



DEMAREST PTO NEWSLETTER



Week of May 1, 2023

UPCOMING CALENDAR



- Mon 5/1 PTO Online Auction Ends Tonight 9pm!!!
- Tue 5/2 Teachers' Appreciation Luncheon – CRS, DMS
- Wed 5/3 Teachers' Appreciation Luncheon – LLE
- Thu 5/4 PTO Meeting, DMS, 8:30am
- Wed 5/10 No Homework Night Fundraiser, el Taco Bar
- Tue 5/16 COW & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm
- Fri 5/19 Field Day – CRS
- Sat 5/20 International Heritage Day
- Thu 5/25 Field Day – LLE
- Fri 5/26 No School
- Mon 5/29 Memorial Day – School Closed



- Wed 6/7 8th Grade Dance
- Thu 6/8 8th Grade BBQ
- Tue 6/13 COW & BOE Meeting, CRS, 7pm
- Thu 6/15 Last PTO Meeting, DMS 8:30am
- Fri 6/16 4th Grade Moving Up Ceremony
- Mon 6/19 8th Grade Graduation
- Tue 6/20 Last Day of School – half day

NOTEWORTHY



The **online auction** closes at **9pm, TONIGHT!**



We encourage everyone to join the **Demarest PTO!** New members can purchase membership at demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com.



To access the PTO Directory and the Store, go to the App Store and download the **Membership Toolkit app**.



Stay up to date by visiting our website at www.demarestpto.org. Like us on **Facebook** at Demarest PTO and follow us on **Instagram** at demarestpto.

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Oh, what a night, **Demarest!** WOW, where do we even start to talk about this weekend? Let's start, and end, with the **2023 PTO Spring Fundraiser**.

Over 250 of you joined us last Friday night, at **Montammy Golf Club**. There was amazing food, dancing, raffles, and **true community spirit**. It was amazing to see old **friends**, make new ones, and be joined by so much of our **faculty** and **administration**. We are so **grateful** to all who came out and supported this event. **Congrats** to our **raffle winners**, what a major score! A huge **thank you** goes out to our **Spring Fundraiser chairs** and their **committee**. Without their work, none of this would have been possible.

The party may be over, but the action is just about to get hot! Bidding is heating up, over in the **online auction**. If you're feeling competitive, come check out how many ways you can beat your neighbors! All of that excitement is likely enough, but there's more. While you get in on this action, you're supporting your schools. Now that's a win-win!

What's more exciting than a big event? You guessed it, it's talking about a big event! Join us **Thursday at 8:30am**, in the **DMS cafeteria**, for our next **PTO meeting** and discuss it all. We hope to see you there.

We encourage all families to get involved! We are a completely volunteer driven organization – so the more help we have the better! We have over 35 committees which are run by the PTO. So, whether you have only a few hours here and there or if you have a lot of time throughout the week to spare, we will find something that works. If you have not yet joined the PTO, sign up here (demarestpto.membershiptoolkit.com). Please volunteer and get involved, the PTO welcomes you!

Thank you,
Vanessa and Mary
Demarest PTO Co-Presidents
president@demarestpto.org

*Demarest Parent Teacher Organization
A Tradition of Serving Demarest Schools for Over 80 Years*

DEMAREST PTO NEWS



BID TO WIN
EXCLUSIVE SCHOOL ITEMS,
ENTERTAINMENT, GOLF,
SPORT EVENTS & MORE

32AUCTIONS.COM/DEMAREST2023

QUESTIONS? DEMARESTAUCTION@GMAIL.COM

Auction ends **today** at **9pm!** Get your **Spring Fundraiser swag** now!

**Spring Fundraiser
Long sleeve hooded tee**



Looking for a great opportunity to join in and help the PTO? We are seeking a new **Committee Coordinator** for the **Demarest 5K!** Please contact Grace Lee at secretary@demarestpto.org for

more information regarding this position.

SUPPORT THE DEMAREST PTO



NO HOMEWORK NIGHT FUNDRAISER

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH, 2023

11:30 AM - 8:00 PM



Call 201-499-5757 to order. Don't forget to mention the Demarest PTO!

GIVE 10% GET 10%

DINE-IN & TAKE OUT

 244 Closter Dock Road, Closter, NJ

Our last **No Homework Night Fundraiser** of the year is coming up on **Wednesday, 5/10!** Please don't forget to **mention the Demarest PTO** for **10%** off your entire order. An additional **10% of the proceeds** will be **donated** to the PTO. Support our schools and a local business!

PLEASE NOTE

The best way to contact us is by emailing president@demarestpto.org. We may not get to any other form of communication (such as Facebook Messenger) on a timely basis. If you are interested in submitting news for the newsletter, please email ptonews@demarestpto.org by Friday of each week.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Food Collection for Neighbors



Hunger and food insecurity are still on the rise. This monthly collection helps our neighbors. **Dumont Food Pantry** serve its 300 families and **Norwood**

Food Pantry, its 75 families. Food collections are typically the **FIRST MONDAY** of every month @ **8am – 7pm**. How to: Just sign up for any Monday. Click on the link below. And drop off at 8 John Street, Demarest (table by garage)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e45a4aa2ea1fb6-dumont#/>

DEMAREST SPRING TENNIS 2023

Registration: email barrys10s@gmail.com or text 201 568 3946 Please leave your name, time and Demarest in the message

Classes taught by the All Pro Tennis Staff!

LESSONS AND TIMES

THURSDAYS May 4, 11, 18, 25, June 1

At Wakelee Field Tennis Courts

9:00 – 10:00am Adults

10:00-11:00 am Adults

11:00-12:00pm Adults

3:30 – 4:30 pm 1st -2nd grades

4:30 – 5:30 pm 3rd -4th grades

5:30 - 6:30 pm 5th – 6th grades

6:30 – 7:30 pm 7th grade and up

FEE: \$125.00 for entire 5 week session

For more information call 201 568 3946

Email barrys10s@gmail.com

You must have a Demarest tennis badge to play \$5 per person \$10 per family- please get at Boro Hall

- Levels of instruction for the beginner through intermediate
- One hour sessions with a small group ratio
- All rain dates will be made up
- Emphasis on fundamentals, footwork and fun!!!



DEMAREST RECREATION CAMP

June 26th - August 4th

9:00 Am - 2:00 PM

For Students entering Kindergarten to 6th
Grade as of September 2023

\$650
6 WEEKS
DEMAREST
RESIDENT

\$750
6 WEEKS
NON
RESIDENT

\$190
PER WEEK
CHOICE IS
FINAL

There are no refunds after June 1st. A \$25 administration fee will be charged for all camp refunds. A \$100 late fee will apply for payments after June 1st, no exceptions.

Camp is located at Luther Lee Elementary School on Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays. Tuesdays the camp will be at Demarest Pool and Thursdays are camp trip day.

Registration

March 15th - May 15th

Junior Counselor Program

This year we will be accepting a small group of 7th and 8th graders to be Jr. Counselors. Each Jr. Counselor will be paired with a full time counselor or director and will assist them in the execution of all counselor related responsibilities. Jr. Counselors will pay a discounted rate (\$325 for the six weeks). Due to rising field trip costs, all field trips must be paid for separately (Field Trip Attendance is **Optional**) Please email demarestreccamp@gmail.com if you are interested!

Please Note - This does not guarantee a full time counselor position when the individual becomes age eligible.

OUR DIRECTING STAFF

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**ZOOM
INFORMATION
SESSION
MARCH 29TH, 7:00PM**

ZOOM LINK



Lunch and Field Trip
Registration will be
open April 1st - May 15th

Demarest Middle School

CALLING ALL Coffee Lovers

DEMAREST MIDDLE SCHOOL IS ON A MISSION TO HELP REDUCE THE IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS!

WE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP BY SAVING & DROPPING OFF USED K-CUP COFFEE PODS TO THE WOODEN BOX NEAR THE CORNER OF NORTHWOOD AVE. & PIERMONT RD.

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF RECYCLING 10,000 PLASTIC PODS!



COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd

Tutor.com

ONLINE TUTORING AND HOMEWORK HELP PROVIDED TO DEMAREST K-8 STUDENTS FREE OF CHARGE!



1.) GET ACCESS TO A TUTOR QUICKLY!

Need homework help? Want a study session before a test? Parents and students can schedule a session or get instant access to a tutor just by logging on!

2.) TUTORS AVAILABLE IN ALL CONTENT AREAS!

Tutoring is available in language arts, world language, math, science and more for grades K-8.



3.) DROP OFF ESSAY REVIEW

Working on a writing assignment? Students can submit their writing to a tutor and receive constructive feedback within 24 hours!

4.) HIGH QUALITY TUTORS

Tutor.com thoroughly vets all of its tutors. Students can interact with a tutor via a typing chat or voice chat feature. There is no video. Tutors use online whiteboards and other visuals to assist students.



5.) EASY SIGN ON WITH GOOGLE

Students can access Tutor.com by logging into their school Google accounts, clicking on the Google grid in the top right corner of their Google Drive, and finding the Tutor.com icon.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT THE DEMAREST SCHOOL DISTRICT HOMEPAGE!

<https://nj01001706.schoolwires.net/Page/4450>

Feedback from Students and Parents

100% of participants are glad that Demarest offers this service!

90% of students feel Tutor.com has helped them feel more confident with their schoolwork!

"David C. was an amazing tutor and helped me understand my homework so much better."

Review from a student user

For more information, please visit the Demarest School District Homepage!

<https://nj01001706.schoolwires.net/Page/4450>

COMMUNITY NEWS – Cont'd



Demarest Library Updates

Visit the website for more information about upcoming programs: www.demarestlibrary.org. Register for programs at: bccls.libcal.com/calendar/demarest

MAY 13TH
1:30-2:30pm

AT THE DEMAREST
NANCY WOODS
MEMORIAL GAZEBO

Bring a lawn chair!

**Rain Location:
Demarest Train Station
22-52 Park St.

**DIXIELAND
JAZZ
CONCERT**

FEATURING:
THE FRENCH QUARTER 5

Bill Ash
Pete Stern
Bruce Schaffel
Gerry Capuccio
Thaddeus McGregor
Everett Fink

MENTAL HEALTH CONVERSATION

with Judith Reich, MS, BC/DMT

MAY 4TH FROM 6 TO 7PM

We invite parents for a presentation about how to support your child's mental health.

Topics Covered:

- How the pandemic became a snowball that accelerated: Isolation ~ Stress ~ Anxiety ~ Depression
- How can we as parents promote trust and open communication?
- The stigma that causes young people to often hide their emotions.
- Warning signs and how to create an emotional safety plan.
- How to help young people to be more aware of, and navigate big emotions.
- The power of family as the most important team of all.



Register by calling
201-768-8714

