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Giovanni's Roast Beef and Pizzeria, authentic and affordable

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hris Alexandrou, owner and operator of Giovanni's Roast Beef & Pizzeria, got his start in the pizza industry during high school, learning directly from the original founder of Giovanni's. Graduating from a vocational school, Chris was hired by General Electric, entering the engineering program where his father had been employed for 25 years. Chris was laid off shortly after being hired. The one thing he knew was pizza, so Chris, his dad and his two brothers returned together to Giovanni's Roast Beef & Pizzeria. They worked hard branding, creating logos, and implementing systems that eventually enabled them to open their own Giovanni's Roast Beef & Pizzeria. It's been over twenty years since those days, and Giovanni's Roast Beef & Pizzeria is a successful and thriving business with five locations in New Hampshire alone.

Giovanni's Roast Beef & Pizzeria is a quick serve restaurant where all dishes are made using top quality, high-end meats and cheeses. Sauces and dough are made daily using proprietary recipes. "Customer favorites include Marinated Chicken or Steak Tips served on our fresh salads, made daily, and Grilled Chicken Broccoli Pasta dishes served



Giovanni's owner, Chris Alexandrou displays a Steak Bomb sub.

with our delicious Alfredo sauce. Chris says enthusiastically. "Our pizzas are topped with our custom four-cheese mozzarella blend. The Roast Beef is cooked daily, low and slow, for the best quality and taste. The Super Roast Beef is one of the most popular sandwiches, served on a toasted onion roll. Most will come in and ask for the "Hot and Juicy 3-Way," which includes BBQ sauce, American cheese, and mayonnaise. Waffle fries or our homemade thincut, crispy onion rings are always popular. For the health conscious, grilled chicken salads served with our famous house dressing never fail to satisfy. Chris continues, "Calzones, let's see... where do I start? Italian cold cut stuffed, Chicken Parmigiana, spinach and cheese to name a few, all topped and stuffed with our mozzarella cheese blend.'

The weekly special at Giovanni's Roast Beef & Pizzeria is an in-house large cheese pizza for only \$6.99, available on Sundays, Mondays, and Tuesdays for pick up. Throughout Lent, enjoy Broiled Haddock topped with a delicious panko blend, served with rice pilaf and a fresh side salad.

In addition, Giovanni's offers executive catering services with a variety of mouth-watering italian recipe options to choose from, such as Homemade Eggplant Parmesan, Chicken Marsala, Cannelloni, Ziti Bolognese and Lasagna, always a palette pleaser at any business function or social event.

Giovanni's is open Monday -Saturday, 10 AM to 10 PM and Sunday 11AM to 9 PM. Please visit www.giovannis.biz for convenient online ordering or stop by the location nearest you. For more information, call 603-882-5757 (Nashua location).



Photos by JODIE ANDRUSKEVICH Giovanni's owner, Chris Alexandrou displays a fresh baked pepperoni pizza.

