## Like Pepperoni and Cheese, MRCI and Pizza Ranch make the perfect pairing!



double shifts if they need the help."

Pizza Ranch is always willing to give individuals served by MRCI work experience, at the same time it helps with their staffing needs. If you want to learn how to be a MRCI employment partner, call 507-386-5600 or visit mymrci.org.



## About MRCI

MRCI provides genuine opportunities for people with disabilities and disadvantages at home, at work and in the community. To become an employment partner, or for more information, please call 507-386-5600.

For years Pizza Ranch in New Prague has employed a number of individuals served by MRCI. One that stands out day in and day out, is Brian Mitchell.

"Brian has been an asset to Pizza Ranch and has been an employee they have been able to count on," says MRCI Employment Specialist Rachel Passe. "The managers there utilize his talents in many areas."

Brian started at Pizza Ranch three years ago as a dish washer, but the managers at Pizza Ranch learned very quickly, he could be of better use in front of house.

"He moved more to the front-end bussing tables, doing the salad bar and buffet," says Passe. "After doing that for a while they let him make chicken and pizzas! In fact, within six months of starting Brian was helping customers at the cash register. In the last few months, he now has been getting trained on some manager duties so he can help with the closing out the cash drawers. It's been incredible to watch his grow into the job."

Brian says, "I'm practically working almost 40 hours a week, and I love it. Some days I do