

**McKownville Improvement Association**  
**Monthly Public Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 11, 2006, 7-9pm**  
**Holiday Inn Express, 1442 Western Avenue**

The guest speaker for the May meeting of the Association is Kathy Lowery, Vice President of Finance and Planning at the University at Albany. She will be discussing plans for new buildings and other developments at the University. So come, meet a very important University administrator, and learn what McKownville's neighbor will be building and planning.

What else is happening? It is time for the Association to hold another election. Three Board members and the four officers are up for reelection. While the seven persons holding these positions have been re-nominated, additional nominations are welcome. Nominations can be given to Alice Torda, chair of the nominating committee. Alice's phone number is 489-3613.

The Association does not have dues but relies on donations. We need about \$300 a year for printing the flyers, our only expense. If you can, please send a check for a few dollars to the Treasurer, Paul Haldeman. Paul's address is 5 Country Road.

The Western Avenue flyover. We need to keep reminding the Thruway Authority that we do not want the Western Avenue flyover to be built. Following a suggestion made at the April meeting an email will be sent every few weeks for you to forward to the Thruway Authority. The Thruway's email address will be included, also. So, if you want to help stop the Thruway Authority from constructing the Western Avenue flyover make sure that your email address has been provided to [dreeb@albany.edu](mailto:dreeb@albany.edu).

The McKownville Farm Stand this year will be next to Passonno Paints, on the corner of McKown Road and Western. Tom Delaney and Richard Cunningham of Passonno have given permission to Jim and Cindy Barber, who operate a farm near Middleburgh, to use the site. The Farm Stand should be open about June 27. Much thanks to Jim and Cindy and Richard and Tom. They are helping our neighborhood have another summer eating fresh farm produce grown in New York.

Summer also means getting reacquainted with neighbors. Street picnics, neighborhood barbecues and multi-family garage sales are great excuses for neighbors to have some fun. Take some time, organize a street get together. It is a fine tradition in McKownville.

Old business--the McKown Road sidewalk, the sidewalk in front of 1450 Western, the new pedestrian lights at McKown Road, the bus patron shelter at McKown Road---the Town of Guilderland has all of this construction in process and it should be in place by the end of the summer.

The next meeting of the Association will be in September. Have a great summer.

**Officers**

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