



NEWSLETTER

MAY 2021

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PROFESSIONAL VIDEO COMING SOON

THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES INTO NOVEMBER
See FaceBook & portrichmondstrong.com/veterans

Check our FaceBook Group.

**We will do our best to keep you updated on latest Veterans events,
Covid - especially vaccinations, jobs, and news you can use.**

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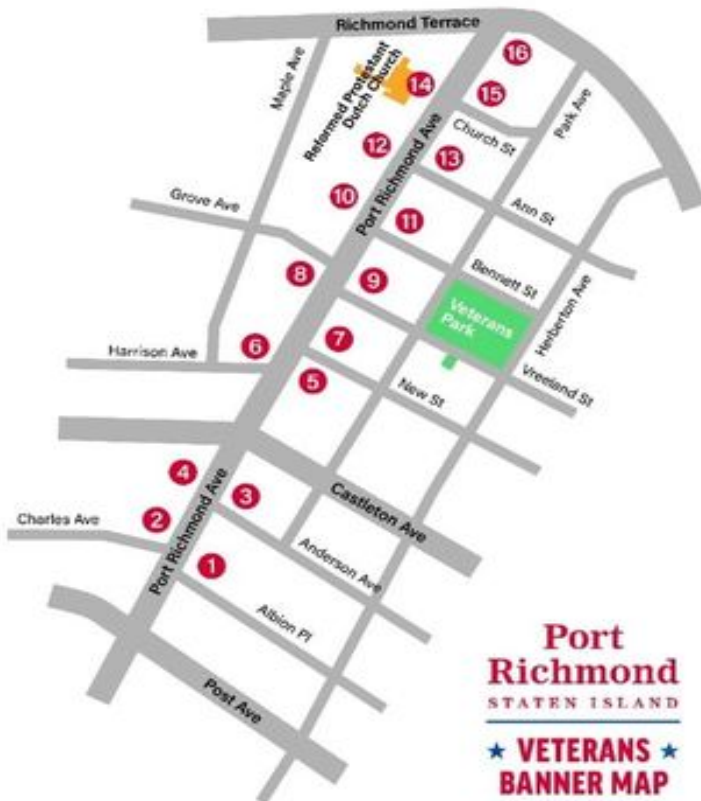


FRIDAY MAY 14

We had been working toward this day for two years.

John Brown came down from his shop to watch his father's Banner being hung.

George W. Brown enlisted at age 17 and served in WWII & Korea.



Port Richmond
STATEN ISLAND

★ **VETERANS BANNER MAP** ★

>> **Fun Fact** - We were only permitted to use metal lightpoles to hang our banners.

● LIGHTPOLE

Port Richmond's HONORED VETERANS

— 2021 Directory —

Kenneth C. Amatrudo	13
George W. Brown Jr.	11
John T. Brown	5
Father Vincent R. Capodanno	9
Richard R. Carreras	10
Christy J. Cugini	7
Frank D'Agostino	2
Anthony J. Galano Sr.	16
George Kokell	14
Anthony J. Lepardo	16
Joseph A. Librizzi	9
Frank J. Mango	5
Yessenia Mata	10
Mary (LaManna) McLoone	7
Joseph F. Milazzo	2
William A. Morris, Jr.	14
Dominick Mossa	8
James L. Mulligan	4
Charles Navarino	12
Jerome X. "Jay" O'Donovan	4
Joseph J. Parise	12
Michael R. Petrizzo	1
Francis W. Quin	13
Diana Ramos	8
Nils George Thompson	3
John V. Tighe	15
Anthony M. Tuff	15
Cesar Vargas	6

lightpole

Port Richmond
STATEN ISLAND

HONORS OUR VETERANS

OPENING CELEBRATION

May 15, 2021



Invocation



Pledge



Keynote



Roll Call



Honoring KIAs



Inspiration





**ASSEMBLING THE PROCESSION UP PORT RICHMOND AVENUE
TO AFTER PARTY AT BROTHERS PIZZA**



Enjoying their Veteran's Banner

Denise Byrnes
May 15 at 7:55 PM · 🌐

Beautiful Ceremony today as I was there for support of all armed forces and a very special person Tony Tuff(Anthony)..who's banner proudly hangs at Church St./Port Richmond Avenue...thank you to the Men/Woman who made this happen.



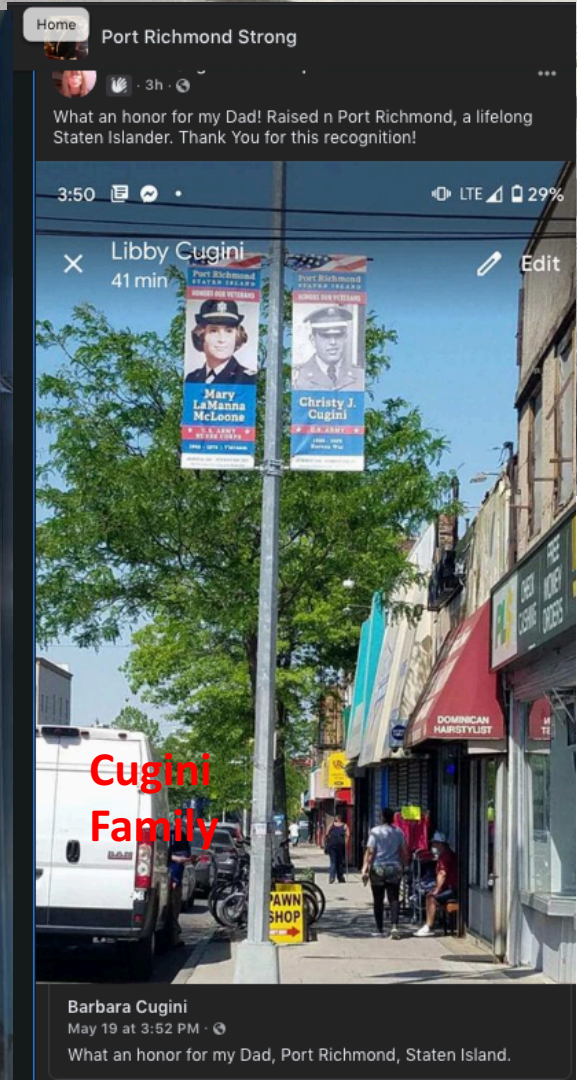
Tuff Family



Tighe Family



Carreras & Mata Families



Cugini Family

Barbara Cugini
May 19 at 3:52 PM · 🌐

What an honor for my Dad, Port Richmond, Staten Island.



THE PARADE

Monday May 31



Port Richmond U.S. Flag Project:
DECKER & PORT RICHMOND AVENUES
installation of US Flags in time for Memorial Day.

We are ONLY area of SI which has
TWO AVENUES draped with our Nation's Flag.

Special thanks goes to our Neighbor Louis.
A Long Time Port Richmond Resident and US
Military Veteran. He continues to serve.



The State of New York
through
State Senator Diane Savino,
presented
"A Proclamation" to the
Giove family,
to all their employees, past
& present,
and to the Port Richmond
Community.

We thank the Giove family
and
Senator Savino for her
continued support,
constant communication,
open dialogue
and assistance with issues in
the community.

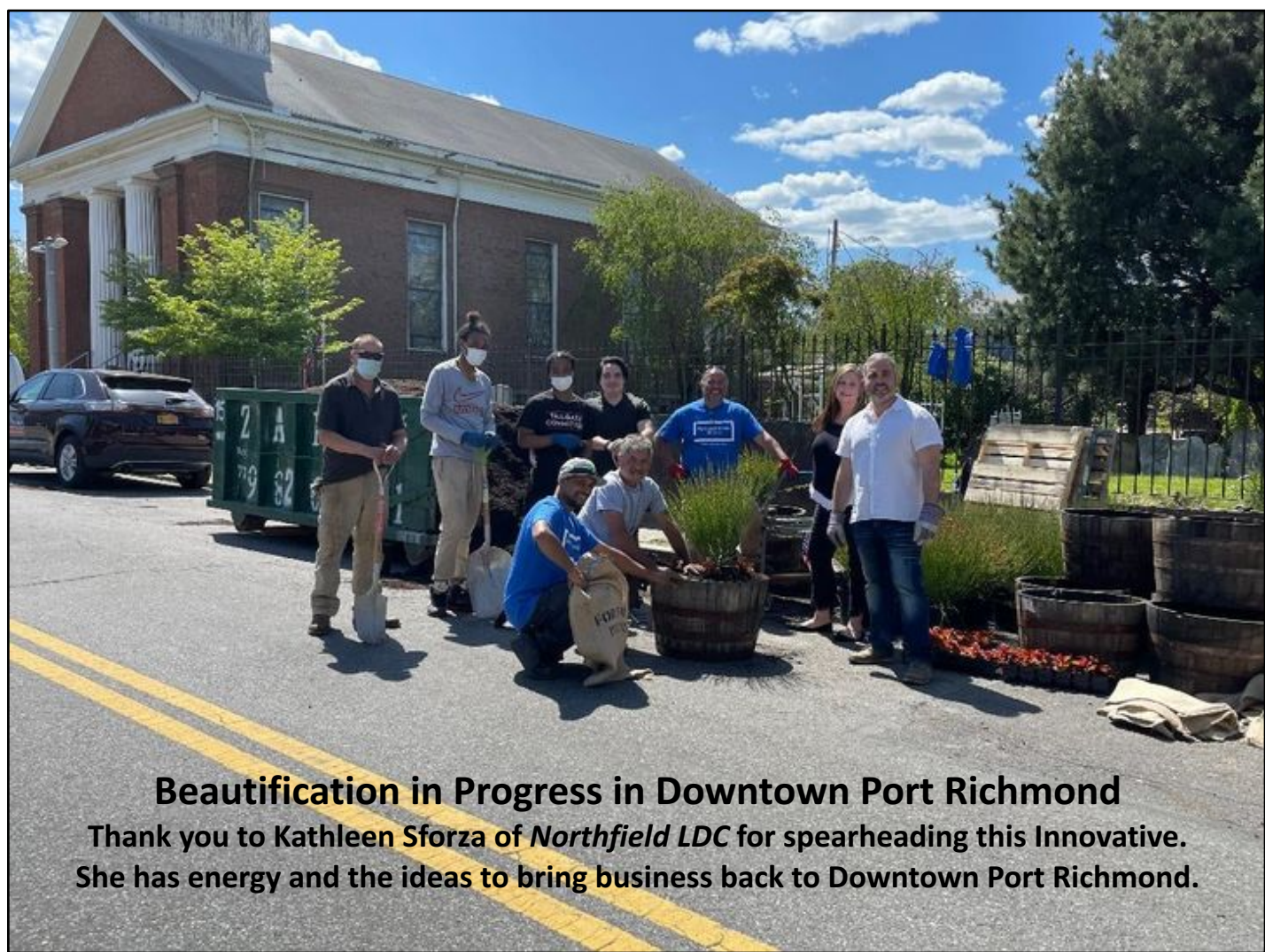


***THIS WAS A GREAT DAY AND WELL DESERVED
Congratulations, BROTHERS PIZZERIA...!***

Pet/Owner Reunion of the Month

This pup was found wandering
in the port Richmond area.
Update: his owner has been found.
Verified with photos. Pup was happy to
see family.





Beautification in Progress in Downtown Port Richmond

Thank you to Kathleen Sforza of *Northfield LDC* for spearheading this Innovative. She has energy and the ideas to bring business back to Downtown Port Richmond.



PRIVATE Community Dollars at Work..!

If we waited for Grants or other public funding this would NEVER happen. Be a Community Sponsor the results will show... one project at a time.

PORT RICHMOND *NEIGHBORS CARING*

Port Richmond Veterans Who Passed

We send out our condolences to the family and friends and Veterans which served with Mr. MUNDY in the US Army. We Thank you for your service! Rest in peace, Sir.
<https://obits.silive.com/obitu.../siadvance/obituary.aspx...>



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Frederick Mundy Obituary (1943 - 2021) - Staten Island, NY - Staten Island Advance

Willie Dan Pride, the husband of Ms. Aria Pride, and Air Force Veteran, passed away on April 29, 2021.

On Behalf of the Port Richmond Community we express our deepest condolences for your loss.

Thank you for your service.
Rest in Peace.

PASSING OF ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL LISA POLLARI

We as a neighborhood share the pain on this tragic news today.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to her entire family and friends. We also extend our condolences and support to the entire faculty, teachers, staffers and ultimately our hard working and bright students of Port Richmond High School.



May 7, 2021 was inaugural Day of
OPERATION VETERANS PARK

We are taking back our Park in collaboration with the NYPD

I cannot be more Proud of ALL who contributed.
Today, I witnessed the community coming together.
Many to thank

NYPD 121PCT PO Guglielmo worked tirelessly
with multiple agencies and community leaders
to make this happen

NYPD EXPLORERS

NYPD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

NYC PARKS DEPT.

NYC DSNY (Always on Board for a clean
neighborhood)

MICHAEL MCMAHON Richmond County
District Attorney Office

YOUTH BUILD SI.

PROJECT HOSPITALITY (DENNIS)

ABE SMITH

SAM BENEDETTO

REBECCA (CHARLES FALL OFFICE)

PORT RICHMOND C.E.R.T.

AND RESIDENTS of Port Richmond
who jumped into action.





**Port Richmond Strong Civic
is now sponsoring
all the Bins inside of Veterans Park**



**Families and kids DESERVE
a clean and safe park
to enjoy.....PERIOD!**

OPERATION VETERANS PARK

**This is the Second Year in a row that we are calling out
NYC Parks Dept.**

**Your failure to up keep ALL North Shore Parks -
Especially Staten Island's FIRST Park is unacceptable!!**

**The Park has been neglected by politicians
who use it as a prop to take undeserved credit,
but seldom find time in their busy schedules
to lend a helping hand with cleanup efforts.**

**The closest Church has the capacity to help and doesn't,
while they act like this public park is their front yard.**

**Finally, Veterans Park is plagued by the bad behavior
of imported social service clients.**

**Two years ago the Precinct directly asked the head
of one non-profit - two times – in front of people at a public
meeting -- for help with the Park.
We are still waiting for a response.**



**Jeff, a neighborhood guy, spends
his days in the park reading
books. When he wants to stretch
his legs, he walks the park
with a broom and sweeper.**

PORT RICHMOND LAW & ORDER

MURDER AT 10 PALMER AVENUE

Alleged perpetrator and victim shared a "Room" in an illegal conversion. Placed there by a local non-profit.

The illegal and dangerous conversion made it extremely difficult for First Responders, FDNY, and EMS to provide life saving aid to the victim. By illegally converting homes to unsafe living conditions, you are placing the lives of occupants, nearby residents, and First Responders in danger.

A reckless non-profit is responsible for housing these individuals in these dangerous "rooms."

The Owner of this address, **ShowKat Mahmud Haque**, is in the practice of purchasing homes throughout Staten Island and conducting Illegal conversions of Homes to SROs, including ILLEGAL Basement and Attic Apartments- some with NO windows.

The following is a list of addresses which he owns.
All are illegally converted to dangerous living conditions.

10 Palmer Avenue SINY 10302 119 Faber Street 10302
221 Targee Street SINY 10304 308 York Avenue 10301
600 Richmond Rd. SINY 10304

AN EMAIL FROM A NEIGHBOR OF 10 PALMER.

"The funeral for the man killed is happening today, the attendees are drinking, vomiting, urinating all over the block. Unbelievable. Whatever you speak about regarding these illegal housing situations that are destroying our neighborhood please let me know.
HOW DO WE GET THIS SLUMLORD OUT OF HERE?"

FOLLOW UP EMAIL LATER THAT EVENING.

"Actually we were very fortunate it could have been another bad event but the police came. We had maybe five cars here until about 11:00. They were amazing they spoke to the attendees, de-escalated the situation by sharing in their grief. It could have turned out very differently if things continued as they were. I am so happy they were here and they were so professional in protecting our community. **THANK YOU NYPD."**

PORT RICHMOND
CLEAN

CLEAN INITIATIVE



TAGGED!
Jewett Avenue
Removal.

**ANDROS AVENUE
MARINERS HARBOR....
On Mothers day...
this has to happen.**

A community partner contacted us and stated this vehicle is one of many vehicles from the disastrous, **ILLEGAL**, & zoning non-conforming auto shops on Andros Ave.

A van was left on the corner of a residential street for weeks and then Poof!

On Mothers Day, families had to smell fuel, tires, rubber, chemicals burning from a van. We continue to try to rectify the conditions at these shops plaguing the Andros Avenue residents.

City Agencies are not responding to our many, many, many attempts to have them address this **DANGEROUS** activity.

TRANTOR PLACE.

Update from Diane Savino:

State DOT notified me yesterday that they got the survey consulting agreement approved and will begin on June 7th, weather permitting. They should have the report done by mid June. City DOT might have the title search done as well. We may finally know who is the rightful owner!



NYC-DEP reports Trantor Place sink hole by catch basin and other areas have been addressed and repaired. Thank you for response on this serious issue.

**Removed
by
DSNY**

Illegal dumping is still an issue. Thankfully we work in partnership with **DSNY** to correct these issues immediately. We are thankful to have them ALL working with us

Heberton & Castleton Ave. catch basin, along with seven others throughout Port Richmond which we reported needed attention were **CLEANED.....**

