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"Success will never be a big step in the future, success is a small step taken just now."

Jonatan Mårtensson

E.L.M.S. GOAL:

95.0%

# ELMS EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE NEWS

FRONT END Newsletter

Cashiers that meet the ELMS Goal of 95% or better for week ending Sept. 20 2008:

NAME		<b>SCORE</b>
Amanda Cales		112.5%
Betty Noe		100.0%
Heather Hogan	<i>f.</i>	98.7%
Lora Huffman	excellent	97.8%
Mary Irwin	- Certent	97.7%
Ethan Adams		95.4%

# THOSE WHO MADE GREAT IMPROVEMENT IN THEIR ELMS SCORE

### **NAME**

Cody Thornburgh



### **IMPROVEMENT**

15.31%

STORE SCORE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 20, 2008:

82.4%

WEEK ENDING 9-20-08 SCORE IS A **DROP OVER LAST WEEK SCORE**. WE WENT FROM 86.7% TO 82.4% THAT IS A DECREASE OF 4.96%. WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE ON A DAILY BASIS TO ACHIEVE THE ELMS GOAL OF 95%!







PLU SALE ITEMS FOR THIS WEEK:

# LEARN HIGH USAGE PLU CODES:

California Nectarines 4378

Red Seedless Grapes

4023

Valencia Oranges

3108

On The Vine Tomatoes

4664

# CUSTOMER 1<sup>ST</sup> STRATEGY: GREAT PEOPLE

Store 525 was ONE of only THREE stores in Zone D that made 100% on the Front End for Mystery Shops for Period 8, August 17<sup>th</sup> – September 13<sup>th</sup> 2008.

Store	FE Eye Contact	FE Smiling	FE Greeting	FE Engaging	FE Thanking	AVG
D-525	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
D-530	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
D-549	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Here are the *GREAT PEOPLE* that made this happen for Store 525:

Alice Pinckard Amanda Mills Ashley Riley

James Tabor Karen Tenney Melissa James

Michael Malek Nick Bartosik Sharon Hargrove







SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



# UT FOOTBALL SATURDAY **GAME DAY**





VS

Saturday Day: Date: Oct. 4, 2008 Knoxville, Tenn. **Location:** Time: 7:00 p.m. ET

Be Sure To Support The UT Vols By Wearing Your UT Shirts C

Saturday.







# **Date**

September 2

September 13

September 20

<b>Annivers aries</b>	<u>Date</u>	Years	
Alice Pinckard	September 14, 1982	26	
Lora Huffman	September 28, 1981	27	



# GETINVOLVED

# 18 ELMS

BEING RING
TENDER
EFFECTIVE IS
PART OF
KROGER'S
CUSTOMER 1<sup>ST</sup>
STRATEGY OF
PROVIDING
WORLD CLASS
SERVICE!



# OCTOBER: BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



Breast Cancer Survivor Sandi Shaw – 525 Front End Knoxville, TN

# September 28 through October 25 KMA GOAL FOR 2008 \$300,000

All Kroger Stores will be raising money for the Komen For The Cure Breast Cancer Foundation.

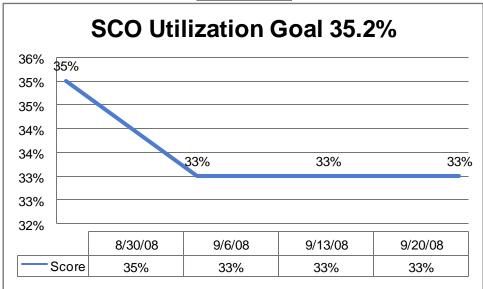
The money raised in your community stays in your community to provide breast health screening, treatment, education, support service programs, and to support research Grant Programs to fund cutting edge research to find a cure.

Get Involved-Ask Every Customer If They Would Like To Purchase A Ribbon To Help Fight Breast Cancer.

THE SCO UTILIZATION GOAL OF 41.2% HAS BEEN CHANGED TO 35.2%!!! THIS IS EXCITING NEWS. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE CHART WE HAVE ACHIEVED THIS GOAL ONCE IN THE PAST 4 WEEKS AND WE HAVE ACHIEVED THE GOAL OF 35.2% 12 TIMES OVER THE PAST 38 WEEKS OR 31.6% OF THE TIME AND WE HAVE BEEN VERY CLOSE THE WEEKS THAT WE DID NOT MAKE GOAL, SO THIS IS VERY ACHIEVABLE. SO SCO CASHIERS PUT FORTH A LITTLE EFFORT AND THERE WILL BE NO REASON WHY WE CAN NOT MAKE GOAL EVERY WEEK AND MAYBE HAVE SOME KIND OF CELEBRATION?!?!?!

# NEW SCO UTILIZATION GOAL!!

<u>35.2%</u>





1-2-3 REWARDS® MasterCard®

# 100% On MasterCard Prompting

AS YOU ALL KNOW THE MASTER CARD PROMPT IS NOW PART OF THE MYSTERY SHOP. STORE 525 AND STORE 562 ARE THE ONLY STORES IN ZONE D THAT HAVE A PERFECT SCORE OF 100% ON THE MYSTERY SHOP FOR THE MASTER CARD PROMPT, WITH FOUR SHOPS. CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GREAT FRONT END CASHIERS FOR MAKING THIS HAPPEN. KEEP UP THE FANTASTIC JOB!!!!



# BAGGING TIPS, STRIVE FOR FIVE

# 1. Size Up The Order And Stay Organized

a. Look Down The Belt To See What Is Coming And Try To Sort And Organize Items Accordingly.

# 2. Select The Right Bag

a. Junior Bags Are Ideal For Smaller Items Such As Cards And Candies, Cleaners, And Even A Half Gallon Of Milk. They May Also Be Used To Separate Different Types Of Uncooked Meat Placed In A Larger Bag.

### 3. Build Walls

 Use Boxes And Other Flat Products To Push Out The Sides Of The Bag To Create Walls. These Walls Provide Shape And Stability And Protect Smaller Items In The Bag.







# **Exciting News!!**

# Associate Fuel Discount

From October 1 through December 31, 2008, associates can earn 20¢ off per gallon of fuel with each \$100 in qualifying grocery purchase with their Kroger Plus shopper's card. This discount is an additional 10¢ off per gallon savings, on top of our everyday customer fuel discount program. As they do today, associates who use the Kroger 1-2-3 Rewards MasterCard for fuel payment will earn an additional 5¢ off per gallon for fuel. That's a possible savings of 25¢ off per gallon!

# WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Got something to add: story, comment, idea or suggestion let us know and we will try to include it!

Give us your feedback.

Thank You,

Holly and Randy