- Positioned to further leverage portfolio to drive efficiencies
- Generate significant free cash flow to invest in business, de-lever balance sheet and return cash to shareholders



Achieved 2018 Commitments

	Guidance / Commitment	Actual	Assessment
Comp Sales	1.0% to 2.0%	2.5%	Positive comps at all U.S. concepts
Adj. Operating Margins	Full Year Expansion 52-week comparable calendar	√ +10 bps	Quality sales and prudent cost management
Adjusted EPS	\$1.38 to \$1.45	\$1.50	Delivered 25% comparable EPS growth



Returned ~\$1B to Shareholders Over the Last 4 Years

- · Cash used to repurchase shares only done after making all the investments needed to grow the business
- · Monetized real estate at attractive valuations

Dividends & Share Repurchases (\$ in millions)





Long-Term Growth Framework

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Long-Term Growth Framework (Annual)

U.S Comparable Restaurant Sales

Approx. 1.5% to 2%

• Total Shareholder Return

10% to 15%

• Adjusted Operating Margin Expansion

~50 bps / year

Capital Expenditures

Approx. \$200M

Commodity Inflation

2%+

• Number of New System-wide Restaurants

20 to 40



Financial Goals Updated to Reflect Current Environment

What's Changed?

- Off-premises represents significant and incremental sales opportunity
- · More conservative pricing outlook to deliver value
- · Large upfront investments complete

What Hasn't Changed?

- Productivity pipeline and efficiency savings
- · Significant margin improvement opportunities
- · Improving capital structure affords more flexibility



Long-Term Operating Margin Opportunity

- ~250 bps operating margin opportunity vs peers
- Continue to narrow gap through:
 - Sales momentum from healthy traffic and incremental sales layers
 - Monetization of investments
 - Disciplined cost management
- Long-term target of 7%
 - Quality ingredients will not be sacrificed





Multiple Levers Available to Drive Annual Margin Gains

AUV leverage	Operating leverage from high quality traffic
Productivity	~\$50M / year in cost savings
Marketing Shift	From mass marketing to mass personalization
∰ G&A	Flat to down G&A dollar spend target
International	High margin international business



Focused on Growing Volume in the Box



Average Outback



Percent of Business

Average Ticket

Flow Through

LT Potential Size of Prize

In-Restaurant



88%

\$54

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Off-Premises



12%

\$3.6M AUV

\$27 / **\$42** To Go Delivery

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Off-Premises has Huge Long Term Potential





Delivery Unit Potential

~80%+ of locations direct

Committed to Omni Channel Approach
25%+ Off-Premises Mix Opportunity
700 Units Future State
Complete Rollout in 2019

Incremental Sales and Profit



Delivery Unit Potential

~80% of locations direct



Productivity Opportunity Remains Robust



Continued Focus on Optimizing:

- Supplier Efficiency
- Labor Management
- Food / Liquor Waste
- Process Simplification
- Facilities Management
- Fraud / Discount Reduction



Winning Formula: Pricing + Productivity Offsets Inflation









- Inflationary pressures expected to continue
- Productivity allows for prudent pricing
- Pricing below inflation protects traffic
- Invest in customer experience while growing margins



Optimizing Efficiencies Across Marketing



- Shift from mass marketing to mass personalization
- Media spend efficiencies through higher digital ROI





Capturing Efficiencies in G&A



- Optimized G&A structure
- Disciplined cost management
- Reallocating dollars towards higher growth initiatives
- Target flat to down G&A dollar spend



Adjusted GAAP figures

International Continues as a Growth Priority



Continue to invest in high growth equity markets while expanding franchise base in non-core markets



Continue to grow around the

- · Grow franchise base
- · Develop smaller formats
- Strong partners in South Korea



Brazil to anchor LATAM

- Build new Outbacks
- Abbraccio opportunity
- Test smaller footprint
- · Grow LATAM franchise base

Brazil Remains a Key Part of International Growth Story





Impressive Growth from Outback Brazil

Units doubled since acquisition



...now at 92

Revenues of \$537M USD (2014 - Constant Currency)



...15% CAGR

Profits of \$52M USD (2014 - Constant Currency)



...10% CAGR

Brazil Continues to be a Growth Vehicle for Us

- Underpenetrated market
- High brand regard with Outback
- Operating two brands in two largest food sectors (steak, Italian)





Recent São Paulo Opening



ote: CAGR calculated based on 2014 constant currency comparative. Above data was translated at average exchange tes of 2.33 & 3.59 in FY 2014 and FY 2018, respectively.

Momentum in Brazil with Abbraccio

Abbraccio is the Brazilian Carrabba's

- 12 locations currently with potential for 50+
- Capitalizing on underpenetrated market for Italian
- Abbraccio Average Unit Volumes similar to new Outback locations







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Emerging Growth Layer with Delivery

- 12 restaurants started offering delivery
- Large incremental sales opportunity
- Utilizing third party delivery with attractive economics
- Online consumer feedback
 4.8 out of 5

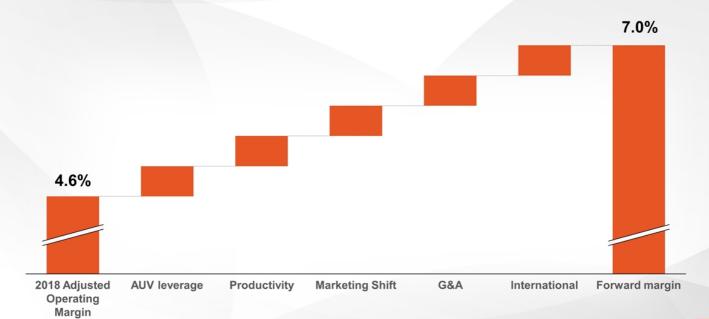
Early Efforts With Delivery Showing Success







Confident We Can Achieve Margin Targets





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Capital Allocation Philosophy

Capital Allocation Philosophy

Strong
Free Cash Flow

1st Priority to Ensure Restaurants
Receive Capital to be Successful

Remodels

Remodels

Share Repurchases

Polividends

Debt Paydown & Refinancing



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New Store Development Opportunities

International

- 50 new Outbacks, 50 new Abbraccios in Brazil
- Grow Franchise Base
- Test Smaller Box Footprint



Newest Outback Opening in Tampa, FL

Domestic

- 50 new Outback locations in U.S.
- 15-20 new Fleming's locations
- Bonefish new restaurant potential



Fleming's in Miami, FL



Relocation Opportunities Generating Significant Lifts

- Completed over 50 relocations since 2012
- 30%+ sales lift
- Potential for an additional 50+ Outback Steakhouse relocations



Outback AUVs (\$M)







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Strong FCF Provides Capital Allocation Flexibility

- Excess cash flow after business reinvestment dedicated towards debt paydown and returning cash to shareholders
- Targeting towards investment grade

Generate annual free cash flow of ~\$100M

Comfortable with long-term debt level approaching 3x (Adjusted net debt / EBITDAR)



Go Forward Growth Model Framework

Sales Levers

Margin Levers

1.5% to 2% Comp Sales Growth

Off-Premises, Digital, Loyalty

International Expansion

Healthy Traffic

Ongoing Productivity Efforts

Disciplined Cost Structure

Long-term TSR Target

+10% to +15%



2019 Guidance



2019 Guidance

U.S Comparable Restaurant Sales	2.0% - 2.5%
Adjusted Earnings Per Share Growth ¹	10% to 15%
Adjusted Operating Margins Expansion ¹	50 - 70 bps
Capital Expenditures	\$175M - \$200M
Commodity Inflation	Approx. 2%
Number of New System-wide Restaurants	Approx. 20



Excluding the impact of the new lease accounting standard





Adjusted Operating Income Margin Reconciliation

FISCAL YEAR (\$ in thousands)

	2	2018		2017	
Income from Operations	\$	145,253	\$	138,686	
Operating Income Margin		3.5%		3.3%	
Adjustments:					
Restaurant and asset impairments and closing costs		29,542		42,767	
Restaurant relocations and related costs		8,647		12,539	
Legal and contingent matters		1,068		553	
Severance		3,493		11,006	
Transaction-related expenses		-		1,447	
Total income from operations adjustments		42,750		68,312	
Adjusted income from operations	\$	188,003	\$	206,998	
Adjusted operating income margin		4.6%		4.9%	

Note: Please refer to the section entitled "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" included in Item 7, "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" of our 2018 Form 10-K for more information regarding the adjustments above.



Adjusted Net Income Reconciliation

FISCAL YEAR (\$ in thousands)

	2018		2017	
Net income attributable to Bloomin' Brands	\$	107,098	\$	101,293
Adjustments:				
Income from operations adjustments		42,750		68,312
Loss on defeasance, extinguishment and modification of debt		-		1,069
Gain on disposal of business and other costs		-		(14,854)
Total adjustments, before income taxes	\$	42,750	\$	54,527
Adjustment to provision for income taxes		(8,944)		(24,513)
Net adjustments	\$	33,806	\$	30,014
Adjusted net income	\$	140,904	\$	131,307
Diluted earnings per share	\$	1.14	\$	1.02
Adjusted diluted earnings per share	\$	1.50	\$	1.32
Remove Fiscal 2017 53rd Week Impact (1)		-		(0.11)
Adjusted diluted earnings per share on a comparable period basis (1)	\$	1.50	\$	1.20
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding		94,075		99,707

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(1) The 53rd week of 2017 was estimated to have positively impacted both GAAP and adjusted diluted earnings per share by approximately \$0.11 for fiscal year 2017. For comparability, we have presented adjusted diluted earnings per share excluding the impact of the 53rd week of December 25, 2017 to December 31, 2017.







CARRABBA'S



