

Forum Summary

<u>QOL Focus Areas:</u>		
Culture	History	Social Fabric
Entertainment	Open Spaces	
Health & Fitness	Recreation	

New issues and initiatives identified at the October 8 QOL forum:

1. **Dollar General Property.** Need to (quickly) explore potential for development as a multi-use facility and property. A “community center in the center of the community” or a mix of retail/condos/restaurants/parking?
2. **Community Chest.** Potential endowment fund for the community? Sources of funds? Uses? Duplication of Town/Gown fund?
3. **Lumbard Hall.** Development potential as a community center or multi-use facility including retail? Legal issues?
4. **QOL Committee (or Kirkland Cultural Coordinating Council - “KC³”).** Mission or purpose? Role and responsibility? Members? Start with committee to vet and prioritize existing issues for the Plan. KC³ concept needs to be worked out in early 2009.
5. **Boynton Pool.** Explore opportunities to fund improvement with grant monies. Who will do this? CCS? Town? Village? The Pool Committee?
6. **Community Center.** Initiate a project to conceptualize and propose funding for a community center (see #1) that has physical links to existing cultural/recreational assets in the community (KAC, Library, churches, CCS auditorium, CCS fitness center and gyms, etc.) and includes
 - swimming pool (indoor/outdoor?)
 - outdoor recreation (ice rinks, skate park, tennis, basketball, etc.)
 - indoor walking track
 - community meeting rooms
 - senior citizen center
 - youth/teen center
 - government and agency offices (see Lumbard Hall, #3, above.

Issues and potential QOL initiatives culled and transferred from the 1993 Comprehensive Land Use Plan:

- B.3.a. Locate a playground near the former Clark Mills school building with government funding such as the US Land and Water Conservation Fund administered by the NYS Office of Parks and Recreation.
- B.7.a. Encourage the provision of public access to passive parks (e.g. Oriskany Creek) as abutting properties are developed.
- B.7.c. Consider a long-range program to acquire conservation and access easements to the Oriskany Creek corridor.
- B.11.a. Formalize and implement a coordinated improvement program (signage and appropriate landscaping) for major highway entrances into the community.
- B.11.b. Explore opportunities for civic groups to underwrite costs and provide labor.

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- B.12.h. Jointly request a NYSDOT study on traffic congestion in the Village and evaluation of the feasibility of a truck by-pass route around the Village.
- B.12.m. Identify alternatives to automobile transportation for single occupant vehicle trips.
- B.12.n. Work with neighborhood groups and the Village to expand the sidewalk system.
- B.12.o. Work with future developers to establish sidewalks and hiking trails in new subdivisions.
- B.12.t. Preserve the future opportunities for upland scenic view areas.