

TALK of the TOWN

A Newsletter of the Town of St. Michaels, MD February 2009



A. Philip Dinkel to Fill Vacant Commission Position

At their legislative session on January 28, 2009, the Commissioners of St. Michaels appointed A. Philip Dinkel to fill the vacant commission seat that had been held by George M. Walsh, Jr. until his resignation on January 14, 2009. Mr. Dinkel, who had previously been elected to full terms on the Commission in 2000 and 2004, will serve the remainder of the first two years of Mr. Walsh's term. The remaining two years will be filled in the regular election of Commissioners in 2010. Mr. Dinkel took the oath of office on January 29, 2009 and immediately joined his fellow Commissioners for a special working session.

Commissioners' Meetings:

2/11 3:00 Special Working Session (Town Office)
2/11 6:30 Regular Session (Library)
2/18 4:00 Special Working Session (Library)
2/25 6:30 Legislative Session (Library)

For details and draft agendas, please check with the Town Office (410.745.9535) or check

www.townofstmichaels.com

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to THE ST. MICHAELS FIRE DEPARTMENT

"JUST ANOTHER NIGHT ON THE JOB"

Where were you on Christmas night 2008? Many of us were home in front of the TV with a stomach full of holiday treats. But for the St. Michaels Fire Department volunteer firefighters, it was just another night on the job when a home fire broke out in the early evening hours and they were called away from home and family once again. The Christmas call regarding a roof fire in downtown St. Michaels was one of 338 calls that they received in 2008. Thankfully, no one was injured in responding to the emergency, but that isn't always the case. In this past year two of our finest received injuries on the job, but both recovered and have returned to active duty.

Our volunteer firefighters deserve our admiration and respect for their efforts on our behalf. Remember that while they continually help us we can help them as well. Maybe all of us should make it a point in 2009 and beyond to attend one of their fundraisers and participate.

Want To Know More About YOUR Fire Department?

Contact Holley Guschke, Vice President @ 410-745-9393

The Commissioners of St. Michaels

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A WORD FROM THE CHIEF...*Chief Miguel Dennis*

Did you know the St. Michaels Police Department offers services to the community besides law enforcement? A few of these services are listed below and most are free unless otherwise noted:

Fingerprinting – Employment, criminal history checks, background checks. Offered M-F, 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

House/Premise Checks – Away for awhile, we will periodically check your residence. Sign-up at the police station.

Residential Security Surveys – By appointment only, we will provide a security check of your residence for lighting, locks, environmental design, etc.

Bicycle Registration – Fast, easy sign-up at the police station.

Report Copies – Criminal investigation reports, accident reports, incident reports – reports copied for parties of interest only.

TIPS Line (410-745-9116) – Report criminal information confidentially. Please provide enough information so we may follow-up.

SAFETY ADVISORY – BUILDING STREET NUMBERS REQUIRED

The Code of the Town of St. Michaels requires that each principal structure display their assigned street address. This address has been assigned in accordance with the County’s 911 identification system. The 911 street address shall be posted **on each building or premises** by the property owner and/or occupant in such a manner as to be clearly visible from the street. Such numbers shall be a **minimum height of three inches** and shall **contrast in color to their background**.

The 911 Street Address shall be placed on or adjacent to the exterior of the building, either around or over the front entrance and **shall not be obscured** by screened or glass enclosed porches.

When you call “911”you want help **now**. The 911 responder will be able to locate you easily if the simple steps above are taken. **Yours or a loved ones life may depend on it.**

Reduce – Reuse – Recycle

St. Michaels wants to be a little more “green”. Each month we will explore ideas that benefit our environment. Share with us what you are doing to make a difference!

WORK STARTS ON MILL STREET

If you have stopped by the Town Office, or visited the Maritime Museum during the last several weeks, you probably have noticed that work has begun to replace the sewer lines down Mill Street. The contractor is using the Town Office Parking area as their staging and supply site. So if you are coming to the Town Office during this time, which should extend through the end of February, the Maritime Museum has most generously offered the use of their parking lot for anyone visiting the Town Office.

For more information and updates, please visit the website at: www.townofstmichaels.com

CONCERTS IN THE PARK RETURNING TO MUSKRAT PARK

Great News! The St. Michaels Community Center has again requested the use of Muskrat Park for their Thursday Night Concert in the Park series. They hope to begin June 18th and continue through September 17, 2009. What a relaxing way to spend time with your fellow neighbors of St. Michaels. Make it a community event and support the Center by attending a concert or two this summer.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION NOTICE

Please be advised that the Historic District Commission’s newly adopted guidelines are now accessible via the town website at: www.townofstmichaels.com

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