



Friends and neighbors,

Congratulations Academy of the Holy Angels, Demarest. According to Niche, formerly known as **College Prowler**, Holy Angels ranked #7 of best All-Girls High Schools in New Jersey. Kudos to the faculty, staff, and of course, the students!

The **Environmental Commission** is proud to announce that our community **food composting program** went live February 15 and so far, it's been very successful. Demarest has composted over 500 pounds of food waste in just 5 weeks. From an emissions perspective, this is equivalent to taking over 500 combustion engine car miles off the road, or 200kg of CO2. All of that success is with only 25 households currently signed up. Imagine how much good we could do with more! 25 is the minimum to keep the program going, so the EC encourages everyone to and consider joining the program! [Demarest Municipality | Neighborhood Compost](#)

This weekend is the celebration of **Eid**, which marks the breaking of the Ramadan fast, I wish **Eid Mubarak** to all of our families celebrating Eid.

Demarest Paving Project Updates:

The paving of **Stewart St. and Stelfox Rd.** will start on or about **April 15** and the paving of **Forest Ave. and Prescott St.** is scheduled to begin on or about **May 15**. Affected neighbors for these projects will receive notice before the work begins.

If you live on or around these streets and have specific questions related to paving work, please reach out to the Borough Administrator at 201-660-4680 or boroadmin@demarestnj.gov.

Traffic Signal Update:

Our collaboration with Bergen County to add an updated traffic signal and turn only lane at the intersection of Hardenburgh and Piermont/County Rd. **is on schedule to be completed by Fall of 2025**. Stay tuned for schedule updates and traffic alerts as we get closer to a definitive start date.

Art School at the Old Church:

Registration is now open for **Blast of Art! summer camp** at The Art School at Old Church. Enroll children (ages 6-12) online at tasoc.org/blast-of-art or call (201) 767-7160.

The **Recreation Commission** is hard at work planning the **2025 Summer Concert Series**. The concerts are funded by community donations. If you would like to help sponsor these events, please [click here for information](#).

Demarest Swim Club:

Don't forget that **early bird registration ends** this coming week on **April 1**. **Don't miss this membership discount** - go to demarestswimclub.org for more information and the application or email DemarestSwimClub@gmail.com.

A Message from DAA:

Basketball

This weekend marks the end of the winter recreational basketball season. We congratulate all the players and coaches on a great season! This year's program was enhanced by skill clinics for all age groups and a more consistent weekend schedule. Our travel basketball teams also had a successful season, and we're proud of their hard work and commitment.

Indoor Soccer

*This past Sunday concluded the indoor recreational soccer season. Congratulations to all the players and coaches who participated! A special shout-out to the 5/6 Boys Demarest Rec Soccer team for finishing in 1st place in their bracket in the Northern Valley Soccer League. Several teams also made deep playoff runs, showing great determination and teamwork. **The Mayor and Council will be honoring the 5/6 boys' team at an upcoming meeting—stay tuned for details.***

Baseball and Softball

*As spring begins, our recreational and travel baseball and softball programs are kicking off. **The DAA will hold Opening Day festivities on April 26 starting at 10:00 AM.** Please stay tuned for more details—this event is open to all members of the community, and we look forward to seeing everyone there!*

Thank You, Volunteers!

*Volunteers are the lifeblood of our sports programs. Please join us in thanking our coaches, commissioners, and everyone else who gives their time to make our programs successful. Without these dedicated volunteers, there would be no rec sports in town. **We are truly grateful for all you do!***

Demarest Library:

Chess Club for kids is back this Saturday, March 29, from 10 - 11:30 am. All levels are welcome, and we are trying a new chess structure with the help of our chess helpers Amrita, Yahli, and Bentley. ****Please note there will be no chess club on April 12 & 19 during Demarest School District spring break.**

The **South Asian Students Association (SASA) from NVD** will be presenting an informative presentation on Mehndis (henna) on **Thursday, April 10 from 5:30 - 6:30 pm.** Best suited for ages 9-16. See a real demonstration of Mehndi, be able to get henna applied, and try yourself! Register [here](#).

Upcoming Demarest Meetings:

All meetings of the governing body, boards and commissions are open to the public and generally held at Borough Hall. Below is a highlight of some upcoming meetings. For the full meeting schedule and the most up to date information on any schedule changes or cancellations, please visit the Borough website.

Planning Board	4/2/25	7:30 pm
Mayor & Council	4/7/25	7:30 pm
Shade Tree Commission	4/10/25	7:00 pm
Environmental Commission	4/22/25	7:30 pm
Recreation Commission	4/23/25	8:30 pm

Have a great weekend,

Mayor Brian K. Bernstein

*My Friday emails to the residents are now reaching **1,119 people!** My goal is for every Demarest resident to be up to date on what is going on around town, please help with that goal by forwarding this email to your friends so they can visit demarestnj.gov and sign up for my weekly emails! The link can be found about halfway down the homepage.*



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