

Brighton Food Co-op Newsletter

March 2015

Hi Members!

Thanks to everyone involved with the March distribution! Although we continued to have issues with the UNFI delivery, everyone worked together and we managed to pick up our order at Livingston Food Co-op and then complete distribution. Denise called UNFI to find out why we've had issues the last few months. Hopefully, an answer and a solution will be forthcoming soon.

Meanwhile, here's all the co-op news you need to know:

Leadership Vacancy: As you know, Michelle Kaloustian resigned her position as president of the co-op. We'd like to thank Michelle for her all of the time she put in as president and for her dedication to the co-op. We're happy she is continuing her membership.

Obviously, we cannot continue as a co-op without a president. Anyone who is interested should contact Marilyn Mitchell ASAP. The main jobs of the president include running the distribution meeting each month and the board meeting each month and developing an agenda for both. The president also handles a lot of the communication with members and may research various companies as possibilities for vendors if and when a new one is needed.

Although Marilyn would prefer to continue as secretary, she will take on the responsibility of president if no one else volunteers. However, that would mean someone would need to step up and volunteer to be secretary. She will not do both. The secretary's main duties include taking minutes at distribution meetings and board meetings, writing the newsletter, maintaining the membership list and communicating with new members.

Both the president and the secretary receive a \$27 credit on their order each month.

PLEASE consider taking on one of these roles and let Marilyn know. You can email her at mmitchell1945@aol.com or call her at 810-231-0195.

Albanese Ordering: Starting with the April 29 distribution, Albanese can be ordered every month except during the summer months when candy might melt with the warm temperatures.

Next distribution: There will be two distributions in April. The first distribution is **April 1**. The deadlines for ordering are as follows:

- ❖ **OV/Frontier Order Due: March 18**
- ❖ **OV Filled Cases Due: March 22**
- ❖ **UNFI Order Due: March 25**
- ❖ **Creswick Order Due: March 29**
- ❖ **Distribution: April 1**
- ❖ **Creswick Delivery: April 6**
- ❖ **Board Mtg: April 7**

The second April distribution is on April 29 and here are those deadlines:

- ❖ **OV/Frontier Order Due: April 15**
- ❖ **Creswick Order Due: No 2nd Order**
- ❖ **OV Filled Cases Due: April 19**
- ❖ **UNFI Order Due: April 22**
- ❖ **Distribution: April 29**
- ❖ **Board Mtg: May 5**

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:
 - ❖ Denise: djhaukcoop@gmail.com
 - ❖ Marilyn: 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!