

**McKownville Improvement Association,  
Tuesday, April 19, 2005, 7-9pm  
Holiday Inn Express, 1442 Western Avenue**

Janet Kaplan, the manager for all of the Stuyvesant Plaza, will be our speaker this month. Please come and bring a friend, ask your questions, find out about our downtown (Stuyvesant Plaza) and its plans.

Write a note to yourself now: McKownville Firehouse, May 21, a party from noon till 3pm. Games, hotdogs, ice cream, hamburgers, face painting, buggy and pony rides, balloons, bouncy-bounce (trampoline) for all the kids and a good time to tell the firemen how much we appreciate their work for our neighborhood. Come, enjoy, and celebrate the Town's removal of the infamous "blue house" and the transfer of the site to the fire department.

You have undoubtedly seen the construction crews along Western Avenue. New signals for crossing Western are being put in place. Also, at the meeting we will discuss the reports from the Association's committees. But the most amazing news concerns the Farmer's Market to be located at Stuyvesant Plaza. It will be located in the parking lot behind the liquor store and will open about the week of June 19, 2005 and close about the second week in September. Jim and Cindy Barber, Middleburgh farmers, will be the market operators. Many of you probably have used their farm stand in Middleburgh. They are the proud operators of a family farm that has been operating since 1857. Jim and Cindy are still lining up additional farmers so it is unclear who will be offering produce besides the Barber's and how many days each week it will operate but they hope to be able to do it every day, from about 10:30am till about 5:30pm. It is really exciting to get a farmer's market in our neighborhood. Town Supervisor Ken Runion put us in touch with the Barber's and arranged for the meeting with Janet Kaplan, Stuyvesant Plaza manager. So if you get a chance, tell Mr. Runion thanks.

Along with this flyer you are being given a letter to be sent to the Governor concerning the Western Avenue flyover. The Association feels that we **MUST** make more effort to get the attention of the Thruway. Those of you who attended the meetings with the Thruway know that we have not been given much encouragement by them—we must take the initiative and demand that they pay attention to our needs. **WE DO NOT WANT THE WESTERN AVENUE FLYOVER.** Please, sign the letter, put in an envelope, address it to Governor Pataki, and mail it. Do it now—do it for yourself and your neighbors.

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