### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): October 2, 2007

## **CBRL GROUP, INC.**

Tennessee

0-25225

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

62-1749513 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

305 Hartmann Drive, Lebanon, Tennessee 37087

(615) 444-5533

Check the appropriate box if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 2, 2007, CBRL Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued the press release, which is furnished hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein, announcing the comparable store sales for its Cracker Barrel Old Country Store<sup>®</sup> restaurants and gift shops for the four-week period ending Friday, September 28, 2007.

On October 3, 2007, the Company will present the information that is furnished as Exhibits 99.2 through 99.11 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, which by this reference is incorporated herein as if copied verbatim, to current and potential investors.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

See Exhibit Index immediately following signature page.

#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: October 3, 2007

CBRL GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ N.B. Forrest Shoaf

Name: N.B. Forrest Shoaf Title: Senior Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

#### Description

- 99.1 Press Release issued by CBRL Group, Inc. dated October 2, 2007 Cracker Barrel Fact Book dated October 3, 2007 99.2 Presentation of Diana Wynne 99.3 99.4 Presentation of Mike Woodhouse 99.5 Presentation of Doug Barber 99.6 Presentation of Terry Maxwell 99.7 Presentation of Deb Evans 99.8 Presentation of Simon Turner 99.9 Presentation of Ed Greene
- 99.10 Presentation of Larry White

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99.11 Presentation of Bob Doyle

#### Exhibit 99.1

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#### CBRL GROUP, INC.

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#### CBRL GROUP REPORTS SEPTEMBER COMPARABLE STORE SALES

**LEBANON, Tenn.** — **October 2, 2007** — CBRL Group, Inc. ("CBRL" or the "Company") (Nasdaq: CBRL) today reported comparable store sales for its Cracker Barrel Old Country Store<sup>®</sup> restaurants and gift shops for the four-week period ending Friday, September 28, 2007. The sales are compared with comparable weeks, not the prior-year fiscal period, as a result of the 53<sup>rd</sup> week in the fiscal year ended on August 3, 2007:

- Comparable store restaurant sales increased 1.5% from the comparable four-week period last year, with approximately 3.1% higher average check primarily due to an average menu price increase of about 3.8%. Traffic declined approximately 1.6%.
- Comparable store retail sales were down 0.2% from the comparable four-week period in fiscal 2007. Excluding the effect of Porch Sale clearance events in both years, sales would have increased 2.0%.

Headquartered in Lebanon, Tennessee, CBRL Group, Inc. presently operates 565 Cracker Barrel Old Country Store restaurants and gift shops located in 41 states.

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Exhibit 99.2



## NASDAQ : CBRL



Fact Book October 3, 2007



#### Safe-Harbor Statement

The company uses caution in considering its current trends and the earnings disclosed in this Fact Book. The restaurant industry is highly competitive, and trends and guidance are subject to numerous factors and influences, some of which are discussed in the cautionary language other than its periodic filings on Forms 10-K, 10-Q, and 8-K (and any amendments to those forms) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC).

Except for specific historical information, many of the matters discussed in this document may express or imply projections of revenues or expenditures, plans and objectives for future operations, growth or initiatives, expected future economic performance, or the expected outcome or impact of pending or threatened litigation. These and similar statements regarding events or results that CBRL Group, Inc. (the "Company") expects will or may occur in the future, are forward-looking statements that involve risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results and performance of the Company to differ materially from those expressed or implied by those statements. All forward-looking information is provided pursuant to the safe harbor established under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and should be evaluated in the context of these risks, uncertainties and other factors. Forward-looking statements generally can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "trends," "assumptions," "target, ""guidance, ""outlook, ""opportunity", "future, ""plans, ""goals, ""objectives," "expectations," "near-term, ""long-term, ""projection, ""may, ""will, ""would, ""could," "expect,""intend,""estimate,""anticipate,""believe,""potential,""regular," or "continue" (or the negative or other derivatives of each of these terms) or similar terminology. The Company believes the assumptions underlying these forward-looking statements are reasonable; however, any of the assumptions could be inaccurate, and therefore, actual results may differ materially from those projected in or implied by the forward-looking statements. Factors and risks that may result in actual results differing from this forwardlooking information include, but are not limited to, those listed in Part I, Item 1A of the 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, as well as other factors including, without limitation, the factors described under "Critical Accounting Estimates" in that portion of the 2007 Annual Report that is incorporated by reference into Part II, Item 7 or, from time to time, in the Company's filings with the SEC, press releases and other communications.

Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements made in this document, since the statements speak only as of the document's date. The Company has no obligation, and does not intend, to publicly update or revise any of these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this document or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. Readers are advised, however, to consult any future public disclosures the Company may make on subjects related to those discussed in this document.





Financial Data

Financial information and data reported herein may include audited data or data extracted from audited financial statements, but readers should not rely on such data as being audited unless so designated. For audited financial information or more detailed footnote disclosure, the reader is directed to the Company's periodic reports, which can be found at the SEC's website, sec.gov, or the Company's website at cbrigroup.com.

"Non-GAAP financial measures," as that term is defined by the SEC in regulation G, are included in this document. The reconciliations to GAAP measures are reflected in the Appendix at the end of this document and are also available on our web site, cbrlgroup.com. Certain numbers in this supplement are from the Company's audited financial statements, but readers should refer only to the audited financial statements themselves to rely on audited results.







**Corporate Profile** 

#### Corporate Profile

The principal activity of CBRL Group, Inc. ("CBRL, "CBRL Group,""our," and "we") (Nasdaq: CBRL) is to operate and develop the Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® restaurant and retail concept ("Cracker Barrel"). CBRL Group operates more than 560 Cracker Barrel Old Country Store restaurants and gift shops located in 41 states. The restaurants serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. The retail area offers a variety of decorative and functional items specializing in rocking chairs, holiday gifts and toys, apparel and foods.

#### The Cracker Barrel Brand

Thirty-eight years ago, Cracker Barrel's founder, Dan Evins, recognized the potential to offer interstate highway travelers quality food, service and value consistently and conveniently by focusing on a mission of "Pleasing People." The initial success of the concept drove continued expansion along the interstate system, and today Cracker Barrel has evolved into an indelible part of the automotive travel experience. It is now one of the leading and most highly differentiated restaurant chains in the United States. Cracker Barrel welcomes about 600,000 people per day on average, serving meals for three day-parts and offering breakfast all day through its more than 560 stores. Each location also has one of our unique retail shops that generated in fiscal 2007 an average of more than \$917,000 in retail sales on a 53 week basis, or over \$429 per square foot of retail selling space, driven primarily by the high level of restaurant guest traffic.

Cracker Barrel is a recognized guest favorite, having been named "Best in Family Dining" by *Restaurants and Institutions* magazine's "Choice in Chains" consumer survey for the 17th consecutive year. For the 14th year in a row, *Destinations* magazine's annual survey of bus operators and tour planners named Cracker Barrel the Best Restaurant Chain for Groups. The Good Sam Club named Cracker Barrel "the Most RV Friendly Sit-Down Restaurant in America" for the 6th year in a row.

In addition, CBRL Group was named the third most admired food service company on Fortune's Most Admired Company list in 2007—the only full service restaurant on the list. In the 2007 *Competitive Advantage Report: Restaurant & Beverage* prepared by Kanbay Research Institute, Cracker Barrel was named the #1 restaurant in the casual dining category in meeting customer expectations





## Fun Facts

- How many CDs have Cracker Barrel Old Country Store® 1. retail shops sold?
- How much of the world's maple syrup do we use and sell? 2.
- What is the best selling retail product? З.
- How many miles of thin stick candy do we sell every year? 4.
- How many pounds of flour do we use every day to produce 5. our biscuits and dumplins?
- How many oranges are in a 20 oz. glass of Cracker Barrel 6. orange juice?
- 7. How many did we serve last year--approximately?
  - Bacon?
    - 75 million slices
    - 100 million slices
    - 125 million slices
  - Eggs?
    - 125 million
    - 150 million
    - 175 million
  - Orders of Chicken 'N" Dumplins?
    - 6 million
    - 12 million 18 million
- Where did Moon Pies originate? 8. How much pancake mix did we sell in 2006? 9.
- How many packets of preserves, jams and jellies do we use 10. per year?
  - Less than 50 million
  - 50 to 75 million
  - More than 75 million
- What percentage of our locations are on the interstate? 11.



### Answers

- 1. Over 3 million CDs sold
- 2. 6% of the world's maple syrup
- 3. Rockers—Over \$20 million in fiscal 2007
- 4. If laid end-to-end, the quantity of thin sticks would stretch 940 miles.
- 5. We use 70,000 pounds of flour every day.
- 12 to 14 Valencia oranges are in each 20 oz. glass of orange juice
- 124 million slices of bacon; 150 million eggs, and 12 million orders of Chicken N' Dumplins
- Moon Pies were first made to fill miners' lunch pails in 1917. They are made by the Chattanooga Bakery in Chattanooga, TN.
- We sold enough pancake mix to make 8.7 million pancakes—a stack 34 miles high.
- 10. B: 50 to 75 million packets of preserves, jellies and jams per year
- 11. 87 percent of our locations are on the interstate



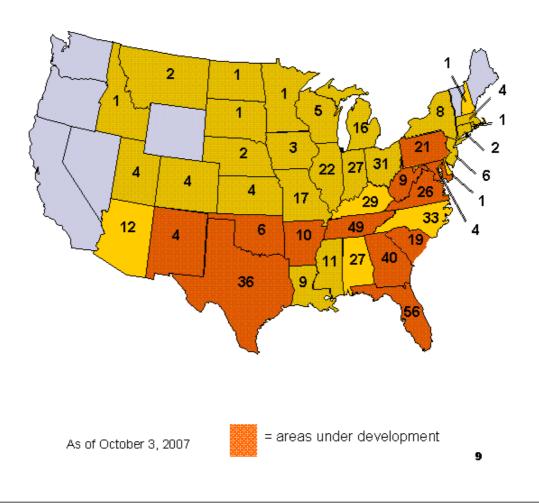
Our Vision To be the best restaurant company in America

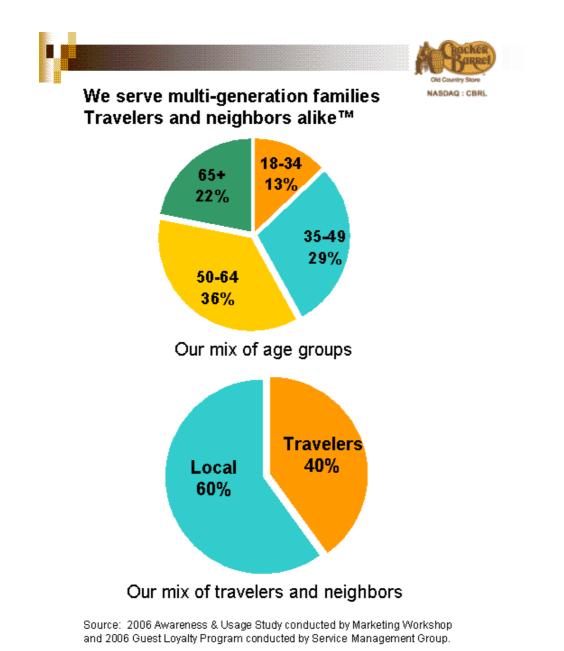
> Our Mission Pleasing People

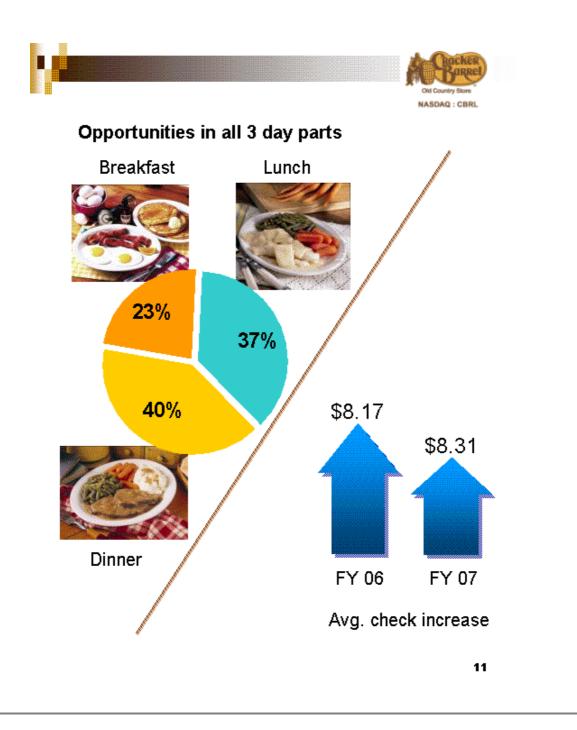




# Our Familiar Brand Crosses the Nation with 565 Restaurants in 41 States



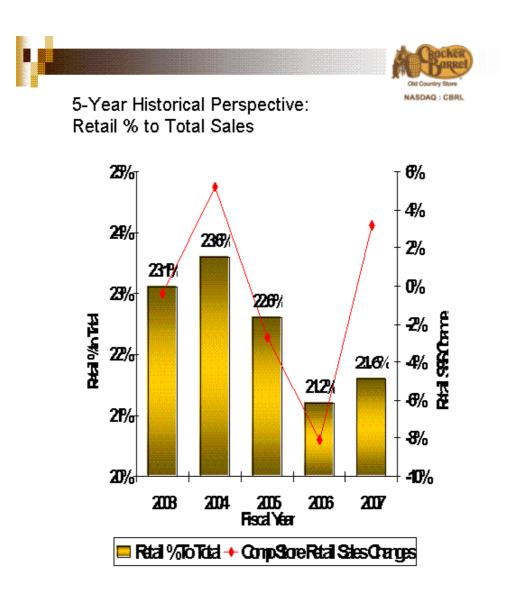






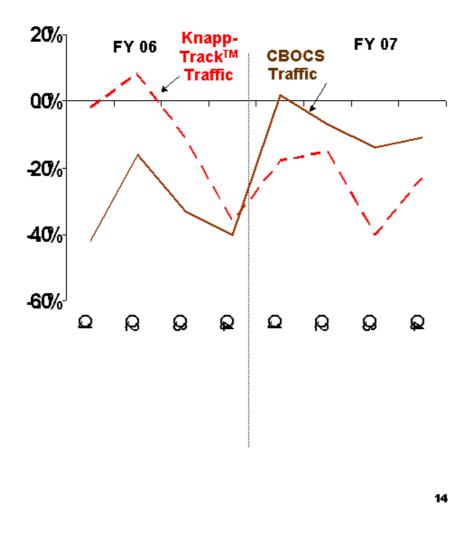
### Deep Industry Experience

Name	Position	Years at CBRL	Years in Industry			
Mike Woodhouse	Chairman, President & CEO	12	28			
Doug Barber	SVP, Restaurant Ops.	4	28			
Doug Couvillion	SVP, Finance	6	14			
Bob Doyle	VP, Product Development	3	25			
Deb Evans	VP, General Merchandise Manager/Product Development	1	251			
Brian Eytchison	VP, Financial Planning & Analysis	7	16			
Ed Greene	SVP, Strategic Initiatives	2	29			
Rob Harig	SVP, Human Resources	7	30			
Terry Maxwell	SVP, Retail Ops.	27	27			
Forrest Shoaf	SVP, General Counsel	2	12			
Simon Turner	SVP, CMO	2	14 <sup>2</sup>			
Larry White	SVP, Finance & CFO	8	20			
Diana Wynne	SVP, Corporate Affairs	2	28			
1) Retail 2) Restaurant plus Food &						



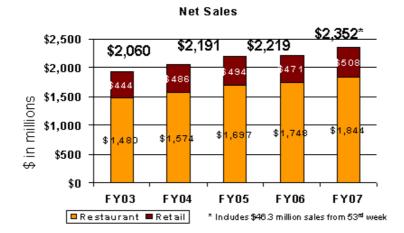


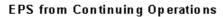
Cracker Barrel Old Country Stores® MASDAG: CBRL Comparable Stores Outperform Knapp-Track™ Traffic

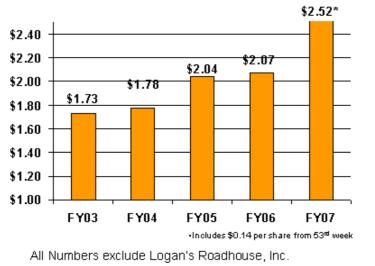




### Consolidated Financial Highlights--Continuing Operations

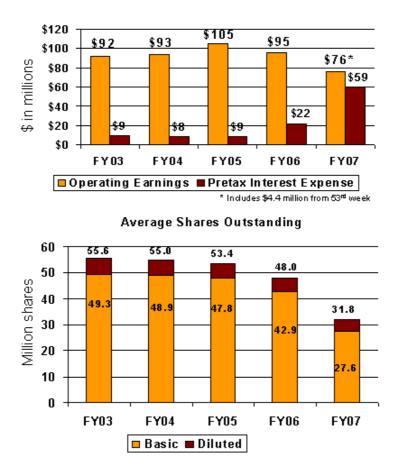








### Consolidated Financial Highlights Continuing Operations

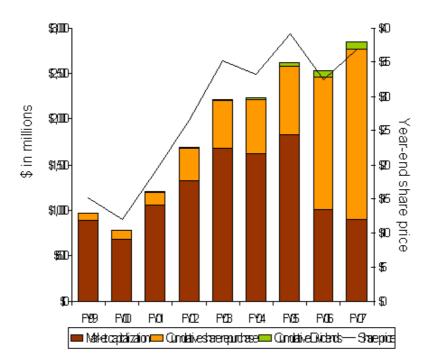


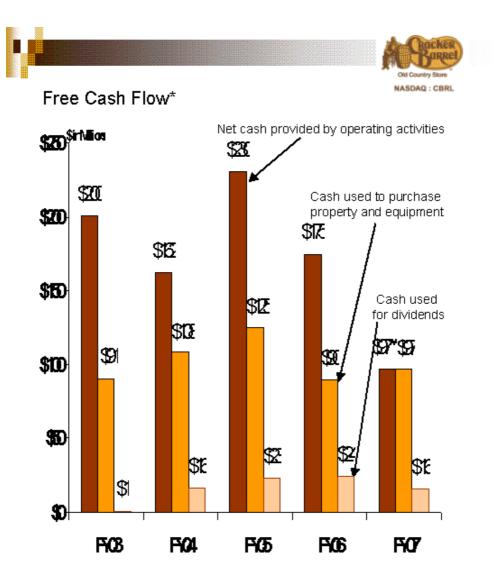
Net Income from Continuing Operations

All Numbers exclude Logan's Roadhouse, Inc.



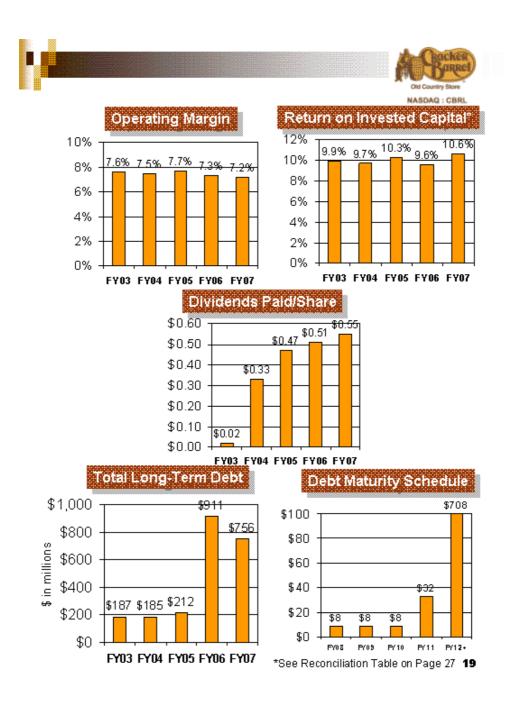






•Free Cash Flow is a non-GAAP financial measure derived from indicated GAAP components found on Statement of Cash Flows \*\*Includes \$27 million of cash paid for portion of redemption price of the Company's zero-

coupon senior convertible notes that represented accreted interest





## Quarterly Results—FY2007

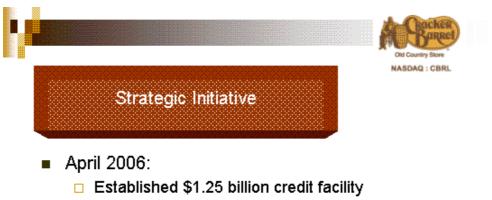
\$ in millions	<u>Q1</u>	<u>Q2</u>	<u>Q3</u>	<u>Q4*</u>	<u>FY2007*</u>
Restaurant	\$442.3	\$447.8	\$444.9	\$509.8	\$1,844.8
Retail	115.9		104.1	122.4	506.8
Total revenue	\$558.3	\$612.1	\$549.1	\$632.1	\$2,351.6
Cost of goods sold	172.9	210.4	167.9	193.1	744.3
Labor & other related expenses	212.2	219.6	219.0	242.1	892.8
Other store operating expenses	97.7	105.9	100.5	106.0	410.1
Impairment & store closing costs	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Store operating income	\$75.5	\$76.3	\$61.6	\$91.0	\$304.3
General & administrative expense	37.3	34.0	31.5	33.4	136.2
Operating income	\$38.3	\$42.2	\$30.1	\$57.6	\$168.1
Operating Margin	6.9%	6.9%	5.5%	9.1%	7.2%
Net Interest expense	14.6	10.8	<u> </u>	14.7	51.7
Pretaxincome	\$23.7	\$31.5	\$18.5	\$42.8	\$116.5
Provision for income taxes	8.5	<u> </u>	6.4	14.7	40.5
Income from continuing operations	\$15.2	\$20.5	\$12.1	\$28.2	\$76.0
Diluted EPS from continuing operations	\$0.45	\$0.60	\$0.44	\$1.15	\$2.52
Weighted average shares	36.01	36.02	30.18	25.06	31.76

\*Includes 53<sup>rd</sup> week which increased Total revenues by \$46.3 million, Operating Income by \$7.8 million, and Income from continuing operations by \$4.4 million.



## Quarterly Results—FY2006

Quarterly Results	NASD	NASDAQ : CBRL			
\$ in millions	<u>Q1</u>	<u>Q2</u>	<u>Q3</u>	<u>Q4</u>	<u>FY2006</u>
Restaurant	\$426.6	\$434.4	\$432.1	\$455.1	\$1,748.2
Retail	108.8	152.3	101.9	108.2	471.3
Total revenue	\$535.5	\$586.7	\$534.0	\$563.3	\$2,219.5
Cost of goods sold	166.6	200.2	165.8	173.5	706.1
Labor & other related expenses	204.4	208.2	209.4	210.9	832.9
Other store operating expenses	95.2	99.9	94.3	95.0	384.4
Impairment & store closing costs	<u> </u>	3.7	3.2	(1.5)	5.4
Store operating income	\$69.3	\$74.6	\$61.4	\$85.3	\$290.6
General & administrative expense	33.1	31.9	31.1	32.8	128.8
Operating income	\$36.2	\$42.7	\$30.3	\$52.6	\$161.8
Operating Margin	6.8%	7.3%	5.7%	9.3%	7.3%
Net Interest expense	2.5	2.2	2.7	14.1	21.4
Pretaxincome	\$33.7	\$40.5	\$27.6	\$38.5	\$140.4
Provision for income taxes	11.7	13.8	9.3	10.1	44.9
Income from continuing operations	\$22.1	\$26.7	\$18.3	\$28.4	\$95.5
Diluted EPS	\$0.44	\$0.53	\$0.37	\$0.82	\$2.07
Weighted average shares	51.84	51.84	52.52	35,97	48.04



- Acquired 16.75 million shares in Dutch Auction Tender Offer (\$42.00 per share)
- December 2006:
  - Divested Logan's Roadhouse (\$485 million total consideration)
  - □ Reduced debt by \$75 million
- January 2007: Completed 2<sup>nd</sup> Dutch Auction Tender Offer acquiring 5.43 million shares (\$46.00 per share)
- Third quarter 2007: Purchased 1.93 million shares for \$91.4 million
- Fourth quarter 2007:
  - Redeemed Senior Convertible Notes (\$405 million principal amount at maturity)
  - Purchased 1.4 million shares for \$64 million





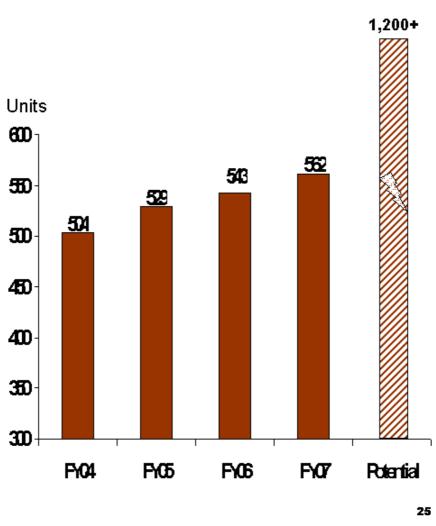
□65% of purchases contracted as of 9/12/07



- Size of retail
  - 21.6% of sales
  - 22% of square feet
- 3,400 SKUs
- \$429/sq. ft. (53 week basis)
- Average unit volume: \$.92 million (53 week basis)
- Leading products
  - Rockers
  - Weazle Balls
  - Greeting cards
  - Jumbo Checker/TicTacToe Rug
  - Peg Games
- % of customers who purchase retail: 33%
- Second quarter highest retail sales due to Christmas holiday shopping







## We see great long-term growth potential



### All About Results—Fiscal 2008

(As of September 18, 2007 Press Release)

- Comparable store restaurant sales growth: 3 to 4%
- Comparable store retail sales growth: 3 to 5%
- 20 new stores; 4 opened as of October 3, 2007
- Revenue growth of 4.5 to 5.5%
- Operating margin: 6.7 to 7.0% compared with 7.0% excluding the effect of the 53<sup>rd</sup> week in FY07
- Depreciation and Interest Expense: \$60 million
- Tax rate: 34.8%
- Diluted EPS: \$3.05 to \$3.20
- Diluted weighted average shares: 23 to 23.5 million
- Capital expenditures: Approximately \$105 million
  - Maintenance capital <\$30 million</p>







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Reconciliatio	n	Table	Э						Country Store
\$ in millions								NAS	DAQ : CBRL
Continuing operations		<u>FY03</u>	<u>FY04</u>		<u>FY05</u>		<u>FY06</u>		<u>FY07</u>
Total sales	\$	1,923.5 \$	2,060.5	\$	2,190.9	\$	2,219.5	\$	2,351.6
Operating In∞me	\$	146.2 \$	154.0	\$	168.8	\$	161.8	\$	168.1
Net Interest	_	8.9	8.4	_	8.6	_	21.5	_	<u>51.7</u>
Income before income taxes	\$	138.5 \$	145.6	\$	160.2	\$	140.3	\$	116.5
Provision for income taxes	_	46.9	52.3		<u>55.4</u>	_	44.9	_	40.5
Net Income	\$	91.6 \$	93.3	\$	104.8	\$	95.5	\$	76.0
Operating margin = operating in∞me/total sales		7.6%	7.5%	5	7.7%		7.3%		7.2%
TaxRate		33,9%	35.9	%	34.6%		32.0%		34.8%
Net Operating Profit Af ter Tax	\$	96.6 \$	98.7	\$	110.4	\$	110.1	\$	109.7
Total shareholders' equity		789	873		870		302		104
Long-term debt		187	185		212		912		756
Invested capital = equity + deb	t	976	1,058		1,082		1,214		860
Average invested capital		977	1,020		1,071		1,152		1,045
Return on invested capital= net operating income after tax /average invested capital		9.9%	9.7%		10.3%		9.6%		10.6%



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Agenda				
7:15 a.m.	Diana Wynne: Welcome/ Schedule for Day			
7:20 a.m.	Doug Couvillion/Brian Eytchison Training Kitchen/Model Retail Store			
7:50 a.m.	Model Retail Store/Training Kitchen			
Reconvene	<u>in auditorium</u>			
8:20 a.m.	Mike Woodhouse: One BrandSimplify, Focus & Execute			
8:50 a.m.	Doug Barber: It's All About the Guest Experience!			
9:20 a.m.	Break			
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# Agenda

9:35 a.m.	Terry Maxwell/Deb Evans: Brand Leverage Through Retail
10:05 a.m.	Simon Turner: Marketing—Winning the Minds of Customers
10:35 a.m.	Break
10:50 a.m.	Ed Greene: Purchasing/Commodities Overview
11:10 a.m.	Larry White: Financial Review and Outlook
11:40 a.m.	Mike Woodhouse: Wrap-up and Q&A
12:15 p.m.	Bob Doyle: Product Development Showcase (Lunch)
1:45 p.m.	Bus departs for airport
	Bocker





# It's About the Brand





# It's About the Brand: Validation

### Awards & Research

Cracker Barrel excels in "providing an experience, not just a meal, and for remaining consistent to a business strategy that appropriately blends restaurant and retail." – Kanbay Research Institute, 2007

### Raving Fans

- Drew Carey
- Emeril Lagasse
- Tom Lehman
- Chad Pennington
- Tiki Barber
- Aretha Franklin
- Merle Haggard
- Bo Diddley

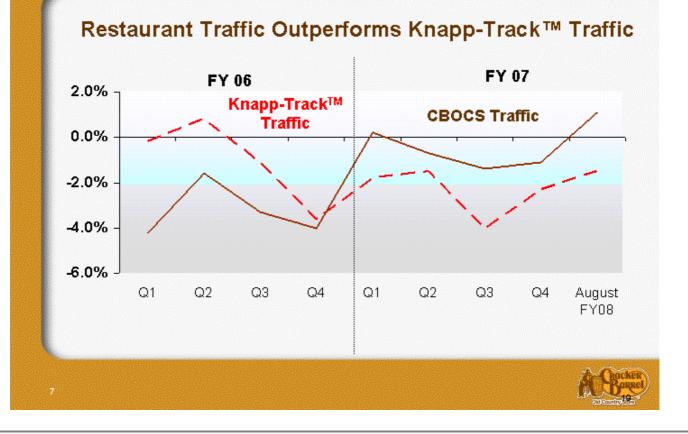


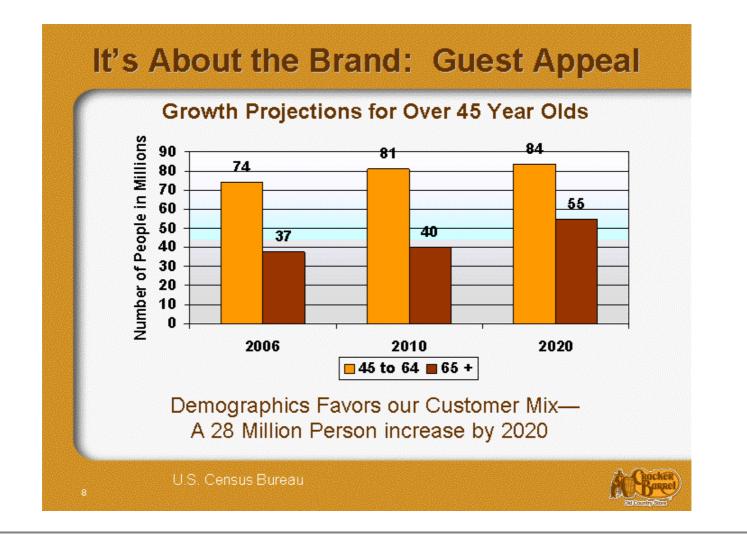
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# **Relevance in a Difficult Environment**



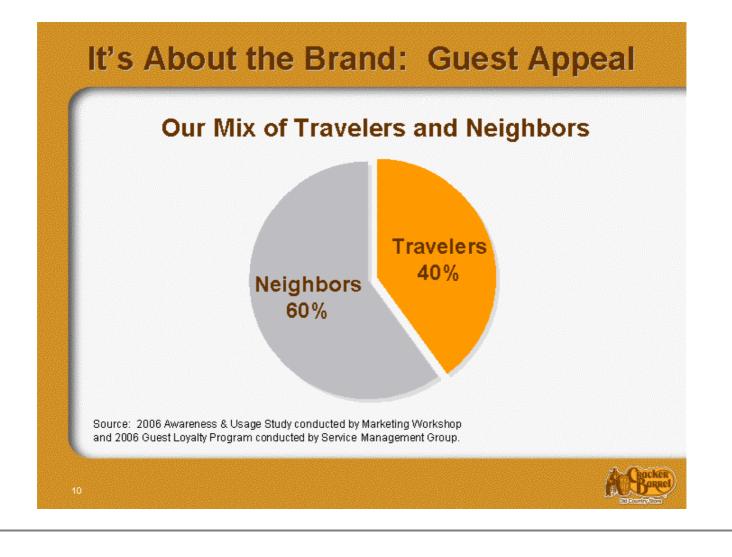


# It's About the Brand: Guest Appeal

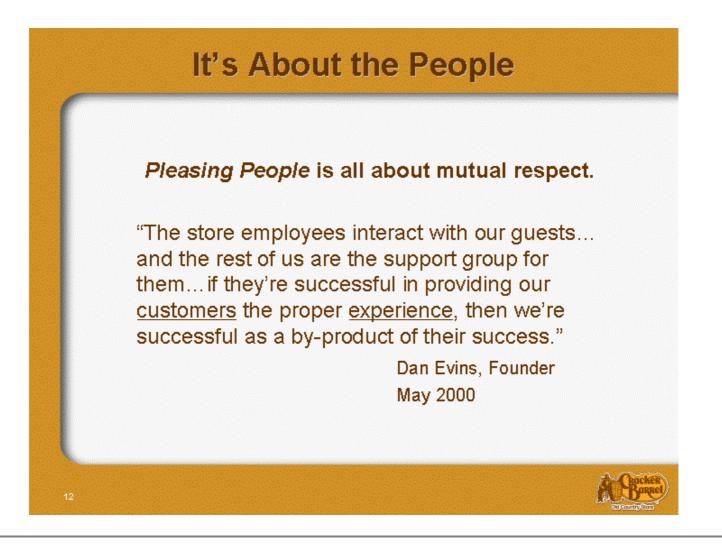


## Multi-Generational Appeal











## It's About the People: Strong Executive Team

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Mike Woodhouse	Chairman, President & CEO	12	28
Doug Barber	SVP, Restaurant Operations	4	28
Ed Greene	SVP, Strategic Initiatives	2	29
Rob Harig	SVP, Human Resources	7	30
Terry Maxwell	SVP, Retail	27	27
Forrest Shoaf	SVP, General Counsel	2	12
Simon Turner	SVP, CMO	2	14*
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# Simplify, Focus & Execute



# Stay True to Positioning--Value and Uniqueness





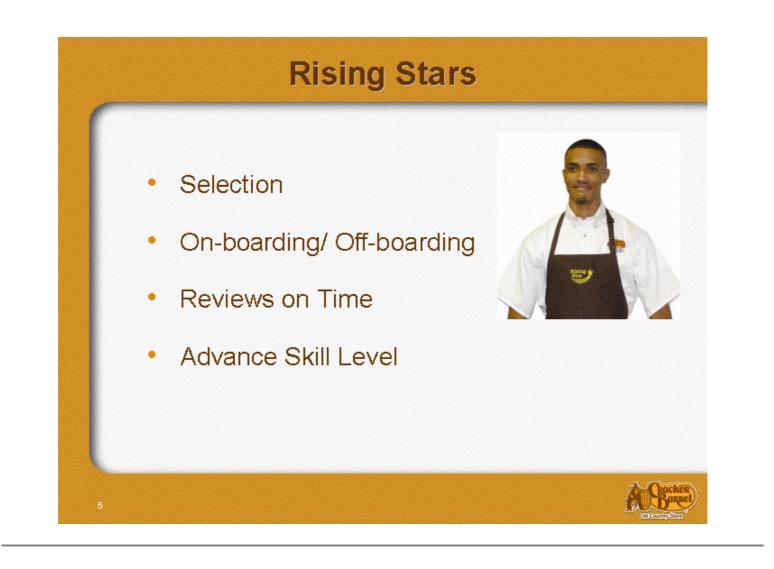
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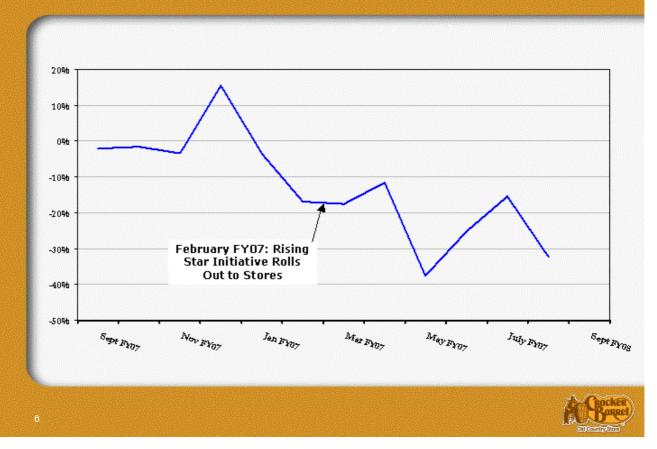








# **Reduction in Turnover Year-Over-Year**



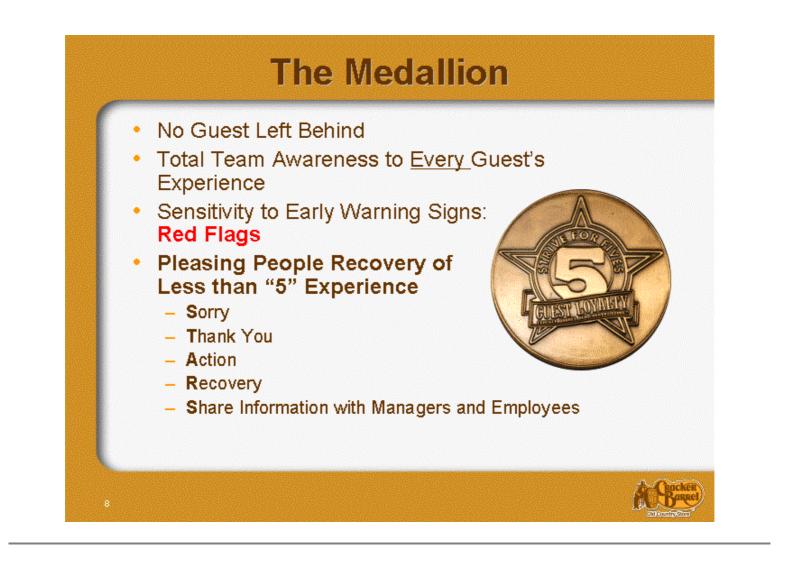
# Why Rising Stars?

The Most Significant Correlation to Growing Traffic/Sales and Profitability

Employee Turnover

Employee Skill Level Number of Employees Availability/Flexibility













## **Operations Innovation—Speed!**

## "Best of the Barrel" Menu

- Increase Speed
- Improve Margin
- Reduce Operational Complexity
- Maintain Brand Appeal & Architecture
- Grow Guest Loyalty
- Reduce Food Waste



# **Operations Innovation—Speed!**

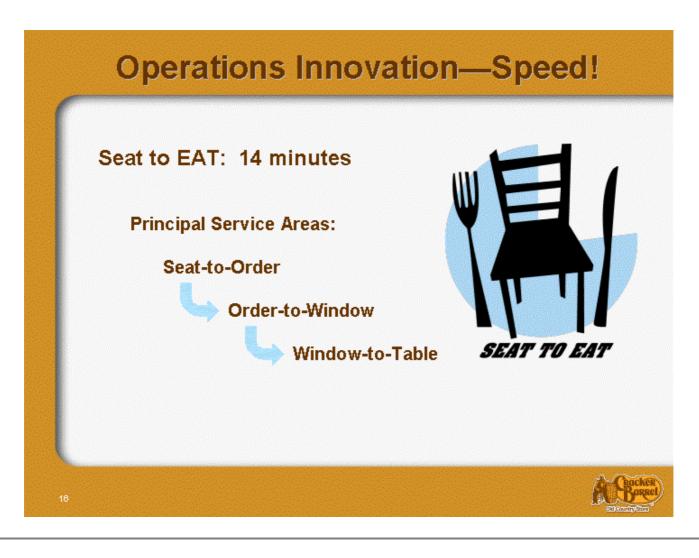
### Labor Deployment Project

- History of Current Labor Deployment System
- Vision of The Future Labor Deployment System
  - Training Hours Allocation
  - Fixed Hours Allocation
  - Guest Experience Hours Allocation









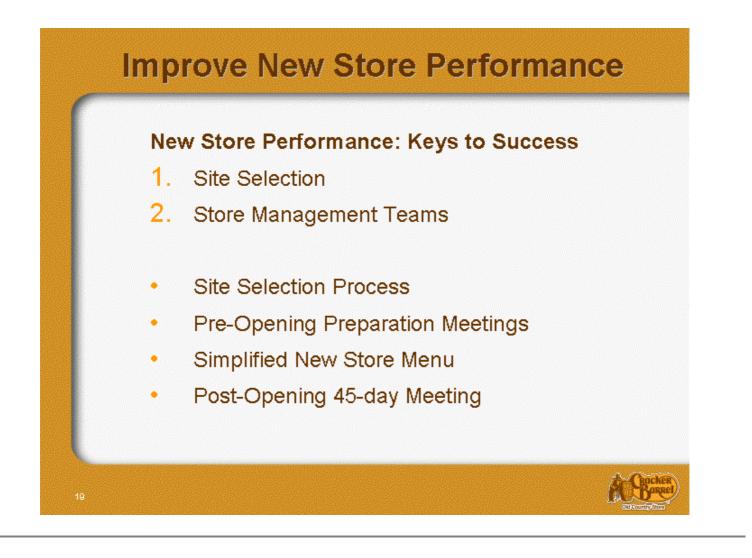
# **Operations Innovation—Speed!**

### **Process Simplification Objective**

Create recipes and processes that can be <u>consistently</u> <u>executed</u> at all CBOCS stores and will deliver the <u>target quality</u> food to our guests.









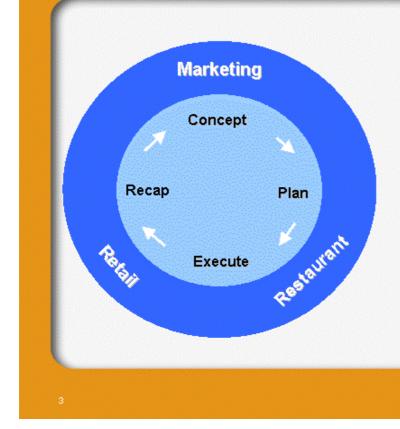








### Shared Themes at the Table and in the Store

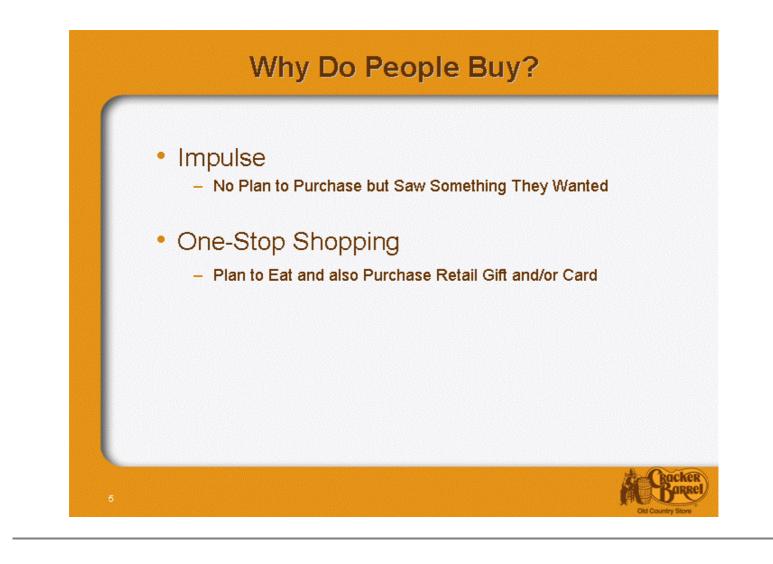


### **BRAND PROMISE**

"Cracker Barrel provides a friendly home-away-from-home in our old country store and restaurant. Our guests are cared for like family while relaxing and enjoying real home-style food and <u>shopping</u> that's surprisingly unique, genuinely fun and reminiscent of <u>America's country heritage... all at</u> <u>a fair price."</u>







## **Retail at Cracker Barrel**



- Average Store Volume
- Sales Per Square Foot
- Margin Improvements
- Percent To Total FY 07
- Percent To Total FY 04 23.6%

- \$507 Million
  - \$917,000
  - \$429
  - 250 Basis Pts
  - Since FY 04
- 21.6%



# **Retail Business Model**

### **Financial Objectives**

- Grow Retail Sales
- Improve Profitability
- Grow Retail Percent-to-Total

### **Strategies**

- Product
- Pricing
- Presentation
- Packaging

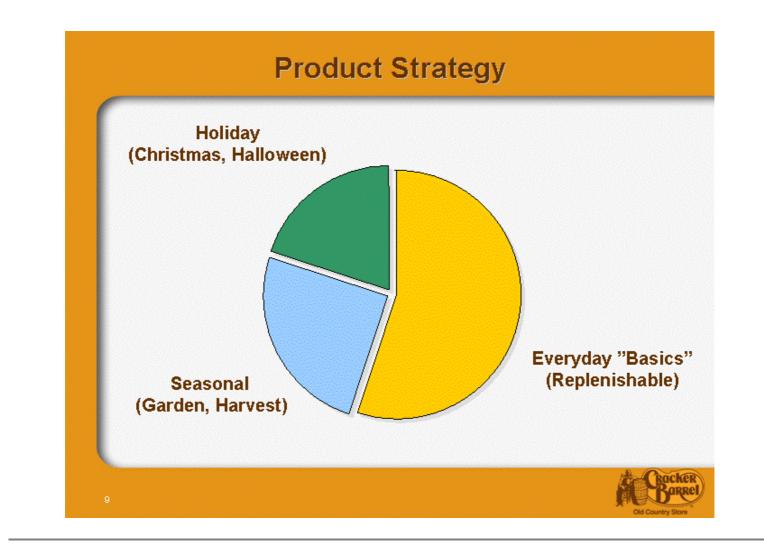


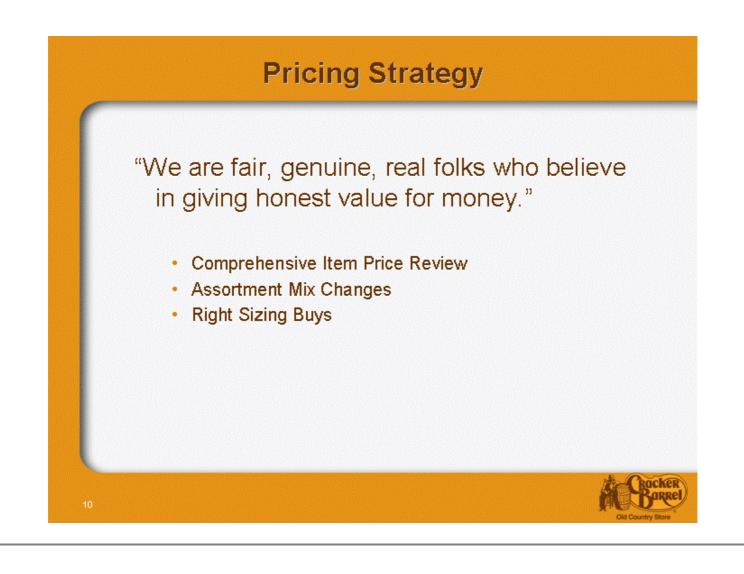
### **Product Strategy**

Develop programs and items that are surprisingly unique, genuinely fun and reminiscent of America's country heritage ...all at a fair price.











# **Presentation Strategy**

- "Thrill of the Hunt"
- Visual Merchandising
  - Explore
  - Discover
  - Connect
  - Purchase







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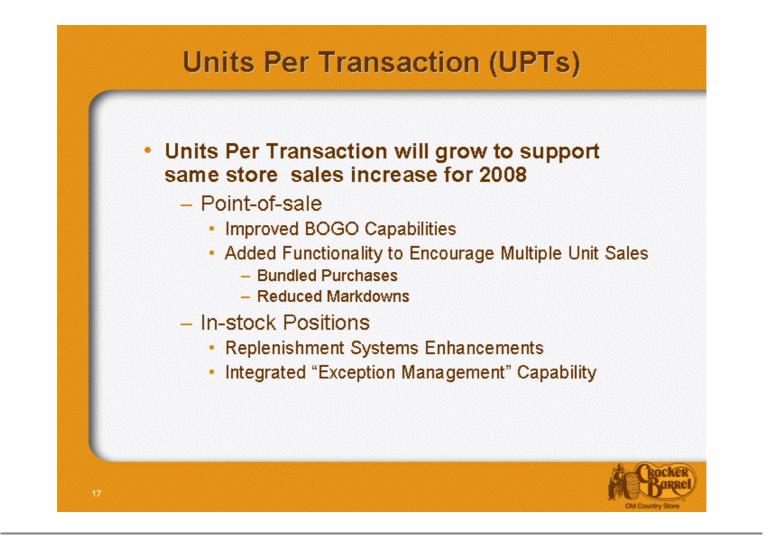
### **Tactics**

- Increase Number of People Who Buy (Conversion)
- Improve Price Points (Avg. Unit Retail)
- Grow Number of Units Each Customer Buys (UPTs)





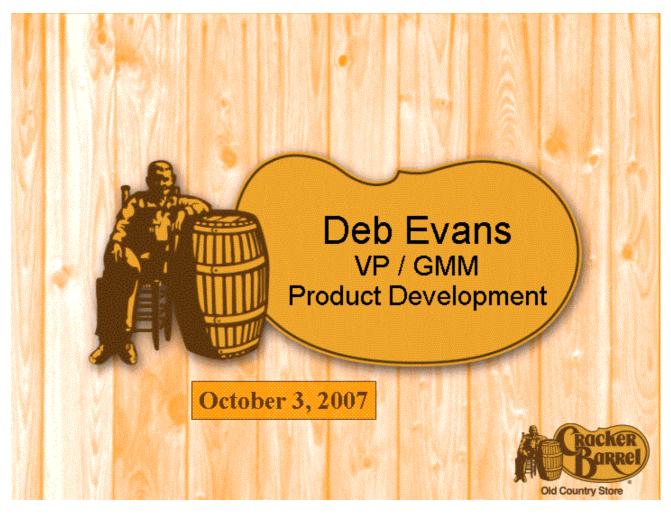




## Summary

- How Retail Leverages the Brand
- Retail Business Objectives
- Key Strategies:
  - Product, Pricing, Presentation, Packaging
- Key Tactics:
  - Conversion, AUR, UPTs,









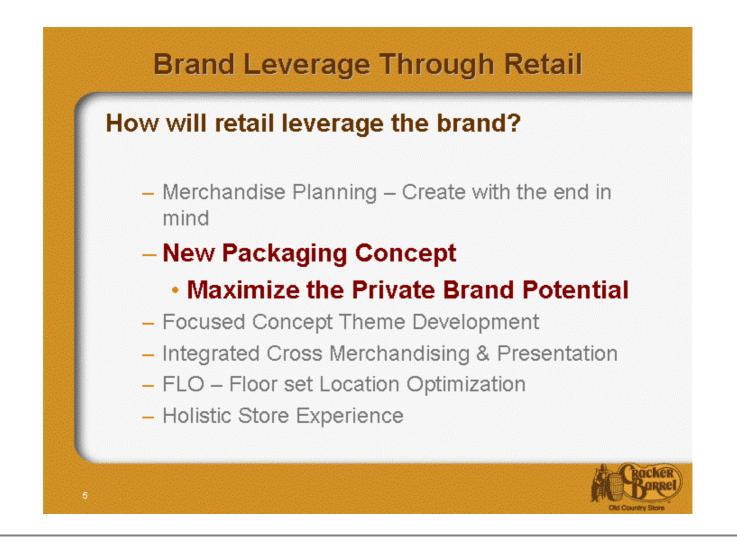


Create with the end in mind

Buying and product development process driven with focus

»Visual Drivers »Volume Drivers »Unit Drivers





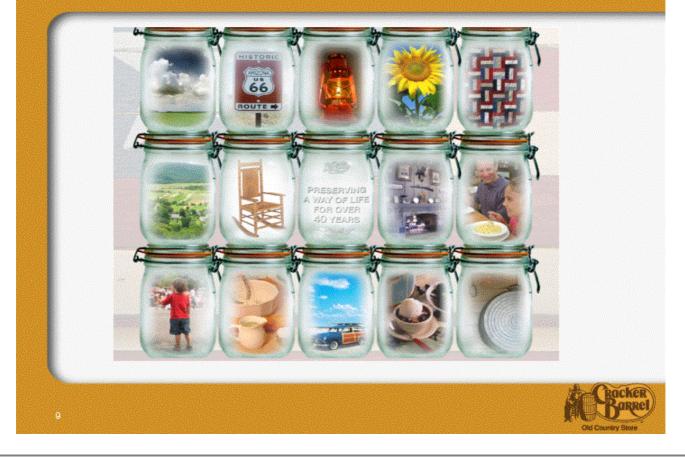
# Packaging Strategy

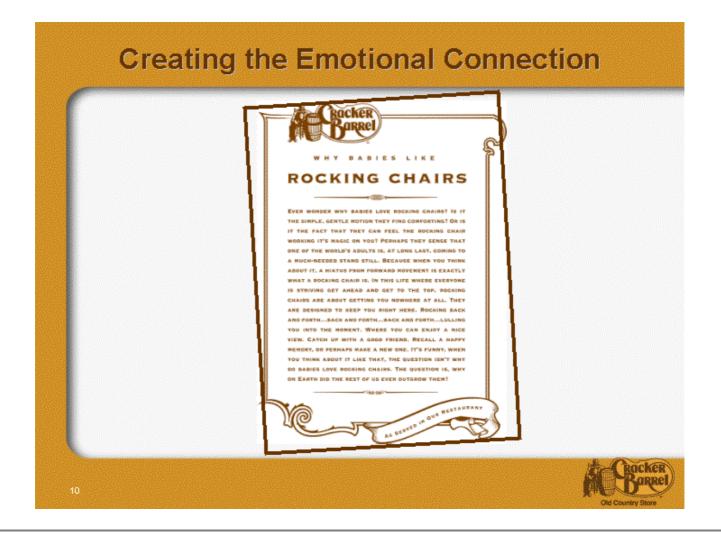






# **Visual Validation**







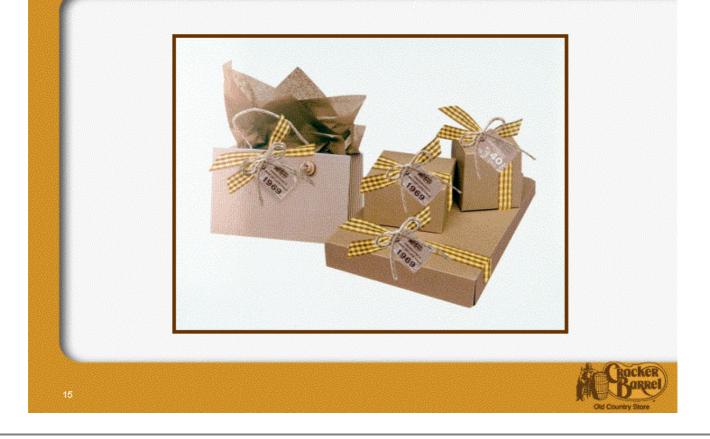
## Current Pancake Mix and Apple Butter Packaging





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#### **Creating Iconic Gift Wrap**







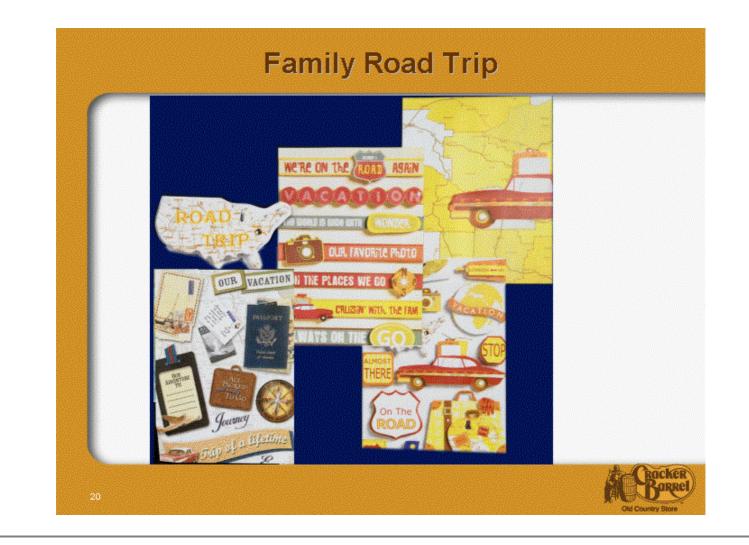


# **American Heritage**



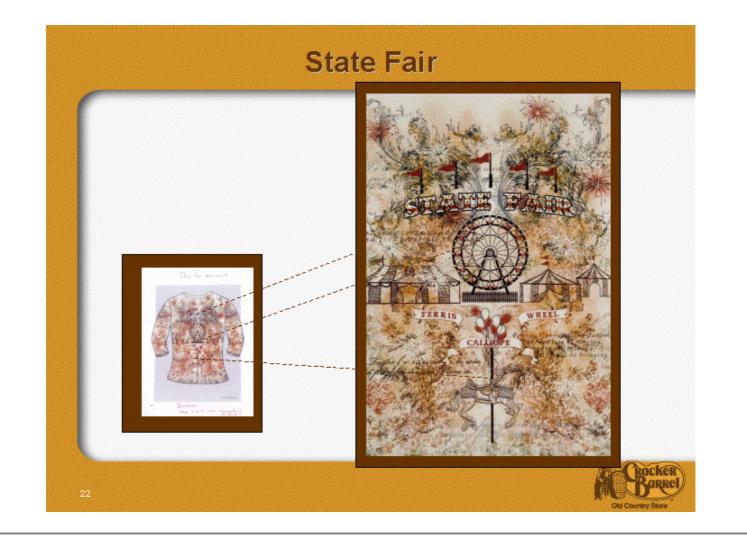
#### Family Road Trip





#### State Fair







#### **Cracker Barrel Kids**



# **Family Reunion**

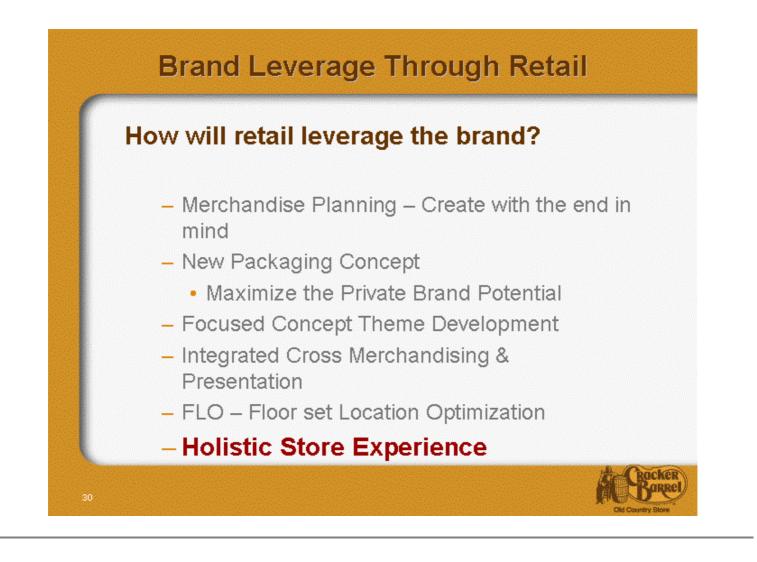






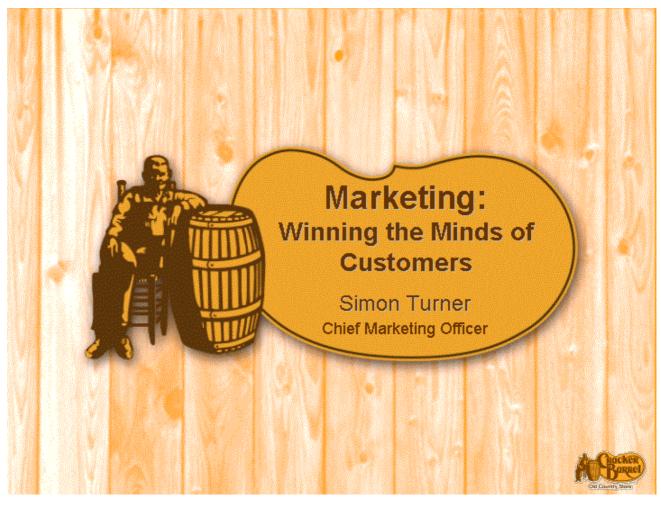














#### What Creates Our "Atmosphere"?

 "Country Place" - a Porch with Rockers and a Dining Area with a Fireplace, Wood Tables and Chairs, Table Lamps and Country Food





#### What Creates Our "Atmosphere"?

 "Southern Hospitality" – Friendly Staff to Welcome and Serve You as a Good Friend in Both the Restaurant and the Gift Shop









## The Menu

"Country" -- and somewhat
"Southern", "Homestyle",
"High Quality" and "Unique"

The Names (Uncle Herschel)
Specific Foods (Pork Chops, Grits)
Preparation (Fried/Breaded)
Flavors (Smoked)

- Portion Sizes





# **Brand Architecture**

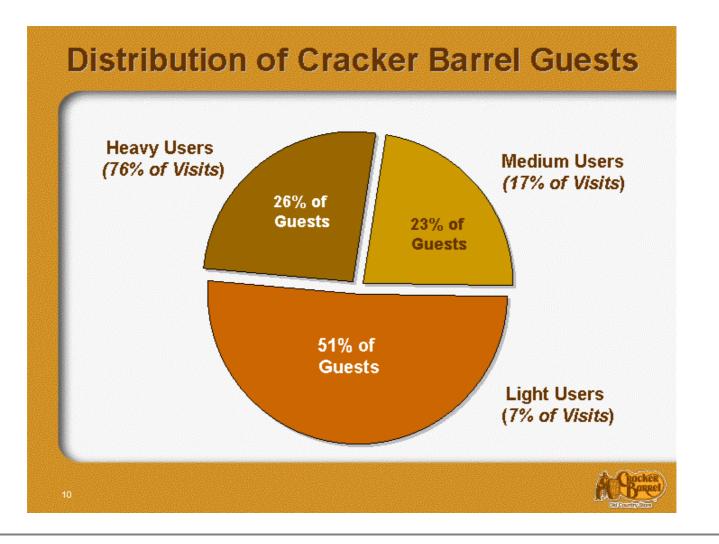


# **Brand Architecture**

#### **Brand Promise**

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#### **Market Research Highlights Opportunities**

#### **Guest Average Age: 51**

One of Largest Demographic Groups, Baby Boomers, is the Center of our Customer Base

Conclusion: Embrace Current Guests But Attract Young Families

Strongly Associated with Travel Unaided Awareness while Traveling: 24%

About 60% of Guests are Local 74% of Local Dining Decisions Made Before Leaving Home Unaided Awareness for That Decision: 9%

Conclusion: Raise Brand Awareness in Local Area









# **Award-Winning Billboards**

2007 STEVIE AWARD

Winner of the 2007 Stevie Award at the American Business Awards for Best Outdoor Campaign









# Advertising: Radio Spots



# **Seasonal Menu Promotion**

 Provide Consistent Brand Imagery Throughout the Restaurant and Retail Environment

- Five Seasonal Windows
  - Fall
  - Holiday
  - Winter
  - Spring
  - Summer

 Menu Items Chosen for Seasonal Fit, Appeal and Margin





## **Innovative Country Music Program**

#### 36% of Guests are Avid Country Music Fans

#### **Objectives:**

- Build Profitable Retail Sales
- Attract New Guests through the Artist's Association and Availability of Exclusive CD
- Generate Positive PR
- Strengthen the Brand's Country Image

#### **Results:**

- More Than 3 million CDs Sold
- Extensive PR + Awareness
- Songs of the Year Televised Concert on GAC + National Radio Broadcast + Major Media PR









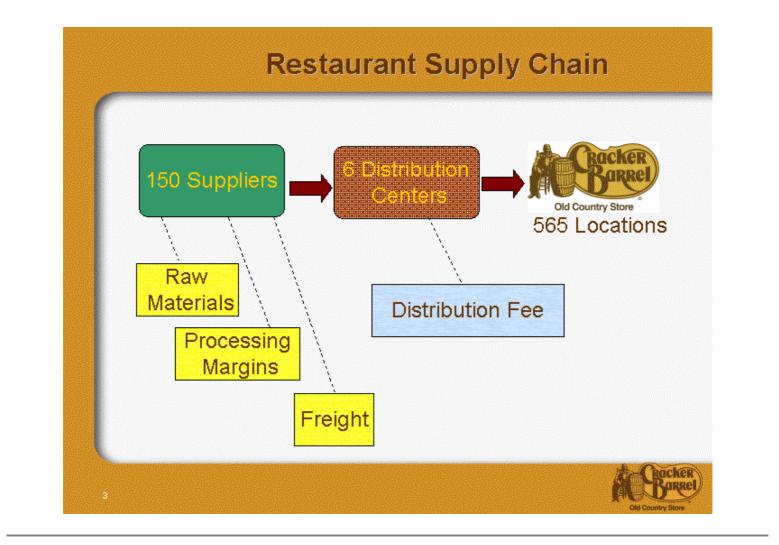


### **Purchasing Overview**

### **MISSION**

To Ensure that our Restaurants are Continuously Supplied with the Specified Products and Services at the Best Possible Cost









### **Commodity Price Risk Management**

#### **OBJECTIVE**

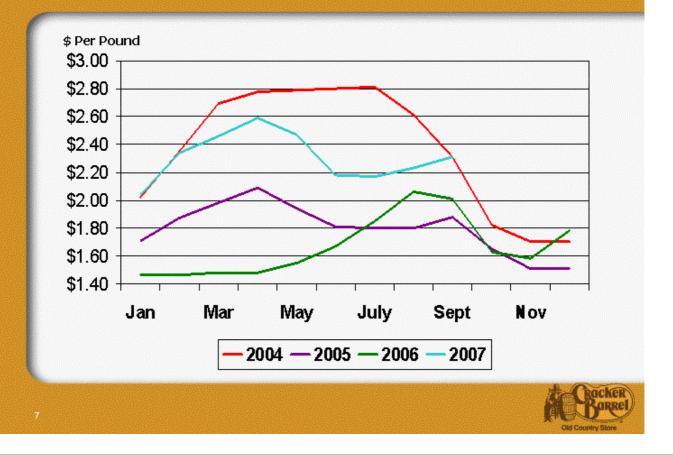
Buy Against Price Expectations to Capture Margin Improvement Opportunities and Mitigate Risk

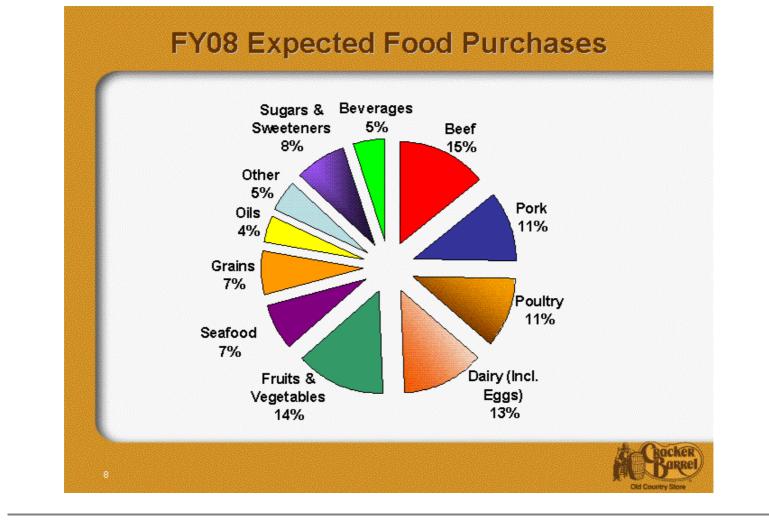
#### **APPROACH**

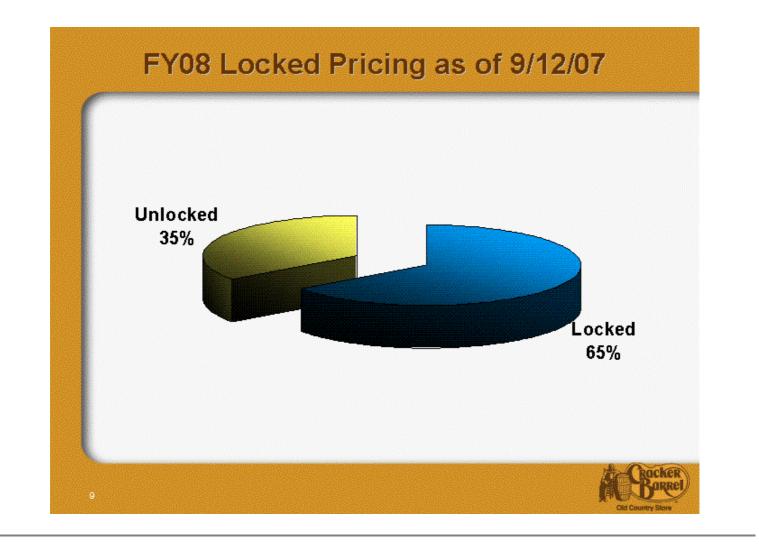
- Establish Pricing Formulas by Product
- Competitively Bid and Negotiate Formulas
- Take Commodity Positions Through Suppliers Based on Risk/Reward Analysis



### **Chicken Tenderloin Market Pricing**







### **Purchasing Overview**

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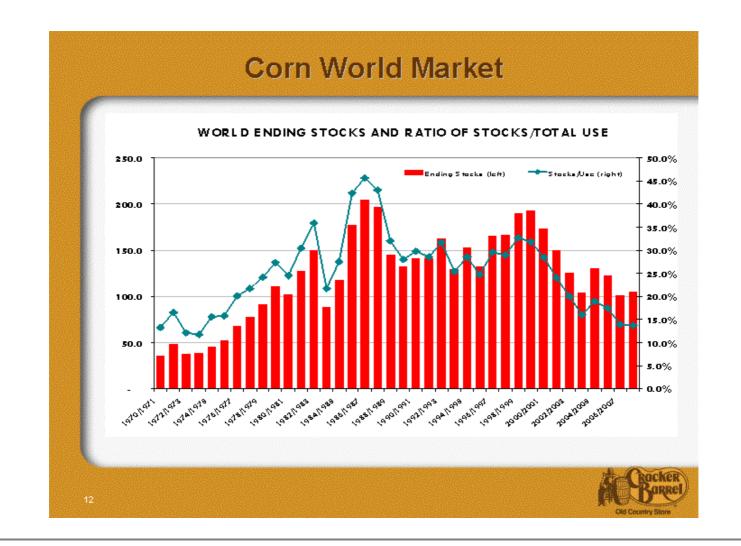
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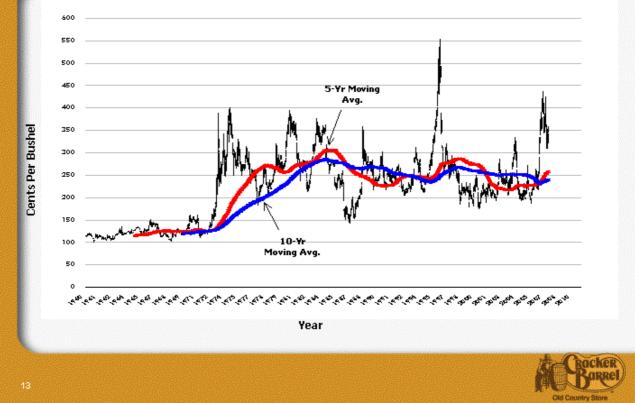
### **Commodity Situation**

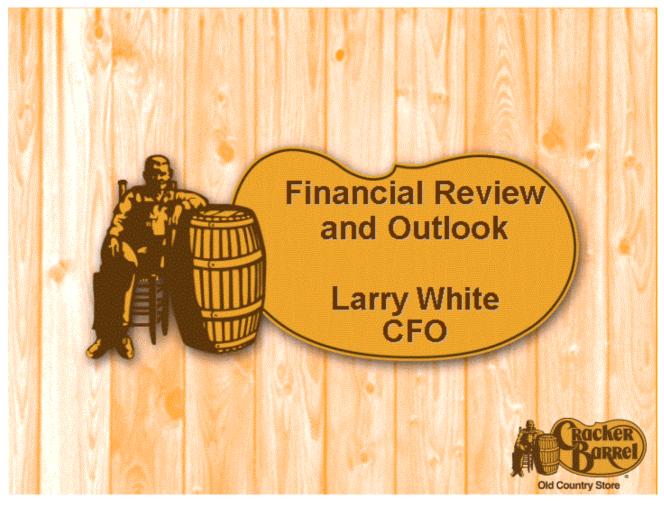
- Agriculture and Energy Resources and Markets are Converging – Ethanol, Bio-diesel, Crop-Based Plastics/ Industrial Goods
- Global Demand Increasing for Food and Energy Driven by Strong Economic Growth in Developing Countries
- U.S. Food Industry is Built on Corn Primary Cost Driver for Beef, Pork, Dairy, Poultry, Eggs, Sweeteners
- High Corn Prices have Ripple Effect on Price and Supply of Other Crops – Soybeans, Wheat, Vegetables Compete for Acreage
- Worldwide Commodity Stocks to Use Ratios are Low and in Decline Leading to Increased Price Volatility and Risk





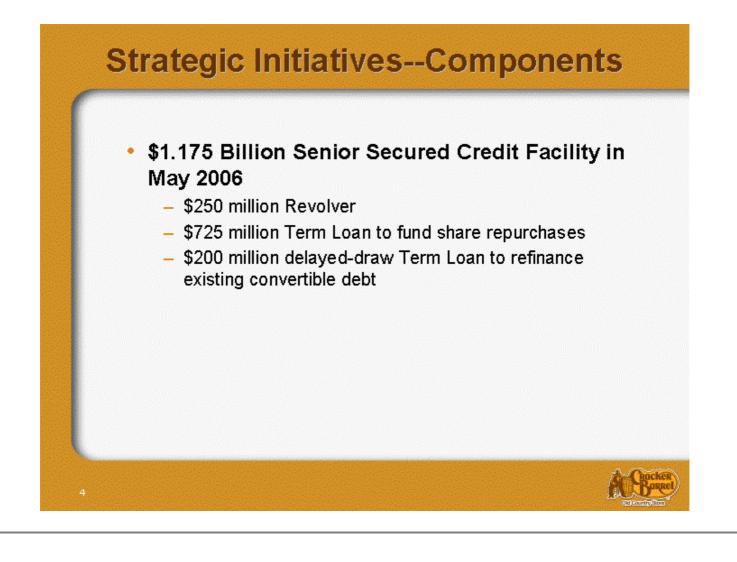
# Corn Futures - Long Term Nearby Futures Contract





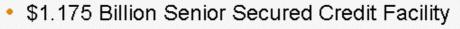








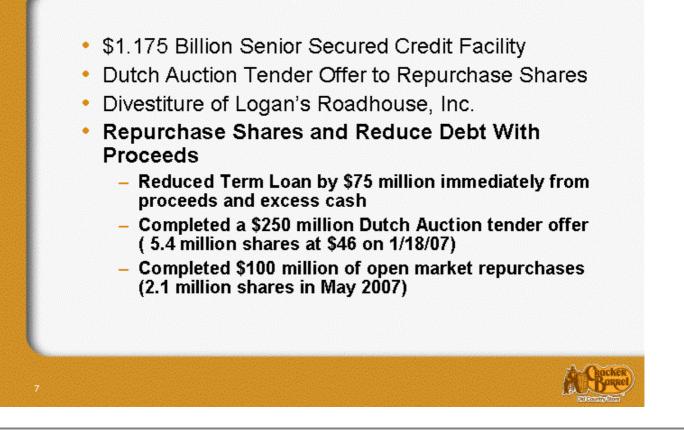
# **Strategic Initiatives--Components**



- Dutch Auction Tender Offer to Repurchase Shares
- Divestiture of Logan's Roadhouse, Inc.
  - Sold to private equity investors for total consideration of approximately \$485 million



# **Strategic Initiatives--Components**





- Repurchase Shares and Reduce Debt With Proceeds
- Completed exchange offer for 89% of LYONs maturity value, redeeming 100% of convertible debt (remaining LYONs plus exchanged notes) on 6/4/07





# **Strategic Initiatives - Impact**

	PRO-FORMA Strategic Initiatives Impac Diluted EPS Effect % Inc/(Dec)	<b>x</b>
Operating Income	(15%) (a)	
Interest Expense	(30%) (b)	
Pre-Tax Income	(45%) (C)	
Average Diluted Shares Outstanding	<u>68%</u> (d)	
Diluted EPS	23% (e)	

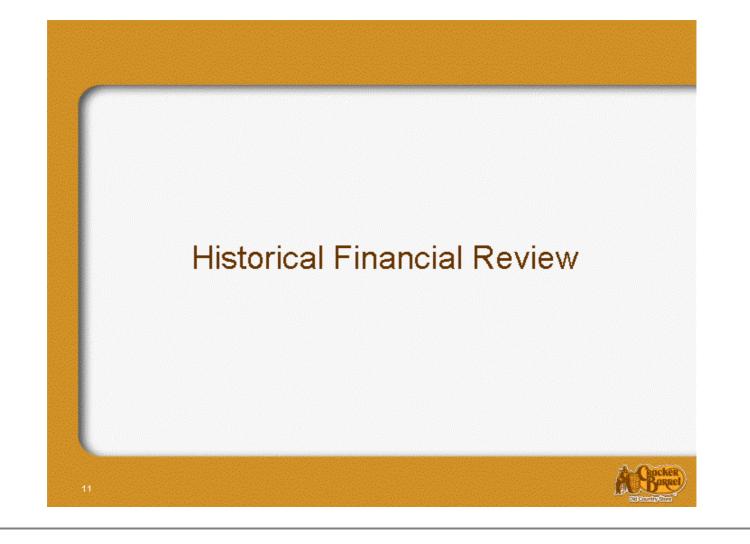
 (a) Based on FY06 – last full year of Logan's operations
 (b) Based on post-restructuring \$60 million interest expense projection vs. \$6 million pre-restructuring convertible debt interest expense

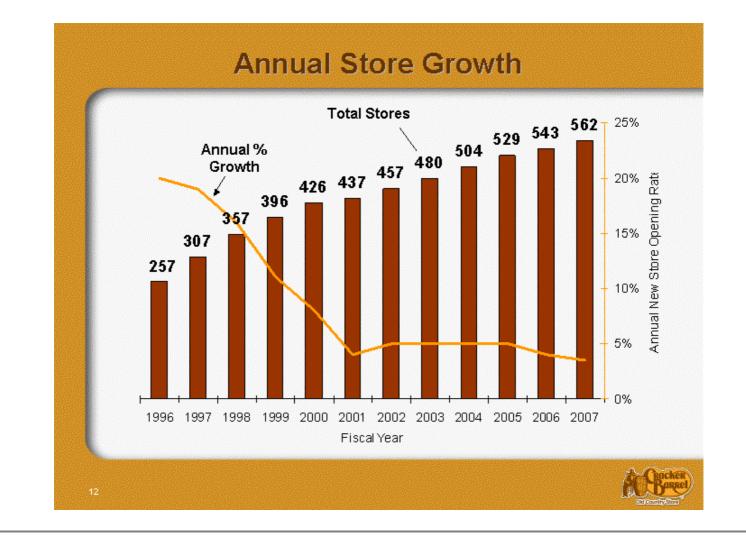
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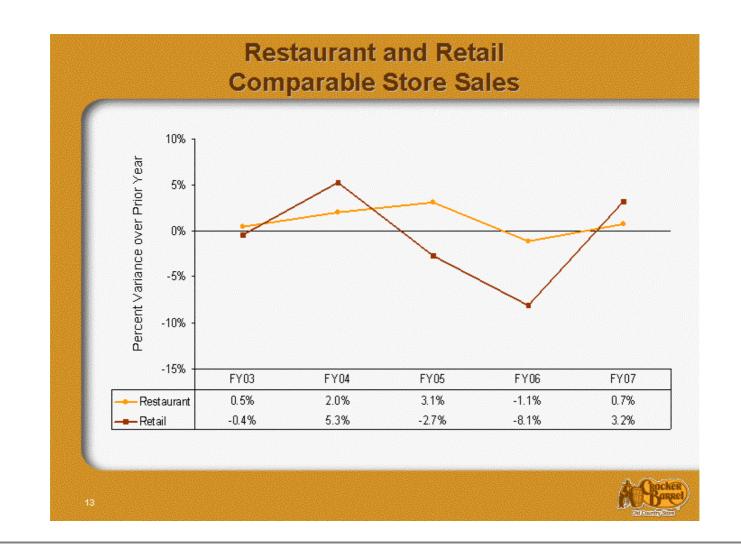
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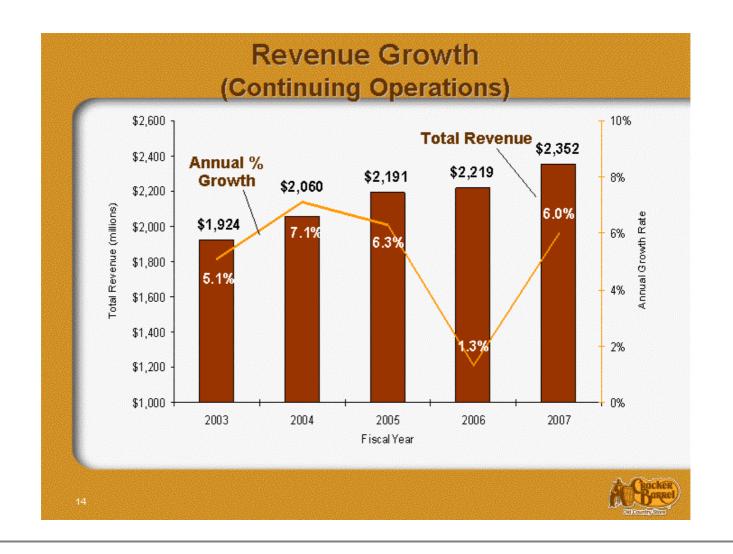
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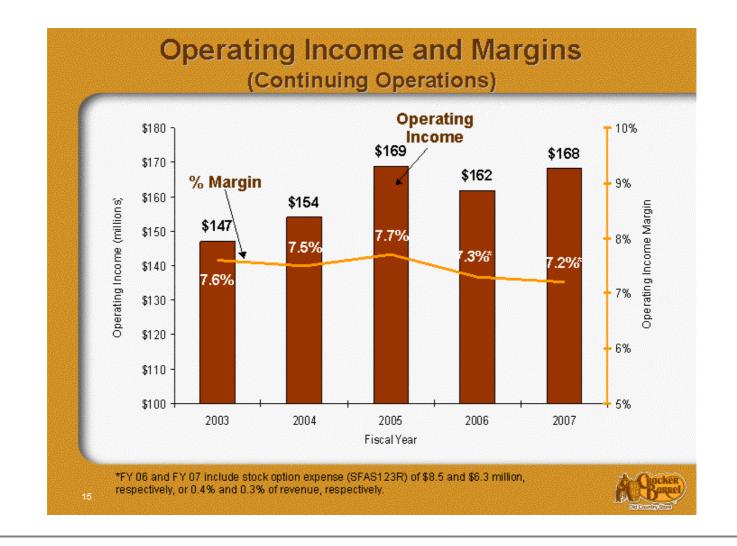




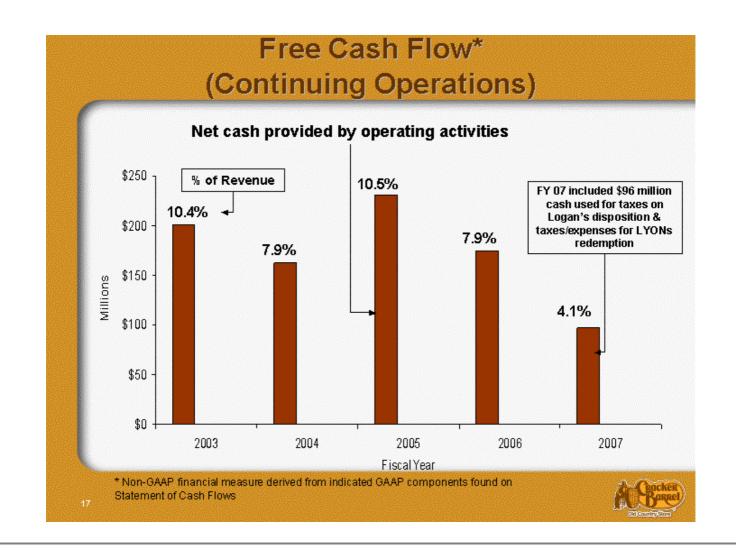


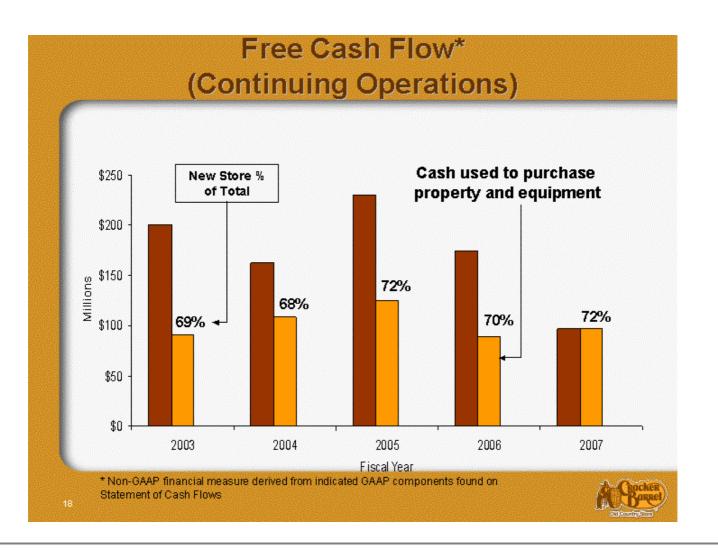


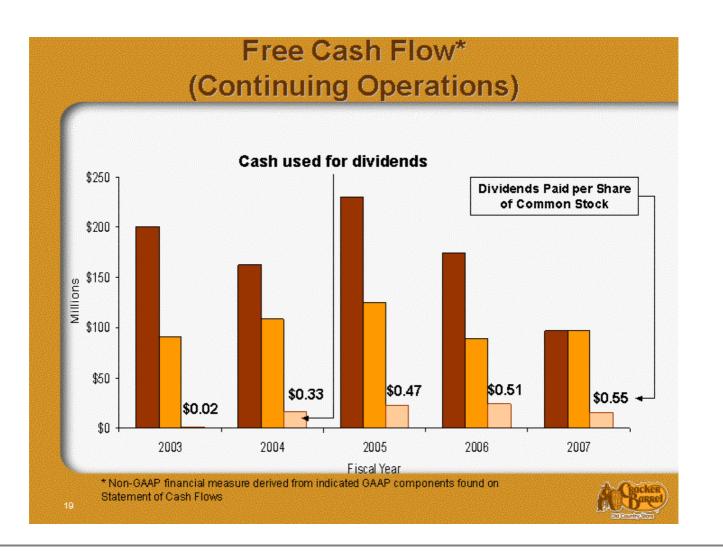












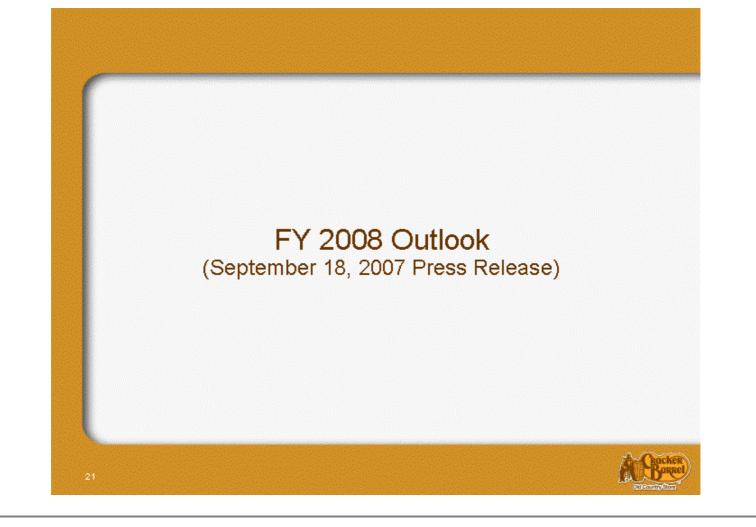
# **Balance Sheet Highlights**

(\$ millions except store counts and percentages)

	<u>8/3/07</u>		<u>7/28/06</u>	
Net Non-Cash Working Capital Deficit (a)	(\$89)		(\$94)	7
Property & Equipment – net	1,019		983	_
Memo: CBOCS Owned Locations	402		390	7
CBOCS Leased Locations	160		153	_
Total Assets	\$1,265		\$1,681	
	1	% of fot. Cap		% of Tot. Cap
Balance Sheet Long-Term Debt	\$756	88%	\$911	75%
Total Equity	104	12%	302	25%
Total Capitalization	\$860	100%	\$1,213	100%

(a) (Current Assets – Cash – Current Assets of Discontinued Operations) – (Current Liabilities – Current Liabilities of Discontinued Operations)





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#### FY 2008 Outlook (September 18, 2007 Press Release)

	Full-Year FY 08 Guidance
Total Revenue*	+4.5 - 5.5%
Store Openings	20
Comparable Restaurant Sales	+3.0 - 4.0%
Comparable Retail Sales	+3.0 – 5.0%
Operating Margins	6.7 - 7.0%
Diluted EPS**	\$3.05 - \$3.20

\*Revenue growth above FY 2007 including 53<sup>rd</sup> week \*\*Assumes FY 07 tax rate pending evaluation of adoption of FIN 48





## Long-Term Annual Diluted EPS Growth Objectives

Components	Annual Diluted EPS Growth Impact
Average Unit Volume Growth	2-3%
New Store Expansion	<u>4-5%</u>
Total Revenue Growth	6-8%
Operating Margin Expansion	<u>2-4%</u>
Operating Income Growth	8-12%
Financial Leverage Effect	<u>4-5%</u>
Annual Diluted EPS Growth	12-17%





### **Process Simplification**

Objective:

 Create recipes and processes that can be consistently executed at all CBOCS stores and will deliver the <u>target quality</u> food to our guests



# **Process Simplification**

### Process

- Review each product for opportunities to transfer production steps to our suppliers
- Identify the most efficient equipment for the new processes
- Validate quality of new products, recipes or process through standard testing protocol



#### **New Product Development-Supplier Capabilities**

Objective:

 Create an array of new products by tapping into the culinary talents and technical resources of several larger suppliers

