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With a firm conviction to provide the community with a family restaurant, stating, "It's not for the money," Grant Family Restaurant owner Melody Lee continues to readjust hours, add equipment, change employees and do whatever it takes to "make sure the community has a family-style restaurant."

"We need each other," said Lee, who understands issues brought to her attention and is making efforts to accommodate customers' requests or address complaints.

With the start of a new month, comes a new cook and a new menu item. The restaurant will serve prime rib on Saturdays beginning Nov. 5.

Brittany Strode of Burlington, Colo., has a six-year history of restaurant management, considering herself an expert in steaks and fine dining.

"I'm excited to be here and get things going," said Strode. She began cooking at the restaurant Nov. 1 and is looking forward to getting to know her customers.

Another addition is a brand new salad bar. The bigger bar accommodates more salad selection and replaces the former salad bar which is now used as a dessert bar.

As holidays approach, the Grant Family Restaurant is eager to host banquets and parties.

"No party is too small," said Lee. Even though there has been a shift in hours, the restaurant will open up to accommodate holiday parties on the evenings it's closed.

The restaurant will be closed over the Thanksgiving holiday from Nov. 23-25, however, regular weekend hours will resume on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 26-27.

New hours include: Monday-closed (except for special evening parties); Tuesday, 6 a.m.-2 p.m. (will open for evening parties); Wednesday-Thursday-Friday 6 a.m.-2 p.m. and from 5-8 p.m. (Wednesday nights feature all-you-can-eat chicken); Saturday, all day, 6 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. buffet only.

Fresh fried chicken can be ordered ahead anytime and picked up, much the same as fast-food chicken outlets.

A special offer this week is a coupon to buy one steak dinner and get one half price on Friday night, Nov. 4. The coupon appears in this week's issue of the paper.

As the clocks change and holidays approach, keep Grant Family Restaurant in mind for an evening of dining out as well as a venue for company parties.