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A Message from Our President

ALFREDO CENTOLA

We live in a world where social media dominates and has to some extent taken over socialization. We rely on Facebook and other sites for our immediate gratification of information. We listen and read soundbites and make determinations of what is or is not fact. We are a society that has taken out the meaning of truth and substitutes it with “your, my, his, her,” or any version of the truth when once upon a time the truth was the truth and everything else was an opinion or a version of the truth. That said, we are fortunate to live in a community that while relying on social media for updates and information, we also reach out to our neighbors, we say hello, we acknowledge each other for good, bad or indifferent. We are a community of proud passionate people who at the end of the day, regardless of method, the objective is the same.

We live in Whitestone Queens without a doubt one of the most desired communities to live in for many different factors. Our schools, our parks, our location, location, location! We are fortunate enough to live in a community where most residents refuse to leave and their children more often than not, do not move away they look to stay. Young residents who are ready to raise their own families do whatever is within their realm to raise their families in the very community they were raised in.

Yes we have our issues. After all, as much as we are a small town community feel neighborhood, we do belong to NYC and are a small part of the largest Borough. Our civic has taken up the fight against the onslaught of helicopter and small craft noise and have had success in curtailing a large percentage of it. Our civic has taken up the fight of overdevelopment at several locations and has had success. Our civic has taken up the fight to stop the infernal bass that assaults many residents overnight causing health issues as well as attacking our quality of life. While we are still working on it, I assure you our NYPD along with a few elected representatives, are working on it.

We are fortunate enough to have incredible events within our community such as toy drives, coat drives, food drives, park clean ups, graffiti cleanups, concerts in the park, family fun day, self-defense, first aid, CPR, block watch and many many other events. This good luck can only happen because our business members, many of whom are also residents are quick to give back and sponsor our events. We are fortunate that those of you that step up and get involved give it 110% “you”, our residents and volunteers.

I will say it again, we are fortunate. Compared to other communities, we are paradise. I encourage all of you to GET UP, GET OUT AND GET INVOLVED. Every little bit helps, I know we are all busy and no one ever thinks they can dedicate any time. Believe me, you can and you would be surprised the fulfillment you get from just a little bit of involvement. I’m not saying hours and hours, remember every little bit helps so please GET UP, GET OUT, GET INVOLVED.

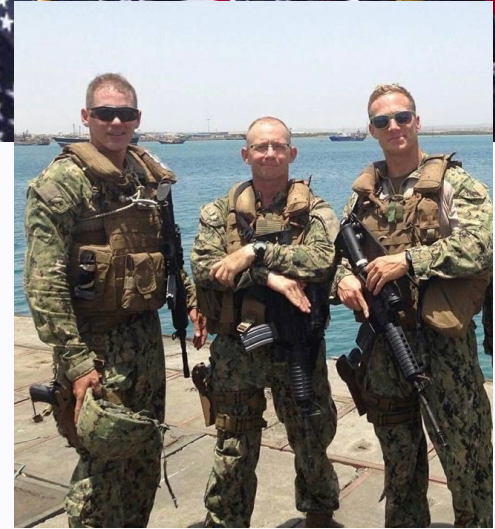
“GET UP, GET OUT AND GET INVOLVED.”

ALFREDO CENTOLA
PRESIDENT OF THE WE LOVE WHITESTONE CIVIC ASSOCIATION



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VETERAN SPOTLIGHT



Paul Kurtz

Paul was born and raised in Whitestone, the youngest of John and Marion Kurtz' 5 children. He spent his summers at Beechhurst Beach while attending P.S 193, 194 and then St. Francis Prep.

After leaving SUNY Buffalo Paul worked as a bartender at the White House restaurant. He joined the Navy Reserves in 2004 and went back to school to become an EMT. Paul's Navy service helped pay for nursing school, and he's been an RN at LIJ Medical center for 3 years.

Paul has spent most of his 18 years in the Navy Reserve in the Coastal Riverine Squadron known as the "Riverines" (They've since changed the name to Mobile Security Squadron, or MESRON) he has been mobilized overseas twice. Most recently in 2016 when he spent a year in Djibouti, a small country on the Horn of Africa doing anti-terrorism gunboat patrols in protection of large Navy cargo ships. A Hull Technician 1st class, He is a member of the NYC Honor Guard, attending to fallen veterans during their funerals and carrying the Flags for parades and sporting events. Paul has been on the field at MSG, Citifield and Yankee stadium!



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PAST EVENTS

September 11th Memorial

AT FRANCIS LEWIS PARK

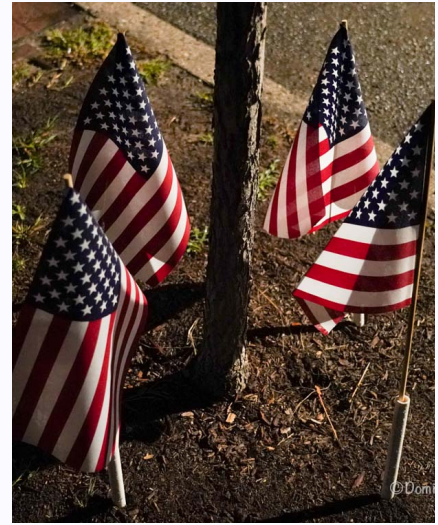


PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

SEPTEMBER 11TH MEMORIAL

Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 7:30 PM
AT FRANCIS LEWIS PARK
3rd Avenue and 147th Street - Whitestone, NY

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PAST EVENTS

Summer Concert Series

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UPCOMING TOWN HALLS

Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month!



Town Hall Meeting

Wednesday, October 19th at 7:30pm

Holy Cross Greek Church 11-05 150th Street, Whitestone

Meet the Candidates Night

Senate - District 11:

Senator Toby Ann Stavisky - Stefano Forte

Congress - Third Congressional District:

Robert Zimmerman - George Santos

Special Guest Speakers

Katherine Brezler

Special Advisor, Strategic Initiatives to the Borough President

Danielle Dimango

Superintendent of Elementary & Middle School-District 25

109th Precinct

Community Update

Halloween Candy Drive!
Bring a bag of Candy for the 109th Precinct!

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For meetings, events, membership, community notices:

Web: WeLoveWhitestone.com

Visit us on Facebook: [WeLoveWhitestone](https://www.facebook.com/WeLoveWhitestone)



UPCOMING EVENTS





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TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Located at Harpell's Parking Lot,
across from the Pharmacy
14th and 150th Street

October 23, 2022 | 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM
(Rain Date October 30, 2022)

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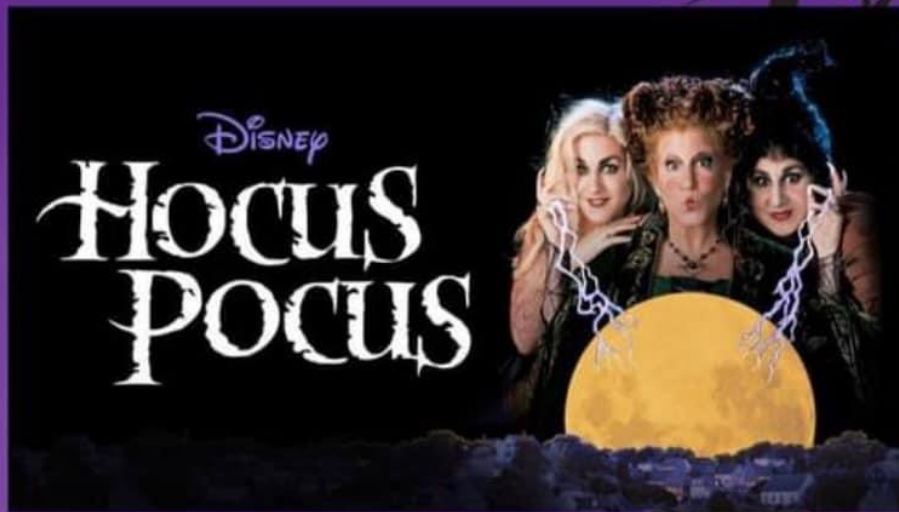
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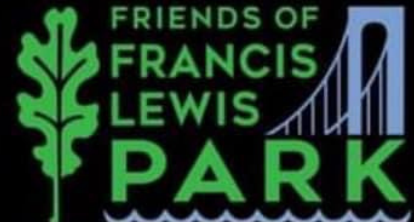
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CHRISTMAS SHOPPING NIGHT IS BACK

Thursday November 17, 2022

6:00 pm to 9:30 pm

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Admission is FREE & there is plenty of parking

Join us for a great night out!

Enjoy shopping, music, dessert, and cocktails!!!

Bring a friend and get a start on your holiday shopping!

There will be lots of door prizes and raffles.



Attention: All Vendors
Interested in participating?

Contact Tara

Email: Tjcos812@gmail.com

Deadline November 2, 2022



- December 2nd, 6:30PM, Tree lighting in the Village
- December 4th, 5:00PM, Tree Lighting at Francis Lewis Park



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LOCAL NOTICES AND BULLETINS



EXTRAS

FALL WORD SEARCH

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SEPTEMBER

APPLES

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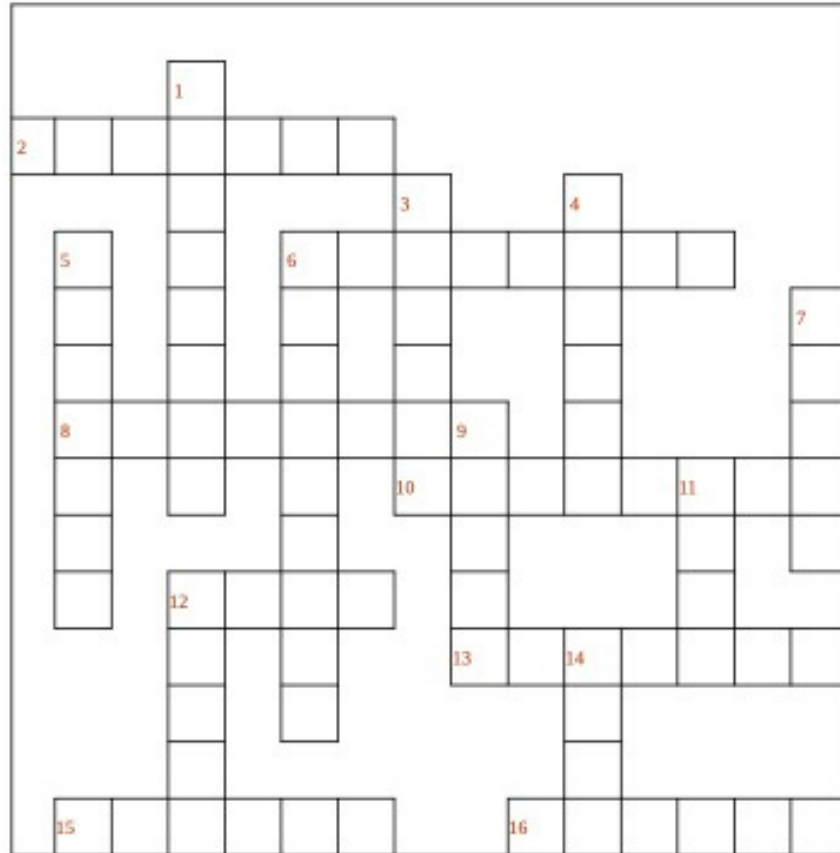
CIDER

LEAVES

SCARECROW

TURKEY

Fall



Across

- 2 Halloween month
- 6 Rodent that hordes nuts
- 8 People at the first Thanksgiving
- 10 Thanksgiving month
- 12 Yellow vegetable that grows on stalks
- 13 To gather farm crops
- 15 Thanksgiving main dish
- 16 Falls from trees

Down

- 1 Sport played with a brown ball
- 3 Another name for Fall
- 4 a color and a fruit
- 5 Great for pies or for carving
- 6 Keeps birds away from fields
- 7 Nut from an oak tree
- 9 Birds fly _____ for the winter
- 11 Bundles of hay
- 12 Drink made from apples
- 14 Tool to clean up leaves



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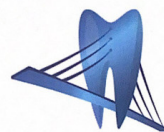
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