

McKownville Improvement Association
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To: Mr. Richard Cunningham, President

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From: McKownville Improvement Association (contact: Don Reeb, president)

Subject: Farm Stand

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The Board of Directors of the McKownville Improvement Association asked me to extend to you are deepest thanks for permitting the Farm Stand, to be operated by Jim and Cindy Barber of Middleburgh, to use your property at 1422 Western Avenue. Your generosity is very gratifying. Thank you.

In the eighty-two years that the Association has been operating, we have always relied on the community spirit of our residents and our local businesses to help us fulfill the needs of the neighborhood. The Picotte property, further west at 1450 Western Avenue, has permitted us to use their parking lot for paper drives and for bikeathons for children. The Holiday Inn Express, at 1442 Western Avenue, has permitted us to use a meeting room each month for our public meeting. The Christ Lutheran Church and the McKownville United Methodist Church, at 1500 Western Avenue and 1565 Western Avenue, respectively, have permitted the Association to use meeting rooms from time to time for special events. The McKownville Fire Department, 1250 Western Avenue, has permitted us to use its facilities for meetings and to hold jointly sponsored summer events. In days long gone by, the Golden Krust Bakery at Stuyvesant Plaza permitted us to use their facilities for community events and more recently so has Stuyvesant Plaza, Inc.

This is a way of saying that your generosity follows a long tradition of similar efforts by organizations in the neighborhood, for all of which we are very thankful and a little bit proud. Such cooperation speaks well of the sense of community that exists in McKownville and in America. With your help, this spirit will continue to do things that are important for all of us. Thank you.

cc: Tom Delaney