



LongHorn Steakhouse Brings the Spirit of the West to Victor

New Restaurant to Bring Western-Style Food and Hospitality to Western New York

ORLANDO, Fla., May 3, 2010 /PRNewswire via COMTEX News Network/ -- LongHorn Steakhouse today announced the opening of its first location in Victor, N.Y. The restaurant, best known for its atmosphere and flavor of the American West, is located at 7724 Victor Road. As part of its pre-opening training period, the restaurant recently hosted a Friends and Family night which helped raise more than \$1,800 for Thompson Health Care.

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The 5,546-square foot restaurant will employ up to 80 team members and seat more than 200 guests. Jay Rogowski, a restaurant industry veteran of 30 years, will serve as managing partner.

"LongHorn Steakhouse has been looking to bring its tradition of Western hospitality to Victor for some time and we are excited about the warm welcome we have received from the community," said Rogowski. "We look forward to helping our guests relax and unwind in an inviting atmosphere while savoring a great steakhouse meal served with genuine western hospitality. We're also pleased we could help support Thompson Health Care and look forward to making more contributions to the local community for many years to come."

LongHorn opened its first restaurant in Atlanta 28 years ago and has grown steadily - becoming known for its passion for grilling fresh, never frozen, steaks served in a relaxed, comfortable steakhouse atmosphere. LongHorn is known for more than its signature hand-seasoned Flo's Filet and the bone-in Outlaw Ribeye. LongHorn chefs love to grill fresh fish and chicken in addition to steak. Items such as LongHorn Salmon, a fresh, hand-cut salmon fillet seasoned with a bourbon marinade; fall-off-the-bone tender Baby Back Ribs; and Parmesan Crusted Chicken, two juicy chicken breasts grilled and topped with a parmesan cheese and garlic crust, are just some of the other specialties guests will find on the menu.

The restaurant opens daily at 11:00 a.m. for lunch. It is open until 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and until 11:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

ABOUT LONGHORN STEAKHOUSE

More than 25 years after opening its first restaurant in Atlanta, today LongHorn Steakhouse operates more than 300 restaurants in 31 states. LongHorn is a division of Darden Restaurants, Inc. (NYSE: DRI), the world's largest full-service restaurant operating company. For more information about LongHorn, please visit www.longhornsteakhouse.com.

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