

# Turtle Talk

April/May 2026



A Newsletter for Pickawillany Condominium Residents

[www.littleturtle.org](http://www.littleturtle.org)

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

The annual meeting will be held on May 27, 2026 in the green space next to the clubhouse. The meeting will begin promptly TBA. Please bring a bottle of water, umbrella and chair if needed. We will be electing three owners to the Board of Directors. Linda Rowell, Marvin Blank, are not seeking re-election Eric Murphy will be seeking re-election. Apogee will be sending nomination forms to all owners in early May. The actual vote will take place at the annual meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted. All owners attending may vote for the candidate of their choice. It is time to start thinking about running for the Board. There will be a special edition of Turtle Talk in May to provide you with a list of candidates and other information about the annual meeting. The nomination forms must be returned to Apogee by May 18th to allow the names to be shown in the special edition of TT. Proxies will be sent out by Apogee for use by owners unable to attend the meeting. Please complete the proxy and return it directly to Apogee by May 24 at the latest. Proxies will not be accepted at

the meeting as they will be counted prior to the meeting. Rain Date: TBD

## **NOTES FROM JAN/FEB BOARD MEETING**

The meeting minutes from the January 2026 meeting minutes were reviewed. Nate Fulton made a motion to approve the minutes, and Darlene Slater seconded, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Apogee provided a foundation update. There are currently seven foundations needing repair with four (4) major repairs estimated to be \$100,000 or more and three (3) minor repairs estimated to be \$10,000 or less.

Linda Rowell motioned and it was seconded by Marvin Blank to approve the discounted pricing for staining for for Building 5 and three detached garages, contingent upon a \$10,000 upfront payment. The motion was carried unanimously.

Owner participation in Board Meetings was discussed. Future board meetings will be open to all owners with a designated Q&A period from 7:00–7:15 p.m. for pre-submitted

The Reichle reseeding proposal in the amount of \$2,822.50 was discussed and tabled in both January and February.

The Board discussed potential community volunteer involvement and Darlene will work on further scoping it out and provide an estimate of the funds requested for common plant beds. Darlene is also working on getting something out for more volunteer work throughout the community and she would love to thank all the volunteers from last year along with the brave snow warriors who helped remove all of the snow for their neighbors. **BIG SHOUT OUT!!!!**

### **POOL AND CLUBHOUSE**

The Board is working hard to have the pool opened by May 15th. Please review the pool rules and hours on our website, the Apogee portal and down below.

### **POOL RULES REMINDER**

#### **Pool Rules:**

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- No Segway's or bikes allowed in the pool area, please leave bikes at the bike rack
- Guests of a homeowner must be always supervised by unit owner. When a homeowner leaves the pool area their guest must also do the same.
- Access to the rest rooms require your pool card, you no longer can get access to them

- from the pool area without a pool card
- The pool is open to Pickawillany residents in good standing and their guests only. A resident in good standing is defined as someone who is current on all assessments and has no open violations.
- Residents who are not proficient swimmers may not use the community pool without adult supervision.
- The top of each hour will be reserved for lap swimming. All others must exit the pool for 15 minutes. Please refer to the pool clock as a reminder. This ensures everyone has an equal opportunity to enjoy the pool in their preferred way.
- Residents under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Swimming is permitted only with proper swim attire.
- No smoking or tobacco use is allowed anywhere inside the fenced pool area.
- No food or beverages are permitted in the pool or inside the white pool line. Food and drinks are only allowed at the tables and on the wood deck.
- Foul or abusive language and/or behavior will not be tolerated. Please be kind and respectful to others.
- No pushing, shoving, or running. These actions can cause injuries. Let's ensure

everyone has a safe and fun experience.

- Personal radios are allowed, but please keep the volume low to avoid disturbing your neighbors.
- Please clean up after yourself. This includes closing umbrellas, putting chairs back in place, disposing of trash, and closing the gate if you are the last to leave.
- Be safe and have fun!

*"Spring drew on ...and a greenness grew over those brown beds, which, freshening daily, suggested the thought that Hope traversed them at night, and left each morning brighter traces of her steps." of her steps." Charlotte Brontë, Jane Eyre*

### **BUG & CRITTERS**

The Association is responsible for treatment of termites, carpenter ants and carpenter bees.

Should you have any termites, carpenter bees or carpenter ants, enter a work order in Condo Web Portal. All other insects are the responsibility of the owner.

All animals (squirrels, gophers, mice, etc.) are the responsibility of the owner. Should a small animal gain entry into a condo, the Association will make a reasonable effort to repair the exterior holes on the building when work orders are placed on the portal

in a timely manner. It is the Owner's responsibility to remove the rodent(s) first and then let Apogee know so they can have the exterior hole repaired.

### **DON'T FORGET**

- Pick up dog waste. It's just plain nasty to leave it besides the fact that it is against the law and the Association Rules.

- Dogs must be on a leash.

The Association has provided doggy stations along with bags on Whistlewood, Wintersong, Chuckleberry and Smoketalk. ***So please, leave no poop behind.***

### **CALL OUPS BEFORE PLANTING**

Don't dig without calling OUPS! The Association has some very shallow utility lines, and OUPS will mark them for free. Please call 8-1-1 or access homeowners tab on [www.oups.org](http://www.oups.org)

### **SPECIAL DATES/ACTIVITIES**

#### **Saturday, April 18, 8AM-Noon**

Little Turtle Earth Day Community Clean-up. Park at Little Turtle Golf Club and walk to the fire station to meet. Gloves, bags, safety vests will be provided. Come and go as needed.

#### **Saturday, April 18, 9am-Noon**

Sustainable Westerville Repair Café (clothing, electrical/electronics, generalists, bicycles, furniture, jewelry/watch battery, computer, plants, etc.), at Otterbein the Point,

60 Collegeview Rd, Westerville, OH 43081

**Saturday, April 25, 10AM-2PM**

Free Shredding, Blendon Township Community Shred Day, 6350 S. Hempstead Rd, Westerville, OH 43081

**Saturday, April 25, 10AM-2PM**

DEA National Take Back a Drug Day at Blendon Township Police Department, 6350 S. Hempstead Rd, Westerville, OH 43081; Kroger at 22 W. Schrock Rd, Westerville; Kroger at 300 S. Hamilton Rd, Gahanna

**Sunday, April 26, 8AM-5PM**

Free dumpster use, tire and electronics disposal, Blendon Township, 6350 S. Hempstead Rd., Westerville, OH 43081

**Tuesday, April 28, 5-8PM**

Culver's Share Night with Little Turtle. Treat yourself and family/friends to dinner at Culver's, and Culver's will donate a portion of proceeds to LTCA. Butterburgers, frozen custard, and more deliciousness found at 6000 Old Hamilton Rd, Westerville, OH. These funds will go to the America250 Little Turtle celebration.

**Saturday, May 2, all day**

Sustainable Westerville Reuse-A-Polooza. Free curbside exchange to give away your reusable items to a new home and purpose. Place items at your curb for ease in pick up.

**Saturday, May 2, 9AM-Noon,**

Westerville Shredding Day, Hoff Woods Park, 556 McCorkle Blvd., Westerville. Limit 3 boxes per car; no bags or bins.

**Saturday, June 6, 9AM-4PM**

Little Turtle Annual Community Garage Sale. Email your notable items for sale to [neighbor@littleturtleway.com](mailto:neighbor@littleturtleway.com)

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- 4/1 - April Food's Day, Passover begins
- 4/3- Good Friday (Many schools/businesses closed)
- 4/5 - Easter
- 4/15- Tax Day
- 4/22 -Board Meeting
- 4/22 - Earth Day
- 4/23 -Administrative Professional Day
- 4/24 -Arbor Day
- 5/1 - May Day
- 5/2 - National No Pants Day
- 5/5 - Cinco de Mayo
- 5/10 - Mother's Day
- 5/25 - Memorial Day
- 5/27 - Annual Board Meeting - 6:00 PM Outdoors beside Clubhouse

*Very few people know this, but the little pocket on your jeans is for your paycheck after taxes*

**GARBAGE, RECYCLING AND YARD WASTE**

- Trash - Tuesday - 4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19
- Wednesday - 5/27, 6/3
- Recycling - Friday - 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15, 5/22
- Saturday - 5/31
- Yard Waste - Friday - 4/3, 4/17, 5/1, 5/15
- Saturday - 5/30

Please have trash containers, recycling containers and yard waste (in yard waste bags) out by 6:00 A.M. at the edge of the street.

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**PICKAWILLANY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Linda Rowell (President)**  
**Nate Fulton (Vice President)**  
**Cyndi Tussing (Treasurer)**  
**Darlene Slater (Secretary)**  
**Marvin Blank (Director)**  
**Eric Murphy (Director)**  
**JK Jones (Director)**  
**Board of Directors Group Email:**  
**[pickawillanyboard@littleturtle.org](mailto:pickawillanyboard@littleturtle.org)**

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Emergency Fire or Police .....911  
Bulk Pick UP .....614.645.3111  
Apogee PropertyManagemen614.725.3095  
Carly Osborn Beck, Ofc. Mgr.  
Email: [administration@apogee.com](mailto:administration@apogee.com)  
Portal: [condoweb.app](http://condoweb.app)  
City of Columbus Service Center.....311  
Columbus Fire-Non-Emergency 614.645.4545  
Columbus Police Department.....614.221.2345  
Columbia Gas Hotline ..... 800.282.0157  
Crime Reports:[www.10tv.com/crimetracker-10](http://www.10tv.com/crimetracker-10)  
Garber Connect (After Hours) 614.212.7900 #2  
Secure-A-Key (Lockboxes) . 937.408.8761

ALL MAINTENANCE REQUESTS MUST  
BE PLACED  
THROUGH APOGEE WITH A PHOTO  
Email: [administration@apogee.com](mailto:administration@apogee.com)  
Call: 614.725.3095  
Portal: [condoweb.app](http://condoweb.app)