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1. NEWSPAPERS. Save your newspapers, magazines, phone books. There will be a paper drive on April 12 and 13 (Saturday and Sunday) at 1450 Western Avenue and at Boardman's (Rt. 155 and Western Avenue) from 9 Am to 5 PM. Mel Behn has again coordinated this fund raiser to fight Pyramid-Crossgates. Call an Association Board member if you need help in getting your papers to the trucks. Workers on the the trucks are also needed -- call Mel Behn (489-8015) to volunteer.

2. LETTERS. Write EnCon and demand that Pyramid-Crossgates not be permitted to build its 8000 parking spaces 125 store Mall. Write:

Honorable William J. Dickerson
Administrative Law Judge
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
50 Wold Road
Albany, New York 12232

Tell Judge Dickerson that: we don't want the Mall, we don't need the Mall, and we can't afford it.

3. THE HEARING. John Shea(31 Norwood St.) has been doing a brilliant job representing the McKownville Improvement Association at the EnCon Hearings. His cross-examination of Pyramid's testimony has blown big holes in their claims. The cross-examination this week will be on water and soils. Then there will be a two week recess, followed by cross-examination of Pyramid's witnesses on air, traffic, biology, alternative sites, design, and solid waste. BUT we need a larger cheering section! DO stop in and help to cheer us on. Stop in on the way to work or on the way home or come for the day. The Hearing is from 9:30 to 5 PM,daily, with lunch from 1 to 2, at the Ramada Inn on the second floor in the Squire Meeting Room. We need to help each other -- not only to protect Western Avenue from further commercialization, not only to protect our children on their school buses and when crossing Western Avenue or walking to the store, but also to protect the value of our homes and our neighborhoods.

4. ASSOCIATION MEETING. March 18, 8PM at the Tom Sawyer. Topics to be discussed:

- * Crossgates -- an update
- * Paper drive --April 12 and 13
- * Pending lawsuit against the Town to overturn the re-zoning of of land for Pyramid-Crossgates
- * McKownville Reservoir -- should it be re-activated now?
- * Should McKownville incorporate as a village?
- *Property taxes -- how to appeal your re-assessment
- * Should we form a park district with Westmere?

5 . MEMBERSHIP. Join the Association. Without it you would have less representation at Town Board meetings, Zoning Meetings, Planning Board meetings, and at the EnCon Hearings on the Mall. We have fought hard to keep Western Avenue from being widened and our community from being commercialized. The cost is \$2.00 per year per family. Sign and return the coupon with your \$2.00 and a membership card will be delivered to you.

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