## McKownville Improvement Association, Public Meeting Thursday May 20, 2010—7 pm-9 pm Holiday Inn Express, 1442 Western Avenue

McKownville—the topic this month is **traffic**—specifically a possibility that Express Bus Service and Park and Ride facilities will be established along the Western Avenue Corridor by CDTA (Capital District Transportation Authority), our bus company.

The guest speakers will be Anne Savage, Ross Farrell and Margaret Irvin. A proposal for improved bus service is the focus.

Many in McKownville have asked for improved bus service to not only reduce the duration of the trip to work but also to reduce traffic accidents, lessen air pollution and make the streets safer for bike riders and pedestrians. When the Association was formed in 1924, one of the first agenda items was to acquire better bus service along Western Avenue.

A reminder: there will be school budget and library budget votes on Tuesday May 18, along with votes on school board membership and library board membership. It is your turn to say what you want—do not pass up the opportunity. Stay involved—it is your community.

Items---the McKownville Fire Department celebrated its new fire truck with a "wet down" at the University Indian Quad Archway. Many came, watched the high arches of water being sprayed on the new truck, and then went to the firehouse for food and fun. In addition, later that night many took advantage of the free lacrosse tickets provided by the University. A good day for all—thanks to both the McKownville Fire Department and the State University of New York at Albany.

The Town Board hearing on the proposed changes in the Town Zoning law on May 4 saw the Town Board send the proposal back for more study. You can watch the discussion by going to the Town web site.

On May 17-28, the Town will flush the water lines in McKownville.

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