# 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

## Next General Membership Meeting: Third Annual History of Finksburg Meeting

Thursday November 20, 2008, 7 P.M.

All Finksburg residents and business owners are invited.

Sandymount United Methodist Church, Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg, MD 21048

# November Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual History of Finksburg Meeting.

Our upcoming "History of Finksburg" meeting will include a special focus on the history of the Sandymount United Method Church, which has been our home for meetings for over 10 years. Dave Pyle, of Sandymount Church, will give a presentation on the history of the church. Please contact Sissy Alstatt (alice.altstatt@finksburg.org) with any information you would like to share about Finksburg history. Please bring to the meeting your photos and stories about our community.

## **Action Item - The 2008 Commissioners Scorecard Has Started:**

The FPACC board is now announcing the 2008 Commissioners Scorecard. The scorecard, last released in 2004, allows residents and business owners of Finksburg to express their thoughts about the quality of service received from our county commissioners. In developing the latest scorecard FPACC is asking for the direct input of Finksburg residents and business owners. The survey is being administered online, or paper copies may be made and mailed in. To take the online scorecard survey or for more information please go to <a href="http://www.finksburg.org/scorecard">http://www.finksburg.org/scorecard</a>.

## Development Update: Proposed Auto Repair Facility, Route 91 and Old Gamber Road

The Board of County Commissioners have proposed an amendment to Chapter 223, Zoning effecting the definition of "Automobile Service Center". Specifically, the amendment would amend the definition of an "Automobile Service Center" by limiting the use to "two axle vehicles (one forward and one rear axle)". This could technically allow vehicles such as busses and delivery vans. Copies of the proposed draft amendment are available on the County's website

(http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/attorney/ordinance/default.asp) and through the Department of the County Attorney at 410-386-2030. A public hearing is scheduled on the proposed amendment for Tuesday, November 25, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 311. In addition, a pre-hearing workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, November 19, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 301 of the County Office Building.

# **County Commissioners host a Meeting for Carrollton/Patapsco Residents:**

The Board of County Commissioners will host a community meeting in the Carrollton/Patapsco area on Monday, November 17, from 7 to 9 p.m. All residents of the area are invited to attend the meeting, which will be held in the Sandymount Elementary School gymnasium. There is no agenda. Instead, the community meeting provides a forum for residents to address the Board of County Commissioners about any topics they choose. The school is located at 2222 Old Westminster Pike in Finksburg. Anyone with questions about the meeting can call the Commissioners' Office at 410-386-2043.

# **Please Pay Your FPACC Dues:**

We ask you to please pay your membership dues for <u>2009</u>. You can <u>pay your dues online (http://www.finksburg.org/Dues.htm)</u>, 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.

#### 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. Starting in January, we expect to have our meetings at the new Finksburg Library.

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