



Dear Friends & Neighbors,

Opening Day

The rescheduled Demarest Baseball/Softball Opening Day Celebration/Parade is on for tomorrow Saturday May 2. The schedule of events is as follows:

9:30 am: Parade assembles at Demarest Middle School (DMS)
10:00 am: Parade departs DMS towards Wakelee Field
10:10 am: Arrival at Wakelee Field for Opening Day Ceremonies
10:30 am: Food is served, music and fun continue!
Noon: Play Ball!

Demarest Nature Center:

Join the Demarest Nature Center this **Saturday, May 2 at 10am** for their **monthly Community Trail Walk**. Jeff Shaari will lead this month's hike to identify and examine some of the more common tree species in the nature center. Meet at the DNC entrance adjacent to the Imagination Playground on Wakelee Drive. Come on down to the Demarest Duck Pond this **Sunday, May 3 from 11am-4pm** to **support the Demarest Nature Center at their Annual Canoe Day**. Take a canoe ride, build a birdhouse or birdfeeder or learn about science and nature with SOAR Education.

Arbor Day

Arbor Day seedling distribution will be held this **Saturday 5/2 from 10 am- 2 pm** south of the train station on Park St.

2026 Kentucky Derby (the 152nd Run for the Roses)

The 2026 Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs takes place this Saturday **May 2, 2026; Post Time: 6:57 pm**. The Derby is the first jewel of horse racing's Triple Crown.

Mother's Day is Fast Approaching!

As Mother's Day approaches, I encourage everyone in our community to begin preparing to recognize and celebrate the mothers and mother figures who mean so much to us. Take time to reflect on the love, strength, and guidance that mothers bring to our families every day. Their impact is felt in our homes, our kids, our schools, and throughout our community in countless meaningful ways. **Let the mothers and mother figures in your life know how much they are appreciated.** Remember, Mother's Day is also a time to remember those we have lost and to support those for whom the day may be difficult. Wishing all of our families a meaningful and joyful Mother's Day in advance. **And, it's ok to recognize and celebrate moms every day, not just on Mother's Day!!!**

Calling the NVD Class of 1964!

The Northern Valley Class of 1964 is holding a reunion the first weekend in June. If anyone from that class is still living in Demarest and hasn't been contacted about the reunion, there's still time to join in. Get in touch with Phyllis Wilson Weaver at phyllisweaver@comcast.net or Roberta Sperling roberta@rsmadness.com. They can let you know about reunion plans.

The Art School at Old Church

Registration for Summer Session (Jun 20 - Aug 1) and one-day **Summer Workshops** (Jun 15 -19) **will begin at 8:45 am on Tuesday, May 5th**. You can also enroll children, ages 6-12 in **Blast of Art!** — our popular summer camp. Choose one, or both, consecutive weeklong camp sessions beginning Aug.10th and August 17th. Register online at TASOC.org or in person at **561 Piermont Rd**. For more info, call **(201) 767-7160**.

Bergen County Inclusion Day of fun for individuals with disabilities at Van Saun County Park - County Executive Jim Tedesco and the Board of Commissioners, together with the County Parks Department, and the Division of Disability Services, invite **Bergen County residents of all abilities** to join **Bergen County Inclusion Day at the Zoo** on **Friday, May 29th** in Van Saun County Park from **11am to 4pm**. [Click here for details](#). Please note that registration is required to participate in the event and can be done so through this [Eventbrite link](#).

Demarest Swim Club

Demarest Swim Club is hiring lifeguards and will be offering lifeguard courses for candidates who are 15 and older. The fees are \$275 for DSC Members and \$325 for non-members. Lifeguarding is a terrific summer job and a great life skill to have.

Course hours and registration can be found [here](#). For questions about the course contact assistant manager Lauren Syre at LauHal@yahoo.com. For anyone who is already certified, you can demonstrate your interest in working at Demarest Swim Club by applying [here](#).

For more information about any programs visit DemarestSwimClub.org

Demarest Library

Join us for Korean Storytime on **Monday, May 4** from **3:25 pm - 3:55 pm!** No registration required. Caregivers must remain with their children.

Feel confused with technology and want a safe place to ask questions and learn? Our Tech Basics at The Library is a new program designed to teach beginners a different tech skill at each session! This month's program on **Thursday, May 7th** from **1:00 pm - 2:00 pm**, taught by Programming and Outreach Associate Reilly, will be all about how to use the BCCLS app and website to order books and how to use Libby! Register [here!](#)

Come join us for a relaxing chair yoga session at the library with instructor Lori Brophy on **Wednesday, May 13th** from **11:30 am - 12:30 pm**. Registration is required! Register [here!](#)

Have a great weekend!

Mayor Brian K. Bernstein

*My Friday emails to the residents are now reaching **1,225 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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