

The Finksburg News

Finksburg Planning Area Council, Inc.
Newsletter

To Promote A Finksburg Community,
Whose Objective Is To Preserve The
Fundamental Quality Of Life Where Farms,
Families And Businesses
May Coexist In A Manner Beneficial To All

Are Our Water, Air and Land Safe? Attend Next FPAC Meeting To Find Out!!!

Suburbia is where the developer bulldozes down out the trees, and then names streets after them—
Bill Vaughan

Who: All residents of Finksburg and its environs are invited

What: To attend the Finksburg Planning Area Council, Inc. general membership meeting

When: Thursday June 23rd at 7 p.m.

Where: Sandy Mount United Methodist Church

Environmental Night At FPAC:

We are fortunate to have three speakers for our June 23rd meeting, discussing different aspects of the same topic – the environment. Sher Horosko with CarrollAir, a citizens' organization committed to cleaner air in Maryland, will give a presentation on air quality. Jim Slater, Carroll County Environmental Compliance Officer, will speak about the history of environmental programs in Carroll County and how that history has affected the way they are implemented. And Mare Cromwell, Executive Director of the Prettyboy Watershed Alliance, will discuss the mission of the Alliance and the programs that are in progress.

Redistricting Update:

The redistricting committee met June 7th at Cranberry Elementary School. The committee is considering two plans, one of which splits Finksburg into two districts. According to the county website the next meeting will be held June 30th at the county office building in room 003. The time is 7 p.m. Please attend if you can.

FPAC Name Change:

The FPAC board at its June 1st meeting voted to have a name change contest. Details forthcoming at the June general membership meeting. A vote on the new name of this organization will take place in July.

Council of Governments Meeting:

Approximately 170 people attended the Saturday COG Planning Conference at Carroll Community College. Many FPAC members were in attendance in an important event in the county master plan process. Ed McMahon's talk raised a lot of eyebrows as to how to improve the look not only of the county as a whole but Finksburg in particular. Wouldn't it be nice to at least get an attractive sign welcoming motorists to Finksburg on Route 140?

Be Informed. Attend the Next Meeting!

FPAC Inc. Schedule

06/23/05 General Membership Meeting

07/06/05 Board Meeting

07/28/05 General Membership Meeting

Save a Stamp: Receive your newsletter electronically. Send your e-mail address to Richard Ackerman at richard.ackerman@finksburg.org.

- ✓ **Mark Your Calendar:** General Council meetings are the 4th Thursday of the month at the Sandy Mount United Methodist Church. Meetings begin at 7 PM. Board meetings are usually held on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

Yearly Membership Fee: \$10 per Household, \$25 per business

Dues: You can still pay your 2005 dues. The organization uses money from dues to pay for the printing and mailing costs of this newsletter and other mailings.

_____ I would like to join the Finksburg Planning Area Council, Inc. a not-for-profit organization.

_____ I would like to renew my membership. (Dues and donations not tax deductible)

_____ Yes, I would also like to volunteer. (Board membership, roadside trash pickup, county meeting attendance, etc.)

_____ I would like to make an additional donation of \$_____ to the FPAC.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____ **Work phone** _____

E-mail _____ @ _____

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