

CHIPPEWILL COMMUNITY NEWS

A newsletter of the Chippewill Condominium Association
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Spring has sprung – and with that comes the usual “grounds housekeeping” matters to remember and follow to help keep our community safe and looking good. The following are issues or concerns frequently brought to the attention of the management company and/or board members.

- **Please be a responsible pet owner and pick up after your pooch!** There are still some individuals who do not pick up their dog’s waste when walking the property. Pet waste stations and waste bags are situated throughout the grounds to use and these bags should be disposed of properly.

Remember also that pets must be on a leash and kept under control at all times when outside – and never leave your pets unattended.

- **Please follow trash and recycling guidelines and schedules.** Trash cans should be put out the night before trash is collected – and placed in front of your condo unit without blocking your neighbor’s access to their garage or parking spot. You can check out the Columbus 2022 trash calendar for pickup dates throughout the year – our color is gray. Sustainable Columbus also offers regular recycling and yard waste pick up; Chippewill is in the A (blue) zone – and that calendar is also available online. You can access both [2022 calendars](#) from the city’s website.

Finally, the city of Columbus does offer bulk pick up – but you have to schedule that before any bulk items will be collected. You can call (614) 645-3111 or schedule online [here](#). You can learn more about which bulk items the city will pick up – or how you can donate still usable items to Franklin County’s HandsOn program or other programs from this [page](#).

Other Property and Unit Issues:

Don’t feed the wildlife – and keep in mind that spring is generally the season when geese give birth to their young. While those little goslings may be cute and look cuddly, geese can be aggressive and have been known to attack people, especially if they feel their babies are threatened.



The Chippewill Annual Owners Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24, 2022. It will start at 7:00 p.m. and be held at the Little Turtle Golf Club – all unit owners are invited to attend. Look for the nomination mailing that will be mailed next week.

The siding project is coming along, with the following buildings soon to be started on Powderhorn: Numbers 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61 and 62. The siding contractor will put a notice on the unit owner’s front door with start date.

The fire alarm system 5g upgrade is still underway. Owners of those units that have not yet been upgraded will be contacted by Vector Security to schedule an appointment for the upgrade.

Fire prevention measures work. The Columbus Division of Fire offers some helpful information on [common causes of fire in the home](#), and what can be done to prevent a fire.

- Candles are pretty to look at but they are a cause of home fires ... [learn more](#)
- The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking ... [learn more](#)
- Electricity makes our lives easier. However, we need to be cautious and keep safety in mind ... [learn more](#)
- Many homeowners are unaware that the improper use of portable generators can be risky ... [learn more](#)
- Smoking materials (cigarettes, cigars, pipes, etc.) are the leading cause of fire deaths in the US ... [learn more](#)

Threats and vandalism on Chippewill grounds. As always, the Board reminds unit owners to report any threats or acts of vandalism they hear or see to the Columbus police by calling 911. If you see (or have seen) any damaging of association property by a resident, please report this to the Association.

Similarly, protect your condo unit and vehicles from vandalism. Do not keep valuable items visible in your car and always keep your car locked when you are not in it. If planning an extended trip or vacation, the Columbus Police Department provides [safety tips](#) to protect your home while you are away, some of which are:

- Invest in exterior lights that have photocells; when the sun goes down the outside lights come on (use year-round).
- Install good locks on your doors and windows.
- Make a record of your credit cards and keep it in a safe place.
- Arrange for a friend or neighbor to pick up your mail, packages and newspapers on a daily basis. You can also stop delivery of both for the time you will be gone.
- Use timers for interior lights and radios. Make your house look "lived in."
- Give your local law enforcement agency the dates that you will be out of town. As time permits, they will conduct extra patrols of your neighborhood. (The non-emergency number for CPD is 614-645-4545.)

Is your sump pump in need of a checkup? Sumps pumps should be checked regularly – and if they are over 10 years old, it's time to consider replacement with a model that has battery backup.

Architectural changes need approval. Any unit exterior architectural changes must be submitted to the Association for Board approval before you purchase materials and/or sign a contract for such changes. However, the board does not need to approve interior changes unless it changes the structural components of the unit/building or the exterior of the unit/building. Additional information and the request form is available on the [Architectural Requests page](#). Front entry doors need approval before installation – and the approved color for the door is flat black. Finally, keep in mind that maintenance of modified decks and exterior modifications is the responsibility of unit owners.

Questions about any other Chippewill guidelines? The Chippewill Declarations and Bylaws, as well as the Chippewill Owners Handbook, are available online. These documents are accessible from the [Community Resources](#) page. Also available from this page are the Board's monthly meeting minutes and financials; however, these documents are for owner access only and are password protected. Please email info@casebowen.com to request the password if you do not have it.

Dates to Remember:

May 8	Mother's Day
May 24	Annual Owners Meeting
May 28	Pool Opens
June 19	Father's Day