

Hello fellow Brighton Food Co-op members!

Sorry there wasn't a July edition of the "newsletter"...I had family issues (some fun, some not-so-fun) that prevented me from writing last month. But I'm back to a "normal" schedule now, so here's the scoop on BFC happenings that you may have missed...

Financial Info from the August 7th distribution--

- **Orders Placed:** 16 (Battjes, Brady, J.Brown, N.Brown, Clark, Damon, Hauk, Hubbarth, Janssen, D.Johnson, Kataja, Mayne, Mechan, Pospiech, Radelt, Verschoor)
- **All Products Total:** \$6005.77
- **Extras Table Sold:** \$543.92
- **Extras Table Left:** \$227.27
- **Total Membership:** 34
- **New Members:** Aaron Brannon, Lisa Bartsch, and Linda Heller. *Welcome to all of you!*

Circle Meeting/Board Meeting Info--

It so happens that if you count every 4 weeks on the calendar, our December distribution would fall on the 25th...so you guessed it, we won't be having distribution that day. Cindy is looking into a possible alternate December delivery day with UNFI. We also discussed perhaps having an Outside-Vendor-only December distribution before the holiday, like we did last year, if UNFI were unable to give us a different day. BUT this was just speculation, very premature to talk about yet, so as we get closer to that time, we'll learn more. Stay tuned...

BUT, it's not too soon to talk about the day that our next distribution falls on--September 4th...the FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL! If you have school-aged children, keep this in mind when ordering, as it may affect your ability to work distribution day. Not that we've never had distribution on a school day before, but the first day is special, and there are a few of us that have little ones going for the first time this year, and just might need to be there with them! We can be flexible, of course, just keep in communication with the coordinators (Nancy & Denise) if you have any scheduling challenges, so they can make sure that the whole day is covered. For example, I already know I'll have to leave for an hour or two, then come back. Just keep us in the loop if the school day affects you at all. Thanks!

Besides school, September brings us another good thing...APPLES! September is the month we can begin to get organic apples and cider from Almar Orchards. I'm sure Kris will have more details when she sends the Outside Vendor info...I'm just so excited, I had to mention it!

Very Important Dates to Remember--

- **Next Order Due Date:** **Wednesday, August 22nd, by 9pm**
- **Unfilled Case Orders Due:** **Sunday, August 26th, by 9pm**
- **Next Distribution Date:** **Tuesday, September 4th, time TBD**
- **My 37th Birthday:** **Thursday, August 23rd, all day long (I gotta get some perks for having to do this newsletter, right? ;)**

More ordering information for our newest members--

- **Send your UNFI order to Sue Kataja at [BFC UNFI@yahoo.com](mailto:BFC_UNFI@yahoo.com)** You'll need to download the Foodlink software from the BFC website <http://www.brightonfoodcoop.org/> and Sue will soon be sending out the necessary files for you to import into Foodlink with your Member ID and the updated price list. If you have any technical Foodlink questions, you can email Sue at susanjkataja@hotmail.com
- **Send your FRONTIER order to Diane Brady at dbramblewood@sbcglobal.net** No special form needed; just be sure to include the page#, item#, product name, size (if applicable) and quantity needed of each item you are ordering, in the body of your email.
- **Send your Outside Vendor orders (Zingerman's, Rosewood, Almar, Motave, Besteman's, Nuts/Honey/Syrup, Specialty) to Kris Verschoor at kverschoor@sbcglobal.net** Again, no special form needed; just include the vendor name, item#, product name, size (if applicable) and quantity needed of each item you are ordering in the body of your email. It's also helpful if you can indicate whether you'd be willing to take more of something...for example, you want 3 pounds of cheddar cheese from Rosewood, but you'd take 4 or 5 pounds if you had to.

That's all for now...don't forget to send me any changes in your address/phone#/email address so I can pass them along to Jim Brown, our communications dude...he should be sending out an updated membership list soon, so be on the lookout for that, too. And if you haven't ordered in a while, drop us a line and let us know how you're doing! Any questions ever, don't hesitate to ask!

Thanks for reading! 😊

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Brighton Food Co-op