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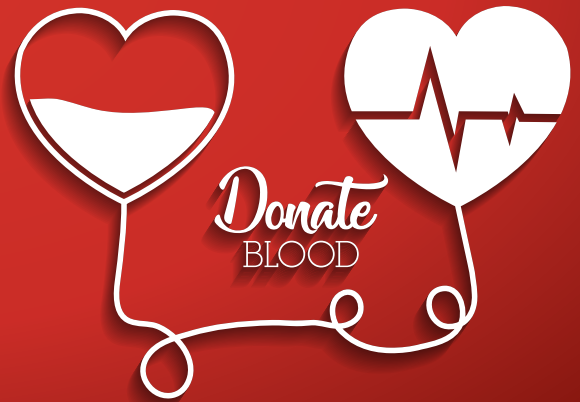
FIRST RESPONDERS NEEDED TO HELP! SAVE LIVES THIS SUMMER!

We are hosting a blood drive in Mira Lagos, the fact of the matter is that everyone wants to help when there is a catastrophic event, but the blood is needed before that event. So, on behalf of patients Carter Blood Care serves, they work very hard to make sure there is blood on the shelf every second of every day. It is the blood on the shelf that saves lives and our volunteer blood donors are the very first responders to "saving lives" that there is. Because the summer is hot and so many families are away from their home on vacation, Carter struggles to meet the needs of the hospitals they serve. If you can donate, you will be serving your community well. As a thank you to our donors, each of them will receive a patriotic t-shirt upon their donation.

July 28th, 2018
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Parking lot of 3025 S. Camino Lagos
Grand Prairie, TX 75054

We need 23 eligible donors but can do as many as 36 donors.

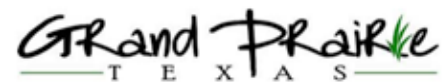


You are invited!

Mira Lagos HOA Annual Meeting
Thursday, July 19th, 2018

New Amenity Center/Clubhouse
3025 S. Camino Lagos | Grand Prairie, TX 75054

Sign in begins at 6:30 pm
Meeting begins promptly at 7:00 pm



Current Water Restrictions

To keep the city's water supply at a safe level and to comply with the city's whole sale water purchase contracts, **the following restrictions apply at all times:**

- **No** watering between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- **No** watering on Wednesday, Saturday or Sunday.
- Even numbered addresses may water on Mondays and Thursdays.
- Odd numbered addresses may water on Tuesday and Fridays.
- When watering, a constant stream of water should not be allowed to flow into the street drainage.
- Watering during precipitation is prohibited. Rain sensors are required on newer watering systems.



Allowed:

- Handheld and soaker hoses are allowed to be used any time.



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- ▶ Do you want to let others know how awesome someone is?

Help us show recognition to our Star Performers. Please email your feedback to starserviceonsite@fsresidential.com. Be sure to list the Star performers' name and community. Thank you for allowing us to serve you.

Your HOA Management Team










Important note on FIREWORKS



Per City Ordinance, **NO fireworks are allowed within the city limits.**

For more information, please contact Fire Administration at 972-237-8300.

City Ordinance - Sec. 12-6. Fireworks. (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally and knowingly own, possess, sell, offer for sale, ignite, or otherwise use fireworks within the city. (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale any fireworks in any unincorporated area within five thousand (5,000) [feet] of the city limits. (c) The provisions contained in subsections (a) and (b) above shall not apply to those fireworks enumerated in Vernon's Annotated Texas Statutes, Insurance Code, Article 5.43-4, Section 4 or to sales of fireworks by and between fireworks wholesalers. (d) The term "firework," as used herein, means a small device designed primarily to produce visible effects by combustion, that complies with the construction and chemical composition requirements of 16 C.F.R. Part 1507 (1984), or the most recently adopted version of that rule, and



the labeling requirements of the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission, and that is classified as a Class C explosive by the United States Department of Transportation. (Ord. No. 5458, § 2, 8-8-95) State law references: Fireworks regulations, V.A.C.S. art. 9205; creation of unreasonable noise in a public place, V.A.P.C. § 42.01(a)(5).

Please call the police if you know of anyone popping off fireworks in Mira Lagos.

NOTARY SERVICES



The On-site Manager, Stacy McGrath, and Assistant Manager, Matt Urbaniak are Notaries for Mira Lagos. This is a free service for residents and homeowners. Please make an appointment at manager@miralagoshoa.com.




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MOVIES ON THE BEACH

**SATURDAYS
IN JULY**

Movies start at sundown around 9 p.m. and concessions will be available for purchase. \$10/vehicle entry fee to the park (\$20 on holiday weekends), movies are FREE! Check the event pages each week to see fun activities planned before each movie as well. Show up early and bring a chair, we will see you at Loyd Park! Call 972-237-4120 for more information.



LOYD PARK

**3401 RAGLAND RD.
GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS 75052**



Keep Your Kids Hydrated

Texas summer heat can be dangerous for kids if fluids are leaving the body more rapidly than being replaced causing severe dehydration. Take a few precautions to make sure your kids are hydrated.

Be sure and offer kids water and healthy beverages at all meals as well as snacks. Help your child drink water regularly throughout the day. Your child should drink approximately 6 glasses of water a day.

If you wait for your child to get thirsty, they may be dehydrated already. When the weather is hot, it is a good idea to schedule frequent

water and healthy beverage breaks usually every 20 minutes.

After a sporting event, choose water and healthy drinks for cooling down followed by a healthy snack or fruit. During exercise and outdoor activities your child can lose up to a half a liter of fluid per hour. It is recommended for your child to drink 16 oz. of water two hours before vigorous activities or exercise.

Always keep a few bottles of water in your freezer, and then grab frozen water bottles to place in your cooler. The frozen water bottles will keep all your drinks cool without ice. Moderately cool water is easier for kids to drink allowing them to get the necessary amount of water to keep them cool, refreshed and hydrated.

Sometimes flavored sports drinks might be good options for your kids to drink as they help replace electrolytes when their bodies are sweating. Limit the amount of sports drinks your kids drink as these drinks are usually high in carbohydrates and calories.

Drinking caffeine should be avoided when trying to keep your child hydrated as caffeine drinks such as sodas and iced tea can contribute to dehydration.

As important as taking water breaks, many times it is difficult to get your children to stop playing for a water break. An option is to offer frozen pop treats to your kids. They will like the flavors and 2 frozen pops have a good amount of water for keep your kids hydrated.

Many fruits are excellent nutritious snacks packed with water. Offering fruit such as watermelon is a good choice to hydration during or after strenuous activities and sports. Helping your children make better choices such as water and fruits will ensure your kids are hydrated for the summer.

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GOOD HABITS FOR COUPLES

Habits can be good and bad. Creating good habits is challenging but well worth it, like eating healthy, getting exercise and taking time to rest. A habit is a behavior or practice that is often followed until it has become almost involuntary.

Couples need good habits like spending time together, calendaring date nights, planning family vacations and weekends away. A couple that practices good habits can improve communication, rekindle romance, and reinforce your friendship together. It is never too late to begin good habits. This guideline can help you and your spouse begin good habits this year.

WEEKLY

- One date night with just you and your spouse
- One double date with friends or relatives
- Alone time for self - reading, fantasy football, hobby or video games

MONTHLY

- Party at your house or night out with group of friends
- Girl's night out / Guy's night out

YEARLY

- Take a proper vacation with your family

JUNE



YARD OF THE MONTH



2018



El Llano - 2940 La Roda



El Arroyo - 3159 Serpis



Las Brisas - 2847 Mariposa



La Tierra - 2936 Arenoso



Valencia - 7336 Estela



Marbella - 7256 Bucanero



La Pradera - 7224 Portillo



Bella Vista - 2836 England Pkwy



Bella Vista - 2855 England Pkwy



Cordova - 3012 N Camino Lagos



Escondido - 7027 Miramar



La Ensenada - 2928 Nadar



El Sendero - 7039 N. Serrano



Sonora - 6919 Nava



El Mirador - 6851 Ensenada

JULY 2018 LANDSCAPE NEWS



July is Smart Irrigation Month

Begin checking irrigation systems for leaks, geysers, runoff and inefficient watering. Consider running two back to back cycles of 1/2 the time you choose to deliver water, e.g. run 2 cycles of 15-minute station times rather than 1 cycle of 30 minutes. We call this "cycle and soak". This allows better infiltration of water to the soil and reduces water runoff

Plant of the Month: Lynn's Legacy Texas Sage

This Texas Sage is a very special cultivar which blooms prolifically (also known as Lynn's Everblooming) and is somewhat unusual in the trades. It stays compact and tightly grown, however, it exhibits all of the characters of the typical Sage (drought tolerant, no insects or pests). In this picture the plant is in a landscape which has NO IRRIGATION!

Landscape Tips for July

Check for leaks in irrigation valves, heads, pipe. Turn off the system until repairs are made. Water according to your locally approved schedule (contact your City if you don't know your schedule). Watch for brown patch in St. Augustine lawns. Convert turf areas to low water use plants/materials. If you are eligible for an exemption in your community for large property variance, apply for it and use it!

Article by: Greater Texas Landscape Services

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How To Select a Great Realtor

DO NOT blindly walk into or call a neighborhood firm and ask for an agent at random.

Ask friends and family for recommendations.

Pay attention to whether a potential agent is listening closely to what you say. Is he or she asking follow-up questions which prompt further explanation and help him or her understand exactly your needs and wants?

Give a potential agent the opportunity to educate you. A good agent should walk a customer through the buying or selling process before ever showing properties or discussing a specific transaction.

Have a good idea of what you expect from an agent and communicate those expectations. How often do you want to hear from your agent? Do you want to hold meetings at your house rather than the real estate office?

Evaluate the agent's firm and/or office. Look for a real estate organization whose agents can empower you with real estate expertise and resources and provide first-rate customer service.

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NEW POOL ACCESS CARDS



In anticipation of our new fitness center we are starting to distribute new photo ID access cards. If you are current on your dues or have payment plan arrangements in place and are actively paying, these new access cards will give you access to the new fitness center and all three of the pools.

If you are not current on your HOA dues or you are not on a payment plan, no access will be given.



The new photo ID cards will be issued to each member of your household 14 years of age and older and each member of the household must be present to be issued a new photo ID access card. Be prepared to take a picture as the new cards will have your image on them. If you have a picture that you would prefer to use, please send it along with your address to admin@miralagoshoa.com, and we can use the picture that you provide.

Please return any of your old pool cards, if you have them, as they will no longer work once new cards have been given out.

Please contact Cynthia at 817-473-6787 to sign up for a time spot to have your household come in to take a photo and receive your new access cards for all of the pools and the new fitness center.

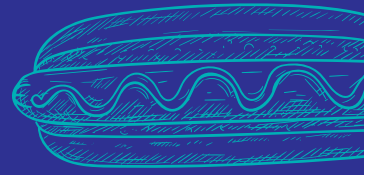
**NO WALK-INS! By Appointment Only.
Tuesday - Saturday from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm**

We look forward to seeing you!!

NOTE:

- * Your old cards will continue to work until you are able to make the appointment.
- * Your old cards will not work if you are behind in payments on the HOA dues.

Go Italian, add mozzarella and pizza sauce...maybe even add a few mini pepperonis.



Try guacamole and crumble a few tortilla chips on top for crunch.

Add corn chips to your chili cheese dog.

Add BBQ sauce and baked beans.

No Rules

HOT DOG TOPPERS

July 18th is National Hot Dog Day! If you're looking for an alternative to ketchup and mustard try these topping ideas!



Have a Fiesta dog with black beans, tomatoes, onions and some corn too!

Top your dog with salad... any salad, from Cesar to marinated veggies.

Ditch the grated cheese for mac and cheese!

It's your dog, you make the rules!



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Fitness Center Rules

- Proper work-out attire must be worn at all times
- Lift weights in a controlled manner
- Do not drop weights
- Return equipment to their appropriate location
- Wipe all surfaces and remove all personal items after use
- Please be courteous of others and limit time to 30 minutes on cardiovascular equipment
- No eating, vaping, tobacco use, smoking or glass containers
- No foul/abusive language, radios, speakers or excessive noise
- All media and music listening must be done via headphones
- Alcoholic beverages may not be brought in or consumed
- You must be 18 to bring guests and guests must be accompanied by the resident (limit 2)
- Children under the age of 12 are not permitted at any time
- Children aged 12-17 allowed with parental supervision
- Children aged 14-17 allowed 5AM – 9PM without parent supervision
- All locks left on lockers will be cut off nightly and items discarded
- The HOA is not responsible for any lost or stolen objects
- Report any broken equipment to HOA

Use of the workout facility is “at your own risk”

The Mira Lagos HOA fitness center is a 24-hour facility. The fitness center is private property owned by the association. Let’s work together to avoid extra expenses. If you have a lost or stolen access card, please contact the HOA office at 817-473-6787. Replacement access cards are \$25.

VIOLATION OF RULES MAY RESULT IN TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT LOSS OF PRIVILEGES



Put the Phone Down

While your children are playing, pay attention! If you have an emergency phone call ask your children to get out of the pool. Nothing is more important than your children’s safety. Closely supervising your children is the key to prevent drownings

Layers of Protection

In addition to close supervision, Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) recommends layers of protection, including barriers, such as a fence with self-closing, self-latching gates, completely surrounding pools to prevent unsupervised access by young children. If the house forms a side of the barrier, use alarms on doors leading to the pool area or a power safety cover over the pool. It is important to always be prepared for an emergency by having rescue equipment and a phone near the pool. Also, parents should learn cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

Look in the Pool First

There are about 300 drowning deaths of children younger than 5 each year in swimming pools. Most of the victims had been missing for 5 minutes or less when they were found. Precious time is often wasted looking for missing children anywhere but in the pool. Since every second counts, always look for a missing child in the pool or spa first

Drowning is Silent

Parents may think that if their child falls in the water, they will hear lots of splashing and screaming, and that they will be able to come to the rescue. Many times, however, children slip under the water silently. Even people near or in the pool have reported hearing nothing out of the ordinary during drowning incidents.

Information provided by the
U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

JULY 2018
Holiday & Observances

Independence Day	7/4
National Ice Cream Day	7/15
National Hot Dog Day	7/18
Annual Meeting	7/19
Parents Day	7/22
Blood Drive	7/28
National Lasagna Day	7/29
Int’l Day of Friendship	7/30

July Observances & Fun Facts

July 2018 is Observed as:

- National Parks Month
- National Picnic Month
- UV Safety Month

July Birthstone

Ruby and Onyx

Fruit & Veggies for the Month of July

- Papaya
- Mango
- Nectarine
- Garlic

July Flower

Larkspur & Water Lily


July Astrological Sign

Cancer (till 22nd) & Leo (23rd →)

Proclamations and Notable July Observances

National Lasagna Day July 29th

Something is Hidden.
Can you find it?

We have hidden in the Mira Lagos Messenger, sunglasses. Please email  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.

DEAR
ERIK



Hello neighbors! My name is Erik Shinkle. I am the new chairperson for our HOA communications committee. This section of our newsletter is designed for our residents to ask questions and have them answered by me. Please ask me anything, from HOA questions to Military advice. Questions can be emailed to me directly at communications@miralagoshoa.com.

Dear Erik,

I've lived in Mira Lagos for 5 years, I've paid my dues on time every year and I've heard that when the new amenities center opens I won't be able to rent it immediately. Why would the HOA do this?

-Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

Thank you for your inquiry. I spoke to the HOA Board as well as with our management company. With the price tag of the amenity center our HOA must protect our million-dollar investment. They want to ensure the building is functional, i.e. that all the HVAC systems work, that the security systems are operating, that there are no electrical issues. The board also needs to approve a reasonable rental

agreement, furnishings and secure a cleaning company. Also, the board and HOA committees will need to set dates for their events and meetings, scheduling these events 6-12 months in advance will take some planning.

They will start with a few events held in the amenities center so the HOA can work out some of these details. The Annual Board meeting will take place in July and a Grand Opening soon thereafter. The board is looking at making the center available to rent sometime in the winter. Once an approved date is set, Stacy will send a notice out to the community with the details. They are aware homeowners are anxious to use the facility, at the same time want to make sure that the facility is ready for the homeowners.

Thanks again for your question!

-Erik

GRAND OPENING

to the new Mira Lagos Amenity Center
and Fitness Center Coming Soon!

Keep an eye out for updates on the date of the Grand Opening!



HOA POOL RULES

1. **NO LIFEGUARD** on duty! Swim at your own risk!
2. Children under the age of 14 **MUST** be accompanied by a resident, 18 years or older, possessing a valid pool card.
3. Only 4 guests allowed per residence. A resident 18 years or older, possessing a valid pool card, **MUST** accompany all guests.
4. Proper swimwear required.
5. Persons with skin diseases, open sores or wounds, inflamed eyes, nasal or ear infections, or any communicable diseases are not allowed to use the pool.
6. For the health and safety of the residents, rubber pants in addition to swim diapers are **REQUIRED** for all non-toilet trained children.
7. **NO** water wings allowed without a U.S. Coast Guard approved life vest properly fitted with age and with adult supervision. **NO** rafts allowed
8. **NO** diving allowed.
9. **NO** pets. **NO** smoking, **NO** vaping. **NO** alcohol or glass objects of any kind allowed in pool area. **NO** food or drink allowed in the pool water.
10. Radios and other noise should be maintained at a low level at all times.
11. **DO NOT** ride bikes, tricycles, scooters, roller blades, skateboards or any other similar vehicles in the pool area.
12. Running, roughhousing or general horse play that may endanger the safety of others is **NOT** allowed.
13. Foul language and/or threatening behavior **wit NOT** be tolerated.
14. Emergency equipment is to be used for emergencies only.
15. Access to the equipment room is restricted.
16. **NO** trespassing after pool hours or during pool closures.
17. The Homeowners Association or Management Company are not responsible for personal property, accidents, injuries or theft.
18. **VANDALISM WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.** To report vandalism, call police immediately then notify Management Company 817-473-6787.
19. **Pools WILL CLOSE during Inclement weather.**
20. **In case of EMERGENCY, CALL 911.**

Violation of pool rules may lead to revoking of pool privileges and/or criminal prosecution.



EASY FOURTH OF JULY DECORATIONS

Red, white and blue napkins

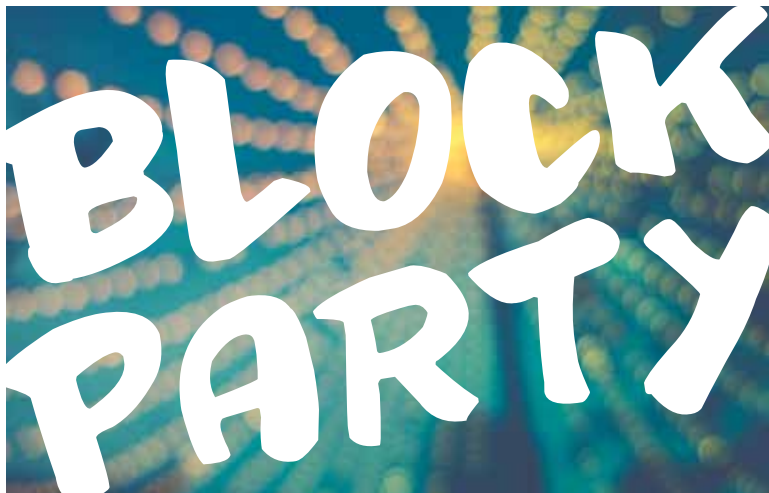
Use red, white and blue bandanas as napkins for an inexpensive and fun splash of color. Tuck spoons, forks and knives in a bandana, tie with string.

Flowers

Place white flowers in three clear vases, then use red food coloring to tint the water red in one vase, blue food coloring in another vase for blue water, leave the remaining vase with only water for a vivid table setting.

Patriotic Mason jars

Layer red, white and blue rice in Mason jars and top with tea light. Place long grain rice in plastic bags, add drops of dye and shake to desired colors of red and blue. Fill a Mason jar with third each of red rice, white rice and blue rice then place a tea light gently in the top layer of rice.



Is your street interested in throwing a block party? Not sure what you need to do? Let's cover the basics. Block parties can be a great way to meet your neighbors, build relationships and have fun. Where should you start?

- 1. Pick a date, get a few organizers together and delegate duties.** Pick 2-3 dates and ask your neighbors what dates they can attend, to maximize participation. Pick a theme, have name tags you may know everyone but not all your neighbors know one another.
- 2. Block off the street to be safe you will need to get a block party application approved by the GPPD.** Visit gptx.org and search for Block party application, you will need this form to have your street blocked off. The concern of accident liability has many steering clear of allowing the BBQ grill or bounce house on their property. How to handle this worry? One source said they have homeowners sign a waiver to protect homeowners and reduce potential neighborhood tension
- 3. What to eat?** BBQing, catering, potluck so many options, manning the grill and enjoying a beverage is my favorite, whatever your street decides, make sure everyone is on board, maybe a few neighbors want their entrée catered and others want to cook, go for it. The intent is to mingle and enjoy each other. Many neighborhoods opt for each family to bring their own beverages (although some will provide soft drinks) and often ask every family to donate a set amount to offset the cost of the meat, prizes for the kiddies and entertainment.
- 4. Entertainment, DJ's, block rockers, garage-stereos, bounce houses, bean-bag toss, washers, face paintings, snow cones, sack races, make it fun!** Come up with games for all ages, maybe get a street block party trophy, for the winner. Have a pie eating contest, or egg toss (please clean the street if you do) water balloon toss for the kids or adults. There are way too many ideas to list, talk to your neighbors and see what they like.
- 5. Other ideas, Ask the local police and fire department if they would stop by for a mini hands on seminar for the kids.** Have a bike decorating contest, chili cook off, or live entertainment.
- 6. Have a plan, be safe, have sunscreen, first aid kits, water and shade available.** If you're going to have alcohol be safe. Don't try and ride a mini dirt bike with a fire-works mortar launcher duct-taped to a helmet and shoot off fire-works while pooping a wheelie! let's have the neighbors talking about what a great time they had and not telling the story of how the fire depart showed up.
- 7. Clean up, need I say more?** Nothing is worse than being the neighbor that didn't help, if you played help clean up. Designate a house for trash. Make sure you have bags, and containers out for trash and recyclables.



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BACKPACK AND FOOD DRIVE

June 1st to August 5th

Please help the kids in Grand Prairie that need help by donating a new backpack and canned food.

**Bags can be dropped off at the HOA office
3025 S. Camino Lagos | Grand Prairie, Texas 75054**



ACC Request Approvals

According to the Mira Lagos HOA governing documents Section 5.3b, the ACC (Architectural Compliance Committee) has up to 45 days to provide approval on any submitted request.

(b) . The ACC may postpone its review of any matter submitted for approval pending receipt of any information or material which the ACC, in its sole discretion, may require. At such time as the submitted documents meet the approval of the ACC, one complete set of the submitted documents will be retained by the ACC, and the ACC will notify the appropriate party in writing of its approval. If disapproved by the ACC, the ACC shall deliver to the appropriate party a written statement of disapproval setting forth the reasons for disapproval, which statement shall be signed by an authorized representative of the ACC. In no event shall the ACC give oral approval of any documents. If the ACC fails to respond to any submitted documents within forty~ five (45) days after the date of submission, the matters submitted shall be deemed to be approved ten (10) days after written notice to the ACC, which written notice shall state that the ACC's failure to respond within such ten-day period will result in a deemed approval of the submitted item. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the forty~ five (45) day period referenced in the preceding sentence shall not commence until all information required to be submitted to the ACC or requested by it has been received; there shall be no deemed approval of a request for variance under Section 5.5, any such approval to be evidenced only by express written approval. Material modifications or changes in any materials submitted to the ACC following approval by the ACC shall be resubmitted for its inspection and approval.

JULY PROFILE

How about profiling the United States? A very memorable day in July for us all, but how about some facts?

Independence Day, better known as the Fourth of July, is a federal holiday in the United States and it is best known for the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Did you know that the legal

separation from the Thirteen Colonies and Great Britain occurred on July 2nd in 1776? Me neither. That's when the vote occurred however a statement (our Declaration) was authored, revised and then signed 2 days later... The Fourth. John Adams (one of the originators and former President) was so excited that he wrote his wife Abigail and said: "The second day of July 1776, will be the

most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival." Sorry President Adams, not so much. We went with the day of the signing of the Declaration of Independence instead.

No matter, this was a special day to us all and the start of a new nation. Be safe, have fun and be proud. Enjoy!

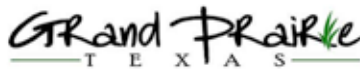
Happy Fourth of July all!!



HAPPY
4TH OF JULY
 INDEPENDENCE DAY
since 1776

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

**Grand Prairie will host a celebration at Lone Star Park. Gates open at 3 PM.
 Located at 1000 Lone Star Parkway, 75050.**



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.

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 or call 888-317-4747.

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!"