



# YPSI MIX

December 2017

## December Events:

Thursday December 7th @ 5pm YFC Grocery Talk and Tour. Join us for a tour of YFC and receive a 10% off coupon just for attending.

Saturday December 16th from 12-3pm Boskydel Wine Tasting  
Must have a valid ID and be 21 or older to participate.

Tuesday December 19th YFC Board Meeting 6:30pm at YFC Board meetings are open to the public unless an executive session is called.

### HOLIDAY HOURS:

- Christmas Eve 9-5
- CLOSED Christmas Day
- Friday December 29th Inventory Day 12-9
- New Years Eve 9-7
- CLOSED New Years Day

Look out for our Facebook events for additional information!

### YFC Social:



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## Shop YFC for the holidays!

Make YFC your one stop shop this year for all your holiday needs. Our shelves are stocked full with all your holiday party food needs and special ordering from our YFC Bakery is available! We also have a variety of local, fair trade, organic, and unique holiday gifts for all the loved ones on your Christmas list!

To help you begin holiday gift shopping here are a few of our customer and staff favorite gifts available:

- African Market Baskets
- Amaryllis bulbs
- Artisan food goodies
- Beeswax candles
- Books by local authors
- Calendars and Day Planners
- Chocolate and more Chocolate— and it's on sale!
- Cookbooks—some for special diets (GF, Vegan, etc.)
- Eggnog from Calder & Guernsey
- Fair Trade & Organic Coffee
- Finger Puppets
- Handmade soaps & local HBA products (Original Moxie, Coda's Soaps, Magic Wylor, etc)

- Holiday Beers
- Incense and incense burners
- Locally-made earrings
- Maggie's Organics clothing
- Michigan Wines and Specialty Cheeses
- Poinsettias, local trees and wreaths
- and more!

New this year is a beautiful fair trade holiday gift display in the front of the store from "Mater Boomie" of India, and a small tv on the display to tell their story. There are jewelry, wallets, puzzle boxes, bells and more all from sustainable commerce and fair trade with the goal of honoring traditional Indian art forms combined with modern designs.

Keep an eye on our YFC Bakery as they make all the holiday favorites. We will have pies, pies, and more pies and the best carrot cake in town! If you need that perfect vegan or gluten free dessert or side dish for your holiday party talk to a YFC coordinator about placing a YFC Bakery or Deli special order!

Lastly, but certainly not least, YFC would like to wish everyone a wonderful and safe holiday season! See you in 2018!

## 2018 Membership

Our final total for our October and November Member Drive was 43 new and renewing members! Thank you for becoming members at your local community owned grocery store and welcome to the Co-op!

In December you can renew your co-op membership or join as a new member for

all of 2018. Your membership will be active immediately and discounts will be applied one your membership is entered into the YFC member database. Only \$20 to renew for 13 months of Co-op membership discount. December 2017 is a bonus month; renew today to get the full bonus month benefits! To join as a

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new member it is \$20 plus a one time nonrefundable \$10 fee. New members will also receive a New Member Bag. By joining the Co-op you become a member-owner at YFC and have a

voice in the direction of the Co-op through voting. Membership at YFC embodies three of our guiding principles: 1. Voluntary and open membership, 2. Democratic

member control, and 3. Member's Economic Participation. If you would like to renew or join, ask for a member application at the register! Welcome to the Co-op!

## Gift a YFC Membership or a YFC Gift Card this Holiday Season.

Trying to think of new holiday gift ideas? YFC has you covered!

We have **YFC Membership Holiday Gift Folders** ready for all your loved ones! These folders are filled with co-op literature and their new member card and designated shopper card. By purchasing a YFC Membership for \$30

this December your loved ones are receiving a gift that lasts and lasts. Ask at the register if you are interested in purchasing a **YFC Membership Holiday Gift Folder**.

If you aren't sure if they are already a membership at YFC our **co+op gift cards** are the perfect choice! You

choose whatever amount you like! Ask about our gift cards at the register!



## Local Vendor Highlight: Boskydel Vineyard

Boskydel Vineyard is northern Michigan's first commercial winery and Leelanau peninsula's first winery ran by 91 year old Bernie Rink.

Boskydel uses French-American hybrid vines due to their cold-hardiness and ability to ripen well. These grapes are grown at the Boskydel winery and produce high-quality, delicious, local, and affordable wines.

This month there is a special sale of \$1 off every Boskydel wine bottle through their wine tasting Saturday December 16th from 12:00pm-3:00pm.



After 42 years of producing delicious, local, and affordable wine Boskydel will be closing winery operations and tasting room operations effective January 1, 2018. The vineyard will remain active with available leasing options. Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to try this delicious wine...as it may be your last chance.

For more information about Boskydel and end of supplies wine prices visit [www.boskydel.com](http://www.boskydel.com)

## Education Series January Kick Off!

YFC is excited to announce that we have begun the necessary preparations to offer monthly Education Series events.

We are able to implement this program due to acquiring a classroom/meeting space upstairs right at YFC! We will be kicking off the YFC

Educational Series with Leaha Dotson who will be leading a discussion about 'How Co-ops Create Community Growth' based off her recent presentation at the 12th Annual International Cooperative Alliance Asia Pacific Research Conference in Seoul, South Korea.

We are looking for others who may be interested in leading an educational series. Whether it's healthy cooking, gardening, canning, renewable energy, etc.; let us know what you are interested in presenting or attending at [info@ypsifoodcoop.org](mailto:info@ypsifoodcoop.org) and stay tuned for dates!

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