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Newly elected Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez is the key promoter of a Green New Deal.

"Green New Deal" Makeover Championed by New York Rep

By Hayley Gorenberg

With environmental disasters making headlines and a new Democratic majority poised to take control of the House of Representatives, a proposal for a "Green New Deal" headlined

by New York Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez is grabbing attention.

Ocasio-Cortez is joined by a growing number of other Democrats in the incoming Congress who support a resolution to have the Speaker of

the House appoint a 15-member "Select Committee for a Green New Deal." Their job would be developing a plan to upgrade the national electrical grid and direct "mass energy-efficient building upgrades" to move the nation entirely to renewable electrical energy within ten years of passing the legislation.

The committee would produce "a detailed national, industrial, economic mobilization plan for the transition of the United States economy to become carbon neutral and to significantly draw down and capture greenhouse gases from the atmosphere and oceans and to promote economic and environmental justice and equality."

As outlined in the resolution, the federally driven plan would take advantage of expertise and leadership "from business, labor, state and local governments, academia and broadly representative civil society groups and communities" and investigate options informed by experts

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A New Day in Albany For Environmental Legislation

By Gayle Forman

Maybe you missed it amid the barrage of headlines about last month's electoral Blue Wave in Congress (40 seats flipped and counting), but voters also brought a pro-

gressive shift to New York's state government. In the September state primary, six Democratic challengers ousted members of the Independent Democratic Caucus, or

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The Climate and Community Protection Act sets guidelines for New York State to switch to 100% renewables by 2050.

Next General Meeting on January 29

Due to a permanent change to the GM schedule approved at the January 2018 General Meeting, there is no longer a December General Meeting on the last Tuesday of the month.

The next regularly scheduled GM will be Tuesday, January 29, 2019. The next scheduled Agenda Committee Meeting is Tuesday, January 8, 2019. For more information about the GM and about Coop governance, please see the center of this issue or foodcoop.com.

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December 24: 8 am to 5 pm

December 25: CLOSED

December 31: 8 am to 5 pm

January 1, 2019: CLOSED

Green New Deal

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and leaders from “industry, academia, local communities, labor, finance, technology” to chart a course for abandoning fossil fuels and moving entirely to renewable energy.

Key Points Include:

- 100% of national power generation from renewable sources;
 - building a national, energy-efficient, “smart” grid;
 - upgrading every residential and industrial building for state-of-the-art energy efficiency, comfort, and safety;
 - decarbonizing the manufacturing, agricultural, and other industries;
 - decarbonizing, repairing, and improving transportation and other infrastructure;
 - funding massive investment in the drawdown and capture of greenhouse gases;
 - making “green” technology, industry, expertise, products and services a major export of the United States, with the aim of becoming the undisputed international leader in helping other countries transition to completely carbon-neutral economies and bringing about a global “Green New Deal.”
- A set of “frequently asked questions” on Ocasio-Cortez’s website acknowledges that the current Senate composition and the presidency of Donald Trump will block immediate Green New Deal legislation, and tees up the planning, necessary reporting,



Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez speaking to an enthusiastic crowd at a community event in Jackson Heights.

and drafting of publicly available legislation to be poised to take advantage of potential political shifts in early 2020.

The resolution sweeps more broadly than infrastructure. Its undergirding philosophy includes “opportunities for high-income work, entrepreneurship and cooperative and public ownership,” in alignment with “goals and guidelines relating to social, economic, racial, regional and gender-based justice and equality.” It forecasts that the work required for this national transformation can spread economic well-being to participants.

The resolution, supported by at least 18 incoming Congress members, including

civil rights hero John Lewis, is perhaps the latest iteration of an idea more than a decade old, championed by journalist Thomas Friedman, various Green parties across the globe, 350.org, Greenpeace, and Friends of the Earth.

Right-wing critics from the Heritage Foundation and fossil fuel industry paint the Green New Deal as a bankrupting force, and say that if renewable energy were feasible, it wouldn’t need tax credits or any other advantages provided by the government. (They did not include information regarding any government benefits previously or currently provided to the fossil fuel industry.)

Milder critics suggest established House committees on Energy and Commerce or Transportation and Infrastructure should handle what work there is to be done.

Robinson Meyer wrote in *The Atlantic* earlier this month, in “The Democratic Party Wants to Make Climate Policy Exciting,” that the Green New Deal addresses the problem of making approaches to climate change captivating, so that working on them captures attention, given that some of the details and technical aspects of reworking infrastructure and systems can seem BAD—that is, “boring as dirt.”

A trio of Ocasio-Cortez supporters, Stephanie Kelton, professor of economics and public policy at Stony Brook University and former economic adviser to Bernie Sanders’ campaign; Queens College urban studies lecturer and adviser to Ocasio-Cortez Andres Bernal; and researcher and Data for Progress adviser Greg Carlock, wrote last month in “We Can Pay for a Green New Deal,” “Here’s the

good news: Anything that is technically feasible is financially affordable. And it won’t be a drag on the economy—unlike the climate crisis itself, which will cause tens of billions of dollars’ worth of damage to American homes, communities and infrastructure each year. A Green New Deal will actually help the economy by stimulating productivity, job growth and consumer spending, as government spending has often done. (You don’t have to go back to the original New Deal for evidence of that.)”

The goal: upgrade the national electrical grid and direct “mass energy-efficient building upgrades” moving the U.S. entirely to renewable electrical energy.

Blogger Clayton Morga-ridge, a retired Lewis and Clark professor, headlined “A Green New Deal Is a Welcome Challenge to Capitalism,” writing, “the proposal is something that can, and must, be at the center of a political movement that is fully and openly aware that the claims of the very rich to own and control the productive wealth of our nation are bogus. That wealth must now be devoted, not to the profits of a few, but to the survival and the flourishing of the many—and not just the many humans, but all the creatures of our living planet.”

New York Magazine’s Eric Levitz analyzed poll numbers showing voter support for planks of the Green New Deal, including green jobs: “When asked whether they would ‘support or oppose giving every American who wants one a job



PHOTO BY E. LEVITZ

New York magazine’s Eric Levitz analyzed polls showing voter support for the Green New Deal.



scaling up renewable energy, weatherizing homes and office buildings, developing mass transit projects, and maintaining green community spaces,’ 55 percent of respondents said yes, while just 18 percent said no—making a “green jobs” guarantee slightly more popular than a generic version of the proposal (i.e., a jobs guarantee without an environmental angle). What’s more, 51 percent of voters said they’d be more likely to vote for a candidate who supported a green jobs guarantee, while just 20 percent said they’d be less likely to do so.”

Levitz concluded with push-back against critics who base their objections in purported financial and economic concerns: “If technical expertise isn’t a barrier to radical action on climate, money certainly isn’t an issue. If our aim is to maximize Charles Koch’s prosperity during his last few years on Earth, then there might be tension between reducing carbon emissions and achieving our economic goals. But if we wish to maximize human prosperity during our children’s lifetimes, no such trade-off exists. The costs of inaction on climate change are exorbitant; the return on investment in sustainability, massive. Researchers at the University of California, Berkeley estimate that every degree Celsius of warming will cost the global economy, on average, 1.2 percent of GDP. On the other hand, a recent report from the Global Commission on the Economy and Climate found that a global shift to sustainable development would net humanity an extra \$26 trillion by 2030.”

The new Congress takes office on January 3, 2019. ■

Sudoku

Sudoku is a puzzle. You are presented with a 9x9 grid of squares, and that grid is divided into 3x3 zones. You solve the puzzle by filling the empty squares with single-digit numbers so that every zone, column and row uses each of the numbers from 1 to 9.

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Puzzle author: Abdul Powell. For answers, see page 11.

Albany

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IDC, a group of state senators who were elected as Democrats but who caucused with Republicans, thus giving the GOP a majority and blocking progressive legislation. Then, in the November general election, Democratic state senators won 40 seats to the GOP's 23, giving Democrats the majority in the Senate and control of all three branches of government.

This has wide-reaching implications for many issues, including education, infrastructure, immigrants' rights, reproductive rights, and—perhaps most pressing in light of several new studies describing the imminent dangers of climate change—environmental policy.



ILLUSTRATION BY DEBORAH TINT

New York State is showing a renewed dedication to addressing climate change issues.

Hoylman, the Democratic state senator who sponsored the bill. Both Hoylman and Keegan note that the majority of returning Democratic state senators, including Andrea Stewart-Cousins, the newly elected majority leader, co-sponsored the bill and there is unanimous support among Democrats. “Which means presumably if it gets to the floor and everyone who is sponsoring it votes for it, it passes,” Keegan says.

Another bill that passed the (previously and still Democratic) State Assembly, only to languish in the Senate, is the Environmental Bill of Rights. It would enshrine New Yorkers' right to “clean air and water, and a healthful environment” into the state constitution.

Infrastructure repairs ensuring clean water in Long Island and the Hudson River Valley, eliminating plastic bag waste and implementing environmental laws that have never gone into effect.

“This is a big-picture item,” says Hoylman. “It could lead to a lot of changes across the state through invoking that,” including infrastructure repairs to ensure clean water in Long Island and the Hudson River Valley, eliminating plastic bag waste, and the implementation of environmental laws that have already been passed but have never gone into effect.

Take the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act. This law aimed at weaning localities off diesel vehicles passed more than a decade ago but has never gone into effect

because the state senate has passed a series of exemptions that effectively prevented its implementation.

Ban the Bag?

It's not the first time lawmakers in Albany have stymied environmental legislation even after it's been signed into law. In 2017, the New York City Council proposed a 5-cent fee to be imposed on single-use plastic (t-shirt or shopping bags were banned at the Coop in 2008) and the same fee on paper bags in an effort to encourage shoppers to bring their own bags. (Such fees have been enormously successful in cities around the world.) The bill passed the City Council, was signed by the mayor, but later ran afoul of lawmakers in Albany who passed new legislation repealing the bag fee, claiming the fee was a tax that would adversely affect poor people, which as it happens, is the same argument the bag industry has used to push back against other bag taxes.

Governor Cuomo claimed the fee was wasted revenue and signed the repeal. Since then, he has formed a task force to take on the issue and last spring, amid a primary challenge of his own from Cynthia Nixon, he proposed a statewide ban. It has thus far gone nowhere but Keegan expects the issue to come to a head, not merely because of the shift in power in Albany but because China stopped accepting plastic waste from the West, which will force states and municipalities that once shipped their trash overseas to deal with their own plastic waste, which is expensive. “This is definitely getting on people's radar screens,”

ILLUSTRATION BY TOMMY KANE



Plans for a proposed 5-cent tax on single-use bags will likely become law following the recent political shifts in Albany.

A Clean New York

The Climate and Community Protection Act is New York State's attempt to counter climate change. The three-year-old bill sets guidelines for the state to switch to 100 percent clean renewable energy by 2050, limits greenhouse emissions, creates fair-wage green jobs, and prioritizes protecting the low-income communities of color that tend to be adversely affected by climate change. “It's passed the Assembly for three years, including in their last year's state budget,” explains Brian Keegan, Director of Communications and Marketing for Environmental Advocates of New York. “It's been held up by now outgoing majority leader John Flanagan.”

A change in leadership will, at the very least, allow the bill to make it out of committee, where it's been stalled, and onto the floor. “There is a lot of work to be done but I think we will have public hearings on climate change and this bill in particular,” says Brad

Keegan says. “The broader issue of waste disposal is going to be something the new legislature looks at.”

Industry vs. Everyone

Hoylman calls the industry-motivated repeal of the plastic bag ban an “outrage given what we now know since that law was nullified. The damage not just to marine life but human health has grown exponentially. It's a real cause for alarm.”

It points to the broader problem when it comes to passing and enacting environmental policy, industry pushback. “You're going to see industry opposing every environmental law whether it's plastic straws, or environmen-

tal protection from fossil fuels,” Hoylman says. This is why he believes true environmental action requires not just passing legislation to curb fossil fuels, or finding the funding to fix the subways, but also looking into issues “like campaign finance law reform and ethics reform to combat these kinds of industry efforts to derail environmental legislation.”

“This is our national issue. You've got newly elected congresspeople like [Alexandra] Ocasio-Cortez proposing a green new deal. That's what we're proposing at the state level. The Republican leadership didn't even support the science behind global warming,” Hoylman adds. “This is a new day.” ■

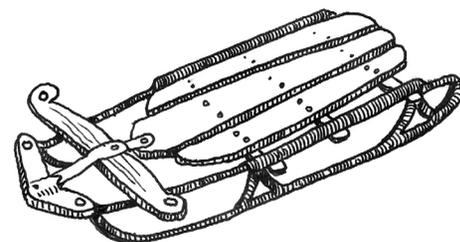


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PLASTIC PACKAGING RECYCLING

2nd Wednesday of every month, 3:45-6 p.m.

Saturday, December 29, 1:45-4 p.m.

For Coop members only

Please be prepared to show your Coop membership card.

Plastic bags/wrap/packaging from most products sold at the Coop—food and non-food.

Thin plastic film wrap—from notecards, tea boxes, pre-packaged cheese, household items, pet food, juice packs, etc.

Plastic roll bags distributed by the Coop—please use roll bags only as necessary, reduce usage whenever possible, and re-use any bags you do take before recycling.

Plastic food storage zip lock bags (any size), plastic cling wrap, and small bulk bags.

NO food residue, rinse as needed.
Only soft plastic from Coop purchases.

For all community members:

Pre-sort and separate according to the categories below.



- Toothbrushes and toothpaste tubes
- Energy bar wrappers and granola bar wrappers
- Brita water filters and related items (other brands also accepted)
- Cereal and cracker bags/box liners



Donations in any amount are welcomed to help offset the cost to the Coop of this collection.

Interested in joining the squads that run the Wednesday/Saturday collection? Contact Cynthia Pennycooke in the Membership Office.

For more information about Terracycle, visit terracycle.com

Questions about items we accept should be e-mailed to ecokvetch@yahoo.com



Looking Ahead to 2019— Joe Holtz Urges Members to Read the Upcoming Second Location Study... Weigh In and Make Your Voice Heard

By Taigi Smith

With the year 2018 almost behind us, Coordinators at the PSFC are looking ahead. We spoke with General Coordinators Joe Holtz and Joe Szladek about exciting developments at the PSFC and what members can expect in 2019.

TS: So, what's new at the PSFC?

JS: CBD oil is all the rage. It's over one percent of store sales, which is a lot considering how little space it takes up.

The roof is being redone which will cost half million dollars or more. We have a very old building, we've had a lot of leaks and this will help fix that problem. Fixing the roof now means we won't have to worry about redoing it again for decades.

You can now go online and check your membership status. That's a new thing and that's a great thing.

*A second coop location?
That committee will make a
report in 2019.*

—Joe Holtz

TS: So members can now check their membership status online? Can you tell me more about that?

JH: Under announcements, on our website, it says "view your member info online." What you can do now is you

can see your upcoming shift whether you're on ABCD rotation or an FTOP. You can see make-ups that you owe. If you're on FTOP, you can see how far in the future you're covered. You can sign up to be notified by email or text twice ahead of your shift.

TS: Why is this notification system important? What will this mean for members?

JH: This is important because in the past members showed up for a shift about 78 percent of the time. The Coop is much more effective and efficient if people show up. I believe that 78 percent is going to get much better. People will be able to receive notifications of their upcoming shifts. Most people are not signed up for 2019. But we're going to be promoting it and talking about it. More things are going to happen on the member services. There will be more information about your Coop history than what's available now. I'm very excited about the whole thing. Sometime in 2019, you can get a text or an email that the Gazette is coming out. You can be notified when there's a product recall. You can get notified that the Coop is going to be closed because there's a snowstorm. Are we open on Christmas Day? This online membership area has been a dream of the staff who work here for many years.

TS: How do members sign up?

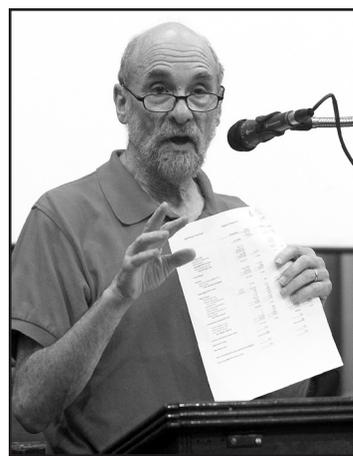
JH: You can't set this up on the phone. It is going to require one trip to the office to get this set up but if you already have an email in the Coop's system, then you don't have to come in. I'm probably going to sign up because I'm going to want to know what members are getting notified about. A lot more people will be aware of it in 2019 than are aware of it now. I think it's great.

TS: Tell me about the recent spice move.

JS: We knew we wanted to expand the bulk coffee section. All the bulk coffee bins were being depleted so quickly it was hard to keep up with stocking them. We had a custom unit built out of wood that fits the coffee bins and we added an extra grinder because we only had one. And we also added some more bulk bins—about 5 or 6—so the spices were then moved because there was no longer room for them in aisle two.

TS: So where were the spices moved?

JS: The spices were moved to the left of the eggs. It was discussed amongst staff and a bunch of us decided that was the best place to move them. The spices are a very highly trafficked area. It took some of the traffic out of the aisle. The bulk teas moved near the actual boxed tea. It felt very harmonious. The bulk teas



"Use the PSFC website to view your member status and upcoming shifts," says Joe Holtz, General Coordinator.



General Coordinator Joe Szladek says that the Coop's new \$500,000 roof will last for the next 40 years.



Theresa Gray, the Coop's buyer in charge of CBD, at the lock-up cabinet for all CBD products.



These two hemp-based CBD supplements are part of the popular wave for CBD at the Coop.

are now near their boxed tea brethren. There may be some more movements happening in that area. Stay tuned.

TS: So, what's the status of our second location? What can you tell us about the study?

JH: About 24 months ago, we elected the second location study committee. They were supposed to report back in 18 months. But, the fact is that committee has been working and really will make a report in 2019. This is something that members can look forward to. Look at this report and the narrative of the report. What should we do with the future of our Coop? It will be important for members to read the report. I know it's

going to be a detailed study. The key thing to look forward to is whether the committee will recommend a second location—or not. And will the members agree?

JH: The amount of people who want to join far surpasses the space available in the PSFC. The PSFC is at its lowest level of people leaving ever. The membership is around 17,000. We keep running orientations and we keep replacing members who leave. We don't close the list, we just tell people to keep trying.

TS: I know the Coop feels more crowded than ever, but I haven't given much thought to a second location, but now I will.

3 GREAT reasons to register for member services!

1 Intelligent Shift Notifications: Receive TEXT or EMAIL alerts for upcoming shifts. ↙

2 Easily available FTOP info: View number of FTOP cycles covered or banked and upcoming shifts scheduled! ↙

3 Avoid surprises at the entrance desk: Check your status before coming to the Coop. ↙

Ready to enroll: Go to foodcoop.com and click on "Member Services" in the upper right-hand corner to get started.

GMO SHELF LABELING COMMITTEE REPORT

The New GMO, Hiding in Plain Sight

By Greg Todd,
Environmental Committee

Two years ago, on July 29, 2016, President Obama signed the National Bioengineered Food Disclosure Law (NBFDL) into law, requiring food manufacturers to disclose the presence of bioengineered foods and ingredients. Popularly known as the DARK Act (Denying Americans the Right to Know), Congress gave the USDA two years to implement the law.

On May 4 of this year the USDA released proposed regulations and allowed for a two-month comment period. Over 14,000 comments were received by July 3. Under the NBFDL, a food manufacturer can choose among three different options to disclose foods or ingredients that are bioengineered:

1. Use text on the product's package, as specified by the USDA;
2. Include a symbol, which will be developed by the USDA, on the package; or
3. Add an electronic or digital link (such as a QR code, bar code, or SmartLabel) on the package.

We now have at least three products on Coop shelves that declare on the package that they contain either "genetically engineered" or "genetically modified" ingredients. These products are Mom's Best Oats and Honey Blend breakfast cereal, Mom's Best Crispy Cocoa Rice breakfast cereal [This product was discontinued by Mom's Best in November. The Coop no longer sells it.] and Osem Bamba with Hazelnut Cream Filling snack.

The USDA aims to publish a final rule on labeling food containing genetically engineered ingredients by December 1, according to Greg Ibach, undersecretary for marketing and regulatory programs. The department wants to begin enforcing the rule on January 1, 2020.

Once the DARK Act is implemented, any product that contains one or more of the

ingredients that are commonly engineered (see list below) will be labeled according to the USDA guidelines. You've never heard of "bio-engineered" before? You're not alone. Bio-engineered is a novel term created by Congress with the stated intent of avoiding any negative connotation that might be conveyed by terms such as genetically modified or genetically engineered. An industry spokesperson, Nathan Fields, the director of biotechnology and crop inputs at the National Corn Growers Association, says the new term provides a clean slate.

"There's some connotations around some of the terms that have been used that do cast the technology in a negative light," says Fields.

Industry opponents of the term bio-engineered such as the Center for Food Safety are fighting its proposed use and it may yet be overturned. If it isn't, you may begin seeing one of the proposed labels on packages at the Coop in the near future. The USDA is still deciding which one to use.



What are GMOs? Organisms created in a laboratory from genes of one species that are spliced and forcibly inserted into the DNA of another species (also called genetic engineering, or GEs).

How common are GMOs? It is estimated that GMOs are now present in more than 80 percent of packaged products in the average U.S. or Canadian grocery store.

Are GMOs safe? In 30 countries around the world, including Australia, Japan, and all European Union countries, there are significant restrictions or outright bans on the production of GMOs, because they are not considered proven safe. But in the U.S., the FDA has approved commercial production of GMOs based

on studies conducted by the biotech companies who created them and profit from their sale.

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Globally, the use of glyphosate (a herbicide sold under the brand name Roundup by Monsanto) has increased 15-fold since the introduction of GMO glyphosate-tolerant crops. Ever more resistant weeds are able to withstand increasing amounts and often different forms of herbicide, so more herbicide is used on GMO crops.

Many health-conscious shoppers find the results of rigorous, independent, scientific examination on the impact of consuming GM foods to be cause for concern.

For more info:

NonGMOShoppingGuide.com;
www.nongmoproject.org;
www.centerforfoodsafety.org

Non-GMO Shopping Tips

Try to buy USDA certified organic food (which legally can not be genetically engineered or genetically modified), foods with the Non-GMO Project label or products that state their ingredients are not genetically. Otherwise, avoid foods that contain the following ingredients that carry a risk of being genetically engineered.

Commercially Available GMO Foods—Highly Adopted:

- Canola—90%
- Comm. Field Corn—92% (As of this writing, the Coop sells only non-GMO sweet corn in its produce aisle.)
- Cotton—93%
- Soybeans—94%
- Sugar Beets—100% (Cane sugar is safe.)

Please note that a version of the above is now displayed on the endcap of the aisle opposite the frozen food.

The GMO Shelf Labeling Committee's Work

Our committee was created by a vote of the General Meeting in June 2000 to monitor and advise the membership about the presence of GMOs in the Coop. It has executed this assignment in a variety of ways over the past 18 years. For several years we were actually placing prominent shelf labels on products believed to be GMO. When it became apparent that the source of our list of at-risk GMO products was questionable, we began a letter-writing campaign to producers of products with at-risk ingredients to help us better ascertain which of the Coop's products were indeed GMO. That attempt was frustrated by a low response rate (less than 5 percent of the producers responded after at least three contacts). We then began putting small

"Non-GMO" decals on labels of products that were identified as Non-GMO by our largest supplier, UNFI. About two years ago, UNFI made it possible for the Coop to generate shelf labels that identified products that were GMO-free directly on the price label. Since that time, our committee of five individuals has been checking the ingredients of a list of products generated by UNFI that are neither Non-GMO Project certified or USDA certified as non-GMO. It was this effort that led us to identify the three products cited in this article as GMO. We are in the process of creating a database identifying the GMO status of the more than 700 products we have examined to date. ■

If you would like to learn more about the work of this committee, please contact Greg Todd at imanigreg@gmail.com.

EXCITING NEW WORKSLOT OPPORTUNITY!

The Coop is seeking five members to serve on the Pension Advisory Committee ("PAC"). The PAC will represent the interests of the Membership and Staff by monitoring the overall performance of the fund and maintaining regular communication with the Pension Plan Trustees.

This Committee, which will also include two members of the paid Staff, will provide ongoing education and performance reports to the Membership at General Meetings and through articles in the Linewriters' Gazette. Portfolio decisions, selection of Trustees, and the hiring of the Plan Investment Manager or Plan Actuaries are not under the PAC's purview.

Term lengths: Members will be elected at a monthly General Meeting. The three members receiving the highest vote counts when will receive three-year terms. The members receiving the next two highest vote counts will receive two two-year terms. Subsequent terms will be three years.

We urge you to apply if you have these qualifications:

Coop Experience

- Minimum five years of Coop membership immediately prior to joining the committee;
- An excellent attendance record in your Coop work slot with minimal absences per year

Professional Experience

- Minimum three years relevant professional experience in at least one of the following:
 - Pension fund management, institutional investment advising, or portfolio management
 - Chartered Financial Advisor (CFA)
 - Certified Financial Planner (CFP)
 - Volunteer at a non-profit/educational/religious institution or labor organization where you interface(d) with endowments and/or engage(d) in long-term financial planning on a large scale
 - Journalists, educators or graphics specialists who focus on the financial sector

Core Qualities

- Effective verbal and written communicator
- Ability to distill and disseminate complicated concepts to audiences of all levels
- Skilled in collaborative processes
- Excellent time management and organization skills

To apply, please complete this form <http://bit.ly/CoopPAC> and forward your professional resume, cover letter and one reference letter to:

PACselection@gmail.com

We are seeking an applicant pool that reflects the diversity of the Coop's membership.



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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The *Gazette* will not knowingly publish letters, articles or reports that are hateful, racist, sexist, otherwise discriminatory, inflammatory or needlessly provocative.

The *Gazette* welcomes Coop-related articles, letters and committee reports from members that follow the published guidelines and policies. The following is a summary—please see the detailed guidelines for each type of submission on the Coop website: www.foodcoop.com.

All submissions must include author's name, phone number and e-mail address, conform to the following guidelines and to the Fairness, Anonymity and Respect policies. Editors will reject letters, articles and reports that do not follow the guidelines or policies. Submission deadlines appear each edition in the Coop Calendar section.

For topics that generate a large number of submissions (letters or Member Articles) serially and continuously over an extended period of time, the *Gazette* will not necessarily publish all submissions, but the editors will use their editorial discretion to select a small number of submissions (whether letters or Member Articles) from each side as representative of that viewpoint of the issue. The selected submissions will also adhere to the current guidelines of civil discourse and should serve to advance the discussion in new ways.

You may submit via e-mail to GazetteSubmissions@psfc.coop.

Letters: Maximum 500 words.

Voluntary Articles: Maximum 750 words. A Voluntary Article is held to a higher standard than a letter and must meet at least the following criteria: A Voluntary Article must analyze the topic it is discussing; it must present accurate, verifiable corroboration for factual assertions; it can criticize but not attack Coop practices and personnel; if critical it must present positive solutions; it cannot be solely or mainly opinion. It must strive to make a positive contribution to the understanding of the reader on a topic. If a submitted Voluntary Article is substantially opinion, it must be re-submitted, under 500 words, as a Letter to the Editor, possibly to a future issue. Editors will reject articles that are essentially just advertisements for member businesses, those of family and friends of members, solely expressions of opinion or that do not follow the guidelines and policies.

Committee Reports: Maximum 1,000 words. Reports must follow the published guidelines and policies.

LETTERS, ARTICLES AND REPORTS SUBMISSION POLICIES

Letters must be the opinion of the letter-writer and can contain no more than 25% non-original writing.

All submissions must be written by the writer. Letters or articles that are form letters, chain letters, template letters or letters prepared by someone other than the submitting member will be rejected.

Letters, articles and reports must adhere to the Fairness, Anonymity and Respect policies. They cannot be hateful, needlessly inflammatory, discriminatory libelous, personal attacks or make unsubstantiated claims or accusations or be contrary to the values of the Coop as expressed in our mission statement.

All submissions must be legible, intelligible, civil, well and concisely written with accurate, attributed, easily verifiable statements of facts separated from opinions.

Letter and article writers are limited to one letter or article per issue.

Letter and article writers cannot write gratuitous serial submissions. Editors may reject submissions to consecutive editions of the *Gazette* on the same topic by the same writer.

Editor-Writer Guidelines: All submissions will be reviewed and, if necessary, edited or rejected by the editor. Writers are responsible for the factual content of their stories. Editors must make a reasonable effort to contact and communicate with writers regarding any questions or proposed editorial changes. Writers must be available to editors to confer about their submissions. If a writer does not respond to requests for editorial changes, the editor may make the changes without conferring with the writer, or reject the submission. If agreement between the writer and the editor about changes does not occur after a first revision, the editor may reject the submission, and the writer may revise and resubmit for a future issue.

FAIRNESS, ANONYMITY AND RESPECT POLICIES

In order to provide fair, comprehensive, factual coverage:

Fairness

1. The *Gazette* will not publish hearsay—that is, allegations not based on the author's first-hand observation.

2. Nor will we publish accusations that are unnecessary, not specific or are not substantiated by factual assertions. The *Gazette* will not publish gratuitous personalization. That is, no unnecessary naming of Coop members in polemical letters and articles. Writers must address ideas not persons.

3. Submissions that make substantive accusations against specific individuals, necessary to make the point of the submission and within the Fairness, Anonymity and Respect policies will be given to those persons to enable them to write a response, and both submissions and response will be published simultaneously. This means that the original submission may not appear until the issue after the one for which it was submitted.

Anonymity

Unattributed letters will not be published unless the *Gazette* knows the identity of the writer, and therefore must be signed when submitted (giving phone number). Such letters will be published only where a reason is given to the editor as to why public identification of the writer would impose an unfair burden of embarrassment or difficulty. Such letters must relate to Coop issues and avoid any non-constructive, non-cooperative language.

Respect

Submissions to the *Gazette* must not be hateful, racist, sexist, otherwise discriminatory, inflammatory or needlessly provocative. They may not be personally derogatory or insulting, even when strongly criticizing an individual member's actions.

The *Gazette* is a collaboration among Coop members. When submitting, please consider the impact of your words on the writers, editors and production staff who use our limited workslot time to try to produce an informative and cooperative publication that reflects the values of our Coop community.

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Friday, January 18, 8:00 p.m.

The Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture
and the Park Slope Food Coop present:



PROSPECT CONCERTS



In an eagerly awaited return engagement, **Jay Rodriguez** will bring the ultimate culmination of his musical experiences for a not-to-be-missed performance of soulful Descarga dance-floor music infused with jazz, Latin, funk and soul to Prospect Concerts. The all-star ensemble will feature Jose

Joaquin Garcia, Alexis Cuadrado, Sean Moran, Brian Drye, Aruan Ortiz, Ludovica Burtone, Urbano Sanchez, Andrew Drury and many others, including a string section and special guests TBA. Let's kick off the new year on a positive light! Bring your dancing shoes! It's a dance party!



There will also be free dance lessons with professional dance instructors **Arturo Perez** and **Carolynn Murphy**.

www.facebook.com/ProspectConcerts

53 Prospect Park West [at 2nd Street] • \$10 • 8pm [doors open at 7:45]
Performers are Park Slope Food Coop members and receive Coop workslot credit.
Booking: Bev Grant, 718-788-3741

RETURN POLICY

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The Coop strives to keep prices low for our membership. Minimizing the amount of returned merchandise is one way we do this. If you need to make a return, please go to the 2nd Floor Service Desk.

REQUIRED FOR ANY RETURN

1. The Paid-In-Full receipt **MUST** be presented.
2. Returns must be handled within 30 days of purchase.

CAN I EXCHANGE MY ITEM?

No, we do not "exchange" items. You must return the merchandise and re-purchase what you need.

CAN I RETURN MY ITEM?

Produce*	Bulk* (incl. Coop-bagged bulk)
Cheese*	Seasonal Holiday Items
Books	Special Orders
Calendars	Refrigerated Supplements
Juicers	& Oils
Sushi	*A buyer is available during the week-days to discuss your concerns.

NEVER
RETURNABLE

Refrigerated Goods (not listed above)
Frozen Goods
Meat & Fish
Bread

RETURNABLE
ONLY IF SPOILED
BEFORE
EXPIRATION DATE
Packaging/label
must be present-
ed for refund.

Items not listed above that are unopened
and unused in re-sellable condition

RETURNABLE

The Coop reserves the right to refuse returns on a case-by-case basis. If you have questions, please contact a staff member in the Membership Office.

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WELCOME!

A warm welcome to these new Coop members who have joined us in the last two weeks. We're glad you've decided to be a part of our community.

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COOP CALENDAR

New Member Orientations

Attending an Orientation is the first step toward Coop membership. Pre-registration is required for all of the three weekly New Member Orientations. To pre-register, visit foodcoop.com.

Have questions about Orientation? Please visit www.foodcoop.com and look at the "Join the Coop" page for answers to frequently asked questions.

The Coop on the Internet

www.foodcoop.com

The Coop on Cable TV**Inside the Park Slope Food Coop**

The fourth FRIDAY of the month at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Channels: 56 (Time-Warner), 69 (CableVision), 84 (RCN), 44 (Verizon), and live streaming on the Web: www.bricartsmedia.org/community-media/bcat-tv-network.

General Meeting Info**TUE, JANUARY 8**

AGENDA SUBMISSIONS: 7:30 p.m.

Submissions will be considered for the January 29 General Meeting.

TUE, JANUARY 29

GENERAL MEETING: 7:00 p.m.

Gazette Deadlines**LETTERS & VOLUNTARY ARTICLES:**

Jan 17 issue: 12:00 p.m., Mon, Jan 7

Jan 31 issue: 12:00 p.m., Mon, Jan 21

CLASSIFIED ADS DEADLINE:

Jan 17 issue: 7:00 p.m., Wed, Jan 9

Jan 31 issue: 7:00 p.m., Wed, Jan 23

ALL ABOUT THE GENERAL MEETING

Our Governing Structure

From our inception in 1973 to the present, the open monthly General Meetings have been at the center of the Coop's decision-making process. Since the Coop incorporated in 1977, we have been legally required to have a Board of Directors. The Coop continued the tradition of General Meetings by requiring the Board to have open meetings and to receive the advice of the members at General Meetings. The Board of Directors, which is required to act legally and responsibly, has approved almost every General Meeting decision at the end of every General Meeting. Board members are elected at the Annual Meeting in June. Copies of the Coop's bylaws are available on foodcoop.com and at every General Meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 29, 7:00 p.m.

The General Meeting is held on the last Tuesday of each month.

Location

St. Francis Xavier School, 763 President Street, between Sixth and Seventh Aves.

How to Place an Item on the Agenda

If you have something you'd like discussed at a General Meeting, please complete a submission form for the Agenda Committee. Forms are available in the rack near the Coop Community Corner bulletin board and at General Meetings. Instructions and helpful information on how to submit an item appear on the submission form. The Agenda Committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month to plan the agenda for the GM held on the last Tuesday of the month. If you have a question, please call Ann Herpel at the Coop.

Meeting Format

Warm Up (7:00 p.m.) • Submit Open Forum items

• Explore meeting literature

Open Forum (7:15 p.m.) Open Forum is a time for members to bring brief items to the General Meeting.

If an item is more than brief, it can be submitted to the Agenda Committee as an item for a future GM.

Reports (7:30 p.m.) • Financial Report • Coordinators' Report • Committee Reports

Agenda (8:00 p.m.) The agenda is posted on foodcoop.com and may also appear elsewhere in this issue.

Wrap Up (9:30-9:45) • Meeting evaluation • Board of Directors vote • Announcements, etc.

Attend a GM and Receive Work Credit

Since the Coop's inception in 1973, the General Meeting has been our decision-making body. At the General Meeting (GM) members gather to make decisions and set Coop policy. The General-Meeting-for-workslot-credit program was created to increase participation in the Coop's decision-making process.

Following is an outline of the program.

• Advance Sign-up required:

To be eligible for workslot credit, you must sign-up at foodcoop.com. A computer dedicated to sign-ups is located in the elevator lobby. You may sign up for the meeting all month long, until 5 p.m. of the day of the meeting.

Some restrictions to this program do apply. Please see below for details.

• Two GM attendance credits per year:

Each member may take advantage of the GM-for-workslot-credit program two times per calendar year.

• Squads eligible for credit:

Shopping, Receiving/Stocking, Food Processing, Office, Maintenance, Inventory, Construction, and FTOP committees. (Some Committees are omitted because covering absent members is too difficult.)

• Attend the entire GM:

In order to earn workslot credit you must be present for the *entire* meeting.

• Signing in at the Meeting:

After the meeting the Chair will provide the Workslot Credit Attendance Sheet.

• Being Absent from the GM:

It is possible to cancel without penalty. We do ask that you remove your name if you know cannot attend. Please do not call the Membership Office with GM cancellations.

Park Slope Food Coop Mission Statement

The Park Slope Food Coop is a member-owned and operated food store—an alternative to commercial profit-oriented business. As members, we contribute our labor: working together builds trust through cooperation and teamwork and enables us to keep prices as low as possible within the context of our values and principles. Only members may shop, and we share responsibilities and benefits equally. We strive to be a responsible and ethical employer and neighbor. We are a buying agent for our members and not a selling agent for any industry. We are a part of and support the cooperative movement.

We offer a diversity of products with an emphasis on organic, minimally processed and healthful foods. We seek to avoid products that depend on the exploitation of others. We support non-toxic, sustainable agriculture.

We respect the environment. We strive to reduce the impact of our lifestyles on the world we share with other species and future generations. We prefer to buy from local, earth-friendly producers. We recycle. We try to lead by example, educating ourselves and others about health and nutrition, cooperation and the environment.

We are committed to diversity and equality. We oppose discrimination in any form. We strive to make the Coop welcoming and accessible to all and to respect the opinions, needs and concerns of every member. We seek to maximize participation at every level, from policy making to running the store.

We welcome all who respect these values.

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calendar of events

dec 21
fri 8 pmBrian Shankar Adler;
Aviv Roth

Drummer/percussionist **Brian Shankar Adler**, is not easy to put in a box. Raised in an ashram in the Catskills, one-half Argentine and conservatory-trained, his music follows suit and is a global mash-up of cage-free ingredients. He has toured several continents and can be heard often around Brooklyn with the Human Time Machine and Bombay Rickey. Join us as Brian is joined by several extremely talented Coop members calling themselves The Neighborhood Jam Band! **Aviv Roth** is not your standard singer-songwriter. He likes "songs that are unusual, musically interesting or really, really funky." People who've had the experience of hearing him play tend to say things like, "smooth," "soulful," "dark, with that off-beat sense of humor" to describe him. Aviv's songs deliver funny, thoughtful stories with complex melodies that never forget where the beat lives. **Concert takes place at the Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture, 53 Prospect Park West (at 2nd St.), \$10, doors open at 7:45. Prospect Concerts is a monthly musical fundraising partnership of the Coop and the Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture.**

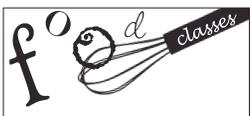
jan 5
sat 2 pmSweet Relief
Home & Office Organizing

Organize, clear, transform your home, your life. Allow your space support you to thrive! You deserve to be inspired, productive and at peace in your space. You can be free of feelings of overwhelm and shame and have surroundings that support you to live as you wish and know best! In this interactive workshop you'll get perspective and practical strategies, learn how to open your spaces for new possibilities and see that you are not alone. **Shira Sameroff** has been a member of her beloved PSFC for 25 years. Her work has evolved over 25 years of experience with individuals, groups and organizations as a counselor, workshop facilitator, program director, event planner, activist, board president, volunteer coordinator and more. Her many passions include trees, singing, biking, travel and dark chocolate.

jan 6
sun 12 pm

Forget the Tutor

Master math with a game. If your child is struggling in math class, they are not alone. When I tell people I teach math, the most common response I get is a big smile and, "Oh, I hate math!" This sad state of affairs is hurting our future, and it is by no means how things need to be. Most of the time, kids have trouble in math because they didn't master the fundamentals. When they have to then learn more complex ideas and solve challenging problems, they get stuck using all of their mental energy on the simple calculations, and their minds have no space left to take in new information or use problem solving techniques. I will show you how to get your kids back on track (and ahead) in math by playing a SIMPLE and FUN game together. You as a parent are far more powerful in helping your child succeed than any teacher or tutor. Come to the workshop and receive a free gift too! **Dave Wolovsky** is a teacher, tutor, and educational innovator.

jan 3
thu 7:30 pmFood Class:
Mediterranean Magic

In this class, we will explore the world of Mediterranean cooking. **Chef Mario** will show how to make a few basic dishes, but in the process he'll demonstrate how to make culinary magic (well, alchemy definitely). Beyond learning how to make these delicious dishes, he'll also show a modular, batch approach to cooking. But mostly, we'll have fun and make good food together. Chef Mario aspires to always cook in a way that stimulates the senses and forges an intimate connection with the web of life and love of eating well, responsibly, and vegetarian. As a self-taught cook, Mario has developed an intuitive approach to cooking. He enjoys cooking for himself and others, as a way of expressing gratitude for all he's been blessed with! *Menu includes: Green Falafel; Tangy Tabouleh; Happy Hummus; Sassy Sofrito* **ASL interpreter available upon request, please contact the Membership Office. Materials fee: \$5. RSVPs by December 27 are appreciated, contact parkslopefoodclass@gmail.com. To inquire about leading a Food Class, go to bit.ly/CCCChf1.**

jan 4
fri 7 pmFilm Night:
Personal Statement

Personal Statement is a documentary film about three inspirational high school seniors who are determined to get their entire classes to college, even though they aren't even sure they are going to make it there themselves. They are working as college counselors in their schools because many of their friends have nowhere else to turn for support. They struggle and they stumble, but refuse to succumb to the barriers that prevent so many low-income students from going to college. **Juliane Dressner** is a director, producer and cinematographer who makes character-based films that often focus on young people who are overcoming challenging circumstances. Her films have shed light on economic and racial justice issues in education and the criminal justice system (one example is *The Scars of Stop-and-Frisk*, which was published as an Op-Doc by *The New York Times*). She won the National Magazine Award for video for her short film, *An Education*, which was published by *The New York Times* magazine. Her other short films have been published by *The New York Times*, *The Guardian*, *The Atlantic*, *New York* magazine, and *Buzzfeed*. *Personal Statement* is her first feature-length documentary. **To book a Film Night, contact Gabriel Rhodes, gabrielrhodes@me.com.**

jan 8
tue 7 pmSafe Food Committee Film Night:
BUGS the Film

Will eating insects save our Earth? Insects as food is a hot topic. Particularly over the last few years, since the UN recommended edible insects as a resource to combat world hunger, they have been heralded for their taste by cooks and gastronomes, for their low ecological impact by environmentalists, and for their nutritional content by public health scientists. It would seem that insects are the new superfood that will fix all our problems of global food security.

See upcoming events, past reviews and a comprehensive list of films shown at www.plowtoplatefilms.com which can now also be reached via a link on the Park Slope Food Coop's home page at www.foodcoop.com.

jan 8
tue 7:30 pm

Agenda Committee Meeting



The Committee reviews pending agenda items and creates the agenda for future General Meetings. Drop by and talk with committee members face-to-face between 7:30 and 7:45 p.m. Before submitting an item, read "How to Develop an Agenda Item for the General Meeting" and fill out the General Meeting Agenda Item Submission Form, both available from the Membership Office or at foodcoop.com.

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Views expressed by the presenter do not necessarily represent the Park Slope Food Coop.

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jan 11
fri 7 pm

Wordsprouts: An Evening of Superlative Science Writing



How can we improve our country's scientific engagement and literacy? Our distinguished speakers will read brief passages from their favorite science writing and analyze what makes these so successful. Audience participation encouraged. **Roxanne Khamsi** is a writer and editor living in Brooklyn. She oversees science coverage as the chief news editor at *Nature Medicine*, a monthly biomedical journal published by Nature Publishing Group. In addition to her work as a writer and editor, she teaches at Stony Brook University in Long Island, New York, through the Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science, and at the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism.

Bill Burnside works as an associate editor at *Nature Sustainability*, an online-only monthly journal publishing research and opinion about sustainability, broadly considered, from the natural sciences, social sciences, engineering, and policy. He handles manuscripts from across the natural sciences, most of which relate to agriculture and food, land use, conservation, marine issues, or public health. The event will be moderated by WordSprouts' **Sarah Schenck**, a writer and director, who recently published a science-focused op-ed in *The New York Times*.

Free for all Coop members & non-members. Refreshments will be served. Bookings: John Donohue, wordsproutspfc@gmail.com.

jan 18
fri 8 pm

Jay Rodriguez



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soulful Descarga dance-floor music infused with jazz, Latin, funk and soul to Prospect Concerts. The all-star ensemble will feature Jose Joaquin Garcia, Alexis Cuadrado, Sean Moran, Brian Drye, Aruan Ortiz, Ludovica Burtone, Urbano Sanchez, Andrew Drury and many others, including a string section and special guests TBA. Let's kick off the new year on a positive light! Bring your dancing shoes! It's a dance party! There will also be free dance lessons with professional dance instructors **Arturo Perez** and **Carolynn Murphy**. **Concert takes place at the Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture, 53 Prospect Park West (at 2nd St.), \$10, doors open at 7:45. Prospect Concerts is a monthly musical fundraising partnership of the Coop and the Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture.**



jan 12
sat 2–5 pm

Auditions For Our Coop Kids' Variety Show



Coop members ages 4-18 may audition on Sunday, January 12, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. or Sunday, January 27, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Contact **Martha Siegel** at 718-965-3916 or msiegel105@earthlink.net to reserve an audition time and confirm audition location. You must audition to be in the show. Polished act not required for audition; we can help you polish it. Singers and other musicians, poets, jugglers, stand-up comics, rappers, dancers, magicians, gymnasts, etc. (no lip-syncing please). Performance date is Saturday, March 16. Show time and place to be determined. We look forward to hearing from you!

Another audition takes place on Sunday, January 27, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Performance date is Saturday, March 16.

jan 12
sat 6 pm

It's Your Funeral

Planning for your own death, and getting acquainted with what is both traditional and newly possible in today's end-of-life rituals, enables you to face your own mortality with courage. Sadly, people who postpone funeral discussions are too frequently confronted with decisions involving thousands of dollars as they hold Kleenex in their hands. Join Food Coop member and NY-licensed funeral director **Amy Cunningham** in a talk about how to plan a reasonably priced funeral or memorial service. The interactive lecture will include important information on the green burial movement, news of greener cemeteries within and outside NYC, new thinking on the burial shroud, cremation pros and cons, biodegradable caskets, blended-faith/alternative ceremonies, and more. You'll get a glimmer of what funerals of the future might look like—and leave with planning literature for yourself or for someone you love. Co-sponsored by Good Neighbors of Park Slope. Coop member Amy Cunningham owns Fitting Tribute Funeral Services.

jan 19
sat 12 pm

Financial Health Intro

Want to FEEL rich? Want to let go of fears and doubts? **Suzanne Meadows** encompasses an alternative and wholistic approach to include emotional and spiritual well-being. She provides a down-to-earth and comfortable space to discuss finances based on mutual trust, respect, and honesty. Meadows has been a Coop member since 2003, has a MS in Finance from Baruch College and is a ThetaHealing® Practitioner who worked internationally before returning to Brooklyn.

jan 22
tue 7 pm

Cheese Class

Cheese education at the Coop continues with another tasting session led by Coop member and American Cheese Society Certified Cheese Professional **Elena Santogade**. This month's class will feature a selection of unique cheeses from around the world! Coop member and American Cheese Society Certified Cheese Professional Elena Santogade will lead the tasting and offer guidelines for pairings and for designing cheese tastings of your own.

jan 26
sat 12 pm

Anger Management 101

Are you or someone you know prone to anger? Express your anger with an intensity that you later regret? Have anger issues because of a low frustration tolerance? Have a wish to be understood that gets derailed because of your inability to manage your anger? Anger when expressed in an assertive rather than aggressive manner can clear the air of misunderstanding, improve your sense of self and can aid in the restoration and repair of ruptures in relationships at home and at work. This hour will be devoted to: understanding the nature and neuroscience of anger; identify and anticipate the triggers that set off anger; learn strategies to manage those triggers; transform destructive anger into meaningful dialogue in relationships. We will be doing role playing if people are willing to enhance experience of workshop please call with any questions 917-627-6047. Coop member **Raymond Reichenberg** is a Certified Anger Management Association Specialist and New York State-Licensed Psychoanalyst. He has been in practice in Park Slope for the past 25 years.

still to come

jan 27 Kids' Variety Show Auditions

jan 29 PSFC JANUARY General Meeting

Looking Ahead

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JH: I want people to ask themselves, "What is the meaning of this? What connection do you, as members feel to the Coop? My question to the members in 2019 is really, what do you want to do about this? It could be in 2019 that members might really have a chance to be involved. Pay attention to what's happening in the Coop. All of these things are going to be challenging. I really want members to read

the study and get involved.

TS: What would you like to see from members in 2019?

JH: I want squad (members) to keep taking the responsibility as squad leaders. I want the thousands and thousands of people who come here... I want to see all the good stuff continue. I look forward to all the great cooperative stuff. I just want people to really try and think of it—what should a community do that has all of these good things going for it? What should it do about its future? ■

ORIENTATION COMMITTEE Seeks New Members

We have no openings at the moment, but also no members trained and ready to step in when a vacancy occurs.

We need energetic Coop members with a teaching or training background to lead orientations to new members. Orienters lead sessions every six weeks, and on the week midway between sessions orienters must be available as backup for emergency coverage.

Orientations are held three times per week:

Mondays at 7 p.m.

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

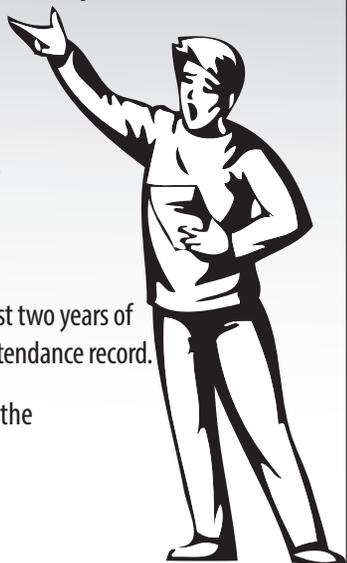
Sundays at 4 p.m.

There is an initial group interview for the committee, after which there are three trainings for workslot credit.

To be considered you must have at least two years of Coop membership and an excellent attendance record.

We are seeking orienters who reflect the diversity of the Coop's membership.

To apply, please email
karen_mancuso@psfc.coop



The improved coffee area that has expanded into the section that had been for spices. The Coop also added a second grinder.



The new spices section recently relocated to next to the eggs.

PHOTOS BY KEVIN RYAN

ATTENTION COOP MEMBERS

Beginning December 10, the Coop will be purchasing Boneless Breasts, Boneless Thighs and Whole Chickens from Smart Chicken, a new supplier.

These parts will replace the same from Murray's Chicken.

For the time being, we will continue to carry Murray's Thighs, Split Breasts, Wings, Drumsticks, Ground Chicken, Italian Burgers, Sweet Italian Sausage, Bones and Livers.

Please look for a full discussion of this change in a forthcoming edition of the *Linewaiters' Gazette*.

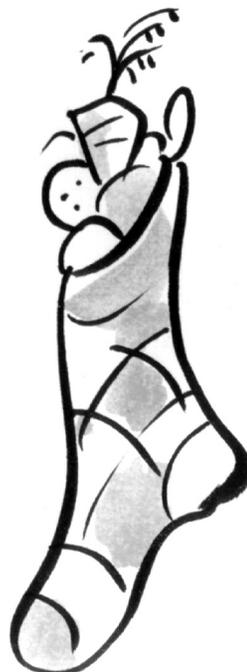
SMART CHICKEN FACTS

- Founded in 1998, and based in Nebraska.
- Air-chilled.
- Maintains a Safe Quality Food (SQF) Level 3 certification.

- Processed using Controlled Atmosphere Stunning chambers.
- All feed is sourced in the Midwest.
- Antibiotic- and hormone-free; no animal byproducts.

Pricing

Boneless Breasts: \$5.48/lb.
Boneless Thighs: \$4.91/lb.
Whole Birds: \$2.44/lb.



STATEMENT ON THE COOPERATIVE IDENTITY

DEFINITION

A cooperative is an autonomous association of persons united voluntarily to meet their common economic, social, and cultural needs and aspirations through a jointly owned and democratically controlled enterprise.

VALUES

Cooperatives are based on the values of self-help, self-responsibility, democracy, equality, equity and solidarity. In the tradition of their founders, co-operative members believe in the ethical values of honesty, openness, social responsibility and caring for others.

PRINCIPLES

The cooperative principles are guidelines by which cooperatives put their values into practice. The International Cooperative Alliance adopted the revised Statement on the Cooperative Identity in 1995.

They are as follows:

1. Voluntary and Open Membership
2. Democratic Member Control
3. Member Economic Participation
4. Autonomy and Independence
5. Education, Training and Information
6. Cooperation Among Cooperatives
7. Concern for Community

REFERENCE: ICA.COOP

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community calendar listings are free. Please submit your event listing in 50 words or less to GazetteSubmissions@psfc.coop. Submission deadlines are the same as for classified ads. Please refer to the Coop Calendar in the center of this issue.

DEC 6, 2018– JAN 31, 2019

Fridays 2-6 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 12-6 p.m. Kathy Levine and 21 other artists in an exhibition titled "Eros and Spirituality." City Lore Gallery, 56 E. First St., New York. www.yiddishnewyork.com/visual-arts-exhibition/.

FRI, DEC 21

7:30 p.m. Brooklyn Contra Dance. If swing and square dancing met in a bar, you get contra. Live music, bringing a partner is not necessary. A great way to meet new people! @ Camp Friendship, 339 Eighth St., Brooklyn. \$15 General/\$12 Student/Volunteer and dance free. www.brooklyncontra.org.

SAT, DEC 22

8 p.m. Thelma Thomas Tribute Night at the People's Voice Cafe. 40 E. 35th St., New York. 212-787-3903 or peoplesvoicecafe.org. Suggested contribution: \$20 general/\$12 subscribers, youth, students.

CLASSIFIEDS

MERCHANDISE

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1/1 at detention center in Tornillo, TX. 2,300 immigrant teen kids held in prison-like tent city. Sun 12/23 music/caroling! A BK local Josh Rubin has been on site for weeks bearing witness. 917-693-9676. Witness: Tornillo on FB/Twitter; #ChristmasInTornillo. Join!

price, please call Maggie at 718-783-2154. I charge \$60 Wednesdays through Sundays.

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Ads may be placed on behalf of Coop members only. Classified ads are prepaid at \$15 per insertion, display ads at \$30. (Classified ads in the "Merchandise-Non-commercial" category are free.) All ads must be written on a submission form. Classified ads may be up to 315 characters and spaces. Display ads must be camera-ready and business card size (2" x 3.5" horizontal).

Submission forms are available in a wallpocket near the elevator in the entrance lobby.



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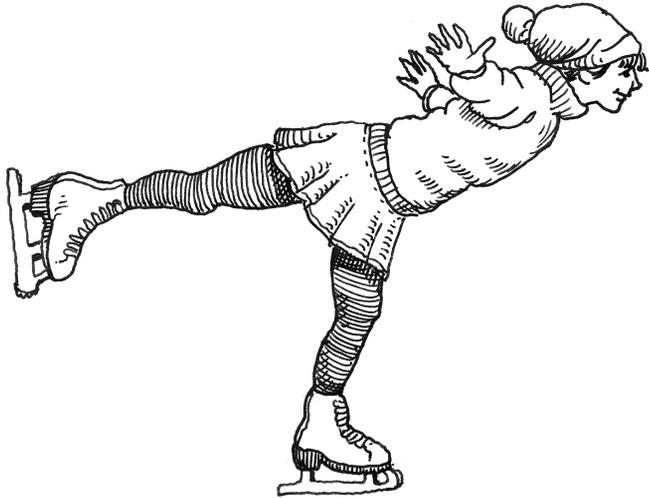
YOGA & SCIENCE
THE MECHANISMS OF YOGA AND MEDITATION

A conference in downtown Brooklyn
hosted by Co-Op member Marshall Hagins
Jan 19 and 20th
Many speakers including Deepak Chopra
Yoga practice/Social events
Join us!

<http://avny.org/event/yoga-science/>



ILLUSTRATIONS BY TOMMY KANE



Solution to this issue's sudoku puzzle

4	8	1	6	9	2	3	7	5
7	3	5	1	4	8	9	6	2
6	2	9	7	5	3	4	8	1
3	6	4	9	8	1	2	5	7
9	5	2	4	7	6	8	1	3
8	1	7	3	2	5	6	9	4
5	4	8	2	6	7	1	3	9
1	9	6	5	3	4	7	2	8
2	7	3	8	1	9	5	4	6

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LINEWAITERS' GAZETTE
will not be published on January 3. The next issue will be published on January 17.

HOROSCOPE

December 20, 2018 – January 2, 2019
Jupiter's recent move into Sagittarius suggests that eating and living ethically will relieve you of stress. Follow your beliefs, but avoid a righteous streak!

<p>Aries: Miracles are around the corner in the new year and will come in gregarious packages. Make laughter a priority.</p> <p>Taurus: Lucky Jupiter will be spending loads of time in your partnership sector in 2019. Choose your collaborators well.</p> <p>Gemini: Feeling the love? No need to pursue, just let down your guard and allow yourself to be seen. Jupiter helps seal the deal.</p> <p>Cancer: Health takes top priority in 2019. Polar bear club or a new love affair with seasonable vegs?</p> <p>Leo: The full moon on December 22 triggers a need to put the past behind you. In matters of love your theme song is: "Thank u, next."</p> <p>Virgo: The Sun shifts into your creativity and fun sector on December 22. Imagination takes precedence over practicality.</p>	<p>Libra: Home is where your heart is during this cycle. Cook to show your love for family and friends. You'll feel nurtured and mothered too.</p> <p>Scorpio: Starting on December 22, your words become more seductive than ever. Just remember: honey not vinegar.</p> <p>Sagittarius: This is your time to shine, and also to wheel and deal as the year ends. Real estate's lucky for you now.</p> <p>Capricorn: Your organizational talents are at an all-time high. Cook for the week and give yourself the space for spontaneous invitations.</p> <p>Aquarius: Friends are even more important than usual this New Year. Consider forming a club (not a gang) that meets monthly. You are the force that brings pals together.</p> <p>Pisces: Set some serious career goals for the New Year, and don't belittle your own ambitions. Your ideas are in sync with the universe.</p>
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Special Ordering Temporarily Suspended

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We will not be taking special orders 11/12/18 through 2/3/19 (special orders resume 2/4/19)

Vitamins/Supplements special orders are suspended indefinitely and will not resume on 2/4/19

No special orders on fresh baked goods

Orders for bulk or produce by the case must be placed directly with a bulk or produce buyer

FUN COMMITTEE REPORT



Photos taken by Coop member Len Heisler at the recent PSFC FUN Committee's "Do It Yourself Holiday Card-Making Event" held in the Coop Meeting Room on Saturday, December 1. Approximately 40 adults and children participated with the assistance of FUN Committee members.

Joy to the World! ☆