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BARREL ROOM OPENS IN DOWNTOWN NORFOLK ON SATURDAY
Full-service menu and 24 top-rated beers on tap

NORFOLK, Va. – (March 2015) – The Barrel Room officially opens to the public on Saturday, March 28. The restaurant is located at 437 Granby Street in Downtown Norfolk.

The restaurant features a full-service menu that includes American, Italian and Asian influences along with some bar food favorites kicked up a notch. The restaurant and bar will be open Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to midnight and on Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

“We had a soft opening last weekend and immediately hit capacity,” said Angel Velazquez, the owner. “We already have a following due to the quality beers we have on tap. We will be introducing new items to the menu each week to allow us to perfect everything from the kitchen to our service.”

The focus on craft beer is natural since Mike Lindenmuth, the general manager, is also the president of Virginia Craft Beer Society. He’s there to ensure guests have only the best quality craft beers available. Two whiskey barrels are incorporated in the design of the bar, tying into the whole theme of the restaurant and name. Whiskey and bourbon barrels are often used in craft beer production, and wine, rum and tequila barrels are becoming more popular with craft brewers. The Barrel Room will also have a full bar with a selection of quality whiskeys, bourbons, scotches and a flavorful wine list.

“We are thrilled to welcome the Barrel Room to Downtown Norfolk and as a member of the Downtown Norfolk Council,” said Mary Miller, president and CEO. “We have had a good run of new restaurants with the addition of Sweet Teas, Grilled Cheese Bistro and Texas de Brazil.”

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