

Aug 2026



Dara's

CORNER MARKET



Happy Birthday

St George D11
Erin Neugebauer 8/14
The Dam D9
Steve Lindsay 8/15
Candlewood D2
Holly Dale 8/14
Claflin D1
Torpy Curly 8/2
Bluehills D10
Sabrina McManus 8/24
Jessica Philips 8/27



Welcome

D1/Claflin
Jason Gee
NICE
Jacob Nielsen
D11/St George
Erin Neugebauer
April Shipp
Kimberly Steinle
D8/Green Valley
Jacob Welch
D4/Pillsbury
Michele Williams



Work Anniversary

D2/Candlewood
Matt Derby - 15 yrs
D1/Claflin
Torpy Curly - 1 yr
Britain Modean - 1 yr
Dusty Steenbock - 19 yrs
D4/Pillsbury
Andrew Sargent - 2 yrs
D8/Green Valley
Cory McCart - 19 yrs
Shelly Spurlock - 23 yrs
Teresa Tripp - 5 yrs
NICE/Maint.
Brent Cullinane - 2 yrs
Derek Corral - 19 yrs

Welcome Alexandra Oruna to the Dara's Team!

Please join us in welcoming Alexandra "Alex" Oruna as our new Manager in Training at Dara's!

Alex joins us with several years of convenience store leadership experience from Midwest Petroleum Company in Missouri, where she began as an Assistant Manager and was later promoted to Store Manager. She recently relocated to the Fort Riley area with her husband and is excited to begin this new chapter with Dara's.

We're thrilled to have Alex on our team and look forward to the experience, knowledge, strong work ethic, and positive attitude she brings to our stores.

If you see Alex in your store, please take a moment to introduce yourself and give her a warm Dara's welcome. We know she'll be a great addition to our team!

Welcome to the Dara's family, Alex!



Congratulations to Our Newly Promoted Assistant Managers!

Please join us in congratulating the following team members on their well-earned promotions to Assistant Manager!

🌟 Matt Derby – Candlewood

🌟 Holly Dale – Candlewood

🌟 Torpy Curly – Claflin

They are joining an outstanding Assistant Manager team that includes:

★ Cory McCart – Green Valley

★ Heather Mallon – The Dam

★ Amber Zoeller – The Dam

At Dara's, we believe in promoting from within and providing our team members with opportunities to grow. If you're interested in advancing your career with Dara's, we offer a structured training program designed to help you develop the skills and experience needed to take the next step.

Congratulations again to Matt, Holly, and Torpy! We can't wait to see all you'll accomplish in your new roles! 🙌🎉

🌟 A Special Shout-Out to Our Employee of the Quarter Nominees! 🌟

We want to recognize the outstanding team members who were nominated. Your hard work, dedication, and positive attitudes do not go unnoticed. Thank you for making Dara's a great place to work and serve our customers!

👏 Torpy Curly – Dara's 1 (Claflin)

Congratulations on stepping into your new role as Assistant Manager! It has been a pleasure watching you grow in your leadership position. Your willingness to accept feedback, learn, and apply it every day has made a tremendous difference. Keep up the great work!

👏 Chris Reed – Dara's 4 (Pillsbury)

Chris is known for her positive, engaging personality with both customers and coworkers. She truly is one of the sweetest people you'll ever meet, and her customers absolutely love her. Thank you for spreading kindness wherever you go!

👏 Jon Anzel – NICE Warehouse

Jon is a tremendous asset to the NICE team. He is a hardworking employee who is always willing to step in and help wherever needed. Your dependability appreciated every day.

👏 Team Dara's 1 (Claflin)

This entire team earned a nomination for the way they support one another. Their willingness to share the workload, encourage each other, and maintain a positive attitude truly exemplifies the spirit of "We Over I." Thank you for showing what teamwork looks like!

👏 Patricia "Trisha" Bostick – Dara's 8 (Green Valley)

Trisha consistently goes above and beyond in the kitchen, always willing to help wherever she's needed. Her strong work ethic, positive attitude, and friendly personality make her a valued member of the Dara's family.

💚 Congratulations to all of our nominees! Being nominated is an accomplishment in itself and reflects the impact you have on your coworkers, customers, and our company. Thank you for everything you do to make Dara's stronger every day! 🎉

July Contest Results



JULY CONTEST

FINAL RESULTS!

WHAT AN INCREDIBLE MONTH!

Thank you to every team for promoting our Hot Dog Meal Deal and Breakfast Burritos. Your enthusiasm, teamwork, and suggestive selling made this one of our best contests yet!




HOT DOG MEAL DEAL CONTEST




BREAKFAST BURRITO CONTEST

FINAL STANDINGS

1	D8	306	★
2	D10	276	
3	D9	250	
4	BASECAMP	216	
5	D1	188	
6	D11	141	
7	D4	136	
8	D2	126	

WEEK 4 TO FINAL PUSH

STORE	WEEK 4	FINAL	INCREASE
D8	276	306	+30
D10	246	276	+30
D9	224	250	+26
Basecamp	187	216	+29
D1	167	188	+21
D11	126	141	+15
D4	123	136	+13
D2	113	126	+13

FINAL STANDINGS

1	D8	1,883	★
2	BASECAMP	992	
3	D9	429	
4	D11	241	
5	D1	218	
6	D10	200	
7	D2	140	
8	D4	136	

WEEK 4 TO FINAL PUSH

STORE	WEEK 4	FINAL	INCREASE
D8	1,678	1,883	+205
Basecamp	886	992	+106
D9	385	429	+44
D11	213	241	+28
D1	193	218	+25
D10	179	200	+21
D2	123	140	+17
D4	119	136	+17



CONGRATULATIONS

D8!

1ST PLACE IN BOTH CONTESTS!

Outstanding job all month long!



**HOT DOG CONTEST
2ND PLACE
D10**



**BREAKFAST BURRITO CONTEST
2ND PLACE
BASECAMP**



A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERY STORE!

Your hard work, great customer service, and dedication made this month a huge success!

♥ WAY TO GO, TEAM DARA'S! ♥