

Pease's appreciates its loyal following

Wow! That is the best way for us to describe how amazed we are about the curiosity folks have for our "hometown" business.

On March 25, Pease's Candy opened its doors to give the public a peak at our manufacturing plant.

As daughters of one of the former owners and sisters of one of the current owners, we have grown up in this business and find it second nature. To us chocolate is chocolate.

To see so many people stand in line to see what the "Easter Bunny" was up to is humbling.

I have worked or helped out in the business for about 20 years (currently managing the downtown location) and my sister, who is a registered nurse, worked at the stores growing up and continues to help out at holidays and



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Youngsters sample chocolates during the recent open house at Pease's Candy factory.

special events.

For us, March 25 was a family get-together. We were elbow to

elbow with our dad, mom, brother, sister-in-law, nieces, a nephew and kids. This is not to exclude

the Flesher family (the partner family) and all of the hard-working employees. Everyone came together and put on a great open house. We were all there for the same purpose — to assure our customers/visitors had a memorable experience. And with all the smiling faces and lip licking we believe we succeeded.

In closing, we'd like to say that in a time where family-owned businesses are going by the wayside and corporate-owned businesses are taking over, it is nice to see how loyal a following we have at Pease's.

Thank you for your continued support. We appreciate all of you.

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