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WE LOVE WHITESTONE

Official Newsletter of the WLW Civic Association



Tuesday, November 16th 2021, 7:30PM

CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING
ST. LUKE'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH- BASEMENT

16-34 Clintonville St, Whitestone NY 11357
Parking in Church Parking Lot

Following meetings in 2021 (more details TBA on Facebook):

- Wednesday, December 15th 2021 (Tentative)

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A Message from Our President

ALFREDO CENTOLA

Just a note, to say thank you to our wonderful neighbors and many supporters.

When this civic was started, we were focused on one or two issues within our community. One of the major issues was the village and our small businesses, after years of organizing and working together with the local merchants, the Whitestone Merchants Association was formed. When they refused to put a four way stop sign on 17th avenue, we organized with members of the immediate area and although DOT refused to do anything we pressed forward and with a press conference and video of several accidents DOT quietly and quickly placed a 4-way stop in the early hours before the guaranteed to be embarrassing press conference. When the complaints about the Parks upkeep got to a point where complaining alone wouldn't cut it, local members stepped up and the Friends of Francis Lewis Park group was formed. My Mantra has always been GET UP, GET OUT AND GET INVOLVED.

Our community has heeded the call and has GOTTEN UP, GOTTEN OUT AND GOTTEN INVOLVED. There are issues that still need to be resolved and there are issues that will come up, after all this is NYC and we are but a suburb in that vast mosaic. Our community is a hidden gem with many hidden gems and is an extremely desired community for all families. The level of excitement and involvement in our many endeavors is more than proof of just how special our community is. To see the inspiration that comes from your involvement, is breathtaking and a source of pride that cannot be expressed.

So please continue to GET UP, CONTINUE TO GET OUT AND CONTINUE TO GET INVOLVED. This is our community, and we will continue to make the difference.

"GET UP, GET
OUT AND GET
INVOLVED."

ALFREDO CENTOLA

PRESIDENT OF THE WE
LOVE WHITSTONE
CIVIC ASSOCIATION





Summer Concerts at Francis Lewis Park

PRESENTED BY WE LOVE WHITESTONE & FRIENDS OF FRANCIS LEWIS PARK

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THANK YOU TO RADIO DAZE, URBAN RODEO & ANGELO VENUTO!



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FRIENDS OF FRANCIS LEWIS PARK
Francis Lewis Park
 Friends of Francis Lewis Park and We Love Whitestone PRESENT

SUMMER CONCERTS AT FRANCIS LEWIS PARK

SATURDAY JUL 24 7:00 PM
Radio Daze
 The Best 80's Party Band

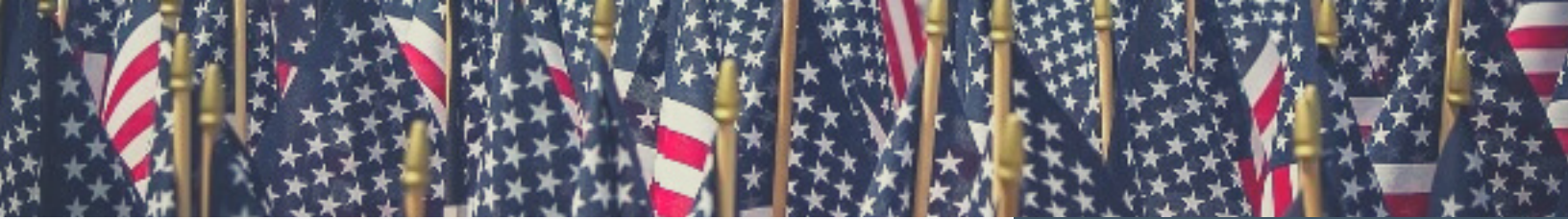
SATURDAY AUG 7 7:00 PM
URBAN RODEO

SATURDAY SEP 25 7:00 PM
ANGELO VENUTO

LOCATED AT 3RD AVENUE & 147TH STREET - WHITESTONE
 Bring Lawn Chairs and Blankets
 Thank You to NYC Parks Dept., Partnerships for Parks and Council Member Paul Vallone for their generous support

WHITEPOINT CLEANERS
 WHITESTONE





Veteran Spotlight

JOHN COLOMBO

My name is John Colombo and I was born and raised in Brooklyn, NY. I made a big decision and pushed my draft up when I turned 18. On November 28th, 1962, I entered the United States Army.

I was assigned to Fort Dix, where I completed my basic training in eight weeks. I was then assigned to Advanced Infantry Training. In May of 1963, I was assigned to the 25th Infantry Division at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii. I qualified on seven different heavy weapons. I was sent to Thailand, Laos and Okinawa.

I received two Unit Citations and was promoted to Private First Class and later to Specialist Four. I was discharged on November 12th 1964. I finished my six-year obligation and received my Honorable Discharge in 1968.

I now live in Whitestone, NY. My time in the Army made me a better person and a proud American.

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JOHN COLOMBO





September 11th Memorial

20TH ANNIVERSARY AT FRANICS LEWIS PARK

"No day shall
erase you
from the
memory of
time."

SANDY DAHL





Whitestone's Trunk-or- Treat

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UPCOMING EVENTS

On Veterans Day (November 11th 2021) there will be a ceremony held at Veterans Field located at 15th Drive and 149th Street, at 11:00AM. Please join and pay respect for all of our veterans.