

April 2026

MISSION HILLS POST

Jelly's Jam

Well, spring has sprung. We haven't got much rain. We have a watering ban . Please try to keep that in mind. We're only supposed to have the sprinklers on one day a week and we're not supposed to be washing cars and over watering our plants so please try to conserve water.



The news at Mission Hills is that our maintenance supervisor Daran, made the decision that he was going to leave us. He had some personal issues in his life that he needed to tend to and left us on very good terms and potentially you may see him back around the grounds. We have already hired a new supervisor. His name is Sean. He's very knowledgeable about not only groundskeeping, but the buildings and all aspects of the buildings. He has worked here as a contractor before and is very familiar with Mission Hills. I'm sure we will all get to know and appreciate him. Our remaining staff of Joe, Jason, Eric and Raul is the same. We do have an open position and we'll be hiring to fill that soon. Hopefully you'll notice a smooth transition.

The pool heaters have been repaired and are functioning as they should. Please keep in mind that if the ground is warm now, the pool will be warm so we are attempting to figure out now how to keep the pool at about 85° because of anything over 86 tends to negate the value of the chlorine that we are putting in the pool if it's not too cold, it's too hot.



We'll get it fixed. We are dialing it in.

We are also going to be repairing or replacing 13 carports. In light of that it is extremely important that if you are leaving for the summer, you stop in the office and check in with Lexi. We need to know who leaves a car here, if someone has a key to it because those carport roofs are going to come off and new ones are going to go on so if you want your car moved while that construction goes on, please see Lexi. Be aware that if your car remains it will be covered with a tarp and we will work around it, but it certainly makes things more difficult for the contractors that we have coming in to do that job. If you want to know if your carport is one of those that will be affected also stop in the office and see Lexi..

We are beginning to see many of our snowbirds heading out. I would like to wish you all a safe trip home wherever that may be I would like to wish you a nice summer. We ensure you that we will take good care of Mission Hills while you're gone, if you have any questions or issues, you can contact any board member by email. You can call the office and we will get an answer for you. I encourage you to check in with the office to make sure we have a key to your condo in the event that there is an emergency or let us know who here at Mission Hills has your key if we need to get in in case of emergency.

Fly safe, drive safe, arrive home safely and know that we look forward to your return and to all the year rounders I'll see you at the pool.

TREASURER'S REPORT

submitted by Bert Pero

For the month ending February 2026 and year to date:

Income from dues etc. is reasonably in line with budget expectations.

Accounts receivable is \$47,270, which appears to be a reduction from last month.

On the expense side: Our total operating expenses are under budget, but should balance out as the year progresses and misc. work is completed.

A short first report, but as the year goes on I will go into more depth on various line items if they are over or under budget as needed.

MH COMMUNITY EVENTS

Tuesday Game Night

Come join the Euchre gang and play other games, such as Scrabble, Rummykub, and more. Bring a game and a friend! – 7 PM Clubhouse

Please join us for a few hours of fun and friendship.



Chair Exercise

Submitted by Joanne Dunn

Come join us every Friday morning in the Clubhouse living room at **10:30 AM** for a little exercising and a few laughs! It's time to get in shape again! Bring weights if you have them.



Lunch Bunch

Tuesday, April 7th
1:00pm

Wild Flower Cafe
1465 S Ft. Harrison Ave
Clearwater
All Ladies Welcomed!!

RSVP: Sean Curtis 727-791-1942



Men's Bible Fellowship
Friday nights
7 - 8 pm
Club House Living Room
Text John Core
727-520-4681

Purple Passion Ladies

Remember when we said that our “passion is fun”? Well, here is living proof as we prepare for our April 16th special event.

PLACE: ParrotDise Express Boat Tours located on Main Street in Dunedin next to the Bon Appetite.

PRICE: \$35 (cash)

DATE/TIME: Thursday, April 16th ... be at the dock at noon



Come join us for a very pleasant day of “mental floss” as we leisurely cruise through our home waters of the Intercoastal and the Gulf.

This is a **private cruise for Mission Hills residents, friends, and family** ... Space is limited to 34 guests so reserve early.

Enjoy complimentary beverages (beer, wine, Sangria, soda, water, and a very special Parrot Rum Punch! Feel free to pack a light lunch or snacks while we sail away for just the day!

Don't forget your floppy sun hat (there is a shaded area aboard and it is handicap accessible for walkers or small wheelchairs), lots of sunscreen and your adventurous spirit ... let's treat the ParrotDise Express to the company of the fun-loving inhabitants of OUR little slice of paradise!

**RSVP no later than April 6th with full cash payment to:
Helen J. Strupczewski (609-706-7214)**

This is gonna be a great Purple Passion fun day!!!!

MISSION HILLS HEALTH FAIR

WHEN: Thursday, April 9

TIME: 10AM to 3PM

PLACE: Mission Hills Clubhouse

Come one, come all to our very first Mission Hills Health Fair! We will have various vendors in attendance to answer all kinds of questions on all sorts of topics.

We will also have lite refreshments compliments of Harbor Dish in Safety Harbor ... you will learn all about them at the Fair, too.

All are invited so spread the word ... vendor door prizes, 50/50 and lots of great information for you.

Contact Helen J. Strupczewski (609-706-7214) or Terri Bolander (727-432-0693)

See you there with bells on!!!



BOOSTER CLUB EVENTS:

Submitted by Vicki Loper

Thank you to our bingo team for all your hard work on Monday nights. Bingo card sales end at 6:50pm and bingo starts at 7pm. Come and join the fun and win some \$\$\$\$! Please remember NO LARGE BILLS! Thank you to our volunteers, Kay, Peggy, Judy, Cindy, Laura, and Jelly.

All tickets for Booster club activities must be purchased by the Wednesday prior to the event, with the exception of the Ice Cream Social. Tickets are available at bingo, LCR, Dominos and around the pool. Please contact our ticket sellers, Joanne Dunn 617-686-4078, Shirley Laurie 401-302-1914, Vicki L 610-248-1158, Helen S 609-706-7214

A big thanks to our Sue Rousett for changing our signs for events every week.

Thank you to Janet, Cathy and her volunteers for the ice cream social and Regina for hosting trivia.

Thank you to our Dunn sisters for always handling the 50/50 and ticket sales.

Thank you to all the community members that help the Booster Club for all of our events. We are always looking for new people to volunteer. We appreciated each and every one of you! Thank you to our Booster Club board, who work tirelessly to continue to provide monthly events for everyone to enjoy. We are always open to hearing some ideas of what you would like to see here in the Hills. Contact Vicki at 610-248-1158 or come to a Booster Club meeting on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm.

Please DO NOT drop off unwanted items in the clubhouse/or kitchen. The clubhouse is not a dumping ground for items you no longer need or want.

APRIL ACTIVITIES:

Bingo every Monday at 7pm in the clubhouse. Card sales end at 6:50pm

April 2 Pottery Painting 2-4pm (outside of Mission Hills) contact Becky Anderson

April 4 and April 18 Line Dancing 10am Contact Penni Dietrich

April 5 Booster Club Ice Cream Social/Trivia 7pm

April 9 Health Fair (clubhouse) 10am-3pm any questions contact Helen S.

CANCELED STAMPS FOR WOUNDED WARRIORS

Peter Salesses

Here at Mission Hills, we save our canceled stamps for a worthy cause, Stamps for the Wounded Project. Thus far, we have collected thousands of stamps and our donations are always welcomed. This is an ongoing project so keep those stamps coming. You may place your canceled stamps in the collection box that is on the table in front of the office. There is also a brochure there if you would like to read more about this project.

Please note that you should try to leave a ¼” border of the envelope bordering the stamp when you cut/rip it off an envelope. The border is needed for the soldiers to be able to peel the stamp off the envelope.

More information can be found at www.stampsforthewounded.org

Thank you for your contributions.



FROM THE LAUNDRY TEAM

The laundry team is again thankful for the work orders being filled out when there is an issue with a washer or dryer. Just a reminder to document what is “not working”. For example: washer not spinning, dryer not heating. This is a big help for our technician when he arrives here to do repairs.

The Board has purchased 3 new washers for the South laundry and they are installed and working.

There is a washer in the South laundry and a washer in the North laundry that are unplugged.

These machines are beyond repair and need replacing. They will be replaced when the money is available in the laundry account.

Diana has stepped back from collecting the coins, but will still work on the schedule and correspondence. Barnaby has resigned from the team. We thank him for his participation in the laundry team.

We have 2 new members of our laundry team. We want to welcome Flossie and Andy. Thank you for your interest in volunteering for the laundry team.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Susan Salesses, Coordinator

Welcome to spring! And sadly, with this new season, we are saying good-bye to our seasonal residents. We will certainly miss them as things get quiet around here once they have left. A reminder to those of you leaving to please remember to leave your front lights on. It is also wise to place a piece of tape over the light switch so that those checking on your condo in your absence do not accidentally turn off the light when they come in. Thank you for helping to keep your neighbors and our neighborhood safe in your absence. And, hurry back – you will be missed!!

Thank you to Mike Winter and Jim DeMoss for their help with Neighborhood Watch patrols while they were here for the winter. Your help was greatly appreciated! And, this means we are still in need of help with the evening patrols so if you have approximately two hours a month to give us a hand, we would appreciate that. You may contact me at smags457@gmail.com or 727-754-8421 if you are interested in helping. You can also contact me if you need a dusk to dawn lightbulb for your front entrance.

Please remember to lock your cars, sheds and any valuable items that you might be leaving outdoors. We have been very fortunate in the past few months with very few incidents so we ask that you continue to help us keep Mission Hills a safe place to be.

Have a safe and wonderful April!

DID YOU KNOW THAT . . .

. . . anyone working on your ac or going onto the roof, must sign in? There is a sign-in on the table in front of the office available 7am – 10pm for those servicing your condo.

. . . parking is only allowed on one side of the street? Most of you are aware of this, but we ask that you remind your guests and service people to do the same. There was a recent incident where cars and a service vehicle were parked on both sides of the street and no one could get through! That is a disaster waiting to happen if an emergency vehicle was needed.

. . . our clubhouse and the pool are open every day from 7am to 10pm? Be sure to make use of all that the clubhouse has to offer – library, exercise equipment, pool table, living room with TV, swimming pool, etc. These are also the hours for both laundromats.

Creamy Garlic Butter Chicken and Rotini in Parmesan Sauce

(Facebook recipe submitted by Helen J. Strupczewski)

Ingredients:

- 12 oz rotini pasta
- 2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cubed
- 3 tbsp butter
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tsp Italian seasoning
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- 1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- Fresh parsley, chopped (for garnish)



Directions:

1. Start by boiling a large pot of salted water. Add the rotini and cook until perfectly al dente. Drain the pasta and set it aside while you work on the rest.
2. In a deep skillet or sauté pan, melt 2 tablespoons of butter over medium heat. Toss in the cubed chicken and season it with garlic powder, Italian seasoning, salt, and pepper. Sear the chicken until it's golden on the outside and fully cooked inside, then remove it from the pan and keep it warm.
3. Drop the last tablespoon of butter into the same pan. Once melted, stir in the minced garlic and let it cook for a minute, just until it smells amazing. Pour in the heavy cream and chicken broth, whisking gently to bring it all together.
4. Once the sauce starts to warm through, stir in the Parmesan and mozzarella. Let everything melt down into a silky, cheesy sauce, giving it a few minutes to thicken slightly.
5. Return the chicken to the pan along with the cooked rotini. Stir everything together so the pasta and chicken are well coated in that luscious garlic-Parmesan sauce.
6. Top it off with a sprinkle of fresh parsley and serve it hot. Creamy, cheesy, and garlicky in the best way.

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 25 minutes

Servings: 4

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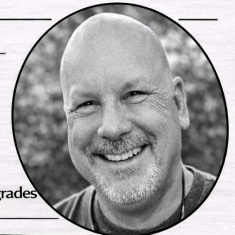
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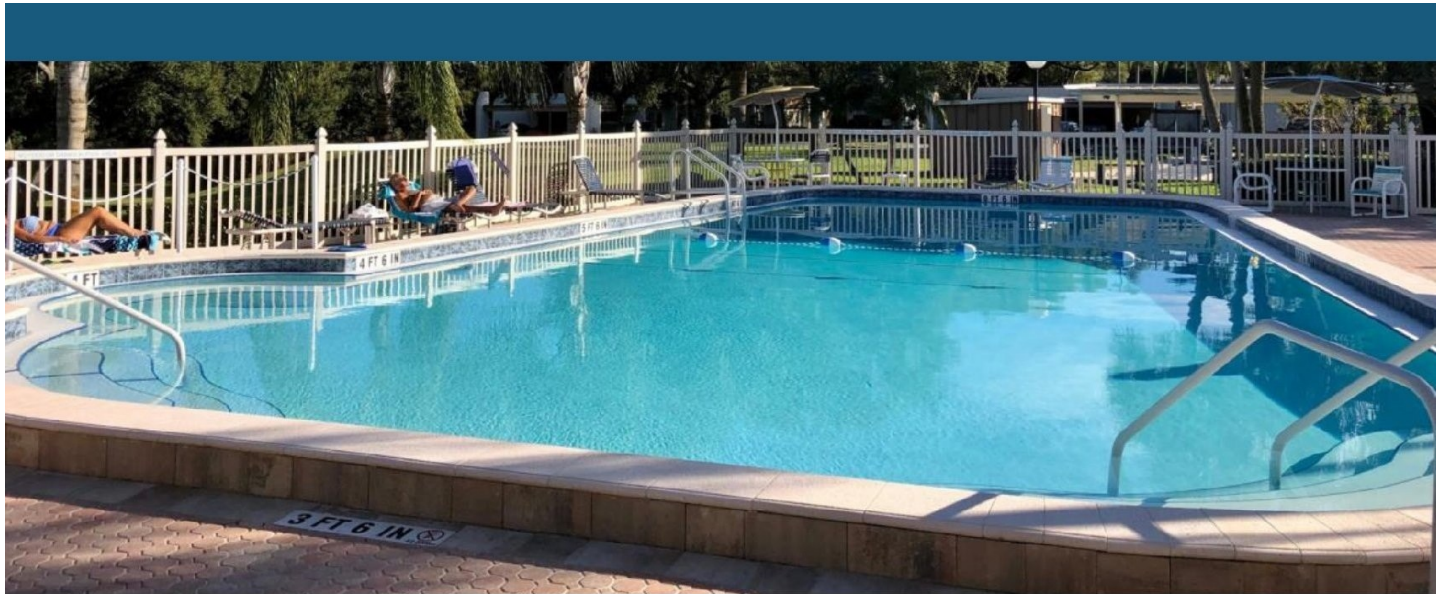
Can Tabs for Ronald McDonald House

Submitted by Melody Walsh

Please save your soda and other can tabs and deposit them in the PINK bin located in Clubhouse lobby. They will be taken to the Ronald McDonald House to be used for their needs to make the families' stay easier and more comfortable.

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