

WEEKLY MEETING UPDATES

Monday, November 11, 2019 Edition

Thank you to all our associates who are Veterans! We thank you for your service...and we hope that you enjoy a FREE Donut today. Also thanks to the Mothers, Fathers, and Family Members of Veterans as we know that your life can be a roller coaster, and very emotional when your family member is serving our country.

Fundraiser Programs: We have a great PIE Fundraiser program: Non-for-Profit Groups can raise money by selling our bakery pies-frozen and ready to bake. The fundraiser allows for the group to **sell the pies for \$10.00 and the group gets \$5.00 for each pie sold**. The group collects the money at the time of the sale, and they then turn the dollars in at the time that they turn in the paperwork and number of pies sold. Customers are given a date to come to the store and pick up the pies. It works really slick the customers pick up the pies at the service desk and we have the pies in a freezer pizza bunker at the service desk area so that it is easy access. Great Program and if you have a group that you know of that is looking for a fundraiser - this is a really good one - and this is pie season! Let your friends and customers know about this fundraiser.

Management: We have new management at the Winnebago store. Jim O'hea is on board for the Front of the store and Craig Engleberts is overseeing the backend of the store.

Our **Trucking Department** has requested that we all make sure that the back room is ready for our grocery trucks. If you work grocery, dairy, frozen, meat etc... please make sure that the back room is clear and well stacked and ready for the load to come in. Make sure that the pallet jacks are plugged in and ready for use. (If not operational make sure that it is getting repaired). If you are sending totes back, then they should be shrink-wrapped and ready for pick up. Staff if available please help these guys unload - they appreciate your assistance.

Secondary Food Licenses: The Health Departments require that individuals who work with fresh food products to have either a secondary Food License or Primary Food License. Tim had

noted that there are several individuals whose secondary licenses are expired. Please check with your store manager and your license for expiration date.

Holiday Store Hours:

- *Thanksgiving*: Stores will open at their regular store hours and all stores will close at 4:00pm
- *Christmas Eve*: Stores will open at their regular store hours and all stores will close at 5:00pm
- *Christmas Day*: **ALL** stores will be open **8:00am till NOON**. (This is double time pay and a VOLUNTARY WORK Program only) Sign up at your store if interested.
- *New Year's Eve*: Open regular store hours and all stores will close at 7:00pm
- *New Year's Day*: Open regular store hours and all stores will close at 6:00pm

Customer/Vendor Feedback: We received a very nice letter from a freeport customer regarding our deli department and the service they gave for a funeral! Also, I saw on Facebook that **Brandt's Wicked Pissah Hot Sauces** gave a shout out to Sullivan's in Freeport, Savanna, and Stockton for carrying their hot sauces and how accommodating the stores were in assisting him with demos.

Associate Discount Card: We will be running these reports on December 1st. Employees will have their rebate cards by December 18th. PLEASE REVIEW THE DISCOUNT RULES! The discount is good for employee immediate household only. The employee must be paying for the product and it must be on their off time. Please follow the rules or face the consequences!

Produce: We have a couple WOW's in the Produce Department this week-Since we switched to completely buying our produce from Marano's, the quality and product presentation is much improved. Wow-**starting Wednesday raspberries are 2 for \$4.00; celery is only 99 cents, and cilantro is 3 bunches for \$1.00**. Check it out!

This week Sales Notes! We also have a **3 Day sale this week starting Friday, November 15; Saturday, November 16; and Sunday, November 17.** We have some great items with **one gallon Prairie Farms orange juice at \$2.69** and a **3 lb. bag of oranges for \$2.49.** Both great products for the cold and flu season!

Health & Safety: Also, if everyone could pay attention to the hand wipes that are used for the grocery carts. Let's make sure that they are kept replenished. Facebook keeps sending out notices that people really need to be using these wipes due to the cold and flu season as well as potential drug tailings from individuals on these cart handles.

Reminder keep your wet floor signs out and salt in front of your stores as needed. Yak trackers were purchased for all stores for you staff to use when going out to salt or to be safe if appropriate shoes are not worn during cart duty. REMINDER: PLEASE wear your coats, gloves, and hats when out doing cart duty! We don't want you sick we need you working!

Have a GREAT WEEK - and go play in the snow, it might only last a couple days! Sounds as if we may have some 50 degree weather coming in a few days!