



Demarest Digest

Mayor and Council Message

I'm sure everyone in Demarest is glad to see the return of summer with the warmer weather and the usual fun summer activities. Even though the children are in camps or recreation programs and families go away on vacations, there is still plenty to do in the borough during the summer. Our summer concerts at the Gazebo begin on Wednesday July 10, featuring the Ray Greiche Band. On Sunday, July 14, Shakespeare at the Gazebo returns at 7PM.

Don't forget our Municipal Library this summer if you are looking for things to do. From the borough website you can link to the website of the Demarest Free Public Library, as well as to the websites for the schools and other borough organizations. The library website posts a weekly calendar of events at the library and shows other ways you can access this important borough resource, such as health consultations, getting tickets to local museums and signing up to borrow eBooks, movies and music.

After we enjoy our lazy days of summer, there are events in the fall to be enjoyed by our residents. Demarest Day returns on Saturday, September 21, from 11-3 PM, followed on the same day by the Demarest Fire Association's 125th Anniversary Celebration from 3 to 7PM. This special day culminates with FIREWORKS at 7:30 at Wakelee Field.

Oktoberfest returns on Saturday October 12. Look for new activities and food and drink at this year's event. Old favorites like the canoe rides will return, but the trustees have worked hard to add new activities to Oktoberfest this year. Come down to the Duck Pond on October 12 and check it out.

Here's hoping everyone stays busy and safe this summer. Enjoy!

Mayor Melinda Iannuzzi

As a reminder: The new, improved website can be reached at Demarestnj.org (not the old .net)

Calendar of Events

- June 10 Old Church Cultural Center art classes begin for the summer
- June 12 Municipal Court 5:30 pm
- June 17 Health Consultation at the Library 10:00-11:00 am (see article)
- June 24 Mayor and Council meeting 7:30 pm
- July 4 and 5 Borough Hall offices closed for Fourth of July
- July 10 Concert at the Gazebo: Ray Greiche 7:30 pm
- July 15 Health Consultation at the Library 10:00-11:00 am (see article)
- July 17 Concert at the Gazebo: Band to be announced 7:30 pm
- July 24 Concert at the Gazebo: Outside the Lines 7:30 pm
- July 25 Municipal Court 5:30 pm
- July 29 Mayor and Council meeting 7:30 pm
- July 31 Kover Up Band 7:30 pm
- August 6 Municipal Court 5:30 pm
- August 7 Concert at the Gazebo: Danny Johnson Band 7:30 pm
- August 19 Health Consultation at the Library 10:00-11:00 am (see article)
- August 26 Mayor and Council meeting 7:30 pm
- September 2 Borough Hall offices closed for Labor Day

A look ahead:

- September 21 Demarest Day at the Duck Pond 11:00-3:00 followed by
Fire Association 125th anniversary celebration on Park Street 3:00-7:00 then
Fireworks at Wakelee Field 7:30 pm

From the Ambulance Corps:

Know the Difference Between Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke



Heat exhaustion

Symptoms

- headache
- dizzy or fainting
- heavy sweating
- cold, pale and clammy skin
- nausea or vomiting
- fast, weak pulse
- weakness or muscle cramps
- excessive thirst

What to do

- Hydrate with water or sports drinks. No alcohol.
- Move to a cooler, air-conditioned place.
- Lie down.
- If fully conscious, sip water.
- Take a cool shower or use cold compresses.
- If vomiting continues, seek medical attention.
- Act quickly. Untreated heat exhaustion can progress to heat stroke.
- Remove tight fitting clothing or extra layers.



Heat stroke – a medical emergency

Symptoms

- headache
- confusion or delirium
- may lose consciousness
- no sweating/dry skin
- hot, red skin
- nausea or vomiting
- rapid heart rate
- body temperature above 104° F

What to do

- Call 911. This is a medical emergency.
- Move the person to a cooler place.
- Use cold compresses to reduce body temperature.
- Do not give fluids.

Upcoming Municipal Court Dates

Demarest Municipal Court will be held at 118 Serpentine Road on the following dates:

Wednesday June 12 at 5:30 pm

Thursday, July 25 at 5:30 pm

Tuesday, August 6 at 5:30 pm

Tuesday, September 3 at 5:30 pm

The Demarest Nature Center

There is still time to enter the John C. Goodwin Nature Photo Contest! What used to be a spring event is now moving to the fall. All photos must be taken within the Nature Center. There are prizes for black and white as well as color, and for adults as well as children. Photos must be submitted by September 21 at the Demarest Library or the Art School at Old Church. Winners of the contest will be announced at the Oktoberfest on October 12. Please visit demarestnaturecenter.org for further information and details.

Lots of kids and parents showed up at the train station to build birdhouses and birdfeeders on Feb. 13. Many thanks to Dave Emerson, a co-founder of the Nature Center, for supplying kits and helping with the construction. Other successful events this year included the annual cleanup day and nature walk with naturalist Marc Gussen on March 30, as well as the Easter egg hunt on April 13, featuring new trustee Patricia Chen in the coveted Easter bunny suit.

Tennis Permits

Demarest Borough tennis permits can be purchased at the Borough Hall Board of Health Office Monday through Friday 8am to 4pm. The cost is \$5.00 per individuals and \$10.00 per family. The permit is good for one year starting in April. If you have any questions, call 201-768-0167 Ext. #130.

Badges must be provided upon request.

Permits are for recreational use only. Individuals wishing to give tennis instruction on Demarest courts must apply at the Board of Health Office, provide proof of insurance and be approved by the Recreation Commission.

Do You Require Brush Pickup?

If you have brush that needs to be picked up, please call the DPW at (201) 768-5439. If no one is available to answer the phone, please leave a message including your name, address, and phone number.

Municipal Parking

If you are in need of additional parking or somewhere to store a vehicle that should not be parked in your driveway, there are spots available downtown for a nominal permit parking fee. To inquire, please call the Borough Clerk, Susan Crosman, at 201-768-0167, ext. 139, for further details.

The Art School at Old Church

Register Now for Summer Classes, Workshops, and Camps at The Art School at Old Church
Art of Healing Submission Deadline Extended to June 10. The summer session begins on June 17 and includes classes for kids, teens, adults, and families; one- and two-day workshops; and the Blast of Art! summer camp, a week-long day camp for children ages 6-12. The Summer 2019 catalog is available at www.tasoc.org/course-catalog. Registration is available online, by phone, or in-person.

Summer workshops include the highly anticipated three-day glazing workshop with potter Richard Aerni; introduction to spinner rings, printmaking, pastel, glass beads, needle felting, basketry, batik, and much more. The Art School is also bringing back its "Fun Day Monday" series, with popular options like Urban Sketching and new choices like driftwood rib basket. Also, children ages six through 12 can participate in the Blast of Art! summer camp program taking place August 5-9 and 12-16. Call The Art School at Old Church at (201) 767-7160 for more information!

In addition to classes, The Art School also accepts submissions for ongoing gallery exhibits and is currently accepting submissions for The Art of Healing, an installation in collaboration with Englewood Health. Englewood Health and The Art School recognize the healing potential of art; the display of art enhances EH's culture of compassion and humanism in medicine, contributing to the comfort and well-being of its patients and visitors. All 2-dimensional artwork under 4' x 4' will be considered and must be received by June 10. Additional details and submission requirements can be found at: www.tasoc.org/submissions.

The Art School at Old Church's galleries are open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and on Saturday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Please call to confirm hours.

CCO Reminder from the Building Department

In order to rent or sell your home, a Certificate of Continued Occupancy is required. You must complete the application, pay the required fees and have the home inspected prior to any change in occupancy or ownership. This process takes approximately 4 weeks, so make sure you allow ample time. Any question, please call Kate Williams at 201-768-3398.

Removal of Large Appliances and Other Equipment

Please call IWS sanitation at 201-768-5407 to schedule an appointment for the pickup of large appliances and other household equipment. Refrigerators, air conditioners, and ice makers must have the Freon removed by a certified service person before pickup. If you are buying a new appliance, please check with the merchant as to whether it will remove and dispose of the old appliance.

Summer Reading Books



The Demarest Free Public Library has all the books you need for your required reading this summer. You will be able to find titles for Luther Lee Elementary, Demarest Middle School and Northern Valley-Demarest.

These books circulate for **TWO WEEKS ONLY** and **MUST** be picked up at the library. If no one is waiting for the title, you may check it out for another two weeks. This policy is to ensure that ALL STUDENTS have access to Summer Reading books.

2019 Summer Reading Program



This summer the Demarest Free Public Library wants to discover a **“Universe of Stories.”**

The Summer Reading program is been planned to keep your children reading and learning ALL SUMMER! We’ll be offering a variety of programs, giveaways, and contests all summer, so pick up a list of events and drop in as often as possible. The more books you read and programs you attend, the more PRIZES you can win!

On June 10th, come in and register at the library. Pick up a reading log and get ready to READ! We are looking to have a fantastic time this summer; get ready to BLAST OFF with the library!

Library Summer Hours

Monday 9-8, Tuesday 9-5, Wednesday 9-8, Thursday 9-8, Friday 9-5

Saturday 9-1

Closed Sunday from June 30 – September 8, 2019

Demarest Garden Club News

The Demarest Garden is a 501.c3 not for profit organization that promotes and encourages the exchange of horticulture projects through education and conservation programs. Our civic projects are maintenance and development of the Davies Arboretum and the RR Station Garden and planters. All individuals and families are welcome to be a part of caring for these properties. We are also involved in Outreach programs of garden therapy sessions at local senior care facilities and Middle and Elementary school planting projects. Before Memorial Day, we planted red, white and blue flowers with the fifth graders and Environmental Commission members at the Duck Pond. We go on field trips visiting public and private gardens, flower and garden shows and conservation related events. As members of the NJ Botanical Gardens, our members volunteer in several of their fund raising projects.

Our business meetings are held at 1:00pm, first Friday monthly September through June, at the United Methodist Church. Guest speakers present their programs at 2:00PM which are open to the public. Refreshments by the hospitality committee follow. The Demarest Garden Club annual Plant Sale fundraiser proceeds help to fund the club's civic projects and activities and support the Garden Club of NJ conservation and horticulture projects throughout our state. We want to thank everyone who was so generous to us by ordering their annuals and perennials through us. We are very grateful for your patronage. Everyone is welcome to become a member. Contact us at our website www.demarestgardenclub.org or contact membership chairwoman, Elisabeth Evans at 201 768-0263.

From the Finance Office

Third quarter taxes are due August 1, 2019 (grace period ends Monday, August 12). You may pay your taxes online via the Borough website www.demarestnj.org. You will be charged a flat \$1.50 for electronic check payments; 2.65% for Credit Card transactions. If you have questions, please call our office (201) 768-3611, Monday to Friday 8:00-5:00.

Follow these steps: Click on tax payment. Click on Add item on the next screen. Click on Checkout in the next screen. On the next screen, supply all the information requested and make sure that you check the box acknowledging that you agree with all the charges. On this screen, you can switch to pay by electronic check rather than credit card if you wish. You can search your tax amount by Block/Lot **or** last name. If you use Block/Lot, please exclude the 0s preceding your Block & Lot on your tax bill (key in 25-8 or 120-3.01 or 120-11.31-C00E1; please note the Caps with the Bellaire Condominium units). If you are having trouble with the Block/Lot, try searching by your last name.

A Request from the Environmental Commission

Help us turn trash into a treasure! Bring your used plastic grocery bags to the DPW. If we can collect 500 pounds of grocery bags, the Trex Corporation will turn them into a bench for our town.

Board of Health News

The Board of Health, along with the Demarest Library, invite you to a FREE Health Consultation Program. This program is made possible by the contract the Demarest Board of Health holds with the Bergen County Department of Health Services.

WHERE: Demarest Library 90 Hardenburgh Avenue (2nd floor conference room)

WHEN: 3rd Monday of Every Month

TIME: 10 am to 11 am

Dates for 2019

May 20	Sept. 16
June 17	Oct. 21
July 15	Nov. 18
Aug. 19	Dec. 16

SERVICES INCLUDE:

- ◇ Health History Evaluation
- ◇ Blood Pressure Measurement
- ◇ Height and Weight
- ◇ Individualized Counseling and Education
- ◇ Referral and Follow-up
- ◇ Confidential Consultation with a Public Health Nurse

For more information, call 201-768-8714



Summer is the time for us to be enjoying outdoor activities such as backyard barbecues, hanging by the pool or playing in the park. Being outside means exposure to those irritating mosquitoes. Did you know container mosquitoes are the #1 mosquito problem in Bergen County? Any container that holds water can be a home for mosquito larvae. After 7 days, larvae will become adult mosquitoes. Please check your property for containers that have collected standing water. For more information on mosquitoes and mosquito control, contact the Bergen County Mosquito Control Program at 201-634-2880 or 201-634-2881 and/or visit their website at <https://www.co.bergen.nj.us/mosquito-control>. The county has supplied the borough with fact sheets describing what the Mosquito Control Department does along with information on what homeowners can do to help control the mosquito problem. You can find the link [here](#). Please visit the Demarest Board of Health webpage at https://demarestnj.org/board_health for other helpful links on health programs, public health notices and links to various Bergen County and State of NJ services.

Demarest Shade Tree Commission



Friday, April 26, 2019, was Arbor Day; we lost one big tree near the Gazebo, but as promised we also planted. In keeping with the Arbor Day Foundation & Demarest Shade Tree Commission mission to plant, nurture, celebrate and inspire others to plant trees, we've done the following: For the Arbor Day celebration, the Demarest STC, as an entity, has planted 10 seedlings that will be monitored and transplanted when ready for their final location. The species are as follows: 2 American redbuds, 2 Sargent Crabapples, 2 Washington Hawthorns, 2 White Flowering Dogwoods and 2 Crape Myrtles.

Police Department News

The Demarest Police would like to congratulate Chief James F. Powderley III on his recent retirement. Chief Powderley has served the Borough of Demarest from August 1986 to April 2019. We thank Chief Powderley for his leadership and dedicated service for past 33 years. Best of luck on your retirement!

The Borough of Demarest and Northern Bergen County have seen a recent uptick in stolen vehicles and thefts from vehicles. At 9:00 pm every night, please make sure your vehicles are locked and your valuables are removed. Do not leave your key fobs in your vehicle or by your windows or doors of your home. Also, please remember to secure your house and garage doors. If you see suspicious activity, please call.

With the warm weather now upon us, our Borough parks and roadways are more active with pedestrians, bicycles, and vehicle traffic. The Police Department respectfully requests your cooperation in observing and obeying all traffic laws and parking ordinances. These ordinances were enacted to help ensure the safety of our residents and guests, especially the children. Your attention and cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

We would like to welcome Police Officer Dennis Cameron and Police Officer Joseph Powderley to the Police Department. Prior to their fulltime employment, Dennis Cameron was a Demarest Special Police officer with our Department, and Joseph Powderley was a Special Police officer with Middle Township. Please visit us at www.demarestpd.org for department updates, forms, and permit information. Like our Facebook page and follow us on Instagram.

Events Sponsored by the Recreation Commission

Summer Concerts at the Gazebo. All concerts are free of charge and will begin at 7:30. In case of inclement weather, a rain date will be announced.

July 10th - Ray Grieche

July 17th – Band to be announced

July 24th - Outside the Lines

July 31st - Kover Up Band

August 7th - Danny Johnson Band

Shakespeare at the Gazebo: Sunday, July 14 at 7:00 pm

Reminder from the Swim Club

It's time to register for your DEMAREST SWIM CLUB Summer membership at communitypass.net!