



Dear Friends & Neighbors,

As residents of our community and their families observe **Easter** and **Passover** we are reminded of family, charity, community, compassion, renewal and hope. My hope for our residents and their friends and families is that this season inspires us all to show compassion to one another, embrace peace and share the cultural diversity in our community. I wish you and your loved ones a season filled with peace, reflection, and renewal.

Please note Borough offices are closed tomorrow, **April 3 in observance of Good Friday.**

**Train Station:**

Last week I shared the link for the Historic Sites Council public meeting scheduled for **April 16, 2026, starting at 10 AM.** While originally referred to as a “zoom” meeting by our contact at NJHPO and consequently by me, it turns out the format will be Microsoft Teams. In any event, the link shared with you was correct and is [here again](#) in case anyone missed last week’s notice. Just use the link and you will connect to the meeting.

**Proper Disposal of Prescription Drugs:**

Please join **Bergen County Executive Jim Tedesco** and the Bergen County Board of Commissioners, together with the Bergen County Prosecutor’s Office and Bergen County’s Department of Health Services, for **National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Friday, April 24, 2026 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM** in the Main Lobby of Bergen County’s Administration Building, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack. Bring your unused, unwanted, or expired medications to properly dispose of in a safe, secure, and non-hazardous manner. Find Community Take Back programs and permanent safe drop-off locations in your community Learn about the environmental harm caused by improper medication disposal and how to prevent it Resources for drug misuse. **IMPORTANT, the Demarest Police Department will take possession of your unused, unwanted or expired prescription medication for proper disposal at all times.**

**Demarest Garden Club:**

The Demarest Garden Club annual plant sale will take place on Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2. **All orders must be received by April 17.** Order forms are available at the library [right here](#) on the Borough website.

**All orders must be placed in advance and prepaid. Pickup will be from the United Methodist Church at 109 Hardenburgh Ave on May 1 from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM and May 2 from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM.** Please support this organization that works to beautify our town through public garden maintenance and seasonal flowering plantings in the downtown area.

**Demarest Nature Center:**

The Demarest Nature Center's Monthly Community Trail Walk is scheduled for **Saturday, April 4 at 10 AM**. Join arborist Ray Slaman as he leads this month's hike to illustrate the (long-awaited) changes that spring brings. Meet at the DNC entrance adjacent to the Imagination Playground.

**Board of Health:**

The Demarest Board of Health is sponsoring a "Couch to 5K" program starting now and **continuing through May 13**. Please [click here](#) for details.

**Demarest Library:**

**Feel confused with technology and want a safe place to ask questions and learn? Join us on Tuesday, April 7th at 1:00 PM for Tech Basics at The Library, a new program designed to teach beginners a different tech skill at each session!**

This month's program, taught by Information Services Associate Geo, is all about the Google Suite. The Google Suite is Gmail, Google Docs, Google Sheets, and more! Register [here](#)! Enjoy everything *The New York Times* has to offer through their website or app for 72 hours. Follow the link, set up or log in to your New York Times account, and start exploring! When your access expires, come back and renew. For Demarest cardholders only.

Have a great weekend and a Happy Easter!

Mayor Brian K. Bernstein

*My Friday emails to the residents are now reaching **1,222 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 about halfway down the homepage.*

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