

McKownville park site topic at meeting

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A proposed park for the McKownville area, consisting of approximately seven acres of land off Schoolhouse Road, was discussed by **Dennis Moore**, supervisor of the Town of Guilderland's park and recreation department, at a recent meeting of the McKownville Improvement Association. The proposed site is located between Oak Drive and private land abutting the Thruway entrance.

Moore said that plans for the park include a baseball field, a soccer field, a playground and a picnic area. Residents requested that another meeting be held this summer about the proposed park, so that neighbors around the area could express their concerns.

● The following officers and board members of the association were elected at the meeting: **Jim Lane**, vice president; **Dorothy Ellinwood**, secretary; and **Steve Witham**, treasurer.

Newly elected board members include **Marcy Cohen**, **Mark Salkins**, **Jim Cameron**, **Don Reeb**, **John Smircich**, and **Jim Dermody**.

Continuing members of the board are **Melvyn Behn**, **Sharon Levey**, **John Esler**, **Alice Torda**, and **Gus Baglione**.

Members of the association authorized the officers and the board to elect a president of the association.

● Outgoing president **Lindsay Childs**

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presented a report listing activities of the association over the past year. These activities included being a co-plaintiff in four legal actions attempting to stop the building of Crossgates Mall, working to maintain the residential zoning boundary between Providence Street and Stuyvesant Plaza and convincing the town to keep the polling place for McKownville voters residing north of Western Avenue at the fire house. Also, association board members participated in the public hearing on the state department of transportation's proposals to rebuild the Thruway-Northway I-90 interchange, and gave their support to two recreation proposals for McKownville, the expansion of skating facilities at the reservoir and the proposed park off Schoolhouse Road.

Baorad members, along with town officials, met with SUNYA officials to obtain informa-

tion and express local concerns about possible expansions of the university's athletic facilities and, in particular, a proposed new fieldhouse. They also were involved in discussions about the parking problem at Coco's Restaurant, which has been resolved.

Childs said that the plans for next year include working with the town on plans for the proposed park and proposed revisions of the town zoning law, watching proposals for improved athletic facilities for SUNYA which might have an impact on McKownville, paying off the remainder of the legal fees from the fight against the Crossgates Mall, and holding a "Meet the Candidates Night" in November for local candidates.

ROSARY INSTALLATION: The annual installation dinner for Christ the King Church's Altar Rosary Society will be held Monday, June 13 at the Bavarian Chalet, Route 30 and French's Mills Road, Guilderland. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m., with cocktails at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations will be accepted until Friday, June 3, by calling **Holly Lupe**, 869-7336; **Michele Gibson**, 456-1271; or the rectory, 456-1644.

Officers to be installed are: **Carol Coleman**, president; **Pat Bourgeois**, vice president; **Mary Jean Carroll**, secretary; and **Cathy Bonner**, treasurer.