Disco parties in Kentucky convenience store toilets

Vocabulary Match

convenience ● chain ● disco ● button ● shiny ● mentioned ● special ●

● group ● talked about ● switch ● unique ● sparkling ● ease ● dance club

Article

In Kentucky, a convenience store chain called HOP Shops is changing normal toilet visits into fun disco parties. They've put a big red button in their toilets with a sign saying, "DO NOT PUSH THIS RED BUTTON." But when people do push it, the lights turn off, a shiny disco ball comes down, and music starts playing. Songs like "I've Had The Time Of My Life" and "Dancing Queen" fill the room.

These fun disco toilets can be found in several shops across Kentucky. They're very popular on social media and with local people. Ann Gilbert, who works for HOP Shops, says everyone's happy to be part of something special. It's a small thing, but it makes people smile and forget their worries for a bit. If you're ever in Kentucky, try it out!

Quiz

1. What happens when the red button in HOP Shops' toilets is pushed?
2. What songs are mentioned that play in the disco toilets?
3. Who is Ann Gilbert?
4. What does Ann Gilbert say about the disco toilets?

Conversation

A: Are you going to the toilet?
B: Yeah, why? Do you need to go, too?
A: No, I just went, but you should be careful.
B: How come? Let me guess, the lock's broken?
A: Haha, no. There's a button on the wall.
B: A button? What does it do?
A: I'm not saying. That's for you to find out!

Discussion

1. Would you push the red button if you saw it in a public toilet?
2. What song would you like to hear if you were in a disco toilet?
3. What other places could be turned into fun experiences like this?
4. Do you think this is a good idea for businesses to attract customers?

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