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*Relationships based on respect, trust and effective communication are the cornerstone of our success.*



**Committee Chairs**  
Chair Meetings: Bi-monthly



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**New Members welcome on all committees!**

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Deirdre Garrett, Director  
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Is the only authorized and official monthly publication for the residents of the Mira Lagos Community with news and calendar of community events endorsed by the Mira Lagos HOA & its members.

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## NEW CLUBHOUSE INFORMATION



**\$500.00 Deposit (refundable)**  
**\$50.00 per hour/ minimum of 2 hours**

**Cleaning Fee:**

\$75.00 (non-refundable after 4pm) Tuesday – Saturday,  
 All day Sunday & Monday  
 \$35.00 (refundable before 4pm) Tuesday – Saturday

**Alcohol present:**

\$45.00 / Grand Prairie Police Officer - office staff arranges  
 TABC licensed bartender - your choice

Capacity 150 people

***NO HOLIDAY BOOKINGS***

For more information please contact:  
[admin@miralagoshoa.com](mailto:admin@miralagoshoa.com)

For reservations email: [reservations@miralagoshoa.com](mailto:reservations@miralagoshoa.com)



**Do The Texas Two-Step With Fire Ants**

Two-stepping with fire ants includes broadcasting a bait insecticide over your entire yard and then treating individual problem mounds with an approved mound drench.

**Step One - Broadcast Treatment:** On a warm day, in the late afternoon, apply a broadcast treatment of fire ant bait with a hand-held spreader. Apply when the grass is dry and no rain is expected for 48 hours. Use fresh bait, preferably from an unopened container. Baits are slow acting and only achieve about 80% to 90% control. That's why you need two steps.

**Step Two - Individual Mound Treatments:** Apply a granular fire ant pesticide product on and around the fire ant mound. Then gently pour 2 to 5 gallons of water over the mound without disturbing the mound. Closely follow the directions on the pesticide label. Liquid drenches generally eliminate mounds within a few hours.

Brent Russell, Owner of Tarrant County Pest Control  
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**MIRA LAGOS 2ND ANNUAL**

# *Spring Fling Egg-stravaganza*

**Saturday, April 13, 2019**

**12:00 pm - 2:00 pm**

**Clubhouse/Park/Playground**

Don't miss out on our Spring Fling Eggstravaganza, there is so much fun planned for the afternoon!

Egg Hunt, bounce houses, food trucks and more!



# 2019 Mira Lagos Annual Meeting



Winners - Patio Set



Mira Lagos 2019 Board



Winners - Epic Waters

February 28th was a great success! Over 100 homeowners came out to take part of the meeting by casting their vote for the new board members and take in information regarding the community upcoming events, budgets as well as

some door prizes to take home! Our 2019 Board of Directors consist of Joshua Spare, Eric Blackwell, Deirdre Garrett, Ken Self and John (Jay) Hughes. Congrats to those that were elected for 2 more years. We have great things instore

for the new year such as landscape lighting, additional parking possibly and some pool furniture to brighten up the pool locations! Looking forward to a great year with Mira Lagos Homeowners! Thanks again for all those that came out to the meeting!



Councilman Wooldrige



Matt at the Annual Meeting



Josh at the Annual Meeting



Cynthia and Stacy at the Annual Meeting

# Lawn & Garden Tips

March is a good time to start planning lawn and gardening projects. By April 1 in North Texas, we should be safe from late season freezes. If you haven't already started planting, now is the time to get inspired and make a plan.

- Put down pre-emergent herbicide in February to prevent last year's weed seeds from germinating.
- Remove all dead vegetation from gardens.
- Sow vegetable and flower seeds or plant bedding plants. Be prepared to protect them in case of a late freeze. You can use the planting containers inverted over the plant but be sure to remove as soon as temps are above freezing.
- Plant summer flowering bulbs, perennial flowers shrubs and trees.
- Fertilize existing trees with fertilizer spikes around the drip line of the tree.
- Once grass starts to green up, mow to remove some of the dead grass, and fertilize with a balanced lawn fertilizer. Aerate lawn if soil is compacted. If needed use Broadleaf weed killer on lawn, but avoid getting it on desirable plants and trees.
- Add compost to garden soil and work it into the soil.
- Lightly prune trees to raise the canopy height, and remove diseased and crossing branches before it gets too hot.
- It is a great time to audit your sprinkler system by checking your controller settings and looking for leaks before letting it run on auto pilot. One inch of water per week is ideal for lawn, plants and trees. April and May is also thunderstorm season. If mother nature doesn't provide enough rain, be sure to supplement with your sprinklers, so that plants develop a strong root system heading into summer.

Lawn maintenance and gardening chores are great exercise that costs much less than a gym membership, and it also increases your property value. Plan your work, work your plan and then sit back and enjoy the beauty!



## Space for Sale

Call 972-396-8855  
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for ad rates and sizes.

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(all events are subject to change, please watch for updates.)

### Social Committee

Spring Garage Sale - Mar 23rd

Inaugural Spring Fling 5K Run/Walk - Mar 30th 8:00 am

Autos for Animals Car Show -  
Mar 30th -10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Spring Fling & Egg-stravaganza -  
Apr 13th -12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Pool opening Ice Cream Social -  
May 4th -12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Mom & Son Workshop - May 11th - 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Back Pack Collection - July - Aug

Jazz night - Sep 14th - 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Fall Garage Sale - Sep 21st

Fall Festival/Vendor Fair - Oct 19th - 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Holiday Brunch - Dec 7th - 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
*(please bring an unwrapped toy for Santa Cop to attend)*

### Safety Committee

Women's Self Defense Class - April 18th 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

First Aid Class - TBD

CPR Class - TBD

National Night Out - Oct 1st 6:30 pm- 8:30 pm

Santa Cop - Dec 7th - *during our Holiday Brunch*

### Welcome Committee

Welcome Receptions - Quarterly

April 6th 10:00 am - 11:30 am

July 20th 10:00am -11:30am

October 12th 10:00 am - 11:30 am

(RSVP only, per invitation)

### Workshops - Keep watching for more...

March 23rd 11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Do it yourself pest control - Ants

April 6th 11:45 am- 12:45 pm

Termites- Identification/Prevention

May 18th 11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Do it yourself pest control - Mosquitos

June 15th 11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Do it yourself pest control - Rodents

-----More information to come soon!-----

# Thank you for Supporting Mira Lagos HOA

We would like to recognize Our Vendors, Community Partners and Homeowner Businesses for your donations of door prizes!



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## THAT STREET LIGHT IS OUT!

ONCOR Electric owns and maintains the tall street lights scattered throughout Mira Lagos. Should you observe a nonfunctional street light in need of service, please report the issue directly to ONCOR Electric for a prompt repair.

The company's website is [www.oncor.com](http://www.oncor.com) or call 1.888.313.4747.

The website is very user friendly, allowing you to input your street address and navigate with ease to the light in question. As ONCOR says, "Thanks for helping keep the lights on!"

## Mira Lagos HOA Pet Tags



There are Free Mira Lagos Pet tags at the HOA office. Please see Cynthia at the HOA office to receive your tag. Each pet registered will have a unique number assigned in the event your pet gets out and is found. My dog Mia got hers and she loves all the fancy jewelry on her collar.

# Daddy-Daughter Dance

The first annual Mira Lagos Daddy Daughter Dance was held on February 9, 2019 and was the talk of the town! Dads looked dashing and daughters were dressed as beautiful princesses. You could feel the excitement and anticipation from everyone when they entered the room. From the delicious food, photo booth, dance music, colorful lit dance floor, beautiful table decorations and décor; everything was amazing! There were smiles on everyone's faces. Dads enjoyed making special memories with their daughters, which will have a lasting imprint on their daughters' heart. Special Thanks to our own DJ Shon and Glenn Price for making the night memorable! Thank you to the Mira Lagos dads for escorting their daughter to the Daddy Daughter Dance. You made this occasion special and can't wait to see you and your daughter next year for this exciting and memorable event!





# Chores are Good for Children

Children who complete daily chores are being better prepared for future success. Chores can help a child build a strong work ethic, build confidence and a sense of pride, and even boost personal development. Having the responsibility to complete chores, children obtain basic life skills to become independent, better equipped, mature adults.

**Chores appropriate for 2-3 year olds:** Picking up toys, clear their dishes from a meal, help sort recycling, help put away groceries and put dirty clothes away.

**Chores appropriate for 4-6 year olds:** Feed a pet, make their beds, set the table, make small snacks, pull weeds in the garden and water plants.

**Chores appropriate for 7-9 year olds:** Set an alarm to wake themselves for school, fold laundry, make a school lunch, manage an allowance, load and unload the dishwasher, cook simple foods and vacuum.

**Chores appropriate for 10 and up:** Wash and dry clothes, mow the lawn, help family budget for a vacation, basic home repairs, cook a meal and wash the car.

Even though chores may not be on the top of your children's 'fun' things to do, being a member of a family, making a reasonable contribution to the family and to the home is good for your children and their future.



# Earth Day is April 22.



Fun facts:

Denmark, Portugal, and Costa Rica are countries completely run on renewable energy.

In 2016, the United States energy consumption is derived from 10% of renewable sources.

In the United States, Solar energy is one of the fastest growing renewable energy sectors.

According to scientists, by 2050, 140 countries could run entirely on wind, solar, and water.

Hawaii and California are US states that have proposed to commit to 100% renewable energy electricity.

Plastic waste never fully goes away; it just breaks into pieces.

The majority of plastic waste ends up in oceans. 8 Million tons of plastic are dumped in our oceans every year

693 marine species are harmed by plastic pollution.

The US recycles 9% of its plastic.

There are 51 trillion microplastic particles in the ocean today—500 times more than the number of stars in our galaxy.

Approximately, 500, 000, 000 drinking straws are used daily in the US.

About 100 billion plastic grocery bags are thrown away in the US each year.

Kenya, Rwanda, and China have made national plastic bag regulations

Scientists predict plastic will outweigh fish in the ocean, pound for pound by the year 2050.

On average, a plastic bag is used by a person 12 minutes before being thrown away.

More than half of the breathable oxygen in the world comes from the oceans

It takes 3 bottles of water to produce one of the plastic bottles that it comes in.

It takes 1 large tree to provide a day's supply of oxygen for 4 people?

31 % of the Earth's land is covered by forests.

[www.earthday.org/clean-energy-quiz/](http://www.earthday.org/clean-energy-quiz/)

## Something is Hidden. Can you find it?



We have hidden in the Mira Lagos Messenger, search for this egg. Please email [manager@miralagoshoa.com](mailto:manager@miralagoshoa.com) in the subject line put "I FOUND IT," a random drawing, WINS! Provide page item is on, name, address and phone number in the email.

**Good Luck and have fun!**  
**If you find it there is a \$25.00 gift card.**

## NOTARY SERVICES

On-site Assistant Manager, Matt Urbaniak is a NOTARY for Mira Lagos, free to the residents needing services. Please make an appointment at [admin@miralagoshoa.com](mailto:admin@miralagoshoa.com).

# GROWING HERBS IN NORTH TEXAS

When choosing herbs that will grow well in north Texas, remember this area is zone 8, warm to hot during summer months.

Most herbs prefer full sun, so choose a sunny spot for your garden.

Do not plant your herbs close to other bushes or shrubs that need herbicides or insecticides as these are not safe to use on or near herbs.

Your soil should match the herb's specific water needs, as herbs are sensitive to moisture conditions. Some preferring well drained soil while other prefer a moist soil.

If you plan to store your herbs, it is better to wait to harvest after the plant begins to flower. Wash leaves in cold water before drying or freezing the herbs.

## HERBS FOR ZONE 8:

**Lavender** – plant in a light, well-drained soil in full sun. This herb can grow up to 24 inches high. The lavender leaf and flower are edible and are used in cooking or for herbal teas.

**Rosemary** – grows year round and prefers well-drained soil, likes to be watered regularly and can grow as three feet or more. Use fresh rosemary in many chicken dishes, bread recipes and add to olive oil for a dipping sauce for pita breads. Rosemary is beautiful topped as a garnish.

**Sage** – loves full sun, well-drained soil and can get as tall as two – three feet. Try a different type of sage such as Pineapple Sage which is good in desserts. It is recommended to cook or dry sage leaves before eating, as

raw sage leaves have a harsh flavor. Add cooked sage to chicken, stews or even on pizza.

**Basil** – needs full sun, well-drained moist soil and will grow up to three feet tall. Be sure and harvest basil before it flowers as it will lose some of the flavor after flowering occurs. Basil is delicious when added to chicken or shrimp recipes, as well as salads and pasta.

**Mint** – has so many varieties such as spearmint, peppermint, apple mint, chocolate mint or banana mint. This herb tolerates full sun to partial shade and will grow up to 24 inches. Mint is great added to teas, drinks, melon salads and even to pesto.

Early spring is the best time to plant your herb garden so you can enjoy herb filled cooking and grilling this summer.



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**Are you currently receiving the monthly e-News blasts?**

These emails are sent out mid-month to provide homeowners with important information from the onsite management team, elected board members and volunteer committee chairs as well as updates and information on upcoming community and city events and news. To be part of the community information system please email your contact information along with your address to [admin@miralagoshoa.com](mailto:admin@miralagoshoa.com)

# April is Autism Awareness Month!!



**Put on the Puzzle!** The Autism Awareness Puzzle Ribbon is the most recognized symbol of the autism community in the world. Autism prevalence is now one in every 59 children in America. Show your support for people with autism by wearing the Autism Awareness Puzzle Ribbon – as a pin on your shirt, a magnet on your car, a badge on your blog, or even your Facebook profile picture – and educate folks on the potential of people with autism!

For more information or to purchase the Autism Awareness Puzzle Ribbon for your shirt, car, locker or refrigerator go to [www.autism-society.org](http://www.autism-society.org).

## LIBRARY EVENTS

### Intermediate American Sign Language

All ages welcome.

Date: 04/01/2019 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Location: Main Library

901 Conover Drive • Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

Come learn the basics of American Sign Language with a current ASL teacher. New students are welcome weekly!

### Celtic Knot Jewelry

For teens in grades 6-12.

Date: 04/02/2019 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Location: Betty Warmack Library

760 Bardin Rd. • Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

Create a celtic knot bracelet at this teen craft time.

### Radiant Child Yoga with Miss Donna

For ages 4-8.

Date: 04/11/2019 4:45 PM - 5:30 PM

Location: Betty Warmack Library

760 Bardin Rd. • Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

For ages 4-8. Space is limited and registration is required, [llaib@gptx.org](mailto:llaib@gptx.org). Registration opens March 1.

### Try It Tuesday: AfrikoPOP

Program for adults.

Date: 04/16/2019 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: Main Library

901 Conover Drive • Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

Join us for fun free workouts almost every Tuesday! No sign up required.

- AfrikoPop: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

### Harry Potter Escape Room

For teens in grades 6-12.

Date: 04/18/2019 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Location: Main Library

901 Conover Drive • Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

You're trapped in the Potion's classroom and He Who Must Not Be Named is coming. Can you escape in time? Registration is required, email [teenlibrarian@gptx.org](mailto:teenlibrarian@gptx.org) to register.

### Style File: Beauty and Style for Women

For ages 16 and older.

Date: 04/20/2019 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Betty Warmack Library

760 Bardin Rd. • Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

Join runway coach and image consultant Xerkell Palmer, as she shares key factors to discovering your best personal style. Sessions include: unearthing your best colors, dressing for your body type and unlocking dazzling wardrobe choices. For ages 16 and older.

### DEVILED EGGS

½ cup mayonnaise

¼ cup black olives

2 tablespoons 2% milk

1 teaspoon dried parsley flakes

½ teaspoon dill weed

½ teaspoon minced chives

½ teaspoon ground mustard

¼ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon Creole Seasoning

Pinch garlic powder

Pinch of pepper

12 hard-boiled large eggs

Minced fresh parsley and additional paprika

In a small bowl, combine the first 11 ingredients. Cut eggs lengthwise in half; remove yolks and set whites aside. In another bowl, mash yolks; add to mayonnaise mixture, mixing well. Spoon into the egg white halves. Sprinkle with parsley and additional Creole Seasoning. Refrigerate until serving. – McGrath





## File your Taxes by Monday, April 15th

### Community Resources offering Tax Assistance:

- Cedar Hill Library - Zula B. Wylie Public Library
- Mansfield Mission Center – For those making less than 55K
- Tarrant County College Southeast Campus – For those making less than 55K
- Grand Prairie Main Library

## CITY CODE COMPLIANCE REMINDER:

### Sec. 29-89.1. - Parking on sidewalks and rights-of-way; towing of vehicles in violation.

The storage or parking of any vehicle, operable or inoperable, or any portion of such vehicle on the public right-of-way between the improved roadway and the property line is hereby declared a nuisance and prohibited. Vehicles should not be parked or stored to impede traffic on the sidewalk or to block a portion of the roadway. Vehicles parked or stored on the right-of-way in violation of this article for a period in excess of forty-eight (48) hours will be towed to the city vehicle impound or another approved vehicle storage facility and charges will be assessed for such expenses.



**Please do not park here**

**Reminder:** Vehicles are not allowed to stand or park unattended for a continuous period of 48 hours on a public street. It is illegal to block the city sidewalk with your vehicle. Sidewalks are considered public right-of-way, and city ordinance prohibits vehicles from stopping, standing or parking on a sidewalk. Resource: <https://library.municode.com>

## ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN GUIDELINE

### BULLETIN #1: STORAGE BUILDINGS

Section 4.23 states: ... “Any storage building shall be built of substantially the same material and design of the house situated on the Lots and must be approved by the ACC. ...” The following criteria will be used by the ACC in consideration of any such storage buildings to be placed on Lots:

- **No building will exceed 80 square feet (e.g. 8 x 10)**
- **The building must be placed on concrete slab foundation**
- **No building will exceed 8 feet in height at the ridge line of the roof**
- **Roof pitch will be similar to that of the house**
- **Must be constructed of brick matching the house and/or cement fiber board (hardiplank)**
- **All paintable surfaces must be painted to match the trim color of the house or other colors as approved by the ACC**
- **Shingles must match that of the house**
- **Screening may be required based on visibility**
- **Placement of storage buildings are subject to ACC approval**
- **PLANS FOR ALL STORAGE BUILDINGS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO, AND APPROVED BY THE ACC PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION**

The approval or lack of approval by the ACC shall not represent authority for any required local or municipal permits that may also be required.

## Dear Mira Lagos Homeowners,

Access to all ID cards have been turned off if you are not current on your dues or you are not currently on an active payment plan. If you have made arrangements for payment please contact the onsite office to have the access ID cards turned back on.

In the event you are not able to make your assessment payment in a timely manner, you may opt to be placed on a payment plan. Payment plans must be initiated by FirstService Residential or you will still be considered late. No exceptions. Payment plan arrangements can be started by contacting the On-Site office at 817-473-6787 or by email at [admin@miralagoshoa.com](mailto:admin@miralagoshoa.com). Assessment dues or due by January 30th. The 31st they are considered late. Please plan to have the payment processed prior to the 30th.

Payments should be made to:

**Mira Lagos HOA**  
**c/o FirstService Residential**  
**PO Box 60200**  
**Los Angeles, CA**  
**90060-0200**

If you need assistance getting your account number or access to your online account for Mira Lagos HOA please don't hesitate to call, we are here to assist.

Thank you!  
 ~ Management

## Mira Lagos



If you'd like to be a part of a new committee within the community, and you would like to bring some fresh ideas you'd like to see or thoughts of sports activities you'd like to participate in, please come to join us for the Pool and Sports Committee meeting.

**Thursday, April 4th**  
**Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse**  
**6:00 pm – 7:00 pm.**  
**Chairperson: Deneisha Barnes**

## Take a Walk

As the weather begins to warm, people will emerge from their homes to enjoy the outdoors and perhaps get a little exercise. One great outdoor activity and beneficial exercise is walking.

Walking is said to sharpen your brain and keep you motivated. Some studies have shown that walking outside can lower rates of depression more than walking indoors.

Walking is a weight-bearing activity with light impact strengthening bones helping to prevent fractures and osteoporosis.

Walking outdoors exposes your skin to sunlight and vitamin D. At least 75% of adults do not get enough vitamin D and are at a higher risk for many health concerns such as heart disease, some cancers and Alzheimer's disease.

After a bad or frustrating day, walking outdoors improves your mood and lowers stress levels.

A brisk walk for only 30 minutes a day can improve heart health, lower blood pressure and enhance circulation.



## WELCOME TO MAIN STREET FEST 2019

The City of Grand Prairie Parks, Arts & Recreation Department is hosting the 8th Annual Main Street Fest. The 3-day event is scheduled for Friday through Sunday, April 26 – 28 on the 200 block of W. Main St. and surrounding areas. The festival, with FREE parking and admission, will celebrate the fun, festive, family atmosphere that is Grand Prairie with live music featuring Texas Country Singer-Songwriters, award winning super groups accompanied by a variety of regional bands. Throughout the event enjoy a variety of Novelty Entertainment, more than 14 Carnival Rides, Arts & Crafts vendors, Business Expo vendors, 3 Entertainment Stages, plenty of Food & Beer Gardens, a KIDZONE and plenty of FUN for all!



# CRAFTING WITH MY PEEPS

It's Spring and Easter is just around the corner! Surely by now we've all seen the colorful marsh mellow peeps in the grocery stores? They are so cute but what to do with them... besides eat them? We found a million different fun ideas online and came up with a few of our own. So come join the fun and craft with your peeps to decorate your home for the season!



## Peeps M&Ms Centerpiece

Easter Peeps and M&Ms Flower vase is a perfect Easter decoration for your table. You can find inspiration online for different arrangements. Just one note – place a small jar or vase inside the larger container. You can place this jar/vase upside down if using only candy so it doesn't take so many candies to fill your arrangement. Or use vase right side up to hold the flowers separately so you can water and keep the flowers fresh and keep the candy from dissolving! Just place the bunny peeps and M&Ms in the spot between the two glass units.

## THE SHOWSTOPPER



## Peeps in a Twinkie-mobile

Supplies needed:

- Marshmallow Bunny Peeps
- Twinkies
- Mini pretzels, dipped in white chocolate
- Decorator Icing (white)
- Sprinkles
- Mini Cookies for tires (can use any type you choose)
- Colored Sugar

Supplies needed:

- For the seat, cut a small rectangle out of the top half of the Twinkie being careful not to cut all the way through. Make rectangle large enough to fit both the bunny and the pretzel.
- Brush pretzel with water and attach sprinkles as desired.
- Sometimes the Peep's sides show white when separated, so roll those unsightly boo-boos in colored sugar to cover the imperfections.
- Use the white decorator icing to secure the Peep and the pretzel steering wheel in Twinkie.
- Use frosting to secure the tire wheels on the sides.
- Decorate the car with icing and sprinkles; the sky is the limit! Allow to dry and set!



**Peeps Egg Centerpiece**

You can always dress up a pre-made arrangement from your local craft store. Change out eggs in the arrangement to match your Peeps colors. You can also add Peeps on a thin dowel rod or wooden skewer to add height and whimsy. Easy and cute!



**Peep Fruit Screwers**

Get creative with your Peeps and add some fruit on a wooden skewer.

**TO DRINK**

◀ **Drunken Bunnys**



Dip the rim of a glass in water, dip in pink sugar to match your Peeps, use a pink drink such as a Rosé and cut a Peeps for the rim of the glass. Use other color sugar and drink to match your Peeps.



**Peeps in Hot Chocolate ▶**

Need to say more? Who wouldn't love a Peep in their hot chocolate? Drop a chick or two in your hot chocolate for fun in place of traditional marshmallows and enjoy!



**Chick Peeps dipped in Icing and Sprinkles**

Use icing (melted slightly), dip the bottom of the Peeps and dip in sprinkles. Your Peeps Chicks look like they are sitting on their nest and these are SO delicious!

**Jelly Bean Bracelets**

Take Jelly Beans, some Elastic Thread, and a sewing needle big enough for elastic thread (double the thread for extra strength).



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**Mira Lagos Homeowners Association - ACC**  
**Property Modification Approval Request Form**

As each of us bought our property in Mira Lagos, we agreed by our signatures to abide by the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (a.k.a. CCRs or Deed Restrictions). The Deed Restrictions protect our property values by keeping Mira Lagos a highly desirable place to live. ACC (Architectural Control Committee) approval must be obtained prior to the start of your project. To avoid delay, make your request as complete as possible and type or print legibly. Incomplete requests will be returned for additional information. Incorrect information or changes made after approval invalidates approval. The ACC tries to assure that all changes to our properties conform to the appropriate Deed Restrictions. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**1. ABOUT THE RESIDENT(S) EMAIL ADDRESS:**

Name(s)	
Address	
Phone	Best time to call:

**2. ABOUT THE PROJECT**

Proposed start date	Proposed completion date
Describe the nature of the project (attach pages as necessary)	
Location (attach sketch/drawing)	
Dimensions	Distance from fences and easements
Colors	Shape
Materials	
Builder	
Other (specify)	

**IMPORTANT:** Include plan view and elevation drawings (to scale) plus any other supporting documents indicating project's location and its relationship to property lines, neighbors, construction, easements, etc.

**3. ABOUT THE REQUIREMENTS**

YES	NO	N/A	
			I/We have read the appropriate Deed Restrictions
			I/We have obtained a Grand Prairie building permit (attach copy) <b>City approval does not supersede deed restrictions.</b>
			This project will require a fence removal (if yes, inform Association Manager)
			Completed project will be visible from the street
<b>Check any that apply:</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Corner lot <input type="checkbox"/> Iron park fencing <input type="checkbox"/> Project already started

Homeowner's Signature	Date
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**Signature constitutes permission for ACC members to inspect property and agreement to abide by ACC's decision.**

Mail this request, along with all supporting documents, drawings, photographs, etc. to:

FirstService Residential  
 3102 Oak Lawn Ave, Ste 202  
 Dallas, Texas 75219

<p><b>For additional information call:</b>  <b>817-473-6787</b></p> <p>Email –  <a href="mailto:manager@miralagoshoa.com">manager@miralagoshoa.com</a></p>
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