

Serving delicious food is this family's tradition



Andrew and Joe Creach, owners

"We want our guests to feel like they're having dinner with family, and in a way they are," said Joe Creach, who owns **Erio's Ristorante** with his brother, Andrew. "Our brother Matt is a line chef alongside Andrew. Our brother Michael is our head server and tech guy. Our brothers Lee and Jerry and sister pitch in whenever we need them. Her son Hunter makes pizzas and does prep work for us. Her daughter Lilly is our newest busser. Then, there's our mom, who serves as hostess and makes all our desserts, and our dad, who comes in every morning to sweep and mop

the floor, set the tables and change the lightbulbs."

In 2019, Joe and Andrew bought the restaurant from its founders, Pete and Joan Pulizzi. "Pete was like a second father to me. He taught me well," said Joe. "I was 14 ½ when I became Erio's dishwasher. Later, I moved on to server, cook, manager and now owner. Andrew worked for Pete on and off for about 8 years. We're still using all of Pete's recipes."

Guests can choose from family-friendly staples, such as pasta, pizza and paninis, or date-night and celebration-worthy entrées, such as hand-cut steaks and sumptuous seafood. And let's not forget mom's cheesecake.

"She gets up at 5 a.m. to make the cheesecakes for dinner service at 4 p.m.," Joe said. Of course, she does. She and the rest of the family want things to be perfect for their guests.

"One of the neat things is that so many families choose Erio's as the place to gather for their special occasions," Joe said. "Every day is like an open house, where people can come and enjoy a good time with our family!"

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