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### **Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill to Open this Monday, November 13 Much Loved Family-Friendly Gathering Spot to Open Newest Location in Van Wert**

**VAN WERT, OH**—Good Food Restaurants, a family-owned restaurant company, announced today that it will open the eleventh location of its popular Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill in Van Wert, OH on November 13, 2023 at 11am with a ribbon cutting ceremony at 10:45am. The restaurant, located at 205 Towne Center Blvd., will feature a 235-seat dining room, custom built hickory furniture, a banquet room for private groups, a carryout/pick up area, a full bar, and a wood burning fireplace.

Beer Barrel offers a large menu of unique appetizers, salads, sandwiches, entrees, and its signature three styles of made-from-scratch pizza including its Thin & Crispy Style, Beer Barrel Deep Dish, and award-winning Original Beer Barrel Style. With a focus on great food served at reasonable prices in a warm, friendly, and energetic atmosphere, Beer Barrel is as perfect for family gatherings as it is for grabbing a drink and catching the game. Its full bar specializes in a wide array of 24 classic and craft beers on draft, as well as an extensive menu of bottled beer.

For many years after its founding in 1965, Beer Barrel's one location on Lima's industrial south side was a much-loved gathering place for friends and family known for its great pizza and relaxed atmosphere. In 2005, the original location was acquired by longtime restaurateur John Heaphy and his wife Aimee. The restaurant was temporarily closed for an expansion and renovation. The re-opened Beer Barrel featured an expanded menu and updated lodge-style design and was an immediate hit.

In addition to its newest location in Van Wert, Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill has ten locations in Lima, St. Marys, Findlay, Toledo, Columbus, and Fort Wayne and continues to be family owned and operated as a part of the Heaphy family's Good Food Restaurants group.

"We are very humbled and excited to introduce Beer Barrel to Van Wert," said Founder John Heaphy. "Being only a half hour away from Lima, for years we've had many people ask us to bring Beer Barrel to Van Wert. The Van Wert Department of Economic Development and Van

Wert Chamber of Commerce have been great to work with. We truly appreciate their partnership and feel very welcomed into the community. We're so excited to share our vision of warm, family-friendly hospitality with the people of Van Wert County."

Beer Barrel is accepting applications for all hourly positions. To apply and learn more about us, visit <https://beerbarrel.com/careers/>.

### **ABOUT BEER BARREL PIZZA & GRILL**

For over fifty years, Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill has been a gathering place for friends and family. A warm and generous spirit, great food, a welcoming atmosphere, and a sense of community define who we are and what we do.

While our original Beer Barrel style pizza has been loved since 1965, we're now known equally as well for our full menu featuring made-from-scratch family recipes, our signature appetizers, our always-anticipated seasonal specials, and our special brand of hospitality all served up in our high-energy dining rooms and bar areas.

Whether you're dining with us, enjoying a drink, or picking up take-out, when you're at the Beer Barrel, you're a part of our family.

In 2005, Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill became a part of Good Food Restaurants, a family-owned company founded by longtime restaurant entrepreneur John Heaphy and his wife Aimee.

In addition to Beer Barrel, Good Food Restaurants owns three other popular restaurant concepts: Happy Daz, a fast-casual diner with six locations in west central Ohio; Old City Prime, a fine dining American steakhouse in downtown Lima, OH; and Sycamore, an all-day casual yet elegant restaurant located in German Village in Columbus, OH.

At Beer Barrel, community matters to us. Each year we support a range of causes with in-kind donations and, through our foundation, Good Food Restaurants Charities, we support social services organizations with an emphasis on hunger relief and veteran services in the communities we serve. We are looking forward to reaching out and supporting local organizations in the Van Wert community.

To learn more about Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill: [www.beerbarrel.com](http://www.beerbarrel.com)

To join our email list and receive updates: <https://beerbarrel.com/locations/vanwert>

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Clockwise from upper left: Bar Area in Columbus, OH; Founder, John Heaphy and the Heaphy Family; Beer Barrel Original Style Pizza; Selections from Salad Menu