



# Port News

2021 3rd Edition

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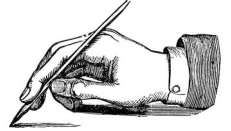
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## UPDATES FROM THE INTERIM MAYOR'S OFFICE...

### Personnel Issues:

- 1) Again, our prayers go out to Jim Milton as he continues up his road to recovery.
- 2) Kyle Ayers, from DPW broke his leg and is recovering. We have hired Chris Johnson, whom some of you have met at the Transfer Station, as a temporary replacement to help DPW maintain service levels.



### Public Safety / General Operations:

- 1) Vandalism. We had an incident the week of 9/27/21. Three stop signs were knocked down, two of which were stolen. If you see something, say something. Taking down a stop sign creates a real hazard for all of us.
- 2) Speeding! My Office and the City's new Emergency Management Coordinator, Scott Winneberger, have been speaking with the State Police to try to better manage the problem in town. We currently have three solar speed signs operating in town, and are looking to bring a fourth to address hot spots in town as they occur. I can assure you, it is a high priority. Also, thanks to Scott, we are looking into doing speed studies in town which will help the State Police react to problem areas with more solid data.
- 3) Speaking of speeding, as I mentioned in the last newsletter, we have a unique street layout in town with no sidewalks. Please be considerate of fellow citizens as you drive through town.

### Projects:

- 1) The dam. The engineering consultants have gotten back to us with recommendations. We are involved in follow up meetings this week and have started conversations with our Grant Writer, Jim Rutala who will help the City with funding. Jim has been a tremendous asset and has helped elevate the issue to the Federal level including Congressman Jeff Van Drew's Office. Meetings will continue through October.
- 2) City beach storm drain relocation project has completed engineer's drawings and we are now reviewing funding options for the project.
- 3) Port Republic successfully completed the County Storm Mitigation Report and submitted it to the County. Many thanks to Vicki Cantell, Kim Campellone, Scott Winneberger, Kevin Cain and all those who assisted in getting this important report completed.
- 4) The Type I and Type II School District Petition has been successful and will appear on the referendum in November. Please save the date of October 27th, 6 pm for a Town Hall Information Session on the issue. This will "not be a debate" on the merits of either type of district, but an objective presentation of the functionality and impact of the two different types of school districts on the City of Port Republic. Todd D'Anna, our school's Business Administrator will preside. The sole purpose of this session is to enable voters to be better informed on Election Day.

In closing, thanks to our Recreation and DPW teams for another successful summer season on the beach. Further, thanks to all for a very successful retirement and dedication ceremony for Mayor Gary. I'm glad we were able to devote the day solely to him and his contributions to the City. Finally, thanks to all, especially the Fire Department, who assisted with our wet, but fun Port Day Celebration, (I honestly thought the fireworks were kind of cool and dramatic going off in the clouds!). Once again, we have to thank our Recreation Chair, Doris Bugdon, for a great event and a great summer season in Port.



Interim Mayor Stan Kozlowski

## MUNICIPAL OFFICES

### City Clerk's Office

Kimberly Campellone, RMC  
Brandy M. Blevin, RMC  
8:30 am—4:00 pm  
Monday—Friday  
609-652-1501  
[kim@portrepublicnj.org](mailto:kim@portrepublicnj.org)  
[brandy@portrepublicnj.org](mailto:brandy@portrepublicnj.org)

### Construction Office

Kevin Cain  
4:00 pm—6:00 pm  
Monday & Wednesday  
609-652-8759  
[kevin@portrepublicnj.org](mailto:kevin@portrepublicnj.org)

### Court Office

Deanna Krupp  
4:00 pm—6:00 pm  
Monday & Wednesday  
(Court held first Wednesday  
monthly)  
609-652-9321

### Tax Assessor

Bill Johnson  
5:00 pm—7:00 pm  
3rd Wednesday monthly  
609-652-1501  
[bill@portrepublicnj.org](mailto:bill@portrepublicnj.org)

### Tax Collector

Renee DeSalvo  
5:00 pm—7:00 pm  
1st & 3rd Thursday monthly  
[renee@portrepublicnj.org](mailto:renee@portrepublicnj.org)

### Public Works Department

Bill Montag, Director  
Dave Eisenhard, Supervisor  
James Milton  
Kyle Ayers  
Chris Johnson

# This & That



## New Hours for the Transfer Station:

Wednesdays 12:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturdays 8:00 am - 4:30 pm



## Trick-or-Treat

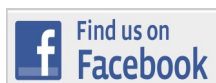
will be on

Sunday, October 31st from 6:00 pm—8:00 pm



### WE'RE ON FACEBOOK

In an effort to keep the residents of Port Republic up to date with the latest news and information available to us, we have started an official Facebook Page! Like our page "City of Port Republic"



## UPCOMING CITY MEETINGS

### City Council Meeting Schedule

2nd Tuesday of each month  
6:15 pm—Workshop  
6:30 pm—Meeting

### 2021 Dates

October 12th  
November 9th  
December 14th

### Planning Board / Zoning Board

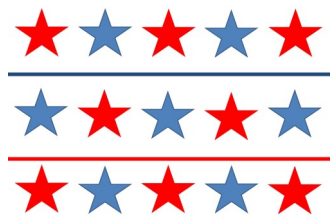
Meetings are scheduled as needed

Vicki Cantell, Secretary  
609-652-9403

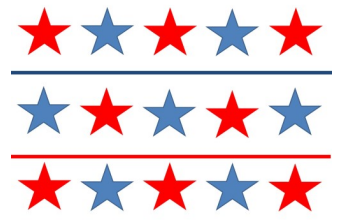


Agendas, Minutes and Zoom information for Meetings can be found on our website:

[PortRepublicNJ.org](http://PortRepublicNJ.org)



***BLUE STAR MOTHERS NJ 5***  
***COLLECT FOR OUR TROOPS OVERSEAS***



Every year in October and early November we, BLUE STAR MOTHERS NJ 5, collect for our troops overseas. The list of items that our military needs is listed below. We usually send 100 boxes. Since they are in the field, containers should be small so that items fit in uniform pockets.

If you chose to donate cash, you will be saving \$24 per box in postage. We have found that Amazon Prime will ship to our bases FOR FREE. Please remember we are a 501C3 Charity and your checks are totally tax deductible.

Our military is very grateful for these boxes. The boxes are opened on the mess hall tables and everyone gets to go through the boxes and select the items they need.

We have received many thank you notes and even flags in appreciation of your gifts to our troops.

Donations can be made at the Galloway Elks Lodge any day after 2 pm. Also donations can be dropped off at the home of Stephanie Chamberlain at 46 Brampton, Smithville, Galloway (cell # 806-380-7970).

THANK YOU for your support in the past and we look forward to a MERRY CHISTMAS for our deployed troops again this year.

Sincerely,

Blue Star Mothers of America NJ5  
120 S. New Road, Galloway, NJ 08205

- Beef Jerky
- Deodorant (gal & guy)
- Peanut Butter (small packs)
- Almonds
- Sunflower Seeds
- Peanut Butter & Cheese Crackers
- Goldfish
- Pringles
- Pretzels (small packs)
- Protein & Granola Bars (all kinds)
- Trail Mix
- Tea Bags
- Packages of Instant Coffee
- Drink Singles
- Gum
- Mints
- Eye Wash
- Moisturizer (small)
- Wet Ones
- Chapstick
- Black Socks
- M&M's
- Peanuts
- Twizzlers
- Starbursts
- Tums Packs
- Female Sanitary Supplies
- Razors
- Sunblock



## **IMPORTANT WELL WATER TESTING INFORMATION**

Atlantic County Division of Public Health

Many homes and businesses in Atlantic County use well water for their drinking water supply. A number of water samples each year show one or more contaminants that exceed state or federal drinking water standards.

**Help is available for you and your family to decide what tests are necessary, how to interpret the results, and where to obtain assistance for treatment systems or public water supply connections, if available.**

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*ATLANTIC COUNTY RESIDENTS USING WELL WATER FOR THEIR DRINKING WATER SUPPLY ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO TEST THEIR WATER FOR THE FOLLOWING CONTAMINANTS:*

**\$30 TOTAL COLIFORM BACTERIA** – These bacteria are used as an indicator that other, more harmful microbes may be present in the water. Samples that show presence of total coliform are further tested for E. coli at no additional cost.

**\$20 NITRATE** – An acute health hazard for infants and pregnant women, high nitrate levels are attributed to fertilizers, septic systems and animal waste.

**\$20 LEAD** – Lead contamination in drinking water is usually attributed to leaching of lead from solder, plumbing components and faucets.

**\$30 MERCURY** – From landfills, crop erosion and household products.

**\$95 VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS** – A variety of solvents and fuel additives.

**\$125 SEMIVOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS** – Three pesticide-related chemicals.

**\$90 PERCHLORATE** – A chemical found in rocket propellants, munitions, fertilizers.

**\$100 RADIUM** – A radioactive metal that is found to be naturally occurring in the underground soil formations in parts of Southern New Jersey.

**\$50 METAL SCANS** – Tests for 8 different metallic substances – Aluminum, Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, Iron, Manganese, and Sodium. Or order any one of these for \$15.

### **Atlantic County Division of Public Health**

Environmental Health Unit

201 South Shore Road, Northfield, NJ 08225

Phone: (609) 645-5971 / Fax: (609) 645-5923

<http://www.aclink.org/PublicHealth>

**Revised February 2019**

**WELL WATER TESTING THROUGH ATLANTIC COUNTY DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH:**

Check or money order made payable to Atlantic County Division of Public Health must be provided prior to or at the time of sample collection. Please call (609) 645-5971. *Testing will not be done by the County for resales of existing homes, new well construction, or rental properties – for these situations, please contact the laboratories below.*

The following chart is a list of privately owned certified laboratories that perform well water sampling for homes and businesses in the Atlantic County area. They are capable of arranging tests for the contaminants listed on this notice. Please contact the laboratories for current prices and certifications.

LAB NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	STATE ID #
Cape Environmental Laboratory	102 N. Main St, Cape May Court House NJ 08210	(609) 463-0077	05679
EMSL Analytical Inc.	200 Route 130 North, Cinnaminson, NJ 08077	(800) 220-3675 x1214	04653
Garden State Laboratories, Inc.	54 Main Street, Waretown, NJ 08005	(800) 273-8901	20044
Hera Environmental, Inc.	1879-1 Old Cuthbert Rd, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034	(856) 429-5200	04003
Precision Analytical Services	2161 Whitesville Rd., Toms River, NJ 08753	(732) 914-1515	15001
Eurofins QC, Vineland Division	1835 W. Landis Ave., Vineland, NJ 08360	(856) 563-0101	06005
South Jersey Water Test, LLC	4077 South Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094	(856) 875-3506	08006
Vineland Environmental Laboratories	782 S. Brewster Rd., Suite B-1, Vineland, NJ 08360	(856) 692-6800	06003

For more information:

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency –**  
<https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water>

**New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection –**  
<https://www.nj.gov/dep/watersupply/>

**Private Well Testing Act of NJ –** Testing for resales of homes on well water, and rental properties  
[https://www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply/pw\\_pwta.html](https://www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply/pw_pwta.html)

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# **Port Republic Volunteer Fire Department Roast Beef Dinner**



**October 16th  
3:30 pm to 7:30 pm  
Port Republic Firehouse, 116 Blakes Lane**

**Drive Through**

**Complete Roast Beef Dinner: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy,  
Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Applesauce, Roll and butter and dessert.**



**\$15 per dinner.**

**Cash and cards accepted!**





**JOIN THE BATTLE, BEAT THE BUG!**



# **STOMP IT OUT!**

**STOP THE SPOTTED LANTERNFLY**



## **FOR MORE INFORMATION AND WHAT TO DO:**

If you see a Spotted Lanternfly, if possible crush it first, and then report it to the New Jersey Department of Agriculture at

**[BADBUG.NJ.GOV](http://BADBUG.NJ.GOV)**.

If you find egg masses, crush them or scrape them off, place in a bag and dispose of in a proper trash receptacle.

**CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC  
CONVENIENCE CENTER REGULATIONS**

**HOURS: SATURDAYS 8:00 A.M.- 4:30 P.M.  
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 12:00P.M.-8:00 P.M.**

**YOU MUST PROVIDE YOOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE UPON REQUEST  
FOR PROOF OF RESIDENCY**

**COMMERCIAL WASTE IS PROHIBITED**

**ALL TRASH CONTAINERS MUST  
HAVE A SECURED LID**

**The following items are not permitted:**

Antifreeze	Paints
Branches Larger 4" in Diameter	Pesticides
Compact Fluorescent Bulbs CFL's	Propane Tanks/Bottles
Concrete	Thinners
Freon	Tires
Herbicides	Toxic Chemicals
Medical Needles	Tree Stumps

**FOR DISPOSAL OF THE ABOVE ITEMS: Please contact  
Atlantic County Utilities Authority: 609-272-6950**

**COMPACTOR USE**

When you drive up the ramp on the left side, please discard your household trash/garbage in the Compactor. ***Please Note: household non rechargeable batteries are not recyclable and should be discarded in the Compactor.*** PLEASE NO recyclables, constructions debris, metal objects, wood or yard waste in the compactor.

**OPEN TOP CONTAINER USE**

As you continue to drive on the ramp on your right side, is a large open top container for bulky items. Example: furniture, non-recyclable items, wood **NO** metal objects, tires, garbage or leaves. Only one pick up size truck load per household per week.



### **METAL OPEN TOP CONTAINER USE**

Continue driving on the ramp and the next container on your right side is the Metal Open Top Container. Example: refrigerators, washers, dryers, stoves, grills, lawnmowers, pots, pans, air conditioners, swing sets, car rims *NO tires*

### **RECYCABLES**

After you pass the little shed on the paved ramp on your left side, there are two containers for recycling. Recyclable materials include the following:

### **PLASTICS**

Only plastic bottles and Containers #1-2 with necks smaller than the base. Examples: Water, Beverage, Juice bottles, Milk jugs, Shampoo, Detergent bottles, condiment containers. No food or liquid residue! Please remove caps and lids! NO plastic bags.

### **PAPER, CARDBOARD CARTONS**

Flattened cardboard, Cereal/Shoe boxes, Envelopes, Magazines, Newspaper, Telephone Books, Juice/Milk cartons, Broth/Soup cartons

### **METALS**

Aluminum, Tin or Steel cans

### **GLASS**

All Glass Bottles/Containers/Jars - lids and caps removed and thrown away (if metal, recycle separately) NO plastic bags.

### **YARD WASTE**

There is a designated area for: bushes, shrubs and briars. NO stumps, logs or branches larger than 4" in diameter.

### **WASTE OIL AND VEHICLE BATTERIES**

Use funnel to pour into oil tank. Please keep your container to use again. Place vehicle/boat batteries near oil tank.

### **CLOTHING/FABRIC**

Place in the AmVets container.

### **LEAVES/GRASS CLIPPINGS**

Use the compost site.

### **ELECTRONICS**

A bin is provided for TV'S ONLY! No other Electronics will be accepted.

### **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

The Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA) holds collections during the year. Call ACUA at 609-272-6950 for information or check their website.

### **SYRINGES**

Syringe disposal programs are offered at the following hospitals: AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center-City Division, Atlantic City, Phone: 609-572-8300 and AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center-Mainland Division, Galloway Township, Phone: 609-652-3453

For more information regarding materials not accepted here, please call the City Clerk's Office at 609-652-1501. If everyone does their part to recycle properly, the City will pay less for disposal and earn more money through an annual grant.

*Thank you for taking pride in your community and keeping it clean every day and for future generations.*



# Fact sheet

## Backyard Leaf Composting

*Franklin Flower, Extension Specialist Emeritus in Environmental Science*

*Peter Strom, Assistant Professor in Environmental Science*

Many New Jersey homeowners have an excessive quantity of leaves in the fall. One alternative for dealing with leaves is backyard composting. This process involves primarily the microbial decomposition of organic matter. Compost - the end result - is a dark, friable, partially decomposed substance similar to natural organic matter found in the soil.

### The Composting Process

Composting speeds natural decomposition under semi-controlled conditions. Raw organic materials can be converted into compost by microorganisms. As microorganisms decompose organic matter, temperatures within the pile increase, sometimes approaching 150 degrees F. at the center. These inside-pile temperatures speed the process, and kill many weed and disease organisms.

Leaves may be composted by piling them in a heap. Locate the pile where drainage is adequate and there is no standing water. The composting pile should be damp enough that when a sample taken from the interior is squeezed by hand a few drops of water will appear. A shaded area will reduce moisture evaporation from the surface, but tree roots may grow into the pile. If the surface of the pile becomes excessively dry, it will not compost, and those leaves may blow away.

The leaf pile should be at least 4 feet in diameter and 3 feet in height. If it is too small, it is difficult to maintain adequate temperatures for rapid decomposition. The maximum size should be about 5 feet in height and 10 feet in diameter. If the pile is too large, the interior will not obtain the oxygen needed for adequate, odor-free decomposition. If more material is available, lengthen the pile into a rectangular shape while keeping it 10 feet wide and 5 feet high. If there is sufficient space and material, two or three piles will provide greater flexibility. One pile can contain compost for immediate use; the second is actively composting; and the

third receives newly fallen leaves. If there is space for only one pile, new material may be added gradually to the top while removing the decomposed product from the bottom.

### Containing the Pile

Composting may be done in a loose pile. However, for the most efficient use of space, it can be contained in a bin or other enclosure. The sides of this bin should be loose enough to permit air movement. One side should be open, or easily opened, for turning the pile and for removing the finished compost.

Woven wire or wooden slat fencing, or cement blocks on their sides have been used successfully. Wood gradually decomposes, and wire fencing may rust, so these materials will need periodic replacement. Wooden stakes driven into the ground may attract termites, so lumber treated with wood preservative or metal snow-fence posts may be better.

### Constructing the Pile

Many instruction sheets advocate constructing the pile in layers that may include grass clippings, fertilizer, limestone, manure, soil, and leaves. However, we have found this practice to be unnecessary. The pile can be constructed of leaves only. A small amount of grass clippings may be added to the leaves as the pile is being constructed. However, because of its high demand for oxygen, too much grass tends to cause an anaerobic (without oxygen) condition. This greatly reduces the composting rate, and can produce unpleasant odors. Fresh vegetable peelings may be included, but do not add meat or grease because they may cause odors or attract pests.

Unless leaves are collected in a very wet condition, add water while placing them in the pile. Without moisture, the microorganisms will not function. Moist-en to the point



where it is possible to squeeze droplets of water from a hand-held mass of leaves.

Dead leaves lack adequate nitrogen for rapid decomposition. Therefore, a high-nitrogen fertilizer added to the pile may speed up decomposition. However, since leaves fall only for about 2 months a year, there are 10 months for decomposition before space is needed for the next batch. So, while it is generally unnecessary to add fertilizer, for more rapid decomposition and a product with a higher nutritive content, 5 ounces (about 1/2 cup) of 10% nitrogen fertilizer per 20-gallon can of hand-compacted leaves could be added. Fresh manure could be substituted, but it may cause odor problems.

Ordinarily it is unnecessary to add ground limestone because the pile seldom becomes too acidic. If fertilizer has been added, an equivalent quantity of limestone will counteract any acidity. Little or no limestone should be added if the compost is to be used on acid-loving plants.

Some guides on leaf composting recommend adding layers of soil periodically to the piles to supply the microorganisms needed for decomposition. We have not found this practice to be necessary, because leaves, themselves, contain a multitude of microorganisms. Available commercial activators or starters definitely are not needed.

Avoid packing the materials too tightly. Too much compaction will limit movement of air through the pile. Shredding the leaves generally speeds up composting.

To reduce weed germination, weeds in flower or with seeds should not be composted. Also, it is best to avoid composting diseased plants, or herbicide-treated lawn clippings until after at least three mowings.

## Care of the Pile

The composting pile must be kept moist, but not soggy, for proper decomposition. Inadequate moisture reduces microbial activity, while excessive water may cause anaerobic conditions. A thin outer layer of dry leaves is unavoidable.

The pile should be periodically turned or mixed. The main objectives of turning are to shift materials from the outer parts of the pile closer to the center for better decomposition, and to incorporate oxygen. During warm weather, turn the pile once a month. In cool weather frequent turning is not recommended because it allows too much heat to escape. Piles should be turned immediately if ammonia or other offensive odors are detected. If space is available, turning may be accomplished by shifting the entire pile to an adjacent area or bin.

Within a few weeks after starting, the pile should be hot in the center. Heating generally indicates that the pile is decomposing properly. Failure to heat may be caused by too little or too much water, improper aeration, packing too tightly, or a pile that is too small. As leaves decompose, they should shrink to less than one-half of their original volume. During dry weather it may be necessary to add more water. The moisture content of the interior of the pile should be observed while turning.

## Using Leaf Compost

Finished compost should be dark and crumbly with much of the original appearance no longer visible. It should have an earthy odor. Normally, compost will be ready in 4-9 months.

The major horticultural use for leaf compost is to improve the organic content of soil. Most New Jersey soils need an increase of 1/2 to 1% in organic content, particularly to improve moisture-holding capacity and tilth. Leaf compost is not normally a fertilizer, because it is too low in nutrients. Compost serves primarily as an organic amendment and as a soil conditioner. Soil mulch is another valuable use for leaf compost.

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## Top 5 Things To Know About In-Person Early Voting

Earlier this year, a law was passed permitting in-person early voting in New Jersey. Here are the answers to five common questions about in-person early voting:

### 1. WHAT IS IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING?

This new option enables all registered voters to cast their ballot **in person, using a voting machine, during a nine-day period prior to Election Day**. You can now choose to vote, in person, when it's most convenient for your schedule.

### 2. WHERE CAN I ACCESS IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING?

- No matter where you live in the county, you can vote your specific ballot at any of your county's designated in-person early voting locations.
- Find your county's locations at **Vote.NJ.Gov**.

### 3. WHEN CAN I ACCESS IN-PERSON EARLY VOTING?

- In-person early voting locations will be open **Saturday, October 23 through Sunday, October 31**.
- Hours will be **Monday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. and Sunday, 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** No appointment necessary.

### 4. WHAT IF I ALWAYS VOTE BY MAIL, BUT NOW WANT TO VOTE EARLY, IN PERSON, INSTEAD?

- Check whether or not you are an active vote-by-mail voter at **Vote.NJ.Gov**, under "**Track My Ballot**"
- If you are registered to vote by mail in the 2021 General Election, you must opt out, in order to cast a ballot in person on a machine at an early voting location.
- To opt out, contact your County Clerk by August 31.

### 5. CAN I STILL CHOOSE FROM OTHER VOTING OPTIONS?

Yes. You may select, instead, to:

- Apply for a **vote-by-mail ballot** and return it one of the following ways...
  - 1... **Mail**: It must be postmarked on or before 8:00 p.m. November 2 and be received by your county's Board of Elections on or before November 8.
  - 2... **Secure Ballot Drop Box**: Place it in one of your county's secure ballot drop boxes by 8:00 p.m. on November 2. Drop box locations can be found at **Vote.NJ.Gov**.
  - 3... **Board of Elections Office**: Deliver it in person to your county's Board of Elections Office by 8:00 p.m. on November 2. County Election Officials' contact information can be found at **Vote.NJ.Gov**.
- Or, **vote in person** at your polling place, from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. **on Election Day, November 2**. Accommodations will be made for voters with disabilities. Go to **Vote.NJ.Gov** for your polling place, listed on the Polling Locations page.

NOTE: Vote-by-mail ballots CANNOT be returned to your polling place for this election.



Secretary of State Tahesha Way

**1-877-NJ-VOTER (1-877-658-6837)**  
**Vote.NJ.Gov**





# Volunteer Opportunities

Port School is looking for more volunteers for their school lunch program. If you are interested, you can signup on their website [portnj.org](http://portnj.org) or contact the school directly at 609.652.7377



***Join the Port Republic Heritage Society!***

**Anyone interested in preserving our small town history please attend the meeting at City Hall at  
6 pm on Wednesday, November 17th**

*For more information, please contact*

*Councilmember Donna Riegel at [donnar@portrepublicnj.org](mailto:donnar@portrepublicnj.org)*



## UPCOMING EVENTS

2021



October 16—Fire Company Roast Beef Dinner  
(3:30 pm—7:30 pm)

October 18—October 22—Scholastic Book Fair  
(PTS)

October 22—Port School Scarecrow Making Event

October 31—Trick-or-Treat (6:00 pm—8:00 pm)

November 2—General Election Day

December 2—Tree Lighting

## WATER CONTAMINATION

Any resident who has had their water tested and the testing came back with contamination requiring you to have a POET System installed, please notify City Hall. We are mapping the contamination.



## “TRASH” NEWS

When taking your trash to the Convenience Center please take the time to properly secure the lid onto trash cans and/or tie off your trash bags. Unsecured trash can cause trash to blow out onto our roadways and the yards of your neighbors. Please help us keep our City clean and beautiful!



Do you have household hazardous waste you need to dispose of? The next drop-off is on November 6th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm at the ACUA Haneman “Fritz” Environmental Park, 6700 Delilah Road, Egg Harbor Township.

For more information visit: [www.acua.com/hhw/](http://www.acua.com/hhw/)

## PHYSICAL HEALTH AIDS

Keep in mind that I have stored a number of physical health aids for those in need of them (you don't have to be a senior to borrow these). Also, if anyone has any health aids that are no longer needed or wanted, I will gladly accept your donations.

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