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Arc Thrift Stores of Colorado Announces its 2010 “Must Have” White Elephant Gifts

These top picks will help you come up with ideas to lead the conversation and laughter at your upcoming holiday party.

December 8, 2010 – Denver, Colorado. White Elephant Gifts have become a staple at office holiday parties, family gatherings and those annual get-togethers with friends. Traditionally “White Elephant” gifts are items that are useless, but humorous. Following are some “White Elephant” gifts found in Arc Thrift Stores that are sure to be a conversation piece at your upcoming event.



Christmas music album covers. Use them as festive placemats as you enjoy your dinner. With a crafty hand, goofy covers can be transformed into hilarious picture frames.



Cute elf ornaments look great swinging from the Christmas tree, they also can double as rear view mirror companions.



A vintage medicine dispenser makes for the perfect way to spice up drinks “just fill ‘er up, and hose it out” to friends. If you have cherry juice, about a tablespoon of the juice added to the cola will make a cherry cola. For a vanilla cola, add 1/2 tablespoon of vanilla extract. For a chocolate cola, add thin chocolate syrup, to taste in the cola.



This hand painted ceramic centerpiece creates charm with the record album placemats. Or it can be the perfect “grandma” bathroom décor.



Ugly sweater contests are a shoe-in with this customizing tool. Create your own ugly sweater with this giant sequin craft project and it is perfect entertainment for a cold winter day.



For your fantasy football buddy, this little Victorian doll is the quintessential stocking stuffer...or a little girls delight when it comes to Christmas presents.



Pet rock lovers search for the perfect guard dog is over. A Beautifully hand painted Yorkshire terrier on a 3 lb. rock. Important office documents stand no chance of going missing with this puppy on duty.



Really? Hold the pickles, hold the lettuce...just drop the pennies into the slot. This hamburger bank puts a new flavor on savings. If placed in a fast food wrapper it is sure to be received with a grin.



The flamingo business cardholder is perfect for the executive suite – or for any stoic businessperson.



This wooden toad may arguably be a better business card holder. The detailed engravings scream of elegance.



Kowabunga! This cool penguin soap-dispenser (with a surfboard) is the perfect addition to any kitchen sink.



This carved coconut head doubles as a drink holder (top comes off), and as a bank! (Not responsible for coins being dropped into drinks.)



This Angels centerpiece makes a great festive showcase. But, do not use this around candles (we haven't seen this much plastic since 1954).



These guys' expressions were caught watching "A Christmas Story" right as the boy gets his tongue stuck to the pole. OUCH!



A tissue holder with pizzaz. This is for the Cambodian temple who has everything, including a running nose. Is that a tissue coming out of this rock face nose? Hang this charmer on the wall where all can see it and use it!



Let Rudolph greet your guests (he is sure to add or wipe smiles on any face).

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About arc Thrift Stores: arc Thrift Stores operates 19 thrift stores throughout Colorado and provides funding to arc Chapters, which in turn provide advocacy for people with developmental disabilities. Arc Thrift Stores is one of the largest employers of individuals with developmental disabilities in the state of Colorado. <http://www.arcthrift.org>

