



## Merry Christmas !!!

Well, here we are at Christmas of 2018, which is our seventh Christmas at our Lakeside Crossing home! I thought the ten years we spent on the road in our motorhome went fast? Time has not slowed down one bit since then! I really can't believe it! We started this month's Christmas Celebration watching the Conway Christmas Parade from the balcony of the Horry County Museum on Main St. This was a treat considering it was a chilly rainy day! The balcony is located on the top floor, above the auditorium, with large glass doors that opened up to a balcony view. The museum provided a buffet and soft drinks, which was a surprise. Below are pictures of the Museum, the balcony where we were and the parade. The picture on the bottom left is of our Chiropractor, Dr Daniel Falk and Staff, on their float.



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Bob & I weren't sure what we were going to do Christmas Day, cook or go out? Then we heard from Phyllis, a fellow resident, who informed us that she and Joan were going to facilitate a Christmas Dinner at the club house, for a maximum of 50 people, with baked hams and the rest of us would provide the side dishes. *Perfect!!!* Decision made!

Next, Bob & I drove around the neighborhood, a couple of times, to view the Christmas decorations people setup outside their homes. Our home is below, with another one I selected. Each year there is a competition which sparks people's interests.

Following the lights are a couple of pictures of the Christmas dinner. Guess who is wearing red with the Santa hat? Could it be Phyllis? You guessed right! She did a terrific job organizing this event, which we all appreciated!! Thank You Phyllis. I also included pictures of the Lobby area, decorated for Christmas. The Christmas Cactus on the tables are only a few of these beautiful blooming plants in the Lobby area. These plants belong to a resident, who brings them to the club house every Christmas for all of us to enjoy! As I write these words, I am reminded that this is what this Community is all about. We work together for each other!



To the bottom right are our two cats, Minnie and Gracie checking out their Christmas present, a tube they can crawl in and enjoy. As you can see Minnie did not need any encouragement! Gracie was checking it out, and actually is still thinking about it. The material makes a 'crinkling' sound when they go inside which Minnie loves but Gracie is not overly thrilled about. When she first went into it, heard the noise, she flew right back out!!!!



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