# The Finksburg News

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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

A strong positive mental attitude will create more miracles than any wonder drug. Patricia Neal

# History of Finksburg Topic Of Next FPACC, Inc. Meeting!!!

Who: All residents of Finksburg and its environs are invited
What: To attend the Finksburg Planning And Citizens' Council,
Inc. general membership meeting
When: Thursday December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.
Where: Sandymount United Methodist Church

#### **Roundtable Discussion:**

The next FPACC, Inc. meeting will be held one week earlier than normal due to the Christmas holiday. The meeting will feature some long-time and former Finksburg residents who will talk about the history of Finksburg. This should be an interesting meeting for those who love history and get excited to hear about what went on in this community years ago. There will also be some holiday drinks and eats for those who attend.

#### **Membership Dues Accepted:**

If you haven't paid your 2006 membership dues, now is the time. You can pay your dues at our meeting next week. It's \$10 for residents and \$25 for businesses. We are looking to grow membership in '06 so please bring a friend and pay your dues ahead of time. Thanks so much.

## **County Subdivision Advisory Committee Update:**

The county Subdivision Advisory Committee is scheduled to consider several projects in December that could mean more development. One proposal is for a 10-lot subdivision off of Arabian Court in the Jason Acres subdivision. The hearing on this proposal, which has been rejected by the county once already, is set for December 27<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. in the County Office Building. SAC is also considering a request for an assisted living facility on the west side of Birdview Road.

### Major Planning Conference Scheduled:

The county is promoting a major planning conference scheduled for next month. Here is the information on the conference:

The Cultivating Concepts Conference is the third step in the Concept Plan Stage of the *In My Backyard: Community Outreach for Community Consensus* process. The conference will feature

expert speakers to address different aspects of the five Pathways. The speakers will provide participants with general information and additional viewpoints on the various topics that may be discussed during the Community Outreach for Community Consensus process. Time for questions and answers will be included. The conference will also include a visioning process that uses pictures and comparisons to help participants focus on how they would like to see development occur in the future. The conference will also include a youth planning charrette. This one-and-a-half-day conference will start on a Friday afternoon, January 13<sup>th</sup> and conclude the next day. The conference will be held during the winter of 2006. To register go to carrollpathways.org

#### Local Business Networking Group Forms:

The Carroll County Finksburg chapter of Business Network International meets every Wednesday at noon at New York J&P Pizza in the Finksburg Plaza. If you are a business owner seeking to grow your business through word of mouth referrals, please attend. BNI Finksburg also plans a happy hour event January 11<sup>th</sup> at Bellisimo's (former Rudy's) beginning at 5 p.m.

#### **Thanks Phillips Way:**

FPACC wants to thank Phillips Way on Dede Road for allowing the organization to hold its monthly board meetings at its offices. Phillips Way is another good Finksburg business and community partner.

#### Be Informed. Attend the Next Meeting!

#### **FPACC Schedule:**

12/15/05 FPACC General Meeting

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finksburg.org<u>.</u>

 Mark Your Calendar: General Council meetings are the 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **Board of Directors:**

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