

Oshkosh Food Co-op

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NEED TO KNOW NEWS: Here's what's going on with the Co-op!

1. Co-op Grow-Op 3.0 was a smashing success! THANK YOU for attending, bringing your friends, family, and other interested folks.

123 people joined the Co-op in ONE NIGHT! This is an incredible

number and no other Co-op in the country has come close to creating that kind of membership number in one night for a start-up! If someone



you know couldn't make it, it's not too late to join. We'd be happy to mail them a brochure or they can visit our website.



2. We are having a family friendly Meet & Greet at the South Park Splash Pad from 10AM to NOON on Saturday, June 24th. Nothing formal – just hanging out, some kids' activities, answering questions about the Co-op. If you have a friend that wants to sign up, we'll be able to help with that (and you'll both get a Planet Perk gift card)! We'll have some light

snacks and lots of Co-op community!

3. Guess how many Member-Owners we have now? ANSWER IS ON THE NEXT PAGE!

This new milestone means we can write our business plan, which is a key element in securing funding for our location – 500 Member-Owners shows growing community commitment to the project!

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Upcoming 2017 Board Meetings

June 21

OFC Board Meeting [6:30-8:30]
Location: 817 Waugoo Ave, Oshkosh

July 5

OFC Board Meeting [6:30-8:30]
Location: 817 Waugoo Ave, Oshkosh

July 19

OFC Board Meeting [6:30-8:30]
Location: 817 Waugoo Ave, Oshkosh

One Thing To Do to support your Co-op!

Go to the Oshkosh Farmers Market this summer and support our Member Owners at **Thoma Poultry and Olden Produce.**



3. Another successful **Member Monday** event is in the books! Thanks to **Bare Bones**



for opening exclusively for Co-op members on June 5th.



There was great conversation, and of course, beer! **Three new members joined** that night – here's one new member with her free beer! Sad you missed out? Don't worry, we're already planning another one!



**New Member Owner
Total as of 6/14/17:**

528

WOW!

In the Community

Summer Farmers Market

Come see us at the Oshkosh Farmers Market Downtown. **Find us there July 8th and July 29th – we'd love to see you!**

If you are interested in helping others learn about the Co-op, tabling at the Summer Market is a super fun, low-pressure way to do it! We pair volunteers as much as possible, shifts are only a few hours, so you still have time to do your own shopping and socialize at the market. We train you on what to expect as well, so you are prepared! Email us to let us know you want to help!

And don't forget to wear your Co-op t-shirt to the Market (& other places) with pride!

What has your board been working on this month?



1. We have been working our tails off, happily! **We've processed over 135 new memberships from Co-op Grow Op and the days following**, which means data entry, processing Member-Owner cards, and following up with all the interested folks who attended the Grow Op. Please be

patient, your cards are coming! This kind of work keeps us inspired!

2. We were delighted to meet with **Patricia, who won our New Member Grow Op basket!** She wrote a thoughtful thank you note, which was much appreciated!



3. We have 2 **board meetings** in June – things are gearing up now that we've hit our 500 member milestone! We'll begin writing our business plan and introducing ourselves to cooperative lenders so they are familiar with our project when it comes time to fund it!



I am so proud of what our Co-op community has accomplished with Grow Op – welcome to all our new members and let's keep moving forward!

On behalf of the Co-op board,
Kelly Matthews, OFC President

