

***McKownville Improvement Association, Public Meeting  
Wednesday, November 8, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
Hampton Inn, 1442 Western Avenue***

Our first speaker of the evening will be Bill Krattinger from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), a division of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. In May, Bill and his co-worker Linda Mackey visited McKownville and determined that a portion of our neighborhood may be eligible for inclusion on the State and National Registers of Historic Places. Waverly Place, the north side of Western Avenue, and the lower sections of Norwood, Glenwood, Parkwood and Elmwood Streets could be designated as a historic district. Come and hear about the advantages and disadvantages (if any) that such a designation could provide to property owners and to the neighborhood.

The second speaker will be Jim White, Commissioner of the McKownville Fire Department. Jim will fill us in on plans for expanding the firehouse, describe the duties and activities of members of this all volunteer department, and answer questions from the audience.

**Other News:**

The University at Albany's Interfaith Center, located behind # 34, #36 and #38 Norwood Street, and commonly referred to as the chapel house, was purchased by the University Foundation in 2016. The purchase was announced this week. No plans have been disclosed about the future use of the chapel house building and site. According to an article published in the Times Union on October 29, the groups now occupying the chapel house have been notified that they must move out of the building and have been offered space in the Campus Center. The chapel house land was once part of the former Holt-Harris property. The Holt-Harris property, 8.7 acres, was purchased by the University in 2015.

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