



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I want to thank everyone who participated in and attended the Memorial Day Parade. It was a beautiful day, and I am grateful for the opportunity to recognize all those who have given their lives in service of our country as well as those who have served and continue to serve. Congratulations to James Unger, a lifelong resident of Demarest, who served as our Grand Marshal this year; it was a pleasure to honor him for his military service. If you know a Demarest Veteran that would like to be recognized at future services that honor veterans, please reach out to the Borough Administrator at boroadmin@demarestnj.gov.

Each year local law enforcement participates in a Torch Run to support the Special Olympics of NJ. The mission of the organization is to provide year-round sports competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. The Annual Torch Run aims to increase visibility of the cause and features thousands of local officers. If you would like to support the fund, donations can be mailed to the Demarest PD, Attn: Officer Conner Owens at 118 Serpentine Rd., Demarest, NJ 07627. This year's run is scheduled for **June 9** and will begin in Northvale at 7:00 am. The run should reach **Demarest at about 10 AM** and will include **6 of our own Demarest Police Officers**, multiple Marines and NVD students running from the High School down Knickerbocker Rd. to the circle in Cresskill. **Please come out and cheer on our team!**

Demarest recognizes the month of June as Pride Month to commemorate the 1969 Stonewall uprising and gay liberation protests. We extend this message of support and inclusivity to all members of our community who identify as LGBTQ+.

Upcoming Events:

Tomorrow, Saturday 6/3 from 10 AM -1 PM, the **Demarest Nature Center** will celebrate National Trails Day. There will be activities for the whole family. Please meet at the nature Center entrance adjacent to the Imagination Playground on Wakelee Dr.

Next Tuesday 6/6 is **primary election day**. If you are eligible to vote, you should have received a sample ballot from the County with all the information you need to participate. Polls are open from 6 AM- 8 PM.

On Thursday, June 8th from 5-7pm, the **Demarest Library** will host a reception showcasing the children's artwork from the Art School at Old Church! Refreshments will be served. The library would also like to remind you that you can make an account on Libby to get access to eBooks and audiobooks; all you need is your library card! Click [here](#) to sign up.

Demarest Swim Club is officially open on the weekends until June 24 when it will be open full time for the summer. If you are not yet a member, please visit their website at demarestswimclub.com to find out how to join the fun! The Swim Club is offering non-members an opportunity to try the pool, have a "free tour" and discuss available swim programs, beginning on Memorial Day Weekend and the weekends of June 3rd, June 10th and June 17th. Each non-member will be charged \$5.00 for each of the above weekends that they use the pool. Membership needed for all other times.

Have a great weekend!

Mayor Brian Bernstein

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