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The number of users on our neighborhood Facebook page is growing! On our page you will find information to enhance your knowledge of the community.



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Your HOA Management Team

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

Committee Chairs
Chair Meetings: Bi-monthly

<p>Communications Jeanne Spare communications@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: monthly</p> <p>Landscape Pam Downs landscape@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: 1st Wednesday monthly</p> <p>Pool and Sports Deneisha Barnes poolandsports@miralagoshoa.com 3rd Tuesday (Apr-Sept)</p> <p>Safety Robert McLain, Chairman safety@miralagoshoa.com Co-chair : Cheyanne McLain Meetings: 1st Tuesday monthly</p>	<p>Social Valorie Felix and Anita Walker social@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: 2nd Wednesday monthly</p> <p>Welcome Susan Kennedy welcome@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: monthly/electronically</p> <p>New Members welcome on all committees!</p> <p>Board of Directors Joshua Spare, President Eric Blackwell, Vice President Ken Self, Director Deirdre Garrett, Director John Hughes, Director board@miralagoshoa.com</p>
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Mira Lagos Messenger

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Greetings Neighbors!

I recently volunteered to be Communications Chair for the Mira Lagos HOA! Yes, I'm back at it! For those who don't know me, I've been a Communications volunteer since 2010 and I



I love my family and family selfies! Here's a photo from a recent family day when we were having some laughs. Hanging out with this group is my favorite way to spend time.
(L-R) Emmett, Jeanne, Elle, Josh

previously served as Chair from 2010 to 2014. My goal as Communications Chair is to support my neighbors by providing useful and timely information to nurture the sense of community we already have going!

In 2007, I moved to Mira Lagos with my husband Joshua. After moving, Joshua and I began

volunteering on HOA committees right away. We felt it was the best way to get to know our community and meet neighbors. And we were right! Our neighbors have become friends.

Today, Joshua and I have been married almost 18 years. We have two children who attend Mansfield ISD schools. We love the City of Grand Prairie, our local Grand Prairie church and our community.

If you would like to volunteer on the Communications Committee too or simply have one suggestion or idea to benefit members of our HOA, let me know! Email communications@miralagoshoa.com.

Jeanne Spore
Communications Chair

REPORTING STREETLIGHT OUTAGES

Streetlight outages on our city streets can be reported by contacting Oncor.

1-888-303-4747

www.oncorestreetlight.com



Save the Date

2019 State Fair of Texas
September 27 - October 20
Fair Park, Dallas, TX

Tweet'n Bout Community

It's easy to take social media for granted. It's part of everyday life for most people. But it can be useful for getting news or following the latest trend. And your homeowner's association is on-board. Mira Lagos HOA has been on Twitter since 2010 when it was approved by the HOA Board for use by the Communications Committee. We have a modest following and invite you to join the conversation! Here are some topics and hashtags that may interest you.



Love the Mira Lagos Messenger magazine in your hand? [#MLMessenger](#)

Getting in a workout at the Fitness Center or enjoying the walking trails? [#MLHOAFitness](#)

Attending a meeting or activity at your Clubhouse? [#MLHOAClubhouse](#)

Selling treasures at the spring or fall, community-wide [#GarageSale](#)? [#MLGarageSale](#)

If you call [#GrandPrairieTX](#) home and [#LiveLifeGrandGP](#) in Mira Lagos, mention [@MiraLagosHOA](#) [#MLHOA!](#)

MiraLagosHOA on Twitter is managed by the Communications Committee and is just for fun. A volunteer will reply to comments when appropriate, but customer service is not provided through Twitter. If you need homeowner assistance, please contact First-Service Residential Management directly. Association contact information is on page 2.



Something is Hidden. Can you find it?



An image is hidden in the Mira Lagos Messenger! When you find this latte (*let's imagine it's a pumpkin spice latte*), email manager@miralagoshoa.com to be entered into a random drawing to WIN a \$25 gift card.

In the subject line of your email put, "I FOUND IT" and provide the page number the item is on, with your name, address and phone number.

Have fun reading this month's Mira Lagos Messenger!

PLEASE PICK UP

Pet waste is a health hazard and water pollutant. To help responsible pet-owners in our community, pet waste disposal cans are installed in high traffic walking areas for your convenience. It's easy to protect our drinking water and keep our green spaces beautiful and safe for all residents, by knowing a few things:



- Pick up your pet waste. It is not fertilizer.
- Carry disposable bags while you are walking your dog to pick up and dispose of waste in (our new receptacles or) the trash.
- Flush your pet's waste down the toilet to be treated.
- Bury pet waste in the yard, at least 6 inches deep and cover with soil. It will decompose slowly. Bury the waste in several different locations in the yard and keep it away from vegetable gardens.

www.gptx.org



Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse Rental Information

\$500 Deposit (refundable)

\$50/hour, minimum 2 hours

Capacity 150, tables and chairs are included in the rental

Cleaning Fee

\$75 (non-refundable after 4pm)

Tuesday – Saturday, All Day Sunday & Monday

\$35 (refundable before 4pm) Tuesday – Saturday

Alcohol Requirements

\$45/hour additional security

Grand Prairie Police Officer - arranged by office staff

TABC licensed bartender - your choice

NO HOLIDAY BOOKINGS

Information: admin@miralagoshoa.com

Reservations: reservations@miralagoshoa.com

Confirm Your Reservation

Clubhouse reservations must be confirmed by signing a contract and paying the deposit within 30 days of your date. Reservations must be canceled no later than two-weeks prior to the event to prevent losing your deposit.



As a nonprofit hunger relief organization, we distribute donated, purchased and prepared foods through a network of more than 340 Food Assistance Partners in 13 counties. Every day, we support the nutritional needs of children, families and seniors through education, advocacy and strategic partnerships.



North Texas Food Bank
4500 S. Cockrell Hill Road
Dallas, TX 75236-2028
214.330.1396
ntfb.org



Mansfield ISD Closures & Holidays

October 10 – Regular Full School Day & Parent/Teacher Conferences (PM Only)

October 11 – Student Holiday & Parent/Teacher Conferences (AM Only)

October 14 – Student Holiday & Teacher Workday

CHECK IT OUT:

7 October Home Maintenance Tasks



- 1. Clean your dryer vents.** Excess lint can dramatically increase the risk of fire.
- 2. Seal outdoor surfaces.** Apply stain* and sealants before excess moisture or snow penetrate and cause paint to peel or wood to rot. (Yeah, this is Texas, but who knows! Also, fresh stain looks great-and it's required HOA maintenance.)
- 3. Store your yard furniture.** Invest in durable covers or an outdoor shed**.
- 4. Winterize the hose.** Before freezing temperatures arrive, drain and store your hose, and shield external faucets with foam insulation covers.
- 5. Feed and seed your lawn.** Seeding is an effective way to repair damage from a long, hot summer. By seeding before the first frost, you can allow seeds to begin taking root in the soil for spring growth.
- 6. Maintain gutters and downspouts.** It's best to keep water flowing away from your house. If you feel comfortable, grab a ladder, or better yet, call a pro to check for leaks on the underside of gutters, the flashing around the chimney and any openings, like skylights, on the roof.

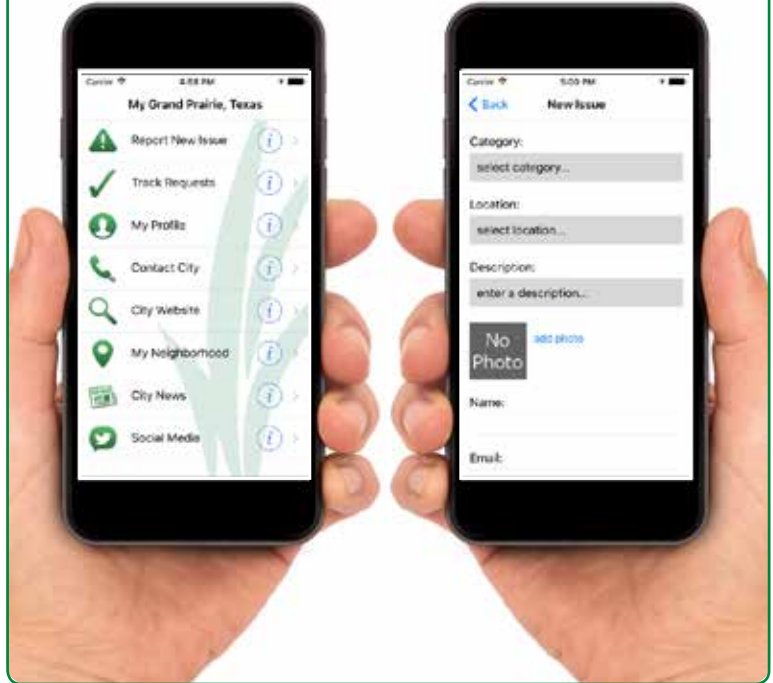
* The approved Mira Lagos HOA standard stain is Wood Defender Semi-Transparent Stain Color – Rustic Oak). This product is available for purchased in bulk from the HOA office.

** An ACC Request Form must be submitted to the HOA office and approval obtained prior to any exterior changes or additions. The only except is when replacing plants or flowers in an existing flower bed.

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DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO THROW?

Recycling has been around since the 1970's and we all know that it is good for the environment, creates jobs and it keeps items from sitting in our limited landfill space forever. But did you know that recycling the wrong way can be harmful to the recycling economy and potentially dangerous to recycling workers?



Visit timetorecycle.com to test your recycling IQ

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Mira Lagos HOA Upcoming Events & Activities

2019	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Social Committee

Holiday Brunch & Toy Drive | December 7, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
New, unwrapped gifts for Santa Cop will be accepted!

Safety Committee

Santa Cop | December 7, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

The South Pool is Open

through October 12th and will close for the season starting October 13th. The HOA does not have pool monitors after Labor Day and closing the East and North pools in early September allows for winterizing and inventory for the following year to begin. The South pool, located near the Clubhouse and Fitness Center at 3025 S Camino Lagos, is more conducive to regular monitoring by the management staff.

The closure date for the South pool will be reconsidered for a date if not on or before the 12th of October once the weather starts to change. Pools reopen in May.



Welcome Reception

Saturday, October 12

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse

New residents are invited to a reception in their honor! Watch for the invitation mailed to you by the Welcome Committee. If you moved into a home in the Mira Lagos HOA within the past year and have never attended a Welcome Reception, we look forward to meeting you!

Refreshments * Door-prizes
 Welcome bags * New Friendships

HALLOWEEN DECORATING CONTEST



Pam Downs, Landscape Chair

The Annual Halloween Decorating Contest will be held in October once again. The Landscape Committee will be on the lookout for ghouls and goblins and boo-tiful Halloween decorations all over Mira Lagos. Gift Cards will be awarded for the most spook-tacular homes. All decorated homes will automatically be entered into the contest. Weather permitting, judges will be flying around on their broomsticks between October 25- October 31st, so pull your skeletons out of the closet and get ready to scare the daylight out of your neighbors. Nominations can be sent to landscape@miralagoshoa.com.

Happy Haunting!

WHAT'S HAPPENING *Mira Lagos HOA Upcoming Events & Activities*



Community partnering against crime!

October 1, 2019 | 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse

Refrestments • Family Fun • Meet Neighbors

Wear your Mira Lagos HOA photo ID.

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. <https://natw.org/about>

The Shred America truck will be in our Clubhouse parking lot from 6:30PM – 8:30PM to shred and properly dispose of any sensitive information. Bring your paper!



HOMEOWNER YOGA

Pool & Sports Committee

Yoga Strength & Stretch | October 12, 8:30 am – 9:30 pm

Yoga Strength & Stretch | October 14, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Yoga Deep Stretch | October 28, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Yoga Strength & Stretch | November 4, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Yoga Strength & Stretch | November 16, 8:30 am – 9:30 pm

Yoga Deep Stretch | November 25, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

RSVP to poolandsports@miralagoshoa.com for a registration link.



JOB READINESS WORKSHOP

Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse

Interviewing Essentials

Tuesday, October 15th | 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Make a good impression with necessary skills for interviewing.

RSVP by October 12th.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Mira Lagos HOA Upcoming Events & Activities

MIRA LAGOS 2019

Fall Festival & Vendor Fair

Saturday, October 19th, 2019

12 pm – 2 pm

Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse

Come out and enjoy food, horse & buggy ride, face painters, pumpkin patch, local vendors and coming together with friends and neighbors.

All Vendors & Crafts Welcome

\$25 registration fee

(refundable to Mira Lagos Residents)

Please register with the HOA office

by October 14th.

For more information email admin@miralagoshoa.com.

MIRA LAGOS FALL FESTIVAL AND VENDOR FAIR REGISTRATION

Want an opportunity to advertise your business or craft?

Register now for the **ML Fall Festival and Vendor Fair on Saturday, October 19, 2019** from 12pm-2pm at Mira Lagos Clubhouse.

**ML resident vendors/crafters will need a deposit of \$25 (REFUNDABLE).
Non-residents can participate for a minimal fee of \$25 (NON-REFUNDABLE).
All checks should be made out to: Mira Lagos HOA**

Drop off your registration form and fee no later than **October 14, 2019** at the Mira Lagos HOA Property Management Office located at:
3025 S. Camino Lagos, Bldg. 1, Grand Prairie, TX 75054.

If you have questions regarding this event please email: social@miralagoshoa.com.

Please note that participation in the vendor fair is on a first come, first serve basis. Table and chairs are available.

This form must be submitted with your payment in order for us to reserve your spot at the Vendor Fair.

No deposit refunds for no-shows or cancellations after 10/14/2019.

**ALL VENDORS/CRAFTERS MUST BE SET UP AND READY BEFORE 12 Noon
Doors will open at 11 a.m. for set-up only.
We ask that you maintain an open booth for at least 2-hours once event opens.**

VENDOR FAIR REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Are you a Mira Lagos Resident? Circle YES or NO

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone Number: (day) _____ (evening) _____

E-mail address: _____

Name of your Business: _____

Description of your Product or Service: _____

MISD School Board Approves Lower Tax Rate

Mansfield ISD's tax rate has dropped from \$1.54 to \$1.46 per \$100 of certified property value. The MISD School Board approved the lower rate at the regular board meeting on August 27.

"With an 8-cent decrease of the tax rate in such an amazing school district, I want people to understand the value that they're getting for their tax dollars here," said Board President Karen Marcucci. "We appreciate the money that is sent to us, we take it very seriously, and we really try to do the best with it and be fiscally responsible."

Under the new tax rate of \$1.46, 97 cents will go toward the maintenance and operations (M&O) fund, and 49 cents is for the debt service fund.

The maintenance and operations budget funds daily costs and recurring or consumable expenditures, such as teacher and staff salaries, supplies, food, gas and utilities. The debt service fund is used to repay debt for longer-term capital improvements approved by voters through bond elections.

MISD's 2019-20 budget was approved in June.

mansfieldisd.org • August 27, 2019



Register with FirstService Residential Connect

<https://miralagos.connectresident.com>

When visiting your community's landing page, navigate to the resident access section by selecting the Resident Access button. To register, a valid email address and mobile phone number are required. If a mobile phone number is not available, a non-mobile phone number is allowed but will not be used for registration.

Once a user submits their registration information, there are a few scenarios that may occur. Please read full details in the September 2019 Mira Lagos Messenger.

TRICK-OR-TREAT

Families and children will be trick-or-treating for Halloween on October 31st. Even mid-week, this can be a busy night in our community. Here are a few tips that will help all who participate be safe and have fun!

- Wear a costume that fits and includes bright or reflective elements.
- Carry a flashlight.
- Only visit homes of people you know.
- Stay away from homes or doorways that are dark.
- Do not enter any homes without the permission of your parents.
- Only visit those streets with which you are familiar.
- Obey the rules of traffic. Watch for traffic/pedestrians. Don't automatically assume you can be seen.
- Keep to sidewalks and crosswalks.
- Avoid cutting across lawns.
- Stay in groups.
- Kids going out without parents should follow an agreed upon route and return home at a time determined in advance.
- Keep your cell phone charged and close.

For preschoolers or elementary school children, a viable alternative to door to door trick-or-treating is a private Halloween party. Join with neighbors, family, church, or school groups to plan a gathering that includes a costume parade, games, and of course, lots of treats to take home.



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Strollin' with the Mayor "Pink Out"

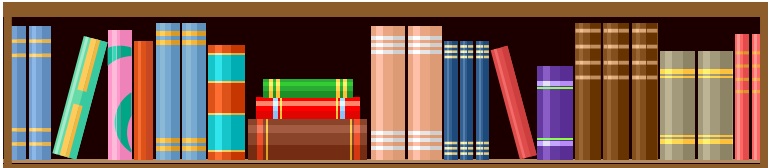
October 19, 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Farmers Market
120 W. Main St., Grand Prairie, Texas 75050



Join Mayor Ron Jensen for Strollin' with the Mayor: Pink Out Walk. The stroll is a 2-mile casual pace walk in Downtown Grand Prairie. Come decked out in pink to help raise awareness about breast cancer! After the walk, you can get information on family nutrition and breast cancer, and shop at Grand Prairie Farmers Market. Strollers and leashed dogs welcome.

www.gptx.org/getfitgp



Grand Prairie Library Events

www.gptx.org

Fired Up For Reading

October 05, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Main Library
901 Conover Drive, Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

For all ages. Join us at the library as we invite the Grand Prairie Fire Department to show us their gear and read their favorite books.

Fall Book Sale

October 19, 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Main Library
901 Conover Drive, Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library | The Friends of the Library hold their annual Fall Book Sale at the Main Library. The Book Sale is free and open to the general public Thursday through Sunday.

- Oct. 17: 10 am - 5 pm
- Oct. 18: Noon to 5 pm
- Oct. 19: 10 am- 5 pm
- Oct. 20: 1 - 5 pm

YOUR MIRA LAGOS ID GIVES YOU ACCESS

Jeanne Spare, Communications Chair

You are a VIP when you have your Mira Lagos HOA photo ID access card with you at events. Your access card shows that you belong, and membership has its benefits.

You're already using your access card for entry to the pools and Fitness Center. Keep it handy to bring or wear (on a lanyard) to community events and activities too. Especially community events and meetings where there are giveaways and food! Residents who show their ID will be able to get drawing tickets, food tickets and other perks just because you are a member of the Mira Lagos HOA.

Most Mira Lagos HOA events including socials, homeowner workshops and our annual meeting are just for residents. And sometimes, everyone is welcome and residents from neighboring communities join us for forums, fund-raisers and vendor fairs to get public information, donate or go shopping. **HOWEVER - YOU ARE THE VIP** in Mira Lagos. Wearing your ID will set you apart and make sure you get access to the member-only features of each event - like the buffet and door-prize drawings.



To obtain an access card your account must be current with the HOA. Send headshots of the members of your household who are age 14 and up to admin@miralagoshoa.com along with your address and the names of the people in the photos. Cynthia will then send you paperwork that needs to be filled out and returned once the cards are ready for pick up.

Community Block Party & Pack the Bus

POOL AND SPORTS COMMITTEE



The 2019-2020 Pack the Bus campaign was a success! This school supply drive concluded with donations collected at the Community Block Party hosted by volunteers of the Pool and Sports Committee. Neighbors gathered on Friday, August 9th at the Clubhouse to Pack the Bus and enter a drawing for awesome prizes, to register for Fantasy Football and to enjoy a delicious hotdog bar.

New school supplies and backpacks were delivered on Monday, August 12th! Thank you to everyone who donated and volunteered!





“ It was a pleasure see the kids playing while friends and neighbors congregated. It reminded me of what community is supposed to look like. Although we may never know the names of the MISD student and teachers, we can be sure our blessings made their lives just a little bit easier. Excellent work ML family; this is why we love this community!
- Kenny Donnell



“ Our family had a blast at the block party! We enjoyed chatting with new and familiar faces. The event was well organized, and we enjoyed the door prize giveaways! We cannot wait for the next block party!
- Dave B., El Arroyo



Homestead Exemption?

You may apply for homestead exemptions on your principal residence. Homestead exemptions remove part of your home's value from taxation, so they lower your taxes.

For example, your home is appraised at \$100,000, and you qualify for a \$25,000 exemption (this is the amount mandated for school districts), you will pay school taxes on the home as if it was worth only \$75,000. Taxing units have the option to offer a separate exemption of up to 20 percent of the total value.

To qualify, a home must meet the definition of a residence homestead:



The home's owner must be an individual (for example: not a corporation or other business entity) and use the home as his or her principal residence on January 1 of the tax year. If you are age 65 or older, or disabled, the January 1 ownership and residency are not required for the age 65 or disabled homestead exemption.

To get a general \$25,000 homestead exemption, you may file an Application for Residential Homestead Exemption with your appraisal district for the \$25,000 homestead exemption up to two years after the taxes on the homestead are due. Once you receive the exemption, you do not need to reapply unless the chief appraiser sends you a new application. In that case, you must file the new application. If you should move or your qualification ends, you must inform the appraisal district in writing before the next May 1st. A list of appraisal district addresses and phone numbers is available online.

Most questions about property appraisal or property tax should be addressed to your county's appraisal district or tax assessor-collector.

Tarrant Appraisal District
www.tad.org

Tarrant County, Texas
Tax Assessor-Collector
www.tarrantcounty.com

CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE EVENTS

www.gptx.org

Financial Literacy Workshop for Adults

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

October 1: Budgeting

November 5: Credit Scores and Reports

December 3: Identity Theft

Betty Warmack Library

760 Bardin Rd., Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

Shred It Day

October 5, 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

2559 Esplanade (Between the Summit and Public Safety Building)

\$5 per box, Sponsored by Grand Prairie Crime Stoppers

Farmers Market - Health Fair Day

October 5, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Farmers Market

120 W Main St.

Health Fair Day at Grand Prairie Farmers Market will include special educational resources in addition to farmers market vendors.

Free Electronics Recycling

October 5, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Development Center

206 West Church St., Grand Prairie, Texas 75050

Pumpkin Run

October 12, 8:00 AM

Lynn Creek Park

5610 Lake Ridge Pkwy, Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

- 1 Mile Fun Run 8 a.m., 10K Run and 5K Run/Walk 8:30 a.m.
- Awards ceremony immediately following.
- Free pancake breakfast. Pumpkin decorating for the kids!
- Early registration: \$25
- Late registration: \$30 until Oct. 11 at 5 p.m.
- Race day: \$35

Howl-Oh-Ween Pet Costume Contest

October 26, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Farmers Market

120 W. Main St.

972-237-4599

Bring your pets for a Howl-o-ween pet costume contest!

Street and Treat

October 31, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Farmers Market

120 W. Main St.

972-237-4599

A Halloween event in Grand Prairie! Participants will enjoy FREE games and trick-or-treat in Market Square. Prepare to dress to impress, ask "Trick-or-Treat" and bring a large bucket for candy!

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Pumpkin People Eater Craft

SUPPLIES NEEDED:

1. 12-14" Tall Foam Pumpkin (can be found at Michaels)
2. Sturdy artificial plant stem or large sunflower (can be found at Hobby Lobby)
3. Pencil or marker
4. Cutting/Carving tools
5. Acrylic Paints – Green, Light Green, Red/Pink, White
6. Electric Drill

Begin by drilling a hole, the size of the sunflower stem, in the top of the foam pumpkin. The sunflower stem will later be placed in the top hole of the pumpkin.

Use a pencil or marker to draw a mouth 3-4 inches from the top of the foam pumpkin, making sure the opening is large enough to get a hand inside to grab candy. Once the mouth has been drawn, use the cutting/carving tool to cut out the mouth. Clean any dust or small pieces of foam from the pumpkin.

Paint the inside of the mouth red/pink first and then paint the outside

of the foam pumpkin green and light green (giving it a textured, real look) including the top where the hole has been drilled. After the paint has dried, it is time to place the sunflower stem through the top hole of the foam pumpkin. Be sure and paint the section of sunflower stem red/pink so that it looks like a tongue...creepy!

Lastly, paint the teeth with the white paint. A 'feed me' tag can be added for fun. Now fill your pumpkin with candy to complete your Pumpkin People Eater project!



2019 STATE FAIR OF TEXAS IN FULL SWING

The 2019 State Fair of Texas is in full swing after kicking off with a spectacular opening weekend. The Fair is a one stop shop for all things entertainment, art, agriculture, and of course – food. There’s plenty more fun in store including rides, games, and attractions for all fairgoers to enjoy.

Guests can look forward to posing for a photo with Big Tex, the official greeter and beloved Fair icon, who received his dapper new duds this season. Another photo opportunity you won’t want to miss is the new Contain Yourself(ie) experience. We’ve transformed the Lagoon with 10 shipping containers featuring one-of-a-kind artwork by Texas artists.

After a six-year hiatus a fairgoer favorite, “World of Birds Show Presents: SOAR”, is back to bring the aviation world up close to audiences. Steve Martin and his impressive array of birds fly from atop the Texas Star

Ferris wheel to just inches over guests’ heads at the Band Shell.

The Fair’s concessionaires have just the thing to cure even your wildest cravings, whether it’s stuffed or fried, it’s sure to be over the top! Some of the yummy dishes making their debut this Fair season are the Texas Cream Corn Casserole Fritters and Ruth’s Stuffed Fried Taco Cone. Save room for treats though, you’ve gotta try the Peanut Butter Cup Snookie and Fla’Mango-Tango. This is just a sneak peek at the lineup of delicious food awaiting you at the 2019 State Fair of Texas.

The Fair added six new rides on the Midway for devoted thrill seekers and high speed enthusiasts alike. A number of our new rides are perfect for kiddos to cruise as well, including the Dancing Clown, Tilt-a-Whirl, and Satori Yachts.



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State Fair of Texas

If the idea of a massive swing with a breathtaking aerial experience piques your interest, then the Skyliner should be on your itinerary for this year’s Fair.

Come try these fun new additions to the 2019 State Fair of Texas, opening on Friday, September 27 through October 20. Tickets are available online and at admission gates. For more information visit BigTex.com.

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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) City approval does not supersede deed restrictions.
			This project will require a fence removal (if yes, inform Association Manager)
			Completed project will be visible from the street
Check any that apply:			<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

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