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McKownville historic buildings

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To: info@historic-albany.org

Hi

I am the president of the McKownville Improvement Association, founded in 1924. McKownville is the area of about 900 homes and businesses near the intersection of Fuller and Western. It is in the Town of Guilderland

There are seven buildings that are quite old in our neighborhood--a barn on Upper Hillcrest, a LaGrange homestead on Nicholas Lane, a barn converted to a home on Brookwood, a farm shed moved and converted to a home on Knowles, the Knowles farmstead, a McKown home and a McKown granddaughter's home. These are all located in one section of McKownville.

I would very much like to get this section--many of the homes are about a century old, like mine--registered as an Historic District.

Can you direct me to what I need to do to make this happen?

Thank you.

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Hi Don,

We're thrilled to hear that the McKownville Improvement Association is interested in designation as a historic district. My first recommendation would be to talk to Dan McEneny at the State Historic Preservation Office. Dan works closely with all groups and consultants working on districts and individual listings in Albany County.

Dan will most likely go out and take a look at the seven buildings you have mentioned to see if any are eligible or if they have already been designated as eligible. Based on his recommendations, I would talk to a few consultants to get a budget together for listing and a timeline. There are a few grants for survey work. Preserve NY through the Preservation League of NYS and the Hudson River Valley Greenway has one as well.

Dan's contact information is daniel.mceneny@parks.ny.gov / 518-268-2162.

Feel free to give me a call if you would like to chat more. I am in on Tuesdays and Wednesdays and can be reached at 465-0876 x12.

Cheers!
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