

# The Finksburg News

Finksburg Planning And Citizens' Council Inc.  
Newsletter, December 2007  
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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

## Next Meeting: Holiday Party

**Who:** Finksburg residents are invited

**What:** Finksburg Planning and Citizens' Council, Inc.'s general membership meeting

**When:** Thursday December 13, 2007, 7 P.M (\* Special date due to the holiday \*).

**Where:** Sandymount United Methodist Church, 2101 Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg, MD 21048



**December Meeting – Holiday Party:** The annual FPACC holiday party will be held during our December meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Sandymount United Methodist Church. Light refreshments will be served and everyone is invited. Feel free to bring your favorite holiday treat to share.

### Best Decorated Home Contest:



FPACC would like to recognize the best holiday decorated home in Finksburg. Please e-mail us at [Mail.Admin@finksburg.org](mailto:Mail.Admin@finksburg.org) to nominate yourself, friends or family. The winner will be announced in the January newsletter and at the January meeting.

### November 15th Meeting – Finksburg History, See us on Cable Channel 23:

The November meeting was a community conversation about the history of Finksburg. We will begin with a short presentation on The Elms, a stately mansion situated on the old carriage road along the west bank of the Patapsco River just south of the present day Rt. 140 bridge over Liberty Reservoir. The house was built in approximately 1760 and at one time belonged to the son of Francis Scott Key. It was destroyed when the Liberty Reservoir was constructed, but some still remember this fine old Maryland home.

The Carroll County Media Center recorded the meeting and will air the recording starting this month on cable channel 23 at the following times: 12/12/2007 at 8:00 AM & 8:00 PM, 12/14/2007 at 4:00 PM, 12/15/2007 at 9:00 PM, 12/16/2007 at 4:00 PM, 12/19/2007 at 8:00 AM, 12/19/2007 at 8:00 PM, 12/21/2007 at 4:00 PM, 12/22/2007 at 9:00 PM, 12/23/2007 at 4:00 PM, 12/26/2007 at 8:00 AM & 8:00 PM, 12/28/2007 at 4:00 PM, 12/29/2007 at 9:00 PM, 12/30/2007 at 4:00 PM

### Smokers Barbeque Restaurant Receives Carroll County Design Award:

Smokers Barbeque Restaurant is being recognized for outstanding design. Located on MD 140 in Finksburg, the attractive new restaurant offers carry out and catering services. Named one of "Baltimore's Best" in 2000, the family-owned and operated business began in 1997 in the Upperco area of Baltimore County. Owner Kurt Kraus wanted to move the operation closer to home in Finksburg and after four years of careful planning and construction they are now open for business. Designed and built by Dave Patton of Patton Homes, the restaurant resembles an attractive residence complete with a stone façade and carefully screened drive-through. If not for the sign out front, it would be hard to distinguish the restaurant from any other upscale home in the area.

[http://ccgoverment.carr.org/ccg/releases/Bus\\_Awards\\_112907a.pdf](http://ccgoverment.carr.org/ccg/releases/Bus_Awards_112907a.pdf)

### 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.

### Membership 2008:

We ask you to please pay your membership dues for 2008. You can [pay your dues online](#), at our meeting, or print a form on our website and mail it in. The annual cost is only \$10 for residents and \$25 for businesses. Business members are welcome to schedule a short presentation about their business at a general membership meeting. Thanks so much.

### Board of Directors:

• Dave O'Callaghan - President	• Jean Walker – Secretary	• Debbie Lockwood	• Gary Kerns
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