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Coming to RCE This Month

The East

Have a holly, jolly Christmas



Kids Unlimited

Dec 18 • 7:00 p.m. • Aud

Kids Unlimited was created as a nonprofit corporation in 1986 to provide a safe stage for young performers who wish to explore the excitement of singing, dancing and acting with other children who share these interests. In the past thirty years students of the program have enjoyed successes, from simply gaining self-confidence to traveling internationally, entertaining our troops.

Come along to enjoy Kids Unlimited as they present a tribute to Broadway musicals and some Christmas entertainment.

Kids Unlimited asks that you make a donation for their performance. There is no admission charge. You must have a ticket to attend. Please come to the Activity Office for your free ticket.



**Rincon Country Rose Bowl Parade
and**

Rincon Times Square Ball Drop

Dec 31 • 2:00 p.m. • Breezeway

Join your RCE friends for a new twist on a New Years party. Start the event off with our Rose Bowl golf cart and bicycle parade. Decorate your cart, bike or even yourself in roses or go along with our Musicals theme for your decorating. After we cruise around the park in our parade, we will meet at the flagpole where we will pop some bubbly, and toast in the New Year with our very own ball drop. Come to the Activity Office to sign up for this free event!



A Word from George



A belated Happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas to all from the O'Leary family, young and old. Fifty years ago I came to Tucson to build a 550-space mobile home park on Tucson's east side, Rincon Country Mobile Home Park, and then returned to St. Paul, Minnesota, the following spring. You all know as to what is said about the best laid plans of mice and men. It happened to my partners and I. I won't bother you with the details but I have been here ever since.

Since arriving in the Old Pueblo, in addition to building one mobile home park and two RV parks containing more than 2100 spaces, a 150-space RV park for Tucson Meadows on Tucson's east side also a big addition to a mobile home park in Tucson's northwest side. The name escapes me as I write this Word From George for December 2020 after all these years. I better get back to business as to some of the improvements we made this last summer.

There have been a lot of exciting changes and updates at RCE over the past few months. Having the streets resurfaced, I've heard, has made for a smoother and more enjoyable ride for bicycles. I think it gives the resort a nice facelift and makes the palm trees all the more exquisite. It's been exciting to see Danny's enthusiasm for getting the community garden started. Danny's told me gardening reminds him of myself and my mother, who also loved to garden. It seems like it will make a wonderful addition to the resort for many to enjoy and we can't wait to see what comes of it.

The cool deck around the pool turned out lovely and, most importantly, keeps it safe from slips and falls. Sometimes these updates don't seem like the most exciting, but we prioritize your safety the best we can, and it's taking steps like this that help ensure that. One update that is exciting is the beautiful mural in the Main Office by Jos Villabrille. It's been a pleasure having him back over the years at both resorts to paint one-of-a-kind murals. Most of the murals you see around both resorts were courtesy of Jos. We consider ourselves lucky to have found him.

Lastly, the Chinese virus has done a number on activities in RCE this season. We have changed our activity schedule, hopefully for this season only. Please comply with all the posted regulations in and around all the facilities.

It is with a wee bit of pride, I also offer you this. During January and February last, my 16-year-old grand nephew, George O'Leary (Georgie) stayed with me as part of a transition year of school from Junior to Senior grade. He worked in the office and with Nate in the maintenance department. I just found out he won an award in the category of the Young Economist of the Year competition through his school, Glenstal Abbey. He won a trophy and the unique chance to have a virtual Zoom meeting with the Irish minister of finance, Paschal O'Donohoe. What a future this young man has ahead of him!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

George O'Leary



DANNY - PARK MANAGER

Christmas time was always an amazing time of year for food! The house was always filled with delicious smells and plenty of food on hand. Thanksgiving and Christmas dinner cooking was always started at least a day before. My mom's cooking is the best so naturally these meals were always a special treat. Some of my favorite dishes she makes are green bean casserole, stuffing, potato soup, and, well, the list goes on. One of my favorite dessert dishes was her pizzelle cookies! Mom would always make dozens and dozens, enough for everyone and still somehow never enough! To me the most important tradition was instilling the love and value of family, and the great importance it has every day of the year. So from my family to yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

JASMINE - FRONT OFFICE

When Shannon asked me about my favorite food memory around the holidays, I honestly drew a blank because my family is...well, UN-traditional! My mother is from Taiwan and although she tried desperately to Americanize herself, she is just no Betty Crocker. My dad, well, he has been known to burn water. Of course he would cook our holiday ham and turkey. Thank goodness Butterballs have directions printed on them, because Daddy is really good at reading and following directions! Alongside our turkey and ham, our typical side dishes would be things like stir-fried Chinese veggies and steamed rice. Much to my dad's delight, when I was old enough, I would make the Stove Top dressing for him. So you can understand now why I have since become a self appointed Foodie! No more Stove Top dressing for this girl.

FRANCISCA - HOUSEKEEPING

Our favorite holiday food is my tamales. I have a friend from Mexico who helped me perfect my recipe! I make 20 dozen tamales, which we eat at Christmas and New Years, and also give them to my family to enjoy. I also make pozole for us to enjoy during the season. Pozole is a Mexican soup made with onions, garlic, red chilis, beef, pork, and hominy and is delicious!





JEAN - ACTIVITY OFFICE

I used to make cathedral cookies with my mom. I always think of my parents when I make them, because we had to modify the recipe. Now I am teaching my granddaughter how to make them. It has become a fun holiday tradition to do together.

SHERRY - HOUSEKEEPING

My family tradition that I always enjoyed was Christmas Eve. My mom always made two types of soup. We would enjoy soups like chili, potato or sometimes even gumbo!

RANDY - MAINTENANCE

Every year, I make my famous Corn Casserole. My son just loves it! He asks for it every year and I am happy to make it. The recipe is super easy to make. You take 1 box of Jiffy Corn Bread Mix; one stick of butter; one egg; 1 can of cream corn and one can of regular corn; and a medium sized container of sour cream or, if you like it a bit sweeter, use one packet of cream cheese. Mix all together and bake it at 350 F until it is all formed into a casserole. Serve with your favorite holiday trimmings, turkey or ham, and lots of yummy cookies and pie for dessert!

SHANNON - ACTIVITY OFFICE

Each year my husband, who is from Scotland, makes a traditional Scottish dinner of lentil soup to start, steak pie, mashed “tatties” (potatoes to us Americans), brussels sprouts, and trifle for dessert. This is what he used to enjoy with his Nana in Scotland and we have carried on the tradition in our family across the pond.





BOB - MAINTENANCE/HOUSEKEEPING

My family does a traditional Portuguese Christmas Eve dinner of po'tatas' espaniol (Spanish Potatoes). I always enjoyed this meal with my Grandparents and now all my family carries it on. Simple to make and really good. Slice potatoes, slice onions and chunk up some cod fish. Traditionally it should be salt cod, but that's too much work. Get a large skillet, put about 1" of olive oil and heat it up to medium low. Put a layer of potatoes in first, then a layer of onion and the cod fish on top. Let it simmer for about an hour, don't stir. When the fish is done the potatoes should be done. You will get some burnt taters on the bottom, those are the best ones.

JENNIFER- ACTIVITY OFFICE

The holiday tradition I hold most dear to my heart is making Christmas cookies with my family. It is something that we have done for the last 33 years. I hope to continue this tradition for generations to come.

TERRY - POST OFFICE

Lutefisk is a Norwegian dish that we always had at Christmas when I was growing up. It is served with Lefsa, which is a Norwegian bread. Now, when asked what Lutefisk is, I explained it is cod soaked in Lye. We even had a lutefisk dinner at Rincon Country East with residents! Lutefisk is definitely an acquired taste! When we held the dinners, there were certain people who didn't like it and they were put in a corner and fed Swedish Meatballs. I used to make the Lefsa at home but you have to throw the dough in the air, like a pizza. My wife Pat stopped that because our kitchen was covered in flour!

FRED- FRONT GATE

When I was in my teens, my mother handed the lasagna making to me. Over the course of time, to start our own family tradition, it has often become our Christmas dinner, instead of another large turkey meal. It is fun to see my children and grandchildren continue this.





GENE - MAINTENACE

As a small boy, as far back as I can remember, it was a tradition in our family to all get together and make Christmas tamales. Something I still look forward to every year.

ALEX - MAINTENANCE

When it's cold here at home, we put ourselves in the festive spirit with something very traditional, some Fritters. We would like to share the recipe with you all:

For the dough: 1/2 Cup All Purpose Flour; 1/2 tsp salt; 1/4 tsp baking powder; 2 Tbsp sugar; 2 eggs; 1 cup milk; 3/4 tsp vanilla. For the Fry: Vegetable Oil. For Serving: Sugar

Process: In a bowl, put the flour with all of the ingredients and stir well until blended into a dough. Put the oil in a pan and heat it. Once the oil is heated, we use a fritter mold and place that in the oil for a few seconds. We remove the mold, shake off the excess oil and introduce it into the dough. We make sure the dough doesn't go to the edge of the mold and then we return it to the oil. We shake it slightly until the fritter comes out of the mold by itself. Once it is golden on both sides, we drain it on a napkin and then top with sugar. Now it's ready to eat!

SUE - ACTIVITY OFFICE

We always make an egg and sausage casserole for Christmas morning. I have offered to make it for birthdays and other holidays but my kids insist we only have it on Christmas morning. So good!

KATHERINE PINGREE - FRONT GATE

I think that my favorite food includes a memory of watching my gramma prep the ham with all those carefully placed cloves (whole) around that fresh ham out of the smoke house! So I love ham! And of course I love "hammin" it up too!

Happy
Holidays!



One of Rincon Country's top priorities is the safety of both our residents and our employees. We are doing this in a variety of ways including:

- ◆ Reducing Room Capacity;
- ◆ Creating Outdoor Activities;
- ◆ Ensuring Social Distancing at Events;
- ◆ Temperature Checking at Coffee Mornings and Events;
- ◆ Daily Temperature Checks for All Staff at the Start of Shift.

We want to ensure that we are all following the CDC's guidelines for safety with regard to COVID-19 and have enclosed for you some recommendations from the CDC regarding Coronavirus.

Mask Recommendations include, but are not limited to:

Everyone should wear a mask in public settings and when around people who do not live in your household, especially when social distancing measures are difficult to maintain;

The mask is meant to protect other people in case you are infected;

Continue to keep about 6 feet between yourself and others. The mask is not a substitute for social distancing.

Additional recommendations include but are not limited to:

Cleaning your hands often by washing them with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after being in public and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; or if soap and water are not readily available, using a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, covering all surfaces of your hands, and rubbing them together until they feel dry;

Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands;

Avoid close contact with people who are sick;

Put distance between yourself and others, particularly if you are at higher risk of getting very sick;

Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care;

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, or use the inside of your elbow;

Throw used tissues into the trash.

Be Aware

Be alert for symptoms. Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath or other symptoms of COVID-19.

Employees of Rincon Country

Employees have been advised to stay home if they have tested positive for COVID-19 or are showing COVID-19 symptoms.

Employees have been advised to stay home and monitor their health if they have had close contact with a person who has symptoms of COVID-19 within the past 14 days.

Policies have been developed to encourage sick employees to stay home without fear of reprisal.

Frequent hand washing with soap and water is required for all employees. If soap and water are not available, employees can use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

All staff are required to use masks and to social distance.

Adequate supplies have been provided to all employees to encourage healthy hygiene behavior.

Sanitizer has been provided in all common areas and rooms throughout RCE.

All staff are required to have their temperatures checked each morning before the start of their shift.

For more information regarding the CDC recommendations, please visit www.cdc.gov.

Rincon Country is all about having fun, and we will continue to do so this season but will do so in a safe manner for our residents and our employees.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact:

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WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED



We know that some of the changes due to Covid may be a bit overwhelming. Like the Boy Scouts say, *Be Prepared*, and we are hoping that this information will help to make these changes run smoothly.

Coffees: We will continue to hold coffee mornings every Wednesday at 9:00 AM. Saturday Club Coffees will no longer be taking place. We will be reducing the number of attendees by half, so please make sure that you come to the Activity Office to sign up for coffee. Sign-ups start each Monday for the upcoming Wednesday coffee morning. Also we will:



- Take temperatures of all attending coffee;
- Serve donuts and fruit from the kitchen area;
- Not have self serve coffee. It will be served by a volunteer;
- See that each table will have individual sugars and creamers;
- Require masks. They may be removed to drink coffee/eat a donut;
- See that tables are spaced six feet apart and the number of people at each table is limited.

Events: We will be holding both indoor and outdoor events this season. One reason we are in Tucson during the winter months is because of the beautiful weather, and we plan on taking advantage of the sunshine by holding events outside when we can. There are some basic requirements for events:

- Masks are required at events;
- Social distancing is required at events;
- Tables and chairs will be set up for social distancing and are not to be moved;
- Temperatures will be taken before entering events.



Remember that there are three basic requirements for coffee and events:

1. Masks

2. Laughter

3. Smiles



The East Villager

Submissions

Club leaders may now submit articles for *The Villager* online:

shannon@rinconcountry.com

Please observe the following guidelines for submitting articles for *The Villager*. **The deadline for the monthly Villager is the 5th day of the month prior to issue date.**

For example, the deadline for the January Villager is December 5.

Include times, dates, room locations, and contact names and numbers. Please do not **bold**, underline or use ALL CAPITALS. Please keep articles to 150 words or less.



Bulletin Boards

The bulletin boards outside the Activity Office are for activity-related events. If you or your club would like to post something on this board, it must be approved by the Activity Office. Approved announcements will be posted once a week. To be sure we have room for all clubs, please keep your announcement to 1/2 page or smaller.

Guess The Musical



Wednesday Morning Coffee & Donuts

To go along with our musicals theme this season, each month, in our newsletter, we will put pictures of various items from a certain musical and ask, "How well do you know your musicals?" If you know the musical represented by the items pictured, come into the Activity Office and put your name and the name of the musical on a piece of paper and put it in our "Guess The Musical" box for your chance to win a free ticket to one of our events! We will pick the winner at the first coffee of each month!

You need to be present to win.

Make sure to join us for a free donut and cup of coffee in the Auditorium on Wednesday mornings. Bring your own mug, and we fill it up with hot coffee (regular or decaf) or hot water for tea. As you pass through the hall between the Rec. Hall and Auditorium, select a donut or a piece of fruit.

We'll give you important park news hot off the press, and there will usually be a brief message from our coffee sponsor. Doors open at 8:30 am. Coffee and donuts will be served and our program begins at 9:00. See you there!

December Coffee Sponsors:

Dec 2: Westerner Products

Dec 9: Dedicated Dental

Dec 16: Right Choice

Dec 23: Tucson Park & Sell



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New to Tucson or Rincon Country East?

Rincon Country East has a wonderful group of resident volunteers who dedicate their time to welcoming and helping newcomers. As an RCE newcomer, you are invited to attend a free program run by our Orientation Ambassador, Marion Burns. Learn where you can find the best places to shop, eat out, and sightsee in the Tucson and surrounding area. Learn where to find the nearest grocery store, post office, RV supply store, and other places you may wish to visit during your stay. This a great resource if you want to get an insider's scoop about RCE facilities, clubs and activities. Attend an orientation, and you'll make new friends and feel at home at Rincon Country East in no time. Orientations follow coffee on Wednesdays at 10:00 am in the Auditorium. Walk-ins are welcome. **Masks are required.**



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Sign up for these trips early! Space is limited to 10 passengers!

RIDE FREE on ALL trips under 100 miles round trip!

Masks are required for all shuttle trips.

Temperatures will be taken before all trips.



Christmas Shopping Adventure

Dec 2 • 10:00 a.m. • Breezeway

Looking to do some Christmas shopping and hate the thought of driving and having to park? Well, why not let RCE take some of the pressure off you and join in on this awesome shuttle trip to two of the best malls in Tucson, La Encantada and The Tucson Mall? Get all of your shopping done in one stop!

La Encantada Mall is known for its beautiful outdoor Christmas tree and boasts shops such as Lululemon, Lush, Apple, Aveda and Williams Sonoma.

Tucson Mall also offers great shops for those hard to find Christmas gifts. Some of the shops that you will see are Pandora, Dillards, REI, H&M and Sephora.

Please sign up in the Activity Office.



International Wildlife Museum

Dec 4 • 9:30 a.m. • Breezeway

The International Wildlife Museum is dedicated to increasing knowledge and appreciation of the diverse wildlife of the world, as well as explaining the role of wildlife management in conservation. Founded in 1988, the museum highlights over 400 species of insects, mammals and birds from around the globe. Some of the collections are more than 100 years old and all the animals found at the museum were donated by various government agencies, wildlife rehabilitation centers, captive breeding programs, zoos and individuals.

After you explore the Wildlife Museum, head over to one of RCE's favorite restaurant stops, Teresa's Mosaic Café.

Please be sure to bring your own water bottle to the museum because the drinking fountains are turned off.

Admission: \$7.00 (senior rate). Please bring additional money for lunch.



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Wayne's Toys Car Museum

Dec 9 • 10:30 a.m. • Breezeway

Join us for a private tour at Tucson Auto Museum! Most everyone remembers their childhood family car; family driving vacations; that first really cool sports car they ever saw and drooled over; the car they learned to drive in and others from our past that we just feel connected to.

The mission at the Tucson Auto Museum is to showcase the very old (our Model T just celebrated its 102nd birthday), the iconic (hard not to fall in love with our mid-century classic Cadillacs, Desotos, Hudsons and Packards), the sporty (picture yourself behind the wheel of one of our classic Corvettes, Thunderbirds, MGs or Triumphs), the unique (ever see a car with just one door—and it is in the front?!) and more. You can even go “Back to the Future” in our shiny, stainless steel Delorean. This is a “living” museum; all of our cars run and are roadworthy. We take them out to shows regularly.

Entrance Fee: \$10.00 per person. Lunch at Bison Witches. Please bring additional money for lunch.



Amerind Museum Holiday Mercado

Dec 12 • 9:00 a.m. • Breezeway • \$15 Shuttle

The Amerind Foundation was founded in 1937 by William Shirley Fulton (1880-1964) as a private, nonprofit archaeological research institution. The Amerind Foundation and Museum seeks to foster and promote knowledge and understanding of the native peoples of the Americas through research, education, and conservation. Today, Amerind Museum exhibitions tell the story of America's first peoples from Alaska to South America and from the last Ice Age to the present. Join them for your holiday shopping while also supporting Amerind.

After exploring the Amerind Museum, head over to Benson for some lunch at Magaly's Mexican Restaurant.

General Admission to Amerind: \$10.00. Please bring additional money to purchase lunch.



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Reid Park Zoo Lights

Dec 14 • 3:30 p.m. • Breezeway

'Tis the Season with Delightful Lights and Fun-filled Nights'

We will have dinner at Cheddar's then head on over to Reid Park Zoo for their Zoo Lites!

Join Reid Park for their annual Zoo Lights, presented by Tucson Electric Power! Watch the Zoo transform into a glittering, twinkling world of colorful lights, and holiday cheer. Sip hot cocoa and warm your heart as you wind your way through a wild wonderland filled with the sights and sounds of the season at this Tucson holiday tradition. There's even snow to get you in the spirit!

Tickets: \$11 adults; \$9 seniors

Please bring additional money for dinner.



Green Valley Market

Dec 16 • 8:30 a.m. • Breezeway

Each Wednesday, the morning comes alive with a variety of artisans and small, local food businesses at the Green Valley Village. Stroll the market, to find artisan goods, jewelry, and southwest flavor for your home and taste buds! This market is reminiscent of the mercados from ages past, where merchants from the surrounding areas came to town to sell their wares. Come on by to pick up fresh vegetables from our local growers, enjoy a cup of fresh roasted coffee and flaky pastries, and check out some of the most beautiful handmade arts and crafts from the region.

Reminder: the majority of the vendors prefer cash. After your stroll around the market, we will stop and enjoy lunch at Arizona Family Restaurant in Green Valley. Please bring additional money for lunch.



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Mini Time Machine Museum

Holidays Around the World

Dec 18 • 10:00 a.m. • Breezeway

Each holiday season, beginning the week of Thanksgiving, The Mini Time Machine Museum of Miniatures transforms itself into a Winter Wonderland with a new holiday display. This year the Museum's Christmas theme is "Holidays Around the World." In addition to decorating the lobby and galleries, miniatures from the permanent collection are decorated to depict holidays around the world and throughout time. The Mini Time Machine Museum is always a great trip and there is something new to find every time you go.

After you tour the Holidays Around the World Exhibit, stop into Beyond Bread for some of the best desserts in Tucson!

Tickets: \$10.00

Please bring additional funds for lunch/dessert at Beyond Bread.



Our awesome shuttle driver Bobby Marie on one of our shuttle trip adventures last season.

To Shuttle or Not To Shuttle...

That is the Question

Each season, RCE residents have the opportunity to go on adventures throughout Pima County on our very own shuttle bus. If you have never been on one of our shuttle experiences, here are a few reasons why you should take the shuttle plunge:

- * No worrying about driving to unfamiliar locations. Our amazing shuttle drivers will take you right to the door of your destination.
- * Parking is such a hassle. You don't have to worry about parking at all when you go on a shuttle!
- * Meeting new friends. The shuttle is a great way to meet other residents and have a great day out together!

If you have any questions about the shuttles or you have a shuttle idea yourself, make sure to come into the Activity Office to let us know.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Walk About Sale

Dec 5 • 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

One person's junk is another person's treasure! If you have some items that you would like to sell, this is the time to do it! Make sure to come to the Activity Office beforehand to fill out an index card for display, telling people your lot number and some idea of what you are selling.



Farmer's Market & Craft Fair

Dec 8 & 22 • 10:00-1:00 p.m. • Breezeway

We encourage everyone to come down to the Breezeway to check out local artwork, fresh fruits and vegetables, handcrafted jewelry and much more! If you are a resident who would like to host a table at the Craft Fair, please let the Activity Office know. All vendors will be placed outside for social distancing.



Toys for Tots

Dec 9 • 9:00 a.m. • Aud

Each season, Rincon Country works with the South Tucson Fire Department to collect toys and clothing for children and teens in need. We will begin collecting toys starting December 1 and ask that all donations be brought to the Activity Office or the Front Office. South Tucson Fire Department will be at our coffee on December 9 to collect the toys. Thank you so much for your donations!

ACTIVITY OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday

Tel: 520-296-4651

UPCOMING EVENTS



SkyMed Seminar

Dec 9 • 3:30 p.m. • Aud

This holiday season, give yourself or a family member the gift of SkyMed emergency medical transport services. When an unexpected critical illness or injury requires hospitalization, the SkyMed *TAKES YOU HOME* guarantee provides peace-of-mind.

- Air and ground ambulance services
- RV, vehicle, physical remains, & pet return
- Visitor transport to & from member
- Immediate support 24/7/365 at home or globally
- Plus many more vital transport services

2020 Special Incentives: New and renewing members earn bonus months for 3-year or 5-year Ultimate plans through Dec. 31, 2020. (Renew up to 18 months in advance!)

- 3 or 6 months FREE to participants
- 3 or 6 months FREE to veterans “Thank You for Your Service”
- 3 or 6 months FREE for Referrals

Everyday Incentives:

- Member Loyalty Program guarantees same rate upon renewal
- No fees for Travel Company reservations at best prices
- FREE months for TYFYS and Referral programs

Sign up in Activity Office or contact Jerry & Marilyn Collins, SkyMed reps at 208-867-8739.

Please wear your mask!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Babes in Toyland Dance

BBQ Rush Food Truck

Dec 11 • 7:00 p.m. • Aud • \$8

"Toyland, Toyland...Dear Little Girl and Boy Land"

How many of you sang along while reading those lyrics?! Join RCE for their annual Christmas dance, which is themed after the musical, "Babes in Toyland" Come dressed as a toy soldier, Mother Goose, Mary Contrary or even the villainous Barnaby. Come along and dance to the tunes from DJ Tony.

Make sure to sign up for BBQ Rush food truck. We will be putting a flyer in the mailboxes soon to give you a choice of items for preordering.



National Lampoon's Christmas

Vacation Movie Night

With Hot Cocoa and Cookies

Dec 16 • 7:00 p.m. • Aud

Grab your popcorn and drinks and head to our Auditorium for a night with your RCE friends watching the hilarious "Christmas Vacation."

The Activity Office will be serving hot chocolate and cookies for those attending.

Come to the Activity Office for your free ticket for this Christmas classic!



UPCOMING EVENTS



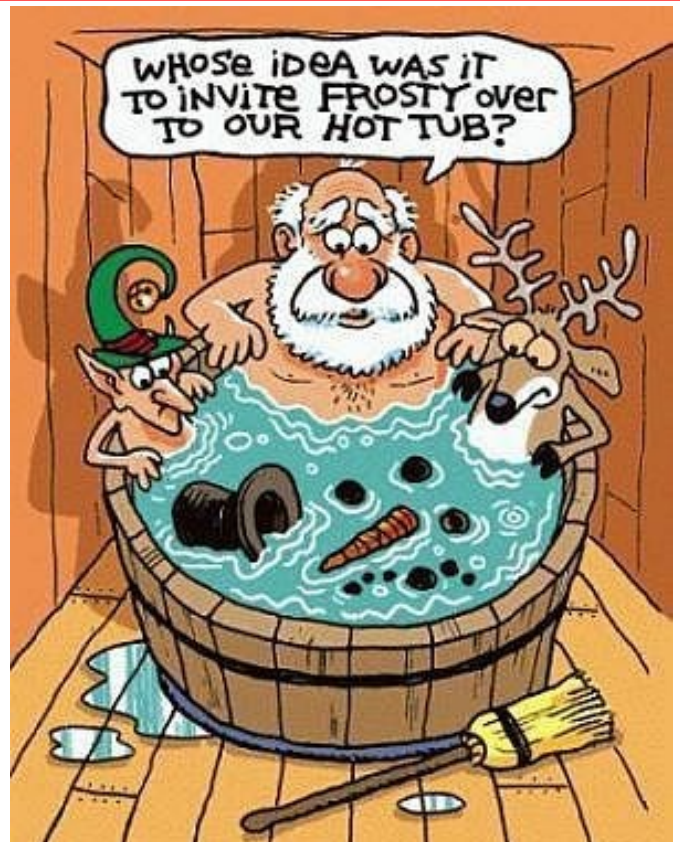
Christmas Humor



Ben's Bikes of Tucson

Whether you're an experienced rider or you're just starting out, **Ben's Bikes of Tucson** has the experience and the wide range of inventory that will ensure you get exactly what you're looking for. They have spent over 25 years serving the Tucson area and its biking needs. They are a fully stocked bicycle shop, but also offer rentals and repair, so no matter what your needs are in relation to biking, they've got you covered. They are your friendly neighborhood bike shop, local, veteran owned and operated.

Ben's Bikes will be here for all of your biking repairs, to answer questions and to share their biking knowledge with RCE residents. **They will be in front of the Breezeway on the following dates:**
Dec 11, Jan 8, Feb 12, Mar 12 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.





CLUB EVENTS



Design Team Trivia Night

Dec 4 • 6:00 p.m. • Aud • \$5

How many ghosts appeared in A Christmas Carol? Can you name all of Santa's reindeer? If you love trivia then you need to come out to the Design Club Trivia Night. Come join us to for some fun and prizes. Groups of 4 will be considered 1 team. There will be both Christmas trivia and general knowledge questions.

Dust off those brain cells and see how well you can do! Come out to support your awesome Design Club who keep our Auditorium looking fabulous every season.

Make sure to see Lyn and Wally at coffees for tickets or come to the Activity Office.



Shuffleboard Ice Cream Social

Dec 6 • 1:00 p.m. • Aud • \$4

Come one, come all to the Shuffleboard Ice Cream Social! Meet friends new and old at our Sunday sundae socials while supporting the Shuffleboard club.

We will charge \$4.00 for 2 scoops and toppings. We will have vanilla and/or chocolate ice cream with homemade hot fudge sauce, pure Vermont Maple syrup, whipped cream and nut toppings available.

Purchase your tickets in the Activity Office before we are all sold out!



CLUB EVENTS



Arts & Crafts Room

Monday • Knit N Chat • 1:00 PM

Any type of fiber art is welcome! You can knit, crochet, embroider, cross stitch or whatever else you can think of! We always start in the Arts & Crafts room but we have been known to wander if the weather beckons us. Hours are not set in stone. If you can't make it until 2:00, that's okay, we will still be there. Just come and enjoy the company!

**Wednesday • Zentangle: Artful Meditation •
10:00 AM**

Zentangle is a meditative artform. These projects are small in nature - usually 4"x4". In its purest form it is just paper and pen, but can be enhanced with colored pens, pencils, etc. You will be provided with paper and pen at the first class. Please sign up in the Activity Office. See examples of Zentangle in the photos above.

Arts & Crafts Room

Friday • Open Art Studio • 1:00 PM

People bring their own supplies and projects. All levels and abilities are welcome. Last year we had people who worked with watercolors, pastels, colored pencils, pen and ink, acrylics, oils, and stained glass. If you enjoy the "adult coloring books" you are more than welcome to join us. Have a different art medium...come and join us, we'd love to see what you do.



Photo Club Meeting

Dec 2 • Rec Hall • 7:00 PM

The Photo Club will meet the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 PM in the Rec Hall. The first meeting will be held on Dec 2 in the Rec Hall. A planning session will discuss the possible field trips in 2021 compatible with Covid 19 guidelines. Masks are required at the meeting.



CLUB EVENTS

Summer



Summer Buddies

The summer of 2020 was the year of unplanned activities, uncertain times and community. We played cards and mah jongg in our own homes, swam and cleaned a lot. With all of that said, we as the Rincon East community stayed safe and healthy. We said goodbye to Jerry Payne as our treasurer and Wednesday coffee leader. We met as a group in the summer and Fred Osborn volunteered to take the role of treasurer. Thank you Jerry, for giving your time and talents to the Summer Buddies. We appreciate you very much. The Summer Buddies will not be hosting pot-lucks this season but if that changes, we will certainly let you know. During the current season, we are learning from our leader Shannon for the next summer. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Sinkular at 520-336-8822.



Astronomy

Our club is attempting to find its footing during Covid, therefore, the observatory will not be open this season. Our meetings will still take place after coffees on the first Wednesday of the month in the Sales Office. Our first meeting is Dec 2. We are always looking for new members and ideas. Dennis Bonnvillie is our resident guru, stop by 129 or see him at the pickleball court for any questions you may have.

Operation Deployment Packages

If you have a friend, or family member who is deployed, we are looking for you. Last season we mailed over 50 boxes of deployment packages to Rincon family and friends. That was a result of you, the RCE community, donating items and money for shipping charges. The Desert Boys sold CDs and donated \$5.00 per CD. George O'Leary and anonymous folks made cash donations. Others stopped by the Sales Office with money donations or items to donate as well. This year we hope to be equally as busy. To start we will need names and addresses of family or friends who are currently deployed. We will send out boxes as long as we collect money for postage and items to send. Donations accepted at the Sales Office or Lot 366. If you have any questions, please contact Judy Sinkular at 520-336-8822.

Upcoming Classes

Merry Christmas



Painting with Karina

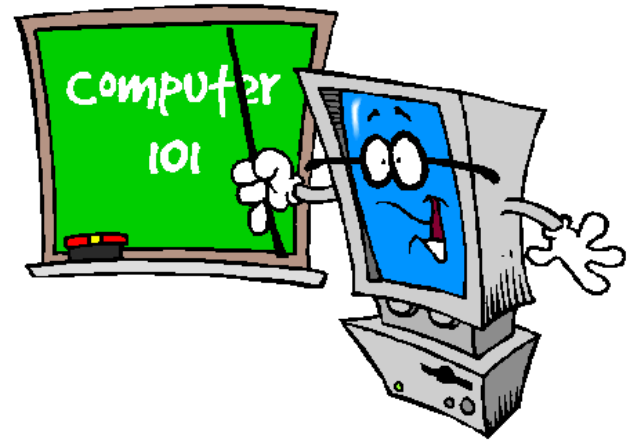
Dec 13 • 2:00 p.m. • \$20 pp

We are so excited to have Karina back this season to teach painting classes! Make sure to sign up in the Activity Office!

In December you will be painting the above picture titled, "Moonlight Mountain Meadow." Karina is an excellent instructor and will walk you through making this painting your own!

This is a great time to incorporate fine art, fun, and of course, friends!

Masks are required.



Getting Techy with Doug

Dec 15 • 9:30 a.m. • Auditorium • \$5.00 pp

It seems that there are always times when our computers or our cell phones seem a lot smarter than we are! If you have ever felt this way, you are not alone! Would you like to learn more about your computers or your smart phones?

Doug from Dynamic Computing will be on hand to teach you the basics about technology! Doug will cover topics such as Microsoft Office, using the internet, social networking, using Windows and Macs, and will even cover topics for iPhones and Android phones.

Dec Topic: Social Media

Please sign up in the Activity Office for the classes.

Upcoming Classes

Merry Christmas



Card-Making Classes

Dec 4 • 9:30 a.m. • Art & Craft Room • \$10

Who doesn't love a beautiful homemade card? We sure do! Join us in this fun card-making class to make your own festive cards for Christmas. Whether you send them to your kids, grandkids, friends or just keep them for yourself, this will be a great class to show your creative side!

Please sign up in the Activity Office.



Cupcake-Decorating Classes

Dec 18 • 9:30 a.m. • Art & Craft Room • \$15

Join Jess from Cactus Blossom Bakery for her cupcake decorating class. You will be creating these beauties above to share with your friends on Christmas or maybe just keep them for yourself. (Don't worry, we won't tell!)



Cookie Decorating Classes with Jess

Dec 11 • 9:30 a.m. • Art & Craft Room • \$20

We are thrilled to have Jess coming to RCE this season offering cookie decorating classes! Jess has always enjoyed baking and decided to turn her hobby into a full-time business. She now runs Cactus Blossom Bakery and spends most days happily covered in sugar and flour!

December brings us these Christmas themed cookies. Make sure to sign up for this great class before it sells out!

Weekly Classes at RCE

Mondays

9:30 a.m. Line Dancing. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session.

12:00 p.m. Stretch, Strength, and Balance with Marci. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session.

1:15 p.m. Yoga with Xenia. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session. (Starting Jan 2021)

Tuesday

2:30 p.m. Tai Chi with Sue. Auditorium. Free of Charge. (Starting January 2021)

Wednesday

11:00 a.m. Aqua Zumba. Swimming Pool. \$5.00 per session. (Starting Dec 2)

12:00 p.m. Stretch, Strength, and Balance with Marci. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session.

1:15 p.m. Yoga with Xenia. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session.

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Conversational Spanish with Debbie. Rec Hall. \$5.00 per session. (Starting Jan 7)

11:30 a.m. Zumba Gold. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session. (starting Dec 3)

Friday

1:00 p.m. Ballroom Dance with Andrew. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session.

2:00 p.m. Swing Dance with Andrew. Auditorium. \$5.00 per session.



The Bulletin Board



About the RCE Shuttle

Want to meet some new people and help the RCE community at the same time? Volunteering is a great way to do both! Some of the opportunities are:

Ticket takers for events, decorations committee members, and much more!

We are so lucky to have the Movers & Shakers Crew to help set up tables and chairs for events. They are always looking for new members!

If you are interested in helping, please let the Activity Office know.

Unless otherwise noted, admission fees and meals are **not** included in the trip prices shown. The driver is in charge of actual departure times.

The shuttle can accommodate 12 passengers on a first-come, first-served basis. We are currently limiting the shuttles to 10 passengers.

Sign up for all trips in the Activity Office. All trips under 100 miles are free. The charge varies for trips over 100 miles.

On all trips a 24-hour notice of cancellation must be given to avoid a \$15 charge.



About RCE Food Events: BYOS “Green” Initiative

Please be advised that unless otherwise noted, ALL breakfasts, lunches, dinners, and other food events sponsored by RCE are “BYOS.” This means “bring your own service” - plate, fork, etc. Together, we will reduce the volume of disposable waste that ends up in landfills.



The Bulletin Board



I'm OK

Here at RCE we want to make sure you are A-OK! The "I'm Okay Club" is a program for guests and residents who are living alone.

Once you sign up with the Activity Office, you must call in daily before 10:00 am. This is just a daily check-in by phone that allows us to make sure you are OK. If you don't call in by 10:00 am, we will try and reach you. If we are unsuccessful, we will come to your house and check on you.



Speed Limit

Also please observe the 10-mph speed limit inside the park.



AED Device

We have one Automated External Defibrillator (AED) device. The device is located in the Breezeway near the Office. Stay tuned to *The Villager* for upcoming CPR and AED classes. You could save a life!



Safety from Wildlife

The weather is cooling and this is a time when rattlesnakes might seek the warmth of a cozy asphalt street after sundown.

For maximum safety carry a flashlight when you are walking at night, keep pets on a leash, and remain alert to an unlikely, but possible, encounter.



PARK MODEL SALES

Hello, I am Judy Sinkular, I represent RCE in the Sales Office this season. My office hours vary during this time, so call me to meet up for an inside look at the many possibilities for your new winter home. Or you can view most units on our Rincon website with photos and videos. As you drive around the resort, don't be surprised if you see a cute red blow-up guy in front of one of the RCE park models.

This is YOUR clue to come on in for a look-see and a cookie, and sign up for prizes.



Come on in!



To RV or not to RV? Is this the discussion at your home today? Call for an appointment and let's find what you don't like about park models. This is the first step on what you do like. At RCE we have many choices on units available for purchase, or you may order your customized dream.

Judy Sinkular 520-336-8822

G-274 is a good choice for the ultimate in park model living. This unit is a Champion 2021 front kitchen unit. This unit comes with luxurious living, beautiful social deck, Arizona Room and much more. All of our park models come fully furnished and ready for you to move in. First check out the Rincon website, check out the videos. Then let's talk.

