# The Finksburg News

Finksburg Planning And Citizens' Council Inc. Newsletter

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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: Elected Officials**

Thursday October 22, 2009, 7 P.M. All Finksburg residents and business owners are invited. Finksburg Branch – Carroll County Public Library, Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg, MD 21048

## October Meeting: Open Invitation to State Delegation & Council of Governments(COG):

FPACC has issued an open invitation to all. We are trying to engage everyone to make the Council of Governments (COG) a stronger and more responsive body. We would love to have an open discussion of the state of affairs in Carroll County particularly Finksburg, South Carroll County and Maryland. We promise a cordial and civil meeting and hope that you will be able to attend. Del. Susan Krebs, Mayor Haven Shoemaker of Hampstead, Ellen Dix President of Freedom Citizens' Council (FACC) have committed to attend so far.

### September Meeting: Dr. Fred Smith of Gerstel Academy

Dr. Fred Smith, the founder of Gerstel Academy, joined us at our last meeting. Dr. Smith explained his vision for the property owned by his foundation adjacent to the Gerstel Academy. This is the very same property that has been rezoned from Conservation to Employment in various versions of the Finkburg Corridor plan.

#### Finksburg Residents Share Their Memories:

Long time Finksburg area residents had the opportunity to share their memories of living in Finksburg in days gone by. As part of Local History Week in Carroll County, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Armacost, Alice Hackney Altstatt, Carol Hackney and Ann and George Horvath, shared their stories through oral history interviews. These interviews were filmed to become part of the Carroll County History Project, a multi-year endeavor to preserve the history of Carroll County by recording the memories and stories of its residents. The Carroll County History Project is a joint venture developed by the Community Media Center, Carroll County Public Library, Carroll County NAACP, Human Relations Commission of Carroll County, Historical Society of Carroll County, and the Carroll County Genealogical Society. These interviews may be viewed on-line at the Community Media Center website at www.cmcmd.tv.

## The Finksburg Plan and Pathways Plan:

The full Finksburg Plan can be viewed in 2 parts at: <u>http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/compplan/finksburg/plan.pdf</u> and <u>http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/compplan/finksburg/append.pdf</u>.

The Pathways Plan and the Finksburg Plan share many elements and must be reviewed together to understand the full impact. Information on the pathways plan may be found at: <u>www.carrollpathways.org</u>. Be sure to click "Proposed Zoning" to see detailed maps and proposed zoning regulation changes.

The Carroll County Planning and Zoning Commission has scheduled additional work sessions to review the draft comprehensive plan. Each will be on cable channel 24 and available for viewing (live and archived) on the county's web site under Video Libraries & Agendas, <u>http://carroll.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\_id=2</u>. The work sessions are: Monday, Oct. 19, from 6:30-9 p.m. in Room 003, Tuesday, Oct. 20, following the regular daytime Planning Commission meeting in Room 003, Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 6:30-9 p.m. in Room 003, Thursday, Oct. 29, from 6:30-9 p.m. in Room 003.

#### Please Pay Your FPACC Dues:

We ask you to please pay your membership dues for 2010. You can pay your dues online (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. 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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