

# CREEKSIDE CHATTER

CLOUDLAND STATION NEWS

May 2025 Edition



### Greetings from John

I imagine we all must be looking forward to a few back-to-back days of sunshine. While it's a challenge keeping up with the grass jumping up inches overnight, the sounds of a full Mill Creek has been worth it. I hope to see all of you out enjoying creekside walks through the valley this summer, perhaps my favorite ritual here at Cloudland Station

We have more homes in progress and more coming. With each new roof, we add another brushstroke to the canvas that is Cloudland Station. Our diverse architecture is by far the number one comment I get from first time visitors. A shout-out to each of you who have built thank you. Our unique approach to designing is leveraging each of your individual inspirations. What you have contributed aesthetically to the community is timeless. You should be proud. We look forward to continuing this unique approach in a time when our world needs more beauty in life.

Hope to see you poolside on many sunny days ahead. John





# FACILITIES & AMENITIES UPDATES

- Pool The pool opens for the season this Saturday, May 24 at 10am! Please familiarize yourselves with the Pool Rules for 2025 so as to protect one of our most valuable assets https://cloudlandstation.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Pool-Rules-May-20-2025.pdf. In preparation, the lower deck has been power washed and the pool itself has been scrubbed and filled. We are so pleased with the way the upper deck has turned out this has given us much more seating capacity and really helps to control the erosion on the hillside. A big thanks to our landscaping and grounds task force chair, Trey Shoemaker, for his and his wife, Diana's, assistance in the new landscape design and purchasing, it looks beautiful!
- Swimming Hole We are in the process of emptying it so the sun can kill the algae that has grown over the fall and spring; we have found this is the best way to control it for the summer. The rain has been working against our process, but we hope it will be ready in two weeks, depending on the weather.
- **Pickleball/Basketball Court** The new concrete pour has been completed and the six weeks of cure time has elapsed. We will be power washing again, applying acrylic resurfacer with sand and then painting.
- **Gates** The mechanical tower for the Cloudland Station gate has been installed. The barrier arm was not shipped with the original order and then when they finally did ship it out, it arrived damaged in transit. We hope the third time is a charm!
- Lake Angela It's time to fish the trout out! Please feel free to catch and take all you like!
- Schoolhouse Patio We have added bistro tables, stools, and an umbrella. Come enjoy the view, a coffee, and the sound of the creek while you work or have a chat with a friend.



UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

#### Memorial Weekend Pool Opening Party

Please join us this Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11am to celebrate our pool opening, featuring our new upper deck! We plan to have a hotdog and hamburger cookout as well as games for the kids (and any "big kids") to enjoy. Grill food will be served from noon until 2pm; please bring your favorite summer potluck dish to share. Complimentary frozen margaritas and coke slushees will be on tap. Festivities will continue until 6pm. Please register for this event on Heylo so we have plenty of food for everyone!

#### Firefly Communities Meeting

A Developer meeting will be held at Peacock Hall on Saturday, May 31, from 1:30 to 2:30pm. All Cloudland Station owners are welcome. For those not able to attend in person, this meeting will be on Zoom - please check the Announcements on Heylo and your email for the link that morning.

### Brushstrokes Home Design and Firefly Homes Meeting

The Brushstrokes Home Design and Firefly Homes meeting that was originally scheduled for May 31 will need to be rescheduled as one of the chief presenters has a conflict (Sarah Grace Tatum plays for Tennessee Tempo FC and they have a game that afternoon). The team is working on a new date for any people interested in building a home in the near future.





# TASK FORCE REPORT

#### Sweet Shoppe

A big thanks to Amenities Chair Courtney Leisener for keeping a good eye on the Sweet Shoppe inventory and also to Diana Shoemaker for sprucing up the signage and helping to keep items in stock.

We would ask that owners send their children with funds to pay for their items at the time of purchase and give them instructions to log what is being purchased in the log book as well as to throw away their trash and tidy any game pieces upon exit.

Comments to tip-off@CloudlandStation.com are encouraged if you see the Sweet Shoppe needs attention.

### Public Space Use

We love to see owners using all the many patios, pavilions, and firepits on the grounds with their family and friends, taking advantage of all the natural beauty of our community property! If you have a party greater than 12 people at one of these spaces, we ask that you let us know ahead of time so we can reserve the space for you and also discuss appropriate parking options so as to preserve the grass and safety of foot and auto traffic on our narrow roads. Please text Angie at 404.932.1422.

#### Landscaping

A big thank you to owners Diana Shoemaker and Scott Drucker for beautifying the property with flowers this spring and throughout the year. We appreciate your green thumb!! We also would like to thank Trey Shoemaker for his diligent attention to landscaping issues and opportunities.





# TOWN COUNCIL NEWS

### **Regarding Heylo**

Back in March, John Tatum shared this important reminder:

"Platforms like Heylo can easily descend into negativity if not carefully moderated. Our goal is for Heylo to be a positive and constructive space for all users. If we come across posts that contribute to frustration, hostility, or drama, we will remove them promptly."

We're writing today to reinforce this vision and clarify our expectations going forward.

While we respect free speech, our shared space on Heylo is not meant for venting, gossip, or division. It's a useful tool with which we are choosing to disseminate information. It is also meant to strengthen neighborly connection, not weaken it.

Too often, people write things behind a screen they would never say face-to-face. That kind of communication—especially when it belittles, scolds, or stirs tension—is unpleasant. So, in order to keep Heylo a positive and useful resource, we are updating our community guidelines.

What's Welcome in the General Discussion Chat:

- Personal photos and life announcements
- Local vendor recommendations and referrals
- Public service announcements relevant to our area
- Lost/found pets, animal sightings, and safety concerns
- Requests for neighbor assistance (e.g., tools, rides, advice)
- Celebrations of kindness, birthdays, milestones, or good deeds

#### What Will Be Removed:

- Gossip Unverified information, speculation about others, or personal attacks
- Passive-aggressive comments or vague grievances
- Promotion of businesses, fundraising, or events for personal or commercial gain
- Political or religious commentary
- Questions or comments that don't concern the broader community
- Posts better suited as direct/private messages to individuals

Posts that violate these expectations will be removed without warning. Repeat offenders will be disallowed from participating in the General Discussion Chat.

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If You Have Questions or Concerns:

- HOA-related questions → Contact the Town Council directly at towncouncil@cloudlandstation.com
- Community or property concerns  $\rightarrow$  tip-off@cloudlandstation.com
- Firefly Communities/Developer questions → Reach out to John at john.tatum@fireflycommunities.com or text 404.583.7819

Thank you for helping us uphold the welcoming and gracious spirit that we all envision for Cloudland Station.