



Dear Friends & Neighbors,

Happy Friday the 13th & Happy Valentine's Day

I hope everyone has a wonderful Valentine's Day and can enjoy time with loved ones this weekend! Please note Borough Offices will be closed Monday February 16 in observance of Presidents' Day.

Ramadan

I want to thank **Huma Munawar** for helping to organize the celebration and **Afan Munawar, Mikaeel Hussain, Mert Bakircioglu and Umar Munawar** for helping read the proclamation the Borough issued at this week's Mayor and Council meeting to recognize the celebration of Ramadan and Eid. Huma is also spearheading this weekend's crescent lighting ceremony to be held at the **United Methodist Church on Saturday 2/14 at 3:00 pm**. All community members are welcome to join the celebration. Ramadan Mubarak to all of our families that celebrate Ramadan!

Vaccine Clinics

Bergen County will host a series of free COVID-19 and Flu Vaccine Clinics on **Tuesdays from 5pm-7pm and Saturdays from 8:30am – 1:00pm** on the 4th floor at One Bergen County Plaza through the end of March. Details can be found **here**.

NVD Musical

The NVD Theater Department is proud to present this year's musical, ***Fiddler on the Roof*** on **Friday 2/27 and Saturday 2/28 at 7:00 pm & Sunday 3/1 at 2:00pm**. Tickets for all performances can be purchased at nvd.booktix.com

The Art School at Old Church

Registration for the Spring Session (**April 6 - June 14**) at The Art School at Old Church is now open! Visit tasoc.org to explore more than 80 visual arts and craft classes for children, teens, and adults. Register **online**, or **in person** at 561 Piermont Road. If you have questions, call (201)767-7160.

Board of Health

On Saturday, March 14, 2026, at 11:00 AM, the Board of Health will host a **Narcan training class**. This essential skill could help you save someone from an opioid overdose. The class is for Demarest residents/employees and residents of Bergen County. The class will run 30 to 45 minutes and is **limited to 30 participants**. To register, please email lcampbell@demarestnj.gov with your NAME, AGE, phone number and Town in which you reside.

Get ready for Major League Baseball

The 2026 MLB regular season begins on Wednesday, March 25, with a standalone matchup between the New York Yankees and San Francisco at Oracle Park, followed by a **full Opening Day schedule on March 26**. The season features **ABS – an Automated Ball-Strike system using a "robot umpire" technology designed to determine if pitches are balls or strikes**. Using cameras to track pitch locations, it allows teams to challenge, with two [unsuccessful] challenges per game, the home plate umpire's calls. Only the batter, pitcher or catcher may initiate a challenge immediately following a pitch by tapping their helmet or cap. The All-Star Game will be played in Philadelphia on **July 14** and the postseason will begin in late September.

Shred Event

Why shred your important documents? Consumer fraud and identity theft are becoming an epidemic in our communities so to raise awareness, promote privacy protection and properly dispose of these sensitive papers, we shred them! In doing so, you are also reducing your harmful footprint on the environment. By shredding documents, we remove high volumes of paper waste from landfills and ensure it is securely recycled into new products. So, come on down!

The DPW has scheduled a BCUA sponsored Shred Event for Demarest Residents on May 23 from 9am-1 pm at the DPW Building, 22 Wakelee Dr. It is open to all residents. Residents are limited to 4 bags or boxes of personal paperwork to be shredded.

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Environmental Commission

Last year the **Environmental Commission** began a **neighborhood composting program**. Over 25 families are currently participating but there is room for more! They've already diverted more than 5000 pounds of food waste from landfills! In addition to food scrapes, many paper products can also be composted, including pizza boxes! **For more information and to sign up click [here](#).**

Demarest PBA Golf Outing

The Demarest PBA Local 350 will be hosting its **2nd Annual Golf outing on May 4, 2026**, at the Alpine Country Club. Registration is limited and filling up fast. Don't miss your chance to join the PD for a great day of golf. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. **[Click here for all the info!](#)**

Demarest Library

The Demarest Library has a brand **new podcast called Stack Chats!** Join staff members Reilly and Geo once a month to listen to a wide array of library related topics from books, video games, and film to guest speakers who delve into their specific areas of expertise! The first three episodes are live! Listen on Apple Podcasts and Spotify and make sure to follow so you don't miss an episode!

Join Demarest teens Elana and Maya Gutter who have written math workbooks to learn about money, spending/saving, and daily math skills on **Saturday, February 21 from 10:30 - 11:30 AM**. Each attendee will receive their own copy of Elana's math workbook: Everyday Math Matters! Light refreshments will be provided. Registration is required. Register **[here!](#)**

Have a great weekend!

Mayor Brian K. Bernstein

*My Friday emails to the residents are now reaching **1,220 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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