

McKownville Improvement Association
Public Meeting
Thursday, November 15 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Hampton Inn, 1442 Western Avenue

We have another full agenda for our last meeting of the year. Our first speaker will be Ken Harris, Executive Director of the Albany Guardian Society, and a Guilderland resident. Ken will describe the programs and services that the Guardian Society provides to older adults in our community as well as to family members and caregivers.

Next, Michelle Viola-Straight, president of the Guilderland Chamber of Commerce, will tell us about services that the Chamber provides, what she sees as future needs and plans of the organization, and projects and development going on in our town. Joining Michele will be Susan Hennessy, representing the Guilderland Food Pantry and Guilderland Cares.

Also on the agenda again this month will be Travis Smigel, representing Delaware Engineering. They will update us on both the storm water drainage project and the drinking water project. Finally, representatives from Guilderland Citizens for Responsible Growth have requested time to tell us about their organization, formed in response to several proposed developments in the western part of Guilderland.

It should be an interesting and informative meeting. I hope you can attend. Of course, ice cream will be served. Our next meeting will be scheduled for March 2019 on a date to be determined.

Other News:

The Halloween party at the fire house was a hit again this year. The decorations, games, face painting, (temporary) tattoos, refreshments, and many other special touches all contributed to another memorable event. Many thanks to the volunteers whose efforts made for a very special evening for the children.

Construction work continues on the CoreLife restaurant building on Western Avenue to the west of the University entrance. The Promenade assisted living facility at the former Ramada Inn is scheduling tours. More information can be found at: www.seniorliving.com.

The proposed apartment building at 1211 Western Avenue was removed from the Albany City Planning Department's November meeting agenda. I was told that the City is awaiting a number of approvals, and I expect that the project will reappear on an agenda in the near future. I have heard no news about the proposed apartment project along Sandidge Way and Fuller Road, but like 1211 Western Avenue I expect it will return to the forefront before long.

The Guilderland High School Environmental Club has rescheduled its Fall Recycling Extravaganza from October 27 to November 17, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Farnsworth Middle School parking lot. For further information, please click on the following link: <https://www.guilderlandschools.org/fall-recycling-extravaganza-set-for-11-17/>

Leaf pickup continues. Please remember that the Town has requested that leaves be placed on the grass next to the roadway instead of in the road.

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