WAUNETA HAPPENINGS

JANUARY 2025

Wauneta Happenings is produced by the Wauneta Chamber of Commerce, it began in August of 2021. The purpose is to help keep the people informed about what is going on in the Wauneta area. If you have any suggestions, ideas, stories or pictures please contact a Chamber member.

Read the newsletters at Wauneta.com.

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WVFD FUNDRAISER













Thanks for the soup!

Lana Skelton-EMT's Luke Curl-Wauneta Volunteer Firemen Carol Thompson-Palisade Auxiliary

2nd

Wauneta Light Parade Winners

1st =Wauneta Volunteer Firemen

2nd-Dyana Scherbarth

3rd-Chase County Hospital

3rd



Village of Wauneta,

We are the Herberts, and I would like to introduce my wife, Shelby, our two little girls, Morgan (age 3) and Scottie (6 months), and myself, Jeremy. We currently live in Rapid City, SD, located in the Black Hills, and we are interested in moving to your wonderful village to raise our daughters and embrace "the good life".

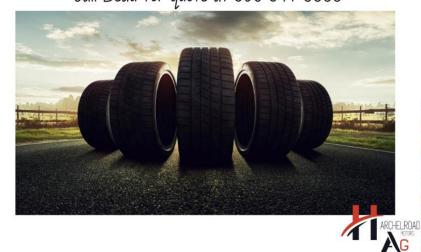
Originally, my wife and I are from the northwest corner of the Nebraska panhandle. I have been visiting your community since I was a child to see family, and I have always loved your town. We understand there is a need for a grocery store in the area, and while we may be new to the business landscape, we are enthusiastic about exploring ways to support and help the community thrive.

The process may take us some time to achieve a functioning store. I would like to manage expectations as we are eager to help, however it will not be a cheap venture. We are doing research on our end to establish local relations and bring in as many goods as we can. The price to stock a full store will be challenging and very expensive, but I believe with the support from the community we can make it work for everyone. We are looking forward to integrating into your wonderful community and working with all the businesses.

Cheers, The Herberts

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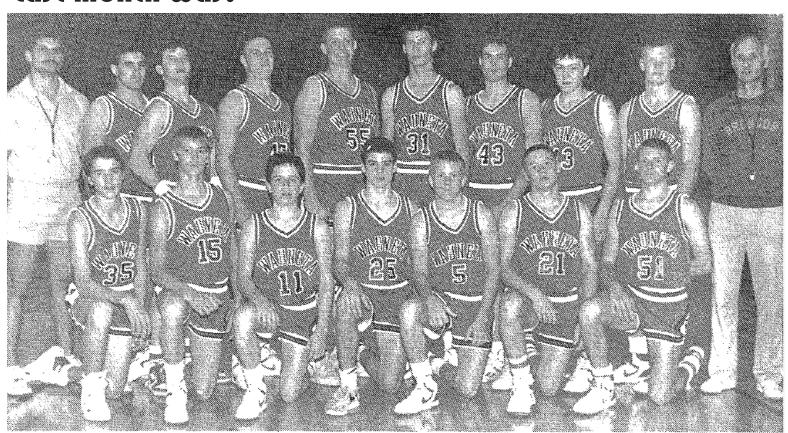
Chuck Vette

308-882-6148

GUESS WHO??



last month was:



Kneeling from left, Judd Houser, Wayne Krausnick, Kory Kitt, Joe Thompson, Brett Wentz, Jon Polly, Danny Taylor, standing from left, Assistant Coach Tom Allberry, Brian Yost, Doug Terry, Rod Haarberg, Phillip Hartzer, Derek Andrews, Eric Troudt, George Fekkers, Ryan Haarberg and Head Coach Roger Lauhead.

Church Worship Service Schedule

Global Methodist Church 162 W Wichita, Wauneta Sunday 11:00 am MT

God's Missionary Church 114 S Otoe St, Wauneta Sunday 10:30 am & 6:00 pm MT

Hamlet Union Church 411 Breeze St, Hamlet Sunday 10:45 am CT

SW Nebraska Holiness Church 34850 Rd 724, Wauneta Sunday 10:30 am & 6:00 pm MT

Redeemer Lutheran Sunday School

Christmas Program "His Name Is Jesus"

Redeemer Lutheran Church 233 S Arapahoe Ave, Wauneta Sunday 08:30 am MT

St John Catholic Church 499 S Arikaree Ave, Wauneta Sunday 10:00 am Mass MT

St Paul Lutheran Church 33851 Road 726, Wauneta Sunday 10:00 am MT



WAUNETA LIBRARY NEWS

Happy New Year!! Holy Cow!! It's 2025 folks and we are ready to start a new and exciting year

here at The Library! We have many new additions (a large amount of them large print) to ring

you in to this new and hopeful year.

Santa Saturday went splendidly and I'd like to thank all the parents and grands for bringing

down your littles and helping to make it happen. A special thanks goes out to Denise Krausnick,

Marsha Cameron, Victoria Johnson and Lindsay Acton for being here to volunteer their time and

help provide a special experience for our communities' children. It was a wonderful day and we

love and appreciate helping to bring more wonder into the holidays for the kiddos. Thanks again to *everyone* who helped and brought in treats and supplies - you are ALL on the good list!!!! Just a heads up, during January we will be closed: Wednesday, January 1st for the New Year holiday.

And another special thanks to Robin Hanna for her generous donation of her mother (Ila Foley's) teddy bear collection which was distributed to the littles who attended Santa Saturday. We couldn't be more grateful and the children were thrilled!!

Hope to see you here soon! Read on, Friends, Amanda Ziegler







EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

NATALI RAMIREZ

Natali is our November 2024 Employee of the Month!

Natali is goes above and beyond at Wauneta Care and Therapy Center. Her co-workers describe her as a genuine and caring person with a contagious smile. Natali can often be found lending a hand wherever needed and doing it without hesitation.

Outside of work Natali has a beautiful growing family and devotes her time and energy to her marriage and children. Natali has been an essential part of WC&TC and we are beyond excited to present her with this award.

Congratulations, Natali on receiving the November 2024 Employee off the month!



RECIPES BY RHONDA

Wild Rice Soup

2/3 cup uncooked wild rice, rinsed

1 cup finely grated potatoes

1 medium onion, minced

2 cups water

2 TBSP butter

1 quart milk

2 TBSP all purpose flour

1 1/4 tsp salt

1/4 tsp pepper

1 tsp parsley flakes

8 ounces processed cheese, such as Velveeta

10 strips of bacon, browned, drained and crumbled

Optional

Corn

Black beans

Cover wild rice with water in a medium-size saucepan. Simmer over low heat, about 40 minutes until rice is barely tender; taking care not to overcook. Drain and set aside. Combine water and butter in a soup kettle. Add grated potatoes and minced onions. Reserving ¼ cup milk, pour remaining milk into soup kettle. Stir often to avoid scorching. Add flour to remaining milk and stir into kettle until soup is creamy and smooth in texture. Season with salt and pepper. Stir in rice, parsley flakes, cheese and bacon, corn and beans. Heat until cheese melts.

Serves 8 to 10.



There are not enough words to express our heartfelt gratitude for the prayers, love and support we have received during this time of loss.

Thank you all for your kindness.

Tha Vapenik Family

I am really Thankful for having the EyeLookGood! Eyewear in Wauneta, Karen took real good care of me. She has lots to offer in her shop.

Nancy O'Neil

Village of Wauneta, Nebraska

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Wauneta, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 6:30 p.m. on **December 10, 2024**, at the Wauneta Village Office.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Chairman Johnston publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review.

Present: B Kramer, C Walgren, R Einspahr, P Johnston. Absent: B Goings.

Guests: Arlan Wine, Angela Geihsler, RaNae Richardson (WCTC)

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Imperial Republican on Dec 5, 2024. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to the Chairman and all the Trustees. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Board approved the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees, held on November 12, 2024.

Board approved the Treasurer's Report (Nov) and approved bills (Dec) as presented.

Board acknowledged the change of ownership of Good Times Bar & Grill to 100% ownership by Angela Geihsler; and to approve that this ownership carries over to KENO operations.

Kramer, Walgren and RaNae Richardson reported on the Nursing Home Committee meeting, including review of the August 2024 Financial Reports.

Board approved wage increases for WCTC Department Heads, as recommended by Richardson; Gary Hunt, Julie Hardy and Elisa Browne.

Board approved Christmas bonuses for Nursing Home employees based on Richardson's recommendation.

Board approved Resolution No. 2024-05, a resolution to authorize signing the Year-End Certification of Street Superintendent (Greg Wolford).

Board approved Christmas bonuses, to be paid in chamber bucks or gift cards.

Board approved Resolution 2024-06, a resolution authorizing the sale of personal property. The following property will be offered for sale: 1990 Ford Diesel Dump Truck; 2001 Bush Hog Mower – Zero Turn, Model D72-1; 1953 Catepillar #12 Grader/Maintainer; CMC Chipmore Chipper; Ride-on/pull-behind Sod/Asphault Packer. The Village of Wauneta will use an on-line auction service, Big Iron.

Skelton and Lawless gave an update on Nuisance properties that have previously been discussed. They will follow up on nuisances to make sure progress is being made on cleanup.

Clerk's Report given by Skelton. Skelton reported that the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds must be fully obligated by December 31, 2024. Projects already funded include a generator for one of the new wells, HVAC at the Ambulance Barn, elevator repairs at the Village office and new carpet at the Village office. The funds remaining to be obligated is approximately \$9000.00. Skelton and Lawless will check into the purchase of a SCBA air tank for the Fire Department.

Superintendent's Report given by Lawless.

The Board discussed the pending Vacancy on the Village Board of Trustees and the procedure for filling such vacancy. The Board will follow up at the next regular or special meeting.

The Board approved the Reorganization and Appointments for 2025 as listed below.

Page Johnston (aka James P. Johnston) nominated for Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Johnston appointed Rick Einspahr to be Vice Chairman.

Village Clerk/Treasurer Evelyn Skelton

Village Depositories Sandhills State Bank, Wauneta

Waypoint Bank, Imperial Adams Bank & Trust, Imperial

Pinnacle Bank, Imperial

Chairman – Page Johnston

Authorized

and Certificates of Deposit

(aka James P. Johnston) Vice-Chair – Rick Einspahr

Other Board Member – Beau Kramer Clerk/Treasurer – Evelyn Skelton Deputy Clerk – Tangie Dinnel

Arlan Wine

Greg Wolford, W Design Associates

Village Attorney

City Street Superintendent

Commissioners:

Utility Street

Park-Pool-Trees Cemetery Ambulance Policy

Ambulance Policy Power Pool Rep Safety Committee B Kramer, P Johnston B Kramer, C Walgren

C Walgren, B Kramer, R Einspahr P Johnston, B Kramer, C Walgren

B Kramer, P Johnston

P Johnston, R Einspahr, S Lawless

P Johnston, B Kramer

Boards and Committees:

Board of Health Library Board

Ballfield Committee Park and Tree Committee Nursing Home Committee

Planning Commission

Community Redevelopment Authority Zoning Board of Adjustments Community Building Emergency Preparedness Committee P Johnston, A Wine, R Einspahr

Lindsay Anderson, Denise Krausnick, Jennifer DeWester, Marsha

Cameron,

Carolyn (Gypsie) Emerick

Bill Bischoff, Chad DeWester, Shane Lawless

Jim & Jennifer Harris

Village Board of Trustees, (Johnston,

Chairman)

Chad DeWester, Kenneth Lawless, Laurie Maris, Mandi Kramer, Tod Bunker Village of Wauneta Board of Trustees Village of Wauneta Board of Trustees R Einspahr, C Walgren, B Kramer

S Lawless, R Einspahr

Meeting Adjourned.

Page Johnston, Chairman Evelyn Skelton, Clerk

NOTE:

A complete text of the minutes, Resolutions and Ordinances are on file in the office of the Village Clerk, and are available for public inspection during regular business hours.



Wauneta-Palisade Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

The Board of Education for the District of Chase County School District #15-0536 a/k/a Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools was convened in open, public session for a Regular Meeting at 5:04 PM Mountain on December 16, 2024, in the Central Office, Wauneta Attendance Center, PO Box 368, Wauneta, NE 69045, by President Sandman.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of t meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

At the beginning of the meeting, President Sandman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meeting Act is permanently posted in the meeting room on a laminated poster, accessible to members of the public.

Mission Statement

Inspiring our Youth, Expecting Results Everyday

- I. Call to Order. President Sandman called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm MT.
- I.1. Pledge of Allegiance. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- I.2. Posting Verification. Maris and Fanning verified meeting posting.
- I.3. Open Meetings Act Notice
- I.4. Mission Statement
- II. Roll Call. Present Board Members: Hondo Fanning, John Jutten, Laurie Maris, Aaron McKinney, Allison Sandman, and Marty Wheeler joined the meeting at 5:20 pm MT.
- III. Amendments to the Agenda/Approval of the Proposed Agenda. None.
- IV. Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments Pertaining to Agenda Items. None.
- V. Discussion Items
- V.1. Building Update. The board was updated on outstanding items to be completed tomorrow when BD arrives to tend to outlet covers and door mullions. We are still waiting on exterior signage, and Floor Inc to repair carpet. Geier shared that Guy is doing a great job getting things completed, he is very much appreciated.
- V.2. Negotiations Update. Negotiations meeting will be 1/9/2025 at 4:30 pm MT.
- V.3. Superintendent Review Update. All board members should have received their electronic review and must be completed by 12/23/2024.
- VI. Action Items
- VI.1. Approval of BD Pay App #22

To approve BD Pay App #22 of \$7059.81 passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Hondo Fanning. Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

To approve the 11/11/2024 regular meeting minutes passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Marty Wheeler.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

VI.3. Approval of Monthly Budget Reports and District Expenditures

To approve district expenditures of Payroll: \$309,051.76 GF Accts Payable: \$105,625.95 BF Accts Payable: \$7,059.81 (BD Pay App #22) for a grand total: \$421,737.52 and accept the budget reports as presented passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Hondo Fanning.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

VI.4. Approval to Close General Fund Savings Account

To close the General Fund Savings account and move it to the General Fund Money Market for better rate of return passed with a motion by Allison Sandman and a second by John Jutten.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

VII. Policy Review. None.

VIII. Administrative Reports

VIII.1. Superintendent Report. Geier shared that we had some bus issues in McCook and Titans was able to repair it and McCook Public Schools offered to provide transportation if we didn't. RPAC exec meeting is Wednesday in McCook. We've had patrons have reached out to donate turkeys and roasts for families in our school to provide. School year has gone well and second quarter is near the end.

VIII.2. Principal Report. Frecks shared that WORDS grant is going well, and the instructional coaches shared that our school is a very welcoming and positive environment. One Act ended on a positive, with Runner-Up at RPAC and 3rd place at Districts. PK-12 Christmas concert was well attended and a great performance. The winter sports season is underway and going well. Wrestling Quad on Thursday, kindergarten is celebrating this week with gingerbread houses and Polar Express. Frecks shared NSCAS reported we are a great school.

VIII.3. ESU 15 Report. Sandman reported that ESU 15 was meeting this evening for its annual Christmas dinner and meeting.

VIII.4. NASB Report. Sandman thanked everyone for their support and attendance of the 2024 NASB conference and upcoming events are New Board Member Workshops and Legislative Session the end of January 2025.

IX. Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments. None

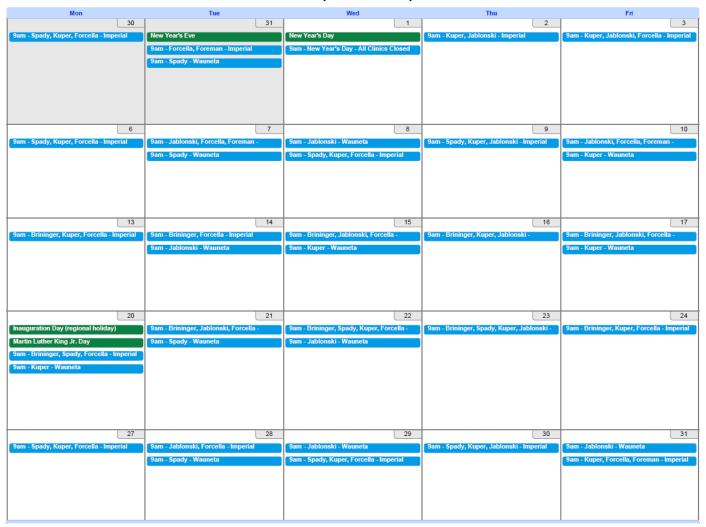
XI. Next Regular Meeting. Monday, January 13, 2025 at 5 pm MT/6 pm CT.

XII. Adjourn. President Sandman adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm MT

Respectfully submitted, Marj Rundback Recording Board Secretary

Dated this December 16, 2024 Chase County School District #536 a/k/a Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools

Chase County Clinics - January 2025



CHASE COUNTY HOSPITAL SPECIALTY CLINIC FOR APPOINTMENTS CALL (308) 882-7256

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MEDICAL PROVIDERS



David Younger, MD



Ally Jablonski, APRN NP



Jodi Spady, PA-C







Kerri Forcella, PA-C



Jamie Kuper, APRN NP



The next meeting of the

CHASE COUNTY GOP

Republican party

Imperial Inn, 748 East 12th St., Imperial Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 6MT

> Chase County GOP meetings are held bi-monthly, on the third Tuesday of odd-numbered months, and alternate between Imperial and Wauneta.

WAUNETA SENIOR CENTER

JANUARY 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1/1/2025	CLOSED HAPPY NEW YEAR!
1/8/2025	COFFEE & CONVERSATION @ 10 AM
1/8/2025	FRIED CHICKEN
1/8/2025	BIRTHDAY/ANNV CELEBRATION LUNCH
1/21/2025	LIVER & ONIONS
1/22/2025	COFFEE & CONVERSATION @ 10 AM
1/22/2025	INDIAN TACOS
1/26/2025	SUNDAY DINNER 11 AM-1 PM
1/28/2025	CHICKEN FRIED STEAK

EXERCISE EVERY TUESSDAY & THURSDAY @ 10:30 AM

1/29/2025 PAINTING WITH SABRINA

REMINDER: PLEASE MAKE RESERVATION NO LATER THAN 9:30

AM THE DAY OF THE MEAL REQUEST 308-394-6333

The cost per meal will be \$8.50 for 60 and older with the cost of meals for under 60 \$ 9.50 per meal.

The cost of Sunday Dinner will be \$12.00 per meal over the age of 10. Under 10 will be \$7.00 per meal.

JANUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
WAUNETA SENIOR CENTER 308-394-6333	COFFEE AT 10 AM ON 1/8/2025 1/22/2025		1 CLOSED	2 SPLIT PEA SOUP W/HAM GRILLED CHESSE SAND SALADS DESSERT	3 CLOSED	4 HOURS OF SERVICE 8 AM TO 2 PM
5 CALL BY 9:30 AM FOR RESERVATION	6 SALISBURY STEAK ROASTED POTATOES CARROTS SALADS DESSERT	7 BISCUITS & SAUSAGE GRAVY HASH BROWNS GREEN BEANS SALADS/DESSERT	8 BDAY/ANNV FRIED CHICKEN MASHED POTATOES CORN SALADS DESSERT	9 15 BEAN SOUP GRILLED HAM/CHEESE SAND SALADS DESSERT	CLOSED	11 COFFEE, TEA, WATER & JUICE AVAILABLE DAILY DAILY
12 MILK, CRACKERS & BREAD AVAILABLE	MEATLOAF CHEESY POTATOES PEAS SALADS DESSERT	14 CHICKEN & NOODLES MASHED POTATOES BEETS SALADS DESSERT	HAM SWEET POTATOES GREEN BEANS SALADS DESSERT	BEEF STEW BISCUIT SALADS DESSERT	17 CLOSED	18 MENU SUBJECT CHANGE BASED ON AVAILABITY
19 \$7.50 60 AND OVER \$8.50 UNDER 60	20 CHICKEN POT PIE SALADS DESSERT	21 CHOICE OF LIVER & ONIONS OR HAMBURGER PATTY SWEET POTATOES GREEN BEANS SALADS/DESSERT	22 INDIAN TACOS ASST TOPPINGS SALADS DESSERT	23 BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP TUNA SALAD SAND SALADS DESSERT	CLOSED	EXERCISE AT 10:30 AM TUESDAY & THURSDAY
SUNDAY DINNER 11 AM -1 PM	HAM BALLS MAC & CHEESE MIXED VEGETABLES SALADS DESSERT	28 CHICKEN FRIED STEAK MASHED POTATOES GREEN BEANS SALADS DESSERT	29 SMOTHERED PORK CUTLET CHEESY POTATOES PEAS & CARROTS SALADS/DESSERT	30 CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP EGG SALAD SAND SALADS DESSERT	CLOSED	

CROSSROADS "LUNCH" SPECIALS "Like us on " facebook.



January 2025

Wauneta Crossroads

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
PICCADILLY PIZZA.			Chili topped Open Faced Hamburger	Breaded Chicken Mashed Potato Bowl	3 BBQ Grill Pizza	Super Nachos
French Dip Sub w/Au Jus	Pizza Burger	Chicken Tacos w/ Spanish Rice	Chicken Parmesan over Spaghetti	"Wauneta's" Steak & Cheese Sub	Zesty Italian Pizza	Sloppy Joes Sandwich
Chicken & Noodles over Mashed Potatoes	HandBreaded Italian Chicken Sandwich	Smothered Beef Burritos	Shepherd's Beef Pie	HomeMade Chicken Fried Steak Sandwich	Indian Taco Pizza	BBQ Pork Hot Pocket
Hot Beef Sandwich w/ Mashed Potatoes	HandBreaded Pork Cutlet Sandwich	Taco Soup or Taco Bravo	Meatloaf Cheesy Potatoes & Veg	Toasted Rueben on Marble Rye	Chicken Bacon Ranch Pizza	Hot Ham & Cheese Sub
Chicken Cordon Bleu Sub	Tuscan Pizza Calzone	Chicken & Black Bean Taco Wrap	Sweet & Sour Pork over Fried Rice	Toasted Rachel on Marble Rye	Chipotle Chicken Pizza	PICCEPILLY PIZZA.

To Reserve a Lunch Special—Call 308-394-5444



