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: Holiday Party

Thursday December 18, 2008, 7 P.M.

All Finksburg residents and business owners are invited.

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

<u>December Meeting</u>: Holiday Party:

Please join the Board of Directors and your neighbors for a casual holiday party at the Sandymount United Methodist Church. Plan on stopping by, and bring a friend along. Light refreshments will be served.

Action Item - The 2008 Commissioners Scorecard Is Wrapping Up:

The FPACC board is now conducting 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 http://www.finksburg.org/scorecard. The survey will end on December 31.

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.

Sandymount United Methodist Church: THANKS!

The board of directors would like to extend our thanks to the church. Sandymount Church has been our home for meetings for over 10 years now! We sincerely wish to express our gratitude to the church for being a great part of our community in allowing us to use their hall for our meetings.

January Meeting: Welcome To the New Finksburg Library!

Current plans are to have our January Meeting at the new Finksburg Library. The meeting will focus on the Library and feature tours. The January meeting is being pushed one week (until after the library opens) and will occur on Thursday January 29th.

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 affecting 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.

Mark Your Calendar:

General Council meetings are the 4th Thursday of the month at the Sandy Mount United Methodist Church, and soon at the Finksburg Library. 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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