



Dear Friends & Neighbors,

This past week, we were reminded of the critical importance of Demarest's emergency services - Fire, Police and Ambulance. Our volunteer Fire Department, led by Chief John McLoughlin, was first on the scene of a scary and dangerous situation in the Cresskill Brook. A man had been walking in the Brook and his leg became trapped by a heavy rock in the water. Chief McLoughlin and his team, joined by mutual aid from surrounding communities, Bergen County and supported by Demarest Police and EMS were able to rescue the man who luckily walked away with only minor injuries. On behalf of the Council and Mayor, our thanks and gratitude to all of our first responders, and the broader collaborative team, for a job well done and for standing ready and well prepared keeping us safe. You always come when called upon, no matter the time of day or situation. You can view the report from News 4 NY [here](#). **Please do not hike in the Brook or any waterways in Demarest.**

Unfortunately, Mother Nature has struck again this weekend and we are forced to **postpone Demarest Day** once again! The heavy rains today that are expected to continue into tomorrow morning will make it unsafe to hold Demarest Day tomorrow. Your safety is paramount! Demarest Day will be rescheduled.

At this week's council meeting, we adopted an ordinance, as recommended by the Police Department, to increase safety for our school children and their families at drop off and pick up at County Road School. Parking is now prohibited on the south side of Williams St. and the north side of Edward St. during the morning and afternoon school rush. Please follow the signs that direct you in the area. My thanks to the Demarest Police for their continued efforts to make our children and their families safer as they arrive and leave school.

**Upcoming Events:**

The Demarest Board of Health is sponsoring a **flu clinic open to all Demarest Residents 5 years and up on October 2 from 2-6 PM at Borough Hall**. Click [here](#) or call Lee Campbell at 201-768-0167 x130 to register. Registration is required!

Oktoberfest in Demarest is scheduled for 10/14 from 10am - 5pm sponsored by the Demarest Nature Center. Mark your calendars for this fun event.

**This week at the library:**

If you or someone you know is enrolling in Medicare, come to the library on Thursday, October 5th from 6-7pm. Learn from a professional and get all your Medicare questions answered!

Please stay dry and safe and I know that many of you have thought, "at least it's not snow!"

Have a great weekend!

Mayor Brian Bernstein

*My Friday emails to the residents are now reaching **639 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](http://demarestnj.gov) and sign up for my weekly emails! The link can be found on the Demarest homepage [[demarestnj.gov](http://demarestnj.gov)] under "Quick Links."*

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