

McKownville Improvement Association
Neighborhood Meeting Thursday February 19, 2004, 7-9pm
Holiday Inn Express, Western Avenue

At our neighborhood meeting this month the featured speaker is Todd Gifford, Guilderland Highway Superintendent, who, along with his other duties, is on the Thruway advisory panel which is considering the Western Avenue flyover. As highway superintendent Todd Gifford major responsibilities are Guilderland streets and sidewalks, the plowing of the sidewalks and storm water management. Many homes in McKownville have been laboring this winter with unusual amounts of storm water in basements, garages and backyards. It is nearly guaranteed that our Holiday Inn meeting will be a lively one. Bring a friend, bring a neighbor but come and be an active concerned citizen.

The most important topic is the upcoming New York State Thruway sponsored meeting, on the Western Avenue flyover, Tuesday February 24, 2004, Beltrone Living Center, 4-8pm, 6 Winners Circle in Colonie. The Beltrone Center is (approximately) behind the old Service Merchandise store on Wolf Road. Anyone needing a ride to the meeting can contact me and leave a message. My phone number is 489-3909. It is very important that McKownville have as many residents at this meeting as possible. Come. Be heard.

Also, each resident should contact the Thruway, 436-2700, to tell it of your opposition or contact the Thruway at www.thruway.state.ny.us/studies/index.html and click 'talk to us' and write out your comment about how you do not want the Western Avenue flyover or send the Thruway a letter at 200 Southern Blvd., P.O.Box 189, Albany, New York 12201 to tell it of your opposition to the flyover. Everyone we have contacted, Guilderland Town Supervisor Ken Runion, Mary Lou Bartollota Connolly, Frank Commisso, all the Town Board members, Assemblyman John McEneny, Senator Neil Breslin, McKownville Methodist Church (David Reid) and many many others have indicated that they oppose the Western Avenue flyover as does the Association. We hope that you can join us in expressing your opposition. Now and on February 19 and February 24.

The Trees Committee of the Association has made great progress. We will begin a street planting program in the Spring. More information is contained on the other side of this announcement. Please read it and plan to plant a street tree come Spring.

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