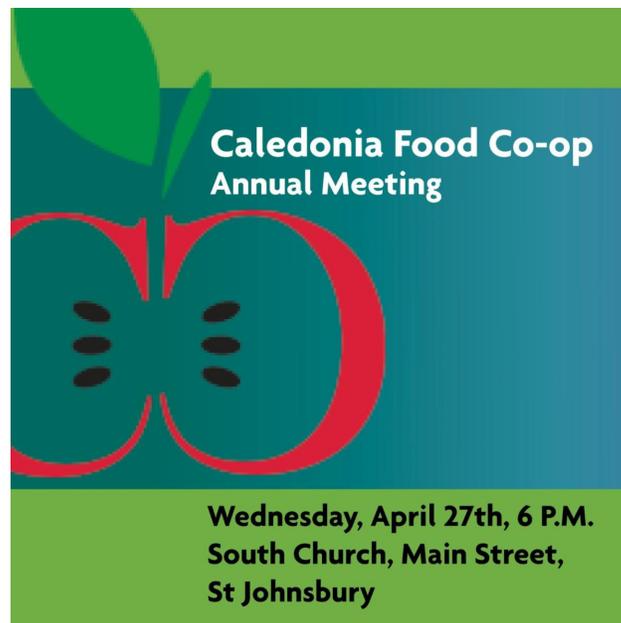


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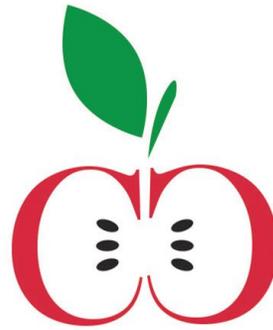
**Save the Date: 2nd Annual Meeting
Wednesday, April 27, 6 pm
South Church
1052 Main Street, St. Johnsbury**



We are planning our 2nd Annual Meeting, and two board member positions are up for election. An in-person event is planned, but if necessary we will switch to online. We will update our members closer to the time of the meeting.

The Annual Meeting is the foundation of the co-op governance model. Participation in the annual meeting gives members a voice and a vote. But if governance alone doesn't get you excited about the annual meeting, we are pleased to announce that any co-op member who attends—either in person or

Interested in Running for Our Board?



Click **[HERE](#)** for Link to Caledonia Food Co-op Board Information and application.

- Before the 2022 Annual Meeting, members will be electing two Board Members: one Board Member is seeking re-election, and there is one vacant Board Member position.
- We'll be voting on increasing the number of Board Members from seven to nine at our Annual Meeting on April 27th.
- You must apply by Tuesday, March 22 to be considered.

If you have questions, email us at office@caledoniafood.coop.

Members Will Vote on Increasing Number of Directors During Annual Meeting

The Board of Directors will recommend to the members at the 2022 Annual Meeting that the members vote to amend the Bylaws, increasing the number of Board Members from seven to nine. The Neighboring Food Co-op Association (NFCA), a regional federation of food cooperatives, is one of the groups guiding our co-op; they recommend that we increase the number of Board Directors to nine. NFCA considers this to be the optimum number of Board Members, since it is a manageable size yet allows for responsibilities of a volunteer board to be reasonable. There is a lot to be done to get a co-op up and running, and nine directors would spread out the workload.

Proposed Amended Bylaw:

Section 3.01. Number, Qualifications and Terms of Office. The business and affairs of this cooperative will be governed by the Board of Directors, with the Board of Directors upon the adoption of these Bylaws consisting of nine (9) directors. Each director must be a member of this cooperative, provided, however, that the Board of Directors may, in its discretion, specify that up to one (1) director at any time may be a non-member. Except as otherwise provided herein, all directors shall serve three-year terms and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. In order to preserve continuity of governance and the harmonious transition of the initial Board of Directors to the elected Board of Directors, the terms of the directors of the initial Board of

Directors shall be staggered such that one-third of the directors (or as nearly as possible) shall be elected at the annual members' meeting following the date on which the Board of Directors determines that the initial membership in this cooperative has been established and at each annual meeting thereafter. The Board of Directors shall adopt a procedure to achieve the desired staggered effect prescribed by the Bylaws. Co-op employees and their spouses or significant others are not eligible to serve as directors.



Congratulations on being one of the 630 owners of the Caledonia Food Co-op! It feels incredible to know our vision for a community owned grocery is shared by so many. With every new member our co-op gets stronger. Help us keep the momentum and ask a friend, a neighbor, a co-worker to become a member today by forwarding this newsletter!

Littleton Food Co-op is Giving Our Member-Owners 10% Off on Member Appreciation Days



The next Member Appreciation Day is Saturday February 26.

All Caledonia Food Co-op Members can save 10%* on eligible items* - all day long! Grab your grocery lists because it's a great way to stock up and save. Just tell the cashier that you are a member of our co-op.

**Discounts apply to eligible items only, and standard restrictions apply. Have a question? Come see the friendly folks at the Littleton Co-op Service Desk for details!*

Volunteer! - This is YOUR Co-op

Got talent? Know a way you can contribute or donate? Please contact the board at office@caledoniafood.coop. Your help is welcome.

Testimonials - Send Us Yours!



“There are so many exciting things happening in ST J right now, having our own Co-op will be icing on the cake. We appreciate the time and effort the Co-op board is putting in to make it a reality.”

Robin Migdelany – Realtor® / Four Seasons Sotheby's International Realty & Joe Healy

Send us your testimonial, along with a photo to: office@caledoniafood.coop. We will share it on social media, and once a month we will pick one to go in the newsletter. **Include your name, where you live, and what motivated you to become a Founding Member.**

[Visit our Facebook Page](#)

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[Become a Founding Member HERE](#)

Help us Build a Food Co-op in St. J.!

Your founding membership shows that you want to bring high-quality locally-produced food and beverages to St. Johnsbury and contribute to the economic development of the Northeast Kingdom.

The Caledonia Food Co-op will be a full-service grocery store located in St. Johnsbury. It will feature an exceptional variety of local and international food and beverages. It will assist in the economic redevelopment of the region; provide a new market for local producers; expand access to natural and organic products; and advocate for healthy lifestyle choices.

Email us at office@caledoniafood.coop

You can view previous newsletters on our website [HERE](#).

