McKownville Improvement Association, Public Meeting Thursday, April 14, 2016—7 pm-9 pm Hampton Inn, 1442 Western Avenue

Guilderland Town Supervisor Peter Barber is the guest speaker at the April meeting. As the town's chief executive officer, he can help you make McKownville a better neighborhood.

The New York Primary Election The election to determine the presidential candidate for each political party will be Tuesday, April 19th. Additional elections will be: June 28 - for Federal (Congress) Primary Election; September 13 - for State and Local Primary Elections; November 8 - General Election for president and other offices. Please mark these dates on your calendar voting is a great way to support your community.

<u>Email Addresses</u> With the introduction of FIOS service in our area, or for other reasons, a number of the email addresses in the McKownville listserv are no longer valid. If you wish to receive McKownville Improvement Association news items send your email address to donreeb@gmail.com.

<u>SUNY Poly and Loughlin Street</u> SUNY Poly recently issued an amended environment impact assessment form. SUNY Poly's construction of a 750 space-parking garage and a 130-bed dorm will be built on its campus—not on Loughlin. Columbia Development owns the 11 homes on Loughlin. Hopefully Loughlin will return to a street of <u>occupied</u> single-family homes once again. The fear that SUNY Poly will expand into McKownville has less justification now.

The Holt-Harris property

The University at Albany Foundation has removed dead trees and filled holes where wells once existed. Windows and doors on the buildings are covered with plywood. SHPO—New York State Housing Preservation Office was contacted by the McKownville Improvement Association and asked to determine the age of the older home and the barn. The LaGrange family (Albany settlers in the 1690's) owned the 9.8 acres and a much large tract that stretched from Patroon Creek (near what is now Washington Avenue) to the Helderberg escarpment and might have built the two buildings. A McKownville Improvement Association circulated petition, signed by over 200 McKownville neighbors, was mailed to 11 local government and State government officials including Governor Cuomo. It asked that the University pledge adherence to the zoning and deed restrictions that apply to the property. Our Assembly Member, Patricia Fahy, is closely monitoring use of the property, as is our Town Supervisor, Peter Barber.

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