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## Do You Like Mira Lagos HOA On Facebook?

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



## facebook.com/miralagoshoa Like your page today!

The MiraLagosHOA Facebook page is managed by the Communications Committee and is just for fun! A volunteer will reply to comments when appropriate, but customer service in not provided though the page. If you need homeowner assistance, please contact FirstService Residential Management directly. Association Contact Information is on page 2.



# Mira Lagos HOA On-site Office **2021 Holiday Closures**

The on-site office is open Tuesday through Saturday with the following exceptions in observance of these remaining 2021 holidays.

## **Thanksgiving**

(Thursday, November 25) Thursday, November 25 | Closed Friday, November 26 | Closed

#### **Christmas**

(Saturday, December 25)
Friday, December 24 | Closed
Saturday, December 25 | Closed

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The Fitness Center will also be closed on these dates when COVID-19 restrictions are in effect.



## Association Contact Information www.miralagoshoa.com www.texas.fsrconnect.com/miralagos

#### **On-Site Management**

Stacy McGrath, General Manager manager@miralagoshoa.com

Brent Toncray, Assistant Manager Brent.Toncray@fsresidential.com

Cynthia Prox, Administrative Assistant Cynthia.Prox@fsresidential.com

Brandy Roberts, Lifestyle Administrator Brandy.Roberts@fsresidential.com

#### **Management Hours**

Tuesday - Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Closed Sunday and Monday

#### Office & Clubhouse

3025 S. Camino Lagos, Bldg. 1 Grand Prairie, TX 75054 (817) 473-6787

FirstService Residential

24/7 Customer Service (877) 378-2388

#### Mail Payments to:

Mira Lagos Homeowner's Association c/o FirstService Residential PO BOX 62024 Newark, NJ 07101

Submit Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Property Modification Requests to: ACCRequest@miralagoshoa.com



## Committee Chairs

Chair Meetings: Bi-monthly

#### Communications

Jeanne Spare communications@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: monthly

#### Landscape

Verna Hicks

landscape@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: 1st Wednesday monthly

#### **Pool and Sports**

Alex Marques
poolandsports@miralagoshoa.com
3rd Tuesday (Apr-Sept)

#### Safety

Robert McLain, Chairman safety@miralagoshoa.com Co-chair: Cheyenne McLain Meetings: 1st Tuesday monthly

#### Social

Valorie Felix and Anita Walker social@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: 2nd Wednesday monthly

#### Welcome

Susan Kennedy welcome@miralagoshoa.com Meetings: monthly/electronically

## New Members welcome on all committees!

### **Board of Directors**

Ken Self, President Eric Blackwell, Vice President John Hughes, Secretary Alex Marques, Treasurer open seat, Director board@miralagoshoa.com

## Mira Lagos Messenger

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## **Grand Prairie Library**

gptx.org/library

#### **GLOWvember Bubble Bus Bash**

Friday, November 12, 6:00 PM

Warmack Library

For All Ages | Join us for a fun, outdoor, glow-in-the-dark, bubble dance party! Space is limited. Please register online via city calendar. This program will be in-person, as safety protocols allow.

## Mental Health Support Group: Burnout

Tuesdays: November 2, 16, December 7,

**6:30 PM - 7:30 PM** Warmack Library

Registration: Anne Marie at aholstead@gptx.org

Do you feel emotionally, physically or mentally exhausted from heightened stress in your life? Is this impacting your daily life satisfaction? Join us for our Mental Health Support Group focusing on Burnout. This program will be in-person, as safety protocols allow.

facebook.com/grandprairielibraries

@Grand\_Prairie\_Libraries @GPLibraryTeens

All events subject to change.
Confirm status and reservation beforehand.

# Thank you!

Mira Lagos residents are givers! There were 14 appointments and 9 walk-ins for the September 18th blood drive. That was great!

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**Donors Screened** 

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**Units Collected** 

**60**Lives Saved/Touched

Thank you to everyone who came out! We appreciate the support of every donor for the community blood supply. Lives are saved when blood is available.

**Becky Swindell • Consultant • Carter BloodCare** 



This memory board was created by a member and is currently on display at the Clubhouse.

"The senseless loss of thirteen of America's finest in Afghanistan inspired me to create this memory board. My heart aches knowing their lives were needlessly cut short. During this month of Thanksgiving, I'd like to pay tribute and offer thanks to all of our military, past and present. I'm deeply grateful for their courageous service and appreciate their families' sacrifices. May God bless America and keep His protective arms around these heroes who selflessly give of themselves to protect our Nation."

- Anonymous

## "I FOUND IT"



Our Something Hidden winner for October is **Kaylob Carter** of El Arroyo Village. The fall leaves were found on page 12.

Great work!
Thank you for reading your Messenger.



## Something Hidden

Can you find the turkey hidden in this issue? Find it and email manager@miralagoshoa. com to be entered into a random drawing

to win a \$25 gift card and have your photo featured in the Messenger.

Put "I FOUND IT" in the subject line of your email and provide the page number the image is on, with your name, address and phone number.

Thank you for reading your Mira Lagos Messenger magazine.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

Mira Lagos HOA Upcoming Events & Activities



## **UPCOMING HOA EVENTS**

October 28-31 | Halloween Decorating Contest Landscape Committee

> November 6 | Veteran Brunch\* Social Committee

> December 4 | Holiday Brunch\* Social Committee

December | Christmas Lights Decorating Contest Landscape Committee

\*Committee volunteers needed to assist.

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## Give the Gift of Life

Blood drive donation stations provided by the Red Cross will be set up in the Mira Lagos Clubhouse!

Wednesday, December 22 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Walk-ins are welcome. A reservation link to schedule an appointment will be provided via the Mira Lagos eNews and @MiraLagosHOA Facebook page when it becomes available.





The lobster food truck is scheduled to serve Mira Lagos!

Monday, November 8 | 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 8 I 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse

Vendor menu will be provided as available via the Mira Lagos eNews and @MiraLagosHOA Facebook page.



## HOMEOWNER YOGA

Join your neighbors for twice-monthly yoga at the Clubhouse!

**1ST & 3RD MONDAYS •** 6:30 PM November 1st & 15th December 6th & 20th

### **REGISTER ONLINE**

www.schedulicity.com/scheduling/CYBDEW

Advance reservation and HOA photo ID access card required. Class size limited. Details subject to change. Reservations, cancellations, and questions accepted via the Schedulicity link.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

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## **Pool and Sports Activities**

Alex Marques, Pool and Sports Committee Chair For More Information: poolandsports@miralagoshoa.com

#### **Bowling League**

#### **December**

We want to make our December Bowling League event a great celebration! You and your family are invited. Please send an email to poolandsports@miralagoshoa.com and you will be added to our group for more information.

#### Congratulations!

The Mira Lagos Bowling League met on Sunday, September 26th. We want to congratulate Stephanie Marques for the best score of the day and winning the \$50 gift card!





#### Mini Golf League

## Sunday, November 28 | 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Join neighbors for the next scheduled tournament! We play every 3 months, so you are invited in November and again in February. The top 3 players will receive gift cards, and the winner will receive a trophy.

#### **Runners Club**

Let's run together! Scan our QR code for the latest Pool and Sports information.

#### **Mira Lagos Community Shirts**

Available at the HOA Clubhouse Office. Reduced! \$10 each

Best Regards, Alex



Join the Mira Lagos Pool & Sports GroupMe for a faster way to communicate!

### **Top Golf**

#### Congratulations!

On Saturday, September 25th, neighbors gathered to enjoy a great time at Top Golf in Fort Worth. Keep checking the Pool and Sports Committee Activities in What's Happening for future events and activities to take part in.









## VHAT'S **HAPPENING**

Mira Lagos HOA Upcoming Events & Activities



## HOMEOWNER ZUMBA

Join your neighbors for Zumba at the Clubhouse. Bring only what you need: water, a towel, and your enthusiasm!

> Tuesdays & Wednesdays\* 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

(\*No classes the week of Thanksgiving.)

HOA photo ID access card required upon arrival. Class size limited. Waiver required. Details subject to change.



The Mira Lagos Social Committee is hosting a Celebration of Service to thank the men and women of our community who have served this country. While all members of the community are invited, due to space limitations, priority seating will go to Veterans, Active duty, and their family members.

#### RSVP REQUIRED – event limited to 100 seats

Register by email to admin@miralagoshoa.com or use the electronic link provided in the September Mira Lagos eNews or on the @MiraLagosHOA Facebook page event.

All events are for Mira Lagos HOA Members only. Events are subject to change.

Updates may be found in your homeowner eNews and on the Mira Lagos HOA Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MiraLagosHOA.

## Homeowner's Responsibilities

Read and comply with governing documents.

Maintain your property according to established standards.

Vote in community elections.

Pay association assessments and charges on time.

Request and obtain approval prior to making changes, additions or modifications to your property.

Provide current contact information to association leaders and managers to help ensure you receive information from the community.

Ensure those who reside on your property (e.g., tenants, relatives, friends) adhere to all rules and regulations.

## **HOA Purpose**

Protect & increase your property values

Create a cohesive community through organized communication, committees, community events and activities

City requires HOA if there is common property

## **HOA Responsibilities**

Maintenance of common areas including entries, pools, playgrounds, walking trails, open green space

Enforcement of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and Architectural Control Committee guidelines



Name:
Street Address:
Phone Number: Email:
Many of our communities have committee involvement, which greatly contributes to their sense of neighborhood. If you are not already involved in the community and would like to be, please complete the form and return it to 3025 S. Camino Lagos, Grand Prairie, TX 75054 or the respected committee email address. A committee chair in your community will contact you.
I would like to volunteer on the following committee(s):
Pool & Sports Committee: The pool and sports committee develop pool and sport activities and assists with monitoring community pools. This committee organizes pool and other sports functions. Email: poolandsports@miralagoshoa.com
Social Committee: This committee develops social programs and functions responsive to the needs of the community and sets up recreation programs for all interests and age groups. Get to know your new neighbors and make them feel at home in "your" community. Find out what interests they have and what they want to do to get involved in the community association. Email: <a href="mailto:social@miralagoshoa.com">social@miralagoshoa.com</a>
Landscape Committee: A landscape committee will help select seasonal color changes, contribute ideas for long and short-term landscape improvements and host yard of the month throughout the summer months. Email: landscape@miralagoshoa.com
Safety Committee: The function of this committee is to organize a neighborhood crime watch and to inform the neighborhood of any criminal activity in the area. This committee host first aid, CPR and self-defense events. Email: <a href="mailto:safety@miralagoshoa.com">safety@miralagoshoa.com</a>
Welcome Committee: The welcome committee is just that here to welcome new homeowners into the neighborhood. Be the first to welcome new people as they move in. A welcome reception is given quarterly as a meet and greet. welcome@miralagoshoa.com
Communication Committee: The goal of the Communications Committee is to keep Members of the association informed! If you have skill as a writer, editor, photographer, or reporter and want to contribute articles, take photos or be an editor - we need you! Help to share useful information and community news with homeowners in the Mira Lagos Messenger magazine, the eNews newsletter and social media. Email: <a href="mailto:communications@miralagoshoa.com">communications@miralagoshoa.com</a>
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The most convenient time for me is weekend'sdaysevenings whenever needed.
Suggestions/Comments:



































## **GIVING & THANKFULNESS WORD SEARCH**

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ANSWER KEY ON PAGE 13.

# waterpark Day

Residents had fun at the Mira Lagos waterpark day at EpicWaters on September 4th.











## Holiday Décor

Please keep seasonal decorations current. Holiday decorations should be removed within 30 days following the holiday in which they relate.

Thank you!



## SIMPLE SEASONAL DECORATING

It may sound silly to some however, changing your surroundings and adding a little seasonal décor to your space can help you feel energized as well as boost your state of mind as you eagerly anticipate cooler weather and the holidays.





Decorating does not have to be expensive or considered a luxury but a worthy investment to positively impact your emotions. Small changes like seasonal pillow covers for your existing pillows are an inexpensive choice to change up a sofa, chair or bedroom. Fresh flowers, fall gourds, pumpkins and mums are great for placing in around your home and can be found at your local nursery. Of course, places like Hobby Lobby, Michaels and dollar stores offer a variety of seasonal faux, glass and fabric pumpkins and flowers as well as wall décor which can be used over again the following year. Exchanging a wall picture or painting with a seasonal painting can transform any room.

In addition to decorating, adding seasonal candles and smells to your home can trigger your brain and emotions impacting your mind and body. Smells and their memory-inducing influences are the most significant senses you have. Burning candles, using an electric wax melting pot or simmering spices on the stove because smells have the power to significantly enhance your mood and emotions.

Lift your mental well-being by changing your physical environment in practical and easy ways. Be creative, be energized and design a little happiness, making memories within your home with seasonal decorating.





## Mira Lagos HOA Clubhouse Rental Information

\$500 Deposit (refundable) \$50/hour, minimum 2 hours

## \$75 Cleaning Fee (no exceptions)

Capacity 150. Tables and chairs included in the rental.

Patio and courtyard area included in rental.

#### If Alcohol will be present:

\$65/hour\* additional security required

\*Security cost may vary depending on availability.

Grand Prairie Police Officer <u>required</u> (arranged by HOA staff)

TABC licensed bartender <u>required</u> (arranged by homeowner)

## **NO HOLIDAY BOOKINGS!**

Information: admin@miralagoshoa.com Reservations: reservations@miralagoshoa.com Additional details apply.



## CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE EVENTS

- www.gptx.org -

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection & Free Electronics Recycling Day

November 6 | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

City Hall, 300 West Main St. Grand Prairie. Texas 75050

HHW Collection Registration Required: 972-237-8055 Electronics Recycling Registration Required: 972-237-8159

#### **Farmers Market**

Saturday, November 6, 13, 27 | 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Market Square

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

Grand Prairie Farmers Market - Vote No. 1 in Texas | Farmers Market in downtown Grand Prairie, Texas, is open Saturdays through mid-December and features locally grown fruits and vegetables, plants, tamales, baked goods, salsas, dips, relishes, eggs, honey, chips, soaps, candles and more.

## GP's Got Talent - First United We Stand Musical Explosion November 20 | 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

First Baptist Church 950 Mayfield Rd, Grand Prairie, Texas 75052 Details: gpuc.org

This event benefits Grand Prairie United Charities.

## Cyclin' with the Mayor Prairie Lights Ride November 22 6:00 PM

Lynn Creek Park

5610 Lake Ridge Pkwy, Grand Prairie, Texas 75052 Info: www.gptx.org/GetFitGP

Join Mayor Ron Jensen Cyclin' with the Mayor Prairie Lights Ride. Participants are asked to meet at Lynn Creek Park at 6:00 p.m. The ride will begin at 6:30 p.m.

All events subject to change. Confirm status before attending.



### mansfieldisd.org

November 22: Student Holiday & SDCE Day November 23-26: Thanksgiving Holiday December 17: End of 1st Semester

**#WeAreMISD** | Calendar subject to change.

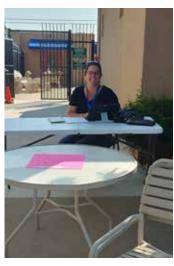
## GARAGE SALE NOTES & NEWS

Following the first day of autumn, neighbors throughout Mira Lagos hosted garage sales the weekend of September 25th. The Shred Truck was available for destroying old documents and the City of Grand Prairie hosted a Trash Off in our neighborhood for convenient disposal of bulky items. It was a great weekend, without rain, for these outdoor organizing activities.

The City of Grand Prairie limits residents to two garage sales per year. To operate within the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&R's) guidelines, residents of Mira



Lagos HOA may conduct garage sales only on the dates designated by the association. Those dates are the first Saturday of spring and fall. The next Community-wide Garage Sale will be on Saturday, March 27, 2022.



Any resident conducting a garage on a date other than those set by the association is subject to a \$75 fine.











## Love the Messenger? Want to be in the Messenger?

## **IDEAS/SUBMISSIONS/PHOTOS**

Submit your feedback, ideas, clubs, and photos for consideration to the Communications Committee. communications@miralagoshoa.com

#### **PLACE A BUSINESS AD**

Reach homeowners with Community News Connection. info@communitynewsconnection.com 972-396-8855

#### **MAGAZINE DEADLINES**

October 28	December 2021
November 23	January 2022
December 29	February 2022



## Texas Constitutional Amendment Special Election

The Texas Constitutional Amendment Special Election is coming up on Nov. 2. Early voting ends Oct. 29. This election also includes a Penny Swap, or Voter-Approval Tax Rate Election (VATRE) for Mansfield ISD which would:

- Provide approximately \$24.7 million more a year to pay for teachers, staff, programs, and other items that help educate students.
- Restructure the district's tax rate by swapping 13 pennies from I&S to M&O
- Not increase the overall tax rate.

www.votetexas.gov | gptx.org | mansfieldisd.org





## Did you know?

- The flag shouldn't be flow in inclement weather unless it's an all-weather flag.
- Flags displayed at night should be properly illuminated.
- In a time of national mourning, hang the flag at half-mast.



## Your photography could be featured in the Messenger!

We want to see the beauty of Mira Lagos through your eyes! We have stunning sunsets, amazing wildlife, and magnificent backdrops for community activities. Submit your best photo of the most beautiful natural settings in the neighborhood.

Capture the moment then email communications@ miralagoshoacom. Include the photographer's full name and address along with a photo caption and a description of the location featured in the photo.





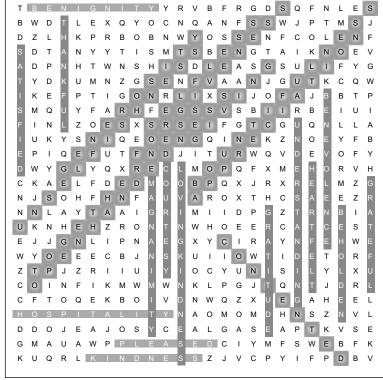
## **MEMBER ACCESS CARDS**

Residents of the Mira Lagos HOA whose accounts are in good standing without overdue assessments, fees, or violations, are entitled to amenities access.

One Mira Lagos HOA Photo ID Access Card or Member Access Card will be issued per person (age 14 and up). To obtain a Member Access Card for use at the Clubhouse, Fitness Center and swimming pools, contact FirstService Residential Management staff at the Clubhouse by emailing admin@miralagoshoa.com or calling 817-473-6787.

Replacement of a lost or stolen access card is \$25.

## **WORD SEARCH ANSWER KEY**





## **RESIDENT RUN CLUBS & ACTIVITIES**

For Homeowners by Homeowners

#### **BOOK CLUB**

Host: Marlow McGuire

Email: miralagosbookclub@gmail.com

Group: facebook.com/groups/miralagosbookclub

Are you looking for an engaging group of your neighbors that is excited about reviewing books on the subject of leadership? We are committed to learning and growing through healthy and respectable dialogue. This is the book club for you!

## **NETWORKING CLUB**

Host: Marlow McGuire

Email: miralagosnetworkingclub@gmail.com

Group: facebook.com/groups/miralagosnetworkingclub

Are you looking for an engaging group of your neighbors that is excited about networking? We are committed to thriving together.

This is the club for you!

## GRAND LAGOS CORVETTE CLUB

Host: Reginald English

Contact: ereginald90@yahoo.com, 214-336-1283

Do you own a Corvette and like to show it off? Would you like to meet new people? Do you like giving back to your community? If you answered "YES" to these questions, then we're looking for you! The Grand Lagos Corvette Club is made up of Grand Peninsula and Mira Lagos residents who own a Corvette. Call or email Reginald to join us!

## YOUR CLUB HERE

Email the Communications Committee at communications@ miralagoshoa.com to list your neighborhood club in the next Mira Lagos Messenger.

Clubs are initiated and hosted by residents. The Homeowners Association does not endorse any resident club or activity and does not endorse products, services or postings by such groups. Dates, times, locations and other details may change. Contact the host for details.



## What is your home worth\*?

Active Listings – 23 Homes sold – 20 Median sales price - \$525,000 Median S\$/SgFt - \$146.78

The market for 75054 continues to be strong which puts you, as a seller, at an advantage. Whether you are looking to buy or sell, we can help you get the most for your money! Visit our website or call and request a free market analysis for your home.

\* MLS residential homes in 75054 last 30 days, 10/11/21

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