



Friends & Neighbors:

Let me wish a Happy Father's Day to all the amazing dads in our community. This Sunday we honor and celebrate all of our Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, and all the Father figures in our families! **Happy Fathers Day!!**

Great Performances!

I want to congratulate and thank ***Music with Marly***, her entire team and all the kids that **performed** at last Sunday's concert in the park. It was a great show and wonderful way to kick off the summer. **The kids and show truly rocked!** Please scroll to the end of this email to see a complete list of the rock-star performers!

Updated Traffic Signal Information

This past week, our Borough Administrator, Acting Police Chief and DPW Director attended a **pre-construction meeting with the County regarding the updated traffic signal at Hardenburgh and County/Piermont Roads**. The goal is to complete **the first part of the project** that involves any road closures, namely upgraded ADA curbing to increase pedestrian safety, after all the schools have headed to summer break. That work will likely be completed in early July. **The second part of the project** that involves installing the poles and traffic signals is dependent on delivery of the equipment. We are hopeful that it will arrive in August so that the project can be completed before school opens again in the fall. Should there be any delays and work is required after the first day of school, the plan is to have work performed between 9 am – 2 pm whenever possible to avoid rush hour and school traffic. We will share more details as the work is scheduled. I am excited for this long-planned project to improve traffic flow and enhance safety at this busy intersection to be completed! Thank you to the whole team in Bergen County for their support!

Don't Block the Box!

Also, this past week that same team of Borough Professionals [thank you **Julie, Frank and Jason**] met with **Demarest Volunteer Ambulance Corps Chief Roberta Hoag to address the traffic at the corner of Hardenburgh Ave. and Park St**. As anyone who travels through that area during the school traffic rush in the mornings and afternoons knows, it is difficult to make a turn onto Hardenburgh Ave. or onto Park St. as cars stack up and block the intersection. Chief Hoag asked the Governing Body to look into signage and/or road striping to alert drivers **NOT** to block the intersection. The blocking of the box, as it is called, makes it impossible or difficult for our emergency vehicles to get through that intersection creating a dangerous condition and delay in receiving emergency services. Our team met at the site during morning rush and all agreed that this is a dangerous situation for first responders trying to answer calls during these times. Our DPW Director will engage a striping company to add appropriate striping and signage to alert drivers: **"DON'T BLOCK THE BOX"** at that corner. This work will also be done over the summer to avoid disturbances to school schedules. Please look for this new signage and striping and please heed the signs to help our first responders help us! **Thank you, Roberta, for bringing this to our attention and helping design a solution!**

Demarest Nature Center

Kudos to the **Demarest Nature Center and Demarest Public Library partnership and vision**

that resulted in the installation of flowers at the DNC Planter Box in the Nature Center. Special thanks to **Jennifer Grutta of the Library** and **Ann Robbins of the Demarest Garden Club** for giving children an opportunity to join in the fun assisting with flower selection and planting. Stop by the Nature Center to see the beautiful plantings!

Art School at the Old Church

Summer Semester at The Art School at Old Church begins June 15th! Visit tasoc.org to explore over 50 visual art and craft courses designed to inspire children, teens, and adults. Enroll now to secure spaces for children (ages 6-12) in the school's popular summer camp: **Blast of Art! (Aug 4-8 & Aug 11-15)**. Register online, in person, or by phone: (201) 767-7160.

Demarest Recreation Summer Line-Up

Demarest Recreation is proud to offer **summer concerts on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm at the Gazebo again this year. Thank you, Demarest Rec!** The kickoff event will be a movie night on **June 25**. The concert series will be held on **July 9, July 16, July 23, August 6 & August 13**. For updates and scheduled performers, please visit the [Borough website](#).

Juneteenth

Next week, **June 19 is Juneteenth**, commemorating the end of slavery in the United States. The day is a celebration of freedom, resilience, and the ongoing fight for equality. **Borough offices will be closed on Friday June 20**; however, since the Governor signed into law the incorporation of Juneteenth as one of the state's holidays, to be celebrated on the third Friday of June.

The Demarest Library

The new **Crafty Mornings Club** starts this month where adults can come to the Demarest Library for a fun craft-filled morning once a month! This month's craft, in preparation for the 4th of July, is a patriotic windsock! **Join us on Friday, June 20th from 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM** to make new friends, be creative, and get your craft on! [Register here!](#)

Have great weekend and a Happy Father's Day,

Mayor Brian K. Bernstein

MUSICAL PERFORMERS (*Demarest Residents)

DMS 5TH GRADE ROCK BAND

*ALISON CHAGAN**
*SHIV GANGULY**
*ANVI MEHTA **
*SHRIAN MILMAN**
*AVIV MOYAL **

DMS 6TH GRADE ROCK BAND

*AARNAV GATTANI**
*SHREYA IYER**
*STEPHAN JACOB**
*JAY RUBACH**

DMS 7TH GRADE ROCK BAND

*JAIRAJ CHANDANI**
*HANA FURUKAWA **
*RIYA GANGULY**
*JACKIE JESNER**
*KIAN MODI**

DMS 8TH GRADE ROCK BAND

*ETHAN CHERNYAVSKY**
*LUCAS JAGID**
*KIRA MITHANI**

SURI MODI*
ELLA NICOLS*
EVA YEZEKIAN*

MWM GROUP A ROCK BAND

JACOB BOBROV*
SEBASTIAN CHANG
EMILY GOLDSMITH
STEPHAN JACOB*
JACKIE JESNER*
JORDYN PATNOI*
ELILEE RAM
ORI ROZENTHAL*
EDDIE YEZEKIAN*

MWM GROUP B ROCK BAND

ALISON CHAGAN*
RIYA GANGULY*
BLAIR GARDNER*
STEPHAN JACOB*
JACKIE JESNER*
KAYLA JIANG*
LILY PASTER
AVERY WIEDERHOLZ
EVA YEZEKIAN*

MWM GROUP C ROCK BAND

EMMA ANDRON*
ALISON CHAGAN*
MIA CHERNYAVSKY*
CATE FEIN*
HANA FURUKAWA*
MYRA KHARE*
AVIV MOYAL*

MWM GROUP D ROCK BAND

JACOB BOBROV*
ARI CHIAT
SHIV GANGULY*
AARNAV GATTANI*
STEPHAN JACOB*
KAYDEN MITHANI*
SHANE RUBACH*
FINN WIEDERHOLZ

AMAYRA ROCK BAND

AMAYRA GATTANI*
AARNAV GATTANI*
MARLY KAY

FEATURES/SOLOISTS

CATE FEIN*
AVEER CHANDANI*
KIRA MITHANI* AND SURI MODI*
JACOB BOBROV* AND ARI CHIAT

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