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Something New is Coming to Rincon West this 2025 Christmas Season!

This December, our community is unwrapping not one, but two brand-new holiday celebrations to make the season merry and bright!

🎄 **12 Days of Mistletoe Madness** (Dec 2–14) – Get ready for twelve days of themed activities and surprises to keep the Christmas spirit alive all season long. From festive gatherings to joyful little touches, each day brings something new to celebrate!

🎉 **Holly Jolly Jubilee** (Dec 14) - Get ready for an evening filled with laughter, sparkle, and holiday cheer, Golf Cart Parade, Christmas Train Run, final day to submit ballots for best decorated sites and street, and a lot of ho ho ho Christmas cheer. The perfect way to celebrate the season together. (Auditorium will be available to residents from 5:30 PM to 10:00 PM)

Clubs & Residents – Let’s Get Creative This Holiday Season!

The reason for your email is simple: we wanted to reach out **before you arrive** or before the Club Leader Meeting—waiting until then would be too late to get those **creative juices flowing!**

We hope to inspire you to join in the fun and theme of the upcoming holiday season. Plans are already underway with the Golf Cart Parade, Garden Railroad, and the Pajama & Book Drive, who are cooking up a little Mistletoe Madness... and we’d love for your club to add to the merriment! 🎄

Below is a little “Idea List” that was created to get the creative juices flowing, and now we’re sharing it with you in the hope it sparks something you’d like to incorporate into your already scheduled activities or something new. There’s no need to reinvent the wheel, just opportunities to add a dash of holiday cheer, share joy, and spread glee throughout the resort with neighbors and friends.

We’d love to hear how your club might join in the holiday fun! If you have a themed idea, big or small, please share it with the Activity Office (**[email - activities@rinconcountry.com](mailto:activities@rinconcountry.com)**). We’ll help spread the word by adding your event to campersApp, where over 2,000 subscribers are eager to see what’s happening this season. Let’s make this holiday one to remember—together! 🎅 ✨

It’s all about holiday fun, laughter, and a little playful mischief—Rincon style!

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IDEA LIST



Santa's Little Helpers - Pet Parade (Activity Office)

- Wear your jolliest holiday gear and let your furry friend strut their festive style too! Dress code optional, fun required.
 - **Best Dressed Pet**
 - Most festive, creative, or humorous outfit. Bonus points for matching owners!
 - **Most Creative Costume**
 - Unique takes on holiday themes: elves, reindeer, Santa, Christmas trees, or even snowmen.
 - **Holiday Spirit Award**
 - Pets (and owners) who radiate the most Christmas cheer—energy, enthusiasm, and smiles count!
 - **Cutest Duo**
 - Best owner-and-pet matching costumes or coordinated outfits.
 - **Most Festive Float or Accessory**
 - Pet strollers, wagons, or props decorated for the holidays.
- Parade + photo ops = instant smiles
- No date chosen as of 9/11/25

Hot Cocoa & Cookie Lounge

- a cozy area with holiday drinks (hot cocoa, cider, mulled wine) and a cookie swap out by the Railroad or inside the Auditorium
- Could be a fund raiser for a club

North Pole Photo Safari

- a single cozy booth, or instead of a singular photo booth, create photo “stations” (Santa’s Sleigh, Grinch’s lair, Winter Wonderland, Elf Workshop). Residents wander through taking selfies or group shots.
- Go on a “hunt” around the resort to spot decorated sites, lights, or hidden “North Pole” characters.
- Snap photos of festive displays or themed props.
 - Share pictures in a friendly contest or slideshow.
- No date chosen

Ugly Sweater Strut

- instead of just a contest, make it a runway-style “Ugly Sweater Strut” with music and laughter

Holiday Site or Room Crawl

- different rooms decorated with their own themes (Nutcracker Suite, Candy Cane Lane, Bethlehem, Santa’s Workshop). Residents stroll through, sampling snacks, crafty activities in each room.
- Letters to Santa – set up a “Santa’s Post Office” for residents to write letters/cards to mail to family or even create funny ones for each other.

- Library or Coffee Room: Holiday Puzzles & Games Café – tables with Christmas jigsaw puzzles, word searches, or board games – laid back places for neighbors to gather and socialize
- Other Things Christmasy related??

Massage Therapy (massage therapists contacted) (Activity Office)

- “Reindeer Relaxation Station”
 - Warning: May cause excessive sights of relief and holiday cheer. Relax, rejuvenate, and maybe hum a carol or two.

‘12 Days of Mistletoe Madness’ – culminating on Sunday 12/14/25 (12/2 – 12/14)

Want to have some fun with Daily mini-events leading up to the festival? (not in chronological order – concept only). Unwrap the joy of friends and family one silly day at a time.

- 12/2, 12/9, and 12/1) Themed BINGO Nights (Activity Office)
 - Reindeer Games Bingo
 - Elf Extravaganza Bingo
 - Santa’s Bingo Workshop
 - Optional but fun: Encourage players to wear Santa hats, elf ears, Grinchy fun, Who-ville citizen, or ugly Christmas sweaters.
 - Serve hot cocoa, cookies, or holiday punch *possible fund raiser?
 - Join us for a night of laughter, friendly competition, and festive cheer—it’s the perfect way to celebrate the season together!
 - candy canes gifts, themed treats on tables
- 12/6 “Holiday Lane” Craft & Treat Market
 - Craft Fair scheduled:
 - Amateur Radio Club Hot Dog Lunch
- 12/9 “Santa’s Jammin’ Workshop”
 - Strum, hum, and jingle all the way.
 - Musical Jam Sessions (Rec Hall Tues’s Noon and 3pm) Bill Barnett
- 12/9 SHUTTLE - Dinner & Gaslight Theater - Race to the North Pole (Activity Office)
- 12/10 CARDO – “Santa’s Sleigh Shuffle”
 - Rec Hall 6:30 PM Wally Schultz
- 12/11 “O Come All Ye Carvers”
 - The Great Holiday Whittle-Off...lol
 - 12/11 Rincon Woodcarvers (in Rec Hall Noon)
- 12/12 Friday Coffee Talk - “Santa’s Workshop”

“Sip, chat, and spread holiday cheer!”

 - Christmas gift donation day & Pajama Day
 - ‘Toys for Tots’ Tucson Fire Department
 - ‘Angel Tree’ Salvation Army
 - ‘Pajama/Book Drive



- Sister José Women's Center or Esperanza En Escalante 'Homeless Female Shelter'
- Animal related causes
 - FYI only - 11/12 shuttle going to the Forever Donkey Rescue
- Club focused benefactors??
 - Villageaires Teaser for the 12/12 & 13 Concerts
- 12/12 & 13 Villageaires Winter Concert
- 12/13 "Pancake Palooza: Christmas Edition"
 - Because syrup solves everything... Pancakes so fluffy, even Santa won't share.
 - 12/13 Pancake Breakfast (auditorium 7 AM – 9 AM)
- 12/14 "Mistletoe & Merlot"
 - Sip, swirl, laugh, repeat. Loosen up those tinsel-tight holiday muscles.
 - 12/14 Wine Tasting (Rec Hall 3:30 PM to 6:30 PM) Jan Hedgpeth
- 12/14 Golf Cart Parade of Lights
 - Actual name of parade to be advised
 - 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
 - Kathleen & Alan Hayes - coordinators
- 12/14 Garden Railroad running Holiday trains with music
 - Decorated Train layout
 - All aboard the holiday express! This charming garden railroad winds its way through twinkling lights, sparkling garlands, and festive decorations at every turn.
 - 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM (weather dependent)
- 12/14 "Glowstick Carols"
 - Gather outdoors by the Garden Railroad or in the Auditorium for a community sing-along after Golf Cart Parade?
 - Instead of candles use Glow Sticks.
 - ? Desert Tones, or individuals that can carry a tune, lead the resident sing-along?
- 12/14 "Jingle & Mingle"
 - Friendly faces and lots of ho-ho-ho's
 - *After the Golf Cart Parade the Auditorium is reserved for resident use from 5:30pm to 9pm*
- 12/14 Site decorating voting deadline.

Daily 'themed' movement classes

- 12/2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11 AEROBICS "Merry Fitmas"
 - Burning off those Christmas Cookies one jingle at a time!
 - Aerobics Mon – Thur 7:30 AM (Rec Hall) Deb Peterson
- daily 7 AM STRETCH & FLEX "Candy Cane Contortions"

- Get your tinsel untangled with the 12 Stretches of Christmas
 - Stretch and Flex **daily** 7 AM (Auditorium)
- 12/1, 12/3, 12/8, 12/10 YOGA “Downward-Facing Reindeer”
 - Breathe deep... even with the smell of cookies nearby. Because Santa needs to de-stress before the big night.. lol
 - Yoga Mon & Wed 8:00 AM (Auditorium) Jeri Wilson
- 12/2, 9 CHAIR YOGA “Santa’s Seated Yoga”
 - Elf-Approved Chair Yoga - Have a chair-y Christmas. Stretch, breather, and maybe wiggle your jingle bells!
 - Chair Yoga Tuesdays 8:00 AM Rally Room
- 12/3 & 12/9 SQUARE DANCE “Mistletoe & Do-Si-Do”
 - No snow required, just a little jingle in your step.
 - 12/3 @ 6:30 PM & 12/9 @ 9:30 AM Square Dance Wed’s 6:00 PM to 8:45 PM (Bob and Cinda Asp)
- 12/2, 6, 9, 11, & 13 PING PONG “Ping Pong Who-Bilation”
 - Whoville-themed Ping Pong matches
 - A Grinchy Good Time in Whoville! Even the Grinch couldn’t steal this serve... lol
 - Ping Pong in Rec Hall (12:30 PM to 2:30 PM)
- 12/7, 14 CHAIR VOLLEYBALL “Frosty’s Volley Follies”
 - Where even Santa has to stay in his chair. Warning: May cause excessive laughter and jingling...
 - Cheek in the Seat” Chair Volleyball Auditorium (9:30 AM)
- 12/7, 12/14 LINE DANCING “Rudolph’s Rockin’ Line Dance”
 - Santa’s and Mrs. Santa are trading in the sleigh for the dance floor to do the Santa Shuffle
 - Line Dancing (Carol Bandy) in Auditorium 12/14 12:30 – 5pm
- PICKLEBALL “Jollyball Jingle Jam” – anything going on with this group?
 - Players wear Santa hats, elf ears, or ugly Christmas sweaters (short-sleeve for play).
 - Christmas-colored balls (red/green if available, or just decorate with stickers for off-court photo ops).
 - Holiday-themed prizes: candy canes, ornaments, or pickleball paddles wrapped like gifts.
 - Give each court a fun holiday name: “North Pole Net,” “Candy Cane Court,” “Frosty’s Freeze Zone.”
 - Play Christmas tunes during matches.

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