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



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New Members welcome on all committees!

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SPRING
2018

WELCOME RECEPTION

NEW
NEIGHBORS

The spring Mira Lagos New Neighbor Welcome Reception on March 25th was a big Success! We had 20 homes represented with about 50 neighbors and their family members join for this event. Thank you to Grand Homes for allowing us to use their Model Home is Las Brisas. The gathering allowed new neighbors to meet one another and to learn more about what our community offers. Several creative gifts prepared by neighbors we given away and all enjoyed a few snacks and conversations with new neighbors

The Board Members, Eric Blackwell and Robert McLain made presentations on the board and we are grateful for their service to our Community. Matt Urbaniak was there to represent the HOA and updated us on the Community Center and Pool. We had a number of new neighbor's comment on how active our community is and we have the HOA and volunteers to thank for that.

I mentioned that this community works with the help of Volunteers and I could not have managed this reception without my Welcome

Committee Volunteers. Thank you to all who deliver Welcome Bags to new Neighbors, you are the face of the Volunteer spirit that greets our neighbors first. And a huge thank you to Alberta, Cheyenne, Diana, Jill, LaVarne and Theresa for all of your help at the receptions. It takes a village and Mira Lagos has many great Villages. Please consider to be part of the Welcome Reception, or any of the other committees outlined in this newsletter. See you for the next Welcome Reception in the Fall! Susan Kennedy, Welcome Committee Chair



Spring Garage Sale Success



Thank you for all of those that participated in the Spring Garage Sale March 10th. Hope you were able to clean out those closets and garages this time around, if not we hope to see you selling in September for the next Community Garage Sale!



Reminder: Section 4.25 Other – (e) No garage sales may be held except on dates and times in accordance with written rules, prescribed by the ACC.



We hold two (2) garage sales a year in accordance with the city code compliance – once in the spring and once in the fall. No garage sales allowed other than those two (2) times.



On Monday May 28th we honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Memorial Day was originally known as *Decoration Day* — an occasion to decorate the graves of the war dead and was created in the aftermath of the American Civil War.

Observances are held at military graveyards, cemeteries and memorials, and military themed parades are held across the country. Other common traditions of Memorial Day 2018 that are still practiced today include the raising the U.S. flag quickly to the tops of flagpoles, slowly lowered to half-mast, and then it is raised again to full height at noon. The lowering of the flag at half-mast is meant to honor the fallen soldiers who have died for their country over the years. While re-raising the flag is meant to symbolize the resolve of the living to carry on the fight for freedom so that the nation's heroes will not have died in vain.

Please pause and take a moment on May 28th to remember those who died in service to our country.



Space for Sale

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or email info@communitynewsconnection.com for ad rates and sizes.



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Grand Prairie TEXAS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Medicare 101

Date: 05/01/2018 10:00 AM - 12:00

Location: Main Library

901 Conover Drive

Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

Medicare can be confusing - join us for a presentation about Medicare Advantage plans by a licensed agent. We will have fun games, prizes, and light refreshments.

Late Night at the Library Series: May the Fourth be With You

Join us for Star Wars trivia, a costume contest and meet other Star Wars fans

Registration required, please email koabode@gptx.org.

Date: 05/04/2018 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Location: Main Library

901 Conover Drive

Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

Join us as we explore new topics, have fun, make new friends on the First Friday of selected months at 7 p.m. Registration is required for all events, please email Kristi at kolabode@gptx.org. All Late Night events are 21 and up with a \$5 cash at the door cost to enter.

Rollin' Through History: featuring Rollin Phipps

Date: 05/16/2018 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: Betty Warmack Library

760 Bardin Rd.

Grand Prairie, Texas 75052

May 16: Henry VIII and Hampton Court

Henry VIII was a famous English king who had 6 wives and ruled during uncertain times. This program includes numerous visuals and closely examines one of Henry's most beautiful palaces.

Assistance with Federal Agencies and Issues

Rep. Mark Veasey's Office Providing Community Office Hours

Date: 05/31/2018 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Location: Main Library

901 Conover Drive

Grand Prairie, Texas 75051

Federal staff from the office of Representative Marc Veasey will be at the Main Library to provide advice and assistance with federal agencies and issues including:

Medicare, Social Security,

Veterans' Benefits, IRS, Passports

BOARD ANYONE?



If you're considering running for the board, we ask that you take a few moments to ask yourself the following three questions:

Do I have the time?

As a board member, you will need to devote at least several hours of your time each month to association business. In addition to regular monthly board meetings, you will need to be active in email discussions and occasional special meetings. During special projects, you may need to spend a little extra time on association business. Some board members may also spend a little more time than others if they work with a committee

Can I make tough decisions when it's required?

The primary role of the board is to conduct the business of the association. This doesn't just mean approving the budget, but also developing and enforcing policies. Board members are required to step outside their immediate circle of family and neighbors and make decisions based on the greater good of the community.

Can I do all this and have fun, too?

It isn't all about policies and tough decisions. Our community is only as good as we make it, and establishing and maintaining a sense of community is a part of a board member's responsibility. Planning and attending functions such as our picnics and being a presence in the community are as important as any policy decisions you may make.

Being a board member can be frustrating at times, but it may also be one of the most rewarding ways you'll find to volunteer your time. If you're interested in running for the board or would like more details about board's responsibilities, please contact the manager or a current board member.

Something is Hidden.

Can you find it?

We have hidden in the Mira Lagos Messenger, an lei. 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.



Mother's Day

Mom's will always hold a special place in our hearts, they are our first teachers, and friends. They sacrifice their health, appearance, and sleep for us and so much more. Motherhood is not easy, its not always a choice and sometimes moms end up being a mother or becoming an influence on their kid's friends. Growing up in southern California our house was where all the kids hung out, we had a pool and the "cool" mom. Our house was a safe place for my friends and my sibling's friends to come over. Often my friends would seek out my

mother's advice, and she enjoyed the opportunity to listen.

Mother's Day is always celebrated on the second Sunday in May. It's not a federal holiday, however it's widely celebrated as a special day to honor all mothers and motherhood. Together, let's honor the women who raised us—and all the mothers who sacrificed for their children. Although the custom of setting aside a day to honor mothers has ancient roots, our observance of Mother's Day originated in 1907 with the efforts of a devoted daughter, Anna M. Jarvis of Philadelphia, who

conceived the idea of an annual nationwide celebration. The public and the press quickly embraced the idea, and villages, towns, cities, and states soon began unofficial Mother's Day observances. On May 8, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a proclamation designating the second Sunday in May Mother's Day, and within a few years, the idea gained worldwide prominence.

On behalf of the Mira Lagos family we want to wish all the Mothers in our community a very Happy Mother's Day!

Recycling and Recycling bins

The City of Grand Prairie offers curbside recycling for all Grand Prairie residents. These recycling bins are open bins (have no lid) therefore, they are subject to the natural elements such as wind and wildlife. On really windy days recycled trash can blow into your neighbor's yard as well as into the ponds and lakes surrounding Mira Lagos.

Placing a leftover brick or something heavy on top of the recycle trash can help to prevent debris from blowing away and making a mess for other homeowner to have to pick up from their yards.



Blue Bags

You may also use blue-opaque plastic bags for extra recycling that does not fit in the green recycle bin. These blue bags are available for purchase at the following locations:

- Grand Prairie Landfill
- Albertson's*
- Kroger*
- Tom Thumb*
- Walmart*

New water bill customers get their first green bin free by showing their most recent water bill at the locations below (to show that you are paying for a Solid Waste service in Grand Prairie). Additional bins are just \$5 each.



Lake Parks Operations Center

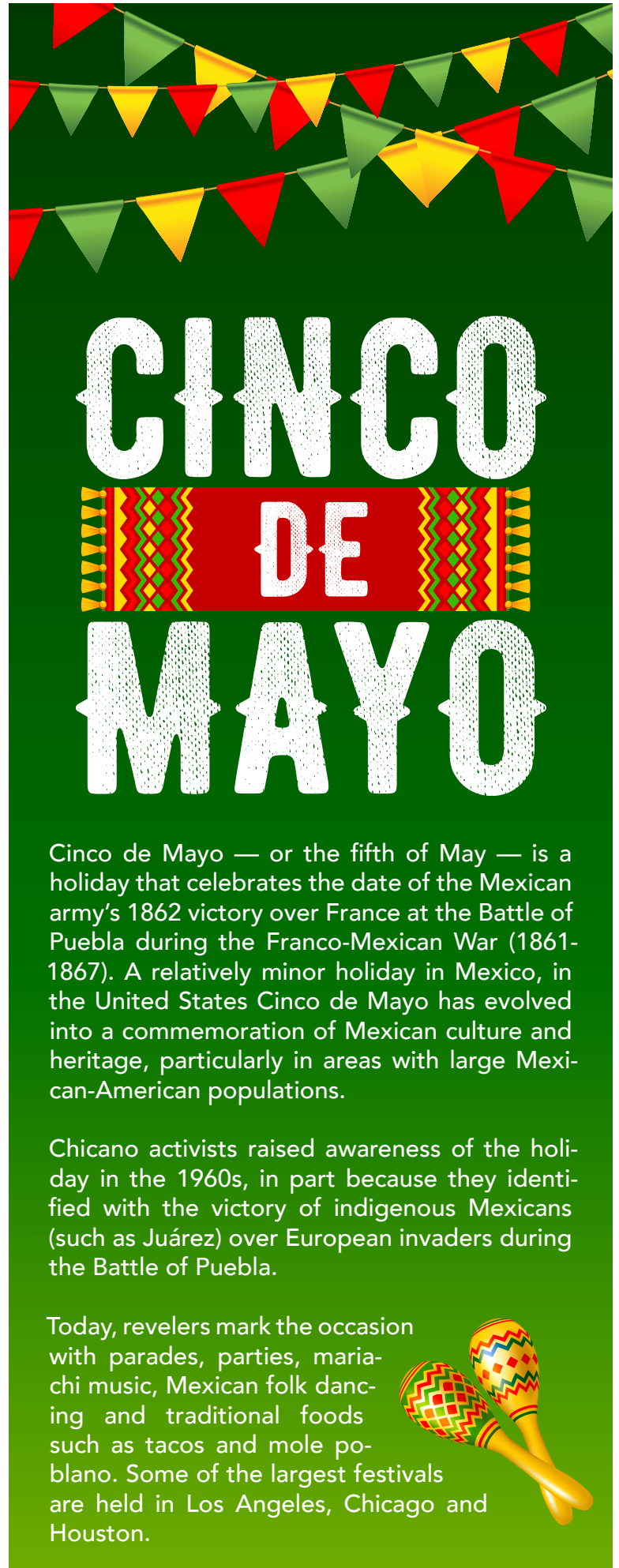
5610 Lake Ridge Parkway, Grand Prairie TX 75052

(Call 972-237-4135 to confirm hours.)

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.



Cinco de Mayo — or the fifth of May — is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War (1861-1867). A relatively minor holiday in Mexico, in the United States Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a commemoration of Mexican culture and heritage, particularly in areas with large Mexican-American populations.

Chicano activists raised awareness of the holiday in the 1960s, in part because they identified with the victory of indigenous Mexicans (such as Juárez) over European invaders during the Battle of Puebla.

Today, revelers mark the occasion with parades, parties, mariachi music, Mexican folk dancing and traditional foods such as tacos and mole poblano. Some of the largest festivals are held in Los Angeles, Chicago and Houston.



STAR SERVICE

At FirstService Residential we have very strong values!

We strive to meet these values every day for our residents and hope you will join us in recognizing those individuals who go above and beyond in delivering great customer service.

- ▶ Have you witnessed an associate doing something great?
- ▶ Have you been exceptionally pleased with the service you have received?
- ▶ 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





Amenity Center and Fitness Center



The New Amenity Center and Fitness Center are coming along. The paint is on the walls, the beams and counters are in, the garage doors up, the floors and tile are in.

We are looking forward to opening in June.

Rentals of the facility will be held off until official rules and guidelines are in place as well as all the quirks are out of the system, to insure things go right at the time of the first rental.



We will send out an email or have information available on the Mira Lagos HOA website once it becomes available to us. Won't be long.



YARD CARE

"Don't Bag It" Lawn Care Plan

To help save valuable space in our city landfill, Grand Prairie does not pick up grass clippings from your curb or alley. Between March and September, the volume of residential solid waste increases 20-50 percent because of grass clippings.

By leaving your clippings on the lawn after you mow and allowing them to work back into the soil, you can have a naturally beautiful lawn. Grass clippings also make excellent compost for gardens.

Doing less to your lawn can improve the health of your grass. Here are eight easy steps to an easy lawn improvement program:

1. **Mow Less** – Longer blades of grass allow the lawn to take in more sunlight and crowd out weeds.
2. **Stop Raking** – If you cut off just a third of the blade, you can leave the clippings as free fertilizer.
3. **Stop Dethatching Too** – Only dethatch on lawns that have been over fertilized. Thatch, a buildup of roots and leaves just above the soil, isn't a problem.
4. **Fertilize Less** – Generally, researchers say, most grasses do just fine with a total of three pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet in at least three carefully timed treatments over a season.
5. **Spray Less Herbicide** – Healthy grass should crowd out weeds.
6. **Spray Less Insecticide** – If you have bug problems, diagnose first. Call your extension agent if you need help identifying what bug is eating your grass.
7. **Water Less** – A typical lawn can soak up 10,000 gallons of water a summer, which can increase your water bill by 50 percent. One solution: Wean your lawn from water. Wait until a footprint doesn't spring back, then water as little as 1/4 inch a week just to keep the roots alive. If it's very dry, protect your lawn by cutting down on traffic.
8. **Accept Imperfection** – If the site gets fewer than four hours of sun or is otherwise unsuited for grass, try another ground cover.

For more information go to www.gptx.org





Mayfest, at Trinity Park's 33 acres in Ft. Worth, you can enjoy carnival rides, live music, performing arts, pet adoptions, an Art and Gift market, free children's activities, delicious food and more. On three stages, experience live music for everyone's entertainment including Pop, Rock, Jazz, Country and Bluegrass. This four-day festival in Ft. Worth at Trinity Park is a family oriented fun, music packed weekend dedicated to raising money to enhance the Trinity River, surrounding parks and community programs. Thursday, May 3, 2018, admission is free to all patrons!



FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO WWW.MAYFEST.ORG/FESTIVAL-GUIDE.

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!"



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

SUMMER concerts 2018

P!NK

May 1 and 2 at American Airlines Center
P!nk hasn't visited Dallas since The Truth About Love Tour in 2013. She released a new album, *Beautiful Trauma*, in October and will play two nights at the AAC.

THE KIEFER SUTHERLAND BAND

Fri. May 4, 2018 10:30 PM at Billy Bobs, Fort Worth, TX

JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE

Sun. May 27, 2018 7:30 PM
American Airlines Center - TX, Dallas, TX

MAROON 5

June 9 at American Airlines Center
Maroon 5 will play in Dallas for the first time since Feb. 16, 2015, when the group kicked off its Maroon V Tour.

KESHA AND MACKLEMORE

Wed. Jun 20, 2018 7:00 PM at Starplex Pavilion, Dallas, TX

EAGLES

June 23 at AT&T Stadium
The Eagles have not produced a new album since 2007, but they really don't need to with hits like "Hotel California" and "Take It Easy." They will play at AT&T Stadium with Chris Stapleton

SAM SMITH

July 20 at American Airlines Center
Sam Smith will play Dallas for the first time. (He skipped us on his first tour in 2015.) Smith released *The Thrill of It All* in 2017

THE COMEDY GET DOWN

Fri, Jun 15, 2018 Show 8:00 PM - Verizon Theatre
Cedric 'The Entertainer', George Lopez, DL Hughley, and Eddie Griffin

SUGARLAND

Fri, Jul 20, 2018 Show 7:00 PM - Verizon Theatre
Still The Same 2018 Tour with Frankie Ballard & Lindsay Ell

G-EAZY WITH LIL UZI VERT

Fri. Aug 10, 2018 6:30 PM at Starplex Pavilion, Dallas, TX



Living on the Grand Peninsula of Joe Pool Lake is a beautiful and quite place to live. You get to enjoy walking trails, ponds, parks and of course fishing.

This time of the year is a great time to take walks, runs and ride bikes, either during a lovely sunny day or during a breezy spring evening. Whichever activity you enjoy, you also have to be mindful that even though this is a well-developed area, it is still on a lake and on the edge of a nature reserve and state park, so there's a lot of wildlife that comes out and into the neighborhood, especially in the spring.

You may have spotted ducks and bunnies which mostly won't be harmful unless they are eating your landscaping or laying eggs in your flower pots. However, we also have wildlife that can be harmful to you and your family such as coyotes, bob cats and snakes.

So, while you are out enjoying your marvelous community be careful to watch for these animals and wildlife to ensure that you, your family and your pets stay safe.

Here are a few tips to help you stay safe:

- Carry a stick
- Stay on the sidewalks and walking trails
- Learn to recognize poisonous snakes <http://www.snake-removal.com/venomous.html>
- Don't wear noise canceling ear buds or head phones
- Keep your pet on a leash
- Carry mace or pepper spray
- Be aware of your surroundings

MAY 2018

Holiday & Observances

April 1st	Easter
May 3	National Day of Prayer
May 5	Cinco de Mayo
May 6	National Nurses Day
May 11.....	Military Spouse Appreciation Day
May 13	Mother's Day
May 16	Ramadan starts
May 19	Armed Forces Day
May 28	Memorial Day

How to Avoid Wildlife Problems

Many types of wildlife are attracted to our yards because food is plentiful and easy to obtain. Being aware of your potential contribution to this environment helps reduce nuisance animal incidents in your area.

Avoid feeding wild animals, including birds. Birdseed attracts rats and other rodents, a known food source for predators like coyotes.

Feed your pet indoors at all times. Dog and cat food left outdoors attracts a variety of wild animals, from skunks to coyotes. Feeding your pet outdoors may also make them vulnerable to wildlife attacks.

Secure your trash and trash cans. Don't place trash outside overnight or the day before pickup. Keep your garbage in your garage or in a secure trash can (not plastic bags) until the morning of pickup.

Pick up any fruits or vegetables at ground level; various wild animals enjoy these types of food.

Keep your pets inside and under your control at all times. An animal allowed to roam off-leash, even in your front yard, presents an easy meal for a predator.

Spay or neuter your pet. Coyotes are attracted by the scent of female dogs in heat, just as unsterilized male dogs may be lured by female coyote scent.

Clean your property to remove overgrowth and underbrush. This helps eliminate nesting or denning sites for wildlife.

Add lighting to your backyard. Wild animals tend to avoid well-lit areas at night.

Avoid using mothballs and ammonia as a deterrent. In many cases, the scents are so close to animal urine that they attract animals. Also avoid using coyote urine to deter other

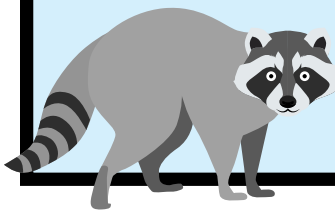
animals.

Cover crawlspace and attic openings. Use heavy gauge, rustproof wire mesh (not chicken wire).

Carefully inspect your eaves and other areas where the roof and house join. Repair deteriorating boards, warped siding and loose shingles.

If you have a chimney, make sure that it has a secure cap. Chimneys without caps are open invitations to raccoons looking for "hollow trees" in which to give birth and raise their young.

If you have a deck, you can prevent animals from digging underneath it by creating an L-shaped barrier. Attach heavy gauge wire mesh to the base of the deck, sink it six inches into the ground, bend it 90 degrees away from the deck for 12 inches and then cover it with soil.



www.gptx.org/city-government/city-departments/animal-services/wildlife-and-trap-policies

How to keep bugs away from your FLOWERS AND HERBS

Here's just a few plants which insects will typically avoid as the essential oils of these particular plants are a natural pest repellent.

BASIL

Houseflies, Mosquitos, Thrips



BAY LEAVES

Flies

CATNIP

Ants, aphids, flea beetles, Japanese Beetles, Mosquitos, squash bugs, weevils

CHIVES

Aphids, Carrot Rust Flies, Japanese Beetles

CHRYSANTHEMUMS

Ants, Bedbugs, Fleas, Japanese Beetles, Lice, Roaches, Silverfish, Ticks

CITRONELLA

Mosquitos

DAHLIAS

Nematodes



DILL

Aphids, Cabbage Loopers, Spider Mites, Squash bugs

FENNEL

Aphids, Slugs, Snails

LAVENDER

Fleas, Flies and Mosquitos, Moths

LEMONGRASS

Mosquitos

NASTURTIUMS

Aphids, Cucumber Beetles, Squash Bugs, Whiteflies

MARIGOLD

Aphids, Aphids

PARSLEY

Asparagus Beetles

PEPPERMINT

Ants, Mosquitos, Spiders

PETUNIAS

Aphids, Asparagus beetles, Leafhoppers, Tomato Hornworms



ROSEMARY

Fleas, Ticks

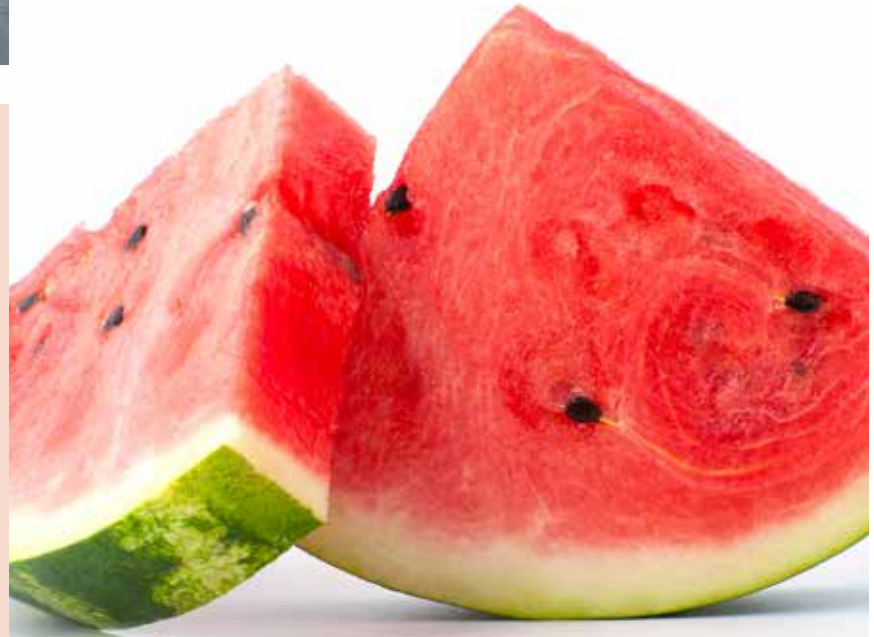
watermelon recipes you'll want to try



WATERMELON AGUA FRESCA

- 4 cups chopped seedless watermelon
- 2 tablespoons lime juice (one fresh lime)
- 1 tablespoon confectioners' sugar

Puree watermelon in a blender. Add sugar, lime juice and ice to watermelon, blend until smooth. Pour in glasses and add sprig of mint, watermelon wedge or orange slice for garnish.



WATERMELON TOMATO SALSA

- 1 cup chopped watermelon
- 1 cup chopped cantaloupe
- ¼ chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 ½ cups chopped red onion
- 1 tomato, seeded and chopped
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and chopped
- ¼ cup lime juice

Mix all the ingredients in a large bowl, season with salt and paper. Refrigerate 4 hours. Serve cold.

WILDFLOWER! ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL

May 18-20, 2018 | Richardson, Texas

Great live music, unique art, stylish home décor, regional goods, boutique clothing, fine accessories and local cuisine are all part of this exceptionally fun weekend festival!

Kool & the Gang and Spoon are among the musical artist set to perform.

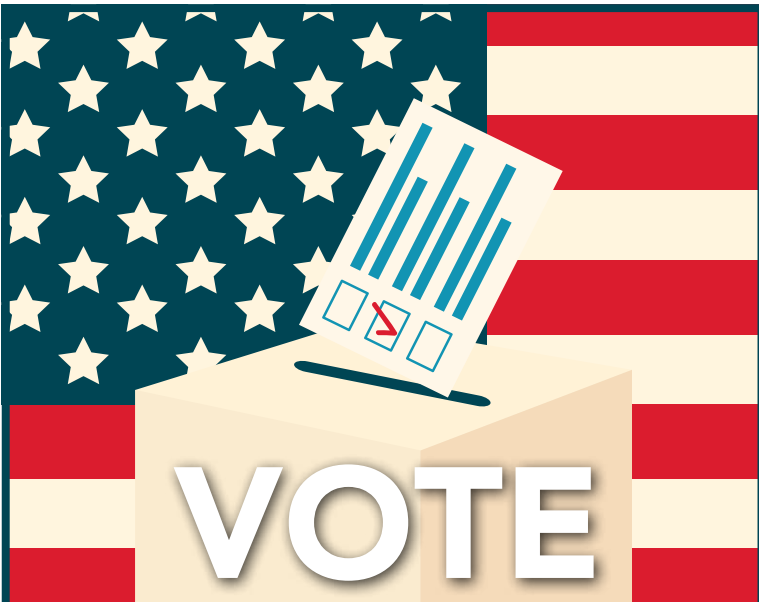
Wildflower! Arts & Music Festival has a craft beer garden and a wine garden.

Children can participate in hands on activities such as rock painting, playing in the obstacle course, creating Beads of Fun, singing Karaoke and much more.

Enjoy the music, shop the goods, eat the food and enjoy the fun at the Wildflower! Arts & Music Festival.



FOR TICKETS GO TO WWW.WILDFLOWERFESTIVAL.COM.



VOTE

GENERAL ELECTION

Council Member, District Five, for a three-year term

1. Juan R. Perez
2. Cole Austin Humphreys
3. Bill Moser

Council Member, District Six, for a three-year term

1. Keith Walker
2. Jeff Wooldridge

Council Member, Place 8 at large

1. Greg Giessner
2. Aurelio Castillo
3. Johnetta Milner

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the following locations:

- Asia Times Square (Tarrant County voters only)
2615 W. Pioneer Parkway

TARRANT COUNTY EARLY VOTING DATES & TIMES

- April 23 (Monday - Friday) April 27 8 am to 5 pm
- April 28 (Saturday) 7 am to 7 pm
- April 29 (Sunday) 11 am to 4 pm
- April 30 (Monday - Tuesday) May 17 am to 7 pm

For more information go to www.tarrantcounty.com/en/elections.html



Summer CAMP

CAMP INVENTION

6/18/2018 - 6/22/2018

Children are presented with fun, hands-on challenges that encourage creative problem solving, teamwork, entrepreneurship, and innovation. Camp invention is led by experienced local educators and new curriculum is introduced each year, inspired by the Inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame. For more information go to campinvention.org

Dwight D. Eisenhower Elementary

2102 North Carrier Parkway | Grand Prairie, TX 75050

DALLAS ACADEMY OF MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS CAMP

A wide variety of music, theater, and performance camps for every skill level. Learn music theory, songwriting, piano, guitar, theater performance, and so much more this summer! We also offer year-round classes and private lessons! For ages 4 to 12. Special needs children welcome. For more information on dates and times go to dallasacademyofmusic.com or email makemusic@dallasacademyofmusic.com

3415 Milton Ave #A | Dallas, TX 75205

214-363-4980

RIVER LEGACY LIVING SCIENCE CENTER

Learn from the best classroom on Earth: Nature! From Outdoor Adventure Camps to interactive, engaging hands-on classes for students ages 3 to 8th grade, Summer at River Legacy Living Science Center is naturally fun! Weeklong programs investigate the wildlife, ecology, & environment of River Legacy Park! For more information go to riverlegacy.org/summer-classes

703 NW Green Oaks Blvd. | Arlington, TX 76006

817-860-6752 | registrar@riverlegacy.org

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.

Spring Fling 2018

MIRA LAGOS



What an AWESOME turnout for the 1st social event of 2018! The wind and slight chill in the air did not stop hundreds of Mira Lagos families from participating in the Annual Spring Fling 2018 Egg-Stravaganza on Saturday, March 31, 2018. The sunshine made the day perfect for pictures with the Easter Bunny, rides on the Easter Express train, The Egg Hunt, and bounce houses. Kids of all ages waited patiently to check out the Zip-Line as the featured-attraction!

Everyone who arrived early had a chance to see Hook & Ladder pizza pulled from the stone-oven inside the converted fire truck and the chicken and beef tacos were spectacular!

It was truly a great way to open the Social Event Season for 2018. Special thanks to everyone who helped make this event possible including the HOA office managers and staff.

Next up...the Annual Luau at Hawaiian Falls in May! Look for details in the Messenger and social media about tickets, date and time.

ML HOA Social Committee



MIRA LAGOS 2ND ANNUAL

Hawaiian Falls Luau

Saturday, May 26th – ALL DAY!

Please join us and meet your neighbors at the Mira Lagos Hawaiian Falls Luau.

Tickets can be purchased at the onsite office starting May 1st.

Tickets will be \$15.00 each (cash or check). Credit card payments will be \$18.00 each.

All day drink, one sweet treat, and one meal per ticket.

Luau begins at 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Park closed to the public during that time.



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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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