WHY DOES THE MIRA VISTA NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE THE MIRA VISTA CLUB?

The first residents of Mira Vista moved into their new home in September 2007. We were a small community within Solivita but were growing each month. As new residents moved in, we welcomed them and wanted them to know their neighbors. The residents began having dinner once a month in early 2008. The first Mira Vista dinner was attended by eight individuals. Attendance at our dinners now range from 25 to 50 individuals. Everyone has agreed that these get-togethers helped everyone make a smoother transition into their new neighborhood and helped them get to know their neighbors.

In late 2008 the group decided to form the Mira Vista Club. At that time the Neighborhood Captains' Program did NOT exist! The residents of Mira Vista wanted a way to use the meeting rooms for getting together for their social gatherings. The ONLY way to do that at that time was to form a club. So, the Mira Vista Club was formed with social activities and communication being its primary purpose. The group decided to apply to Lifestyles to form the Mira Vista Club and received approval in December 2008. The informal organizational meeting in January 2009 provided for the adoption of by-laws and the election of officers in February 2009. We now have a functional organization that is providing those social events for its members as well as addressing community issues with the appropriate individuals.

Now that the HOA has the Neighborhood Captains' Program, Mira Vista continues to maintain the Mira Vista Club while participating in the Neighborhood Captains' Program. Mira Vista continues to work on finding the BEST way to blend the two programs. Mira Vista continues to get together for social activities as well as dinner, lunch or breakfast, etc. on a monthly basis. The Mira Vista Club continues to hold Membership Meetings quarterly to satisfy its by-law requirements but more importantly to get together and say "hello!" The Mira Vista Neighborhood continues to have functions in compliance with the Neighborhood Captains' Program and within the Mira Vista Club structure. While we struggle with the blending of the two programs, everything we do achieves the goal of the Neighborhood Captains' Program AND the goal of why the Mira Vista Club was formed: To sponsor Social activities/events for Mira Vista residents AND to provide communication of important Solivita information. The Mira Vista Neighborhood is a very close-knit community and we work hard in making Mira Vista a very positive lifestyle for its neighbors.

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