

EASTER EGG CONTEST

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Each participant pays \$1 to be in the contest. The contest starts on Feb. 14, and ends when all the eggs are gone, or on April 11, whichever comes first.

The money collected, plus matching money from the chapter, will be divided into different amounts, ranging from ten cents to \$5, and placed inside colored plastic eggs.

This year, with 13 initial participants, the money available (\$26), will be divided as follows:

Two \$5 eggs
Three \$2 eggs
Three \$1 eggs
Six 50-cent eggs
Six 25-cent eggs
Seven 20-cent eggs
Eleven 10-cent eggs

If other members enter the contest later, they must pay \$1, and money they contribute will be put into additional eggs.

The eggs containing money will be placed in a basket, along with a number of other eggs, which may contain one of the following:

-An inspirational or motivational message

-A message saying, "Choose another egg" (2), or "Choose two more eggs" (2).

-A message reading "Sorry, no win this week. Present this message any week that you lose at least one pound (KOPS at least one pound under goal), and get an extra egg."

If this message is drawn during the last week of the contest, person automatically gets another egg.

Each week, the following get to pick an egg from the basket:

TOPS with a loss

KOPS at or below goal -- or with a loss if above goal

Turtles do not get an egg. They receive a special pass which, if presented with a loss the following week, allows the holder to get an extra egg. The pass, which is dated, is good only for the following week. During the last week, turtles automatically get to choose an egg.

We named the Turtle pass the "Jean Clark Honorary" coupon for a dear friend. The first time I did this contest (many years ago), she protested that there were no eggs for Turtles (She had pet turtles, and loved them.). We joked about it, with her "berating" me every time someone was a Turtle. So, the next year, I came up with the coupons for Turtles.

The coupon has since become the "Jean Clark Memorial," as we lost her last year. A chapter in PA uses her name on their coupons as well, I think she smiles down on such endeavors.

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