

# Brighton Food Co-op Newsletter

December 2014

Happy Holidays!!!

Hi Members!

Happy Holidays to you and your families from your board members, Michelle, Denise and Marilyn! We'd like to thank you for your hard work and support. Our co-op is a success because our members are dedicated and involved. And, we have a lot of fun too!

Here's all the co-op news you need to know:

**Annual Meeting:** The annual meeting will be held at 10:30, January 7 during distribution. Please plan to attend even if you don't order this month. We will elect officers, discuss any suggested changes to the by-laws and conduct other business. If anyone is interested in running for a board position, please notify Michelle. We hope to see all co-op members at the meeting!

**Membership renewals:** According to the by-laws, members must renew by January 31. If you order in January, your \$20 membership dues will be added to your January statement. If you don't order in January, please send a check made out to Brighton Food Co-op to Marilyn Mitchell, 8792 Evergreen Rd., Brighton 48116.

The next distribution is January 7. The deadlines for ordering are as follows:

- ❖ OV/Frontier Order due: Dec. 24
- ❖ OV Filled Cases due: Dec. 28
- ❖ Creswick Order due: Dec. 29
- ❖ UNFI Order due: Dec. 31
- ❖ Creswick Pickup: Jan. 5
- ❖ Distribution: Jan. 7
- ❖ Board Mtg: Jan. 13
- ❖ Annual Mtg: Jan. 21, 10:30am

## Vendor Changes:

- ❖ **Simply Fresh Produce:** We are still working out arrangements with Tony so no produce in January.
- ❖ **Sjaacks:** We will no longer order from Sjaacks due to low volume and high shipping costs.
- ❖ **Almar and Creswick:** We realized that shipping charges have been coming out of the co-op budget. All other vendor shipping charges are split between members who ordered from that vendor. Therefore, beginning in January, the \$14.00 Almar shipping charge and the \$5.00 Creswick shipping charge will be divided between members who ordered that month.
- ❖ **Honey:** We hope to stockpile quarts of honey beginning with the January 7 distribution. There will be a \$1.00 deposit on quart jars to be credited to your account when clean jars are returned.

## Here are some things to keep in mind when ordering:

- ❖ Check, check and double check your **UNFI** order to **make sure you check "split"** if you do not want an entire case of a certain item. This is **REALLY** important!
- ❖ If you have an issue with any product you ordered through the co-op be sure to notify the board immediately. Copy your email to all three of us:
  - Michelle: [lilchel@comcast.net](mailto:lilchel@comcast.net)
  - Denise: [djhaukcoop@gmail.com](mailto:djhaukcoop@gmail.com)
  - Marilyn: [mmitchell1945@aol.com](mailto:mmitchell1945@aol.com)

**As always, if you have a comment or suggestion about co-op please contact Marilyn. The board is always looking for ways to improve the co-op experience for our members!**