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: Denise Rickell of BERC, Please Pay 2009 Dues

Thursday March 26, 2009, 7 P.M.

All Finksburg residents and business owners are invited.

Finksburg Branch - Carroll County Public Library, Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg, MD 21048

March Meeting: Looking for a job? Denise Rickell of BERC to Speak:

Denise Rickell, manager of The Carroll County Business & Employment Resource Center (CCBERC), will explain the various job seeker services available to residents of Carroll County free of charge! Whether you are currently job hunting or planning to in the future, come and learn how to gain access to hundreds of current job listings; participate in individual skill development workshops and trainings; and take advantage of one-on-one assistance with resume and interview preparation, all provided to help you get back to work as quickly as possible. All Finksburg area residents and their families are encouraged to attend. The new Finksburg Library is located on Old Westminster Pike, near the intersection of Green Mill Rd and is directly across the street from the Sandymount Park. A map and detailed directions are available on our website.

February Meeting: Commissioner's Scorecard Finalized:

At our February meeting we featured a discussion of the results and scoring of the FPACC commissioner's 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 has asked for the direct input of Finksburg residents and business owners. The survey was administered online and via paper forms. At this meeting members expressed their opinions and thoughts about each survey question. This information as well as the survey results were then used to finalize scores and comments. Official, finalized survey results will be released as this newsletter is published.

Regional Meetings Scheduled To Update Residents on Pathways Plan:

Excessive delays in the Carroll County pathways master plan process were recently discussed in formulating the commissioners' scorecard. It would appear that our concerns are being addressed. County Planning Director Steven C. Horn will be hosting meetings in five towns over the next three weeks. These will be follow-up meetings to the Grassroots Gatherings held in nearly two dozen communities throughout Carroll in 2005-2007. There will be a presentation on the process to date; what has been happening since the public participation phase; and the timeline for release, input and adoption of the plan. The Pathways to Carroll's Future Landscape plan outlines how the county will grow during the next 20 years. Details can be found at: http://www.carrollpathways.org.

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</u> (http://www.finksburg.org/Dues.htm), 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 Finksburg Branch of the Carroll County Public Library. Meetings begin at 7 PM. Board meetings are usually held on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Check our website to confirm meeting dates.

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