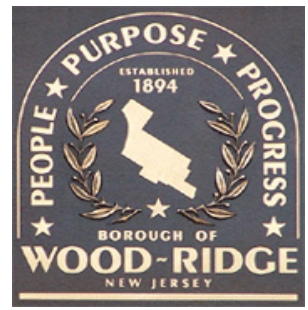


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Mayor, Council & NJ Nets Celebrate Re-Opening of Bowman Park

WOOD-RIDGE, NJ - Mayor Paul Sarlo and the Borough Council were joined today by the NJ Nets for the ribbon cutting of the recently renovated Harry T. Bowman park on Jocelyn Avenue.

“Thanks to the support of this council, we have been able to continue our ongoing efforts to upgrade and increase Wood-Ridge’s inventory of pocket parks,” said Mayor Sarlo. “Bowman Park is one of many throughout the Borough that children can walk or ride their bikes to, without crossing any major roads, to get some fresh air and exercise.”

On hand from the Nets was rookie Mike Andersen, the 20th pick in this year’s NBA Draft. The Nets announced a series of outreach initiatives to celebrate Bergen County, beginning with the ribbon cutting.

“It’s important that we increase our support for the Nets, the IZOD Center and the entire Meadowlands Sports Complex. It has been a good neighbor to this community, giving us a safe, family-oriented entertainment destination just over a mile away,” Sarlo added.

Bowman Park, which includes a tennis court and blacktop basketball court, received a total of \$125,000 in upgrades this spring. A Bergen County Community Development Grant provided \$75,000 in funding for the renovations, with a match by the Borough. The park is dedicated to Harry T. Bowman, the only resident of Wood-Ridge killed during the Vietnam War. It is open to all residents from dawn to dusk.

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