

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2021

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HOLIDAY
CELEBRATIONS
& EVENTS TO
COME



Halloween — despite the weather

From Decker, Palmer & around Port Richmond



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VETERANS DAY CELEBRATED AT THE REFORMED CHURCH

Gravestone from 1861 replaced, unveiled during Ceremony honoring Afghanistan and All Veterans

Without our U.S. Veterans, we would not have the luxury to speak whatever is on our minds.

We would not be afforded the luxury of living the way we want.

On Veterans Day,
WE THANK ALL OUR
U.S. VETERANS.





Dr. Warren Mac Kenzie & Staten Island Chapter 2 Rolling Thunder replaced the damaged original.





Elder Warren Mac Kenzie presided.

Cub Scout Pack 27 presented the colors.

Robert Ollis spoke of being a Gold Star Father.

Followed by FREE refreshments courtesy of donations by visitors to the Church's booth at the Richmond County Fair and a generous gift from Rosemarie Bakery.

PORT RICHMOND HAS TWO REASONS TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS



Port Richmond has Staten Island's Oldest Christmas.

November 7, 2021
The Reformed Church
celebrated 341 years at
their present site
with Community Christmas
Holiday Fair in the
soaring Victorian Annex.



Joshua Mersereau of Port Richmond saved George Washington's boats from seizure by the British.

Christmas 1776, Washington crossed the Delaware and surprised the Hessians at Trenton.

It was the turning point of the American Revolution.



Grades 9-14 Pathways to Technology Early College High School

Port Richmond High School,

Staten Island University Hospital, a member of Northwell Health, Sun River Health and the College of Staten Island signed a memorandum of understanding to formally establish (P-TECH)

A six-year program where Port Richmond High School students will get their two-year degree from the College of Staten Island free of cost, and can look forward to paid internship opportunities, mentorship programs, and a range of viable career pathways available to them in the booming healthcare and technology sectors.





COMING EVENTS

LIGHTING OF PORT RICHMOND MENORAH:

Come, Be a part of this gathering. **Temple Emanu-El and Port Richmond STRONG** invite you share your Holiday Spirit, regardless of your faith, as we support Temple Emanu-El and light the Menorah.

Date: Decemeber 2nd, 2021

Time: 7PM Location: 980 Post Avenue Staten island, NY 10302





FUN FOR ALL AGES! FIRST EVER!

Help make this a Port Richmond Holiday Tradition

Donate any amount, whatever you can.

Click on Link: https://gofund.me/ca8ac21a Other ways to Donate? Contact us.





SMALL BUSINESS





ROSEMARIE

Thanks for their donation of cookies for our Veteran's Day Celebration. Shop at xxx Port Richmond Avenue

RENATO'S PASTRY SHOPPE

Another location at 676 Forest Avenue near Bement. Original at 1646 Forest Avenue will remain open.

GOOD NEWS FOR SMALL BUSINESS FROM NYC-DOT

A community member and small business owner requested help with getting a "NO STANDING Anytime" sign removed along the block of Port Richmond Avenue between Blackford Avenue and Clinton Place due to its impact on parking for customers. We evaluated the situation and submitted a request with a detailed report, along with community support. DOT determined that the sign was not needed and it will be removed.



We thank
Borough
Commissioner Caruana
for working closely
with this Civic group
and
the Small Business Community.



CLEAN INITIATIVE

NOT Port Richmond-But we still help out!

When you reach out to your representative; Community Board-1 and 311 have failed you;

You come to us.... And we will attend to it.







Cleaning the storms drains could help prevent your, or your neighbor's house from flooding. Pitch in for the community.



WE ARE NOT TOLERATING THIS NONSENSE! YOU WANT TO HOLD OFFICE, THEN LOSE, SO YOU CLOSE THE DOOR AND LEAVE ALL THESE SIGNS UP? NAH, NOT HAPPENING!





Public Auction To the highest bidge Ferrari, Picrosos Rolex, Patek Plunyu, fint. And Wand, Chagan, Ray and And Wand, Chagan, Ray and An at Handack has Call to reserve 6.6-434-1367 Jun. Nov. 7 at 1pm In accordance with social distanting trip

PORT RICHMOND INITIATIVE-SIGN REMOVALS...!

**The community is responding:

** Today, the community removed
these signs -along with 14 other types
of signs- throughout Port Richmond.
We made it very clear, if we see these
signs still up, we will remove and we
will return to owner. ** **



IN MEMORIAM

Port Richmond Resident,
Police Officer Larry Prehn,
succumbs to 9/11 Cancer at 55, on November 10.
Rest In Peace.
Our condolences to his family.





LAW & ORDER



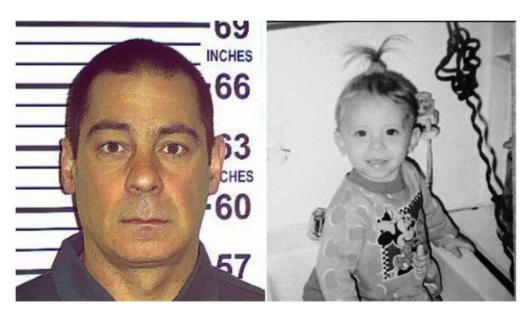


Nice work by the @121Precinct cops. First team successfully performed CPR on an infant child and the second team arrested an individual for a citywide grand larceny pattern. Thank you!



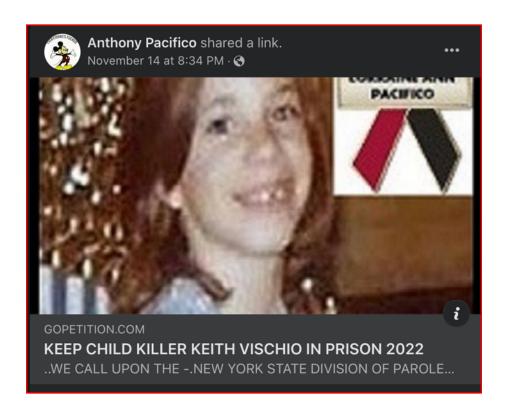


We are vigilant to keep these convicted killers in prison.



Barry Rodrigo, pictured left in 2015, beat Lisa Nugent to death on July 19, 1995. He is serving a murder sentence. A state board has denied him parole for the seventh time.

Convicted killer of Staten Island girl, 2, tells parole board: 'I don't want to die in here.' They were not moved.





CALLING OUT

DEBI ROSE

For her final and possibly biggest betrayal of the North Shore and *all* of Staten Island:
The First Ever R-7 REZONING

(allows high-rise development)

Only her support got it through
SI Councilmen Matteo and Borelli voted NO.
CB-1, the BP, all Civic Groups and Kamillah Hanks opposed it.

Rose's cover story: "jobs and affordable housing."

- *Jobs are mere developer promises; we know how that works.
- *Rent is too high for those among us who really need it.
- *Tall buildings with inadequate public transportation and sewers.
- *Staten Island is on soft, absorbent Serpentine Rock, not Schist like Manhattan.

Rose never did the hard work of campaigning for genuinely affordable housing or real jobs, and instead grabbed at all the developer promises.

Enough to make one wonder what was really in it for her?



The downward revision in the number of units from 720 to 524 is as much a cover story as "jobs and affordable housing."

The developer let it slip all that really matters, "It's zoned R-7 -- but we won't use that."
Yeah. Right.

Apparently, we have self-proclaimed "Mayors" in Port Richmond.

They are out in droves this season. Some of them year-round.

How an individual can Self-Proclaim such a Label is Beyond me.

It is not only inaccurate, it is Selfish, Ignorant, and Narcissistic behavior.

Being mostly absent from a neighborhood, then showing up during the holidays to hand out free items to the general public, is **NOT** a Civic Group.

We do not diminish anyone's good deeds, but what, and why you are doing it, should be only for the good of the "Community"... Not for patting yourself on the back and saying; "Hey Look At Me"! One should be there, ALL THE TIME, THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, handling all the issues in a specific area, no matter how difficult it may be.

To make things clear; We will be there on January 1st and 2nd and 3rd, and throughout 2022. Keep note of the Individuals who claim to be "Mayor of A Neighborhood," they are the problem. Imagine what mountains we could move if all these individuals, spiritual groups, and self-proclaimed "Mayors" rowed the boat in the same direction?

PS: YOU CAN KEEP THAT "MAYOR" LABEL- WE DO NOT WANT IT AND DO NOT NEED IT!

CALLING OUT IDIOTS WHO PARK AT A HYDRANT

Fortunately this did not happen in Port Richmond. A NYC Parking summons is not enough. We are hoping to work with our NYC Councilmember-elect to draft a City Law that will make this a criminal summons that will require an appearance in court.



