

Camp Springs News

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Don Wiedeman: My Boss, My Friend

**By Mike Enzweiler, adapted from
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As a good business practice we are cautioned that a boss should not and cannot be a friend. Through more than 25 years of Home Builders Association employment, most of which were under the direct supervision of Don, I immediately spotted the depth of his integrity. Everything about him was honest and forthright.

It was after Don's retirement that our friendship grew even stronger. We were no longer restrained by our professional business relationship as boss/employee. He shared many stories about the ups and downs of an association so tightly tied with the economy as well as scores of adventures/misadventures that I now cherish. There were good times and lean times but his true self always shone through. He was a leader who did not need to demand.

Don and I worked closely on projects in Camp Springs, our shared community. Many times I kidded him about being a city boy who moved to the country to become a city farmer. Yes, he had cows (many of which became stuck in the mud of his so-called pond and needed to be hoisted out with a lift.) The annual Camp Springs Herbst (Autumn) Tour (now in its 7th year) was his baby. We operated this free self-guided auto tour of our historic community together until the day before he died, when I met with two community members who agreed to take over Don's duties. Often Don mentioned that we needed to find additional people to help with the tour. He would state: "I'm not going to live forever," and I would always give him the same reply, "Don, you are too stubborn to die." Not to become overly sentimental but it seemed to me that it was shortly after (in fact, the morning after) I was able to pull on board two quality successors to continue Don's work, that he was able to relax and let go.

Don could be proud of his association with the Camp Springs Fire Department and in particular the annual Turkey Shoot. Don and another community member organized the first shoot. The 50th annual shoot was celebrated in November 2012 with Don helping work it. He said the idea was born at a local Camp Springs tavern where he was known to "tip a few."

Don Wiedeman, cont.

For many years he dressed as Santa for the children in our community and visited their homes. Those children are now in their forties and fifties but still cherish fond memories of Christmas past.

Don, you will be missed by many HBA members past and present, by your community and your parish of St. Joseph in Camp Springs, and I will miss you as a former boss but so much more as a true and steadfast friend. I am ever blessed for having known you!

Celebrate Camp Springs Day July 28th at Camp Springs Vineyard

The eighth annual Camp Springs Day will be held from 5-7 p.m. on July 28th at the Camp Springs Vineyard, 6685 Four Mile Road. A tasty meal will be provided in the air-conditioned winery. Wine will be available for sale. As in the past, there will be a Bake-Off. Mark your calendar now for this annual community event.

7th Annual Herbst Tour: Call For Entries

If you've never participated in the Herbst Tour before, please consider opening your home or business for this year's event. If you are an artist, crafter, or have a Camp Springs business or home-operated specialty, you can display and sell your products on the 7th Annual Herbst Tour on Sunday, October 20 from noon to 6 p.m. All stone house owners are welcome to participate by showing their historic and unique homes along the Stonehouse Trail.

Contact Rose Chalk (859-240-4010, rosezac727@aol.com) or Mark Ramler (859-466-0243, markramler@hotmail.com).

Over 420 Varieties of Daylilies

Arrasmith Farm, 3595 Fender Road, is holding open field daylily sales on Fridays and Saturdays June 14th — July 21st from 10-5 and on other days by appointment. Visit the farm's web-site www.arrasmithfarm.com for additional information and pictures of some of the farm's stunning daylily varieties. Information is also available by phone (859-630-1711).

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CSI Thanks . . .

CSI thanks Bishop Brossart's Beta Club members for helping with the Adopt-A-Highway clean-up on April 20. Mark your calendars now for the fall clean-up which will be held on October 5.

CSI Update

CSI Board Members

Harriet Arrasmith — Acting President

Nancy Enzweiler — Secretary

Linus Enzweiler — Treasurer

Bill Allender Carolyn Allender

Chuck Heilman Bob Johnson

Sharon Ramler Tom Ramler

Anna Zinkhon

If you are interested in serving on the board,
Please contact Nancy Enzweiler at 635-2925.

Minutes of CSI meetings
and past issues of the *Camp Springs News*
are available at www.campsprings.com

Upcoming CSI Board Meetings (All are welcome!)

July 15, 7 p.m. at Camp Springs Vineyard

August 19, 7 p.m. at Camp Springs Vineyard

Camp Springs News Looking for Sponsors

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Upcoming Events

June

June 2-7 — Vacation Bible School, Oakland United Methodist Church, call 859-823-0027

June 8 — Summer Festival, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Mass at 4 p.m., dinners 4:30-8 p.m. call 635-2491

June 14 — Opening Day for Daylily Field Sales, Arrasmith Farm, 3595 Fender Road, 10 a.m.-- 5 p.m.

June 17-20 — Vacation Bible School, St. John Lutheran Church, call 635-5013

June 24-28 — Pony Day Camp, Misty Ridge Farm, see <http://www.mistyridgefarm.com>

July

July 15— CSI Board Meeting, Camp Springs Vineyard, 6685 Four Mile Road, 7 p.m.

July 19 — Scrapbook/Craft Night, Oakland United Methodist Church, call 859-823-0027

July 21— Final Day for Daylily Field Sales, Arrasmith Farm, 3595 Fender Road, 10 a.m.-- 5 p.m.

July 22-26 — Rodeo Camp, Misty Ridge Farm, see <http://www.mistyridgefarm.com>

July 27 — Campbell County Backroads Farm Tour, 9 a.m.-- 5 p.m.

July 28 — Camp Springs Day, Camp Springs Vineyard, 6685 Four Mile Road, 5 -- 7 p.m.

August

August 9-11 — Church Campout, Oakland United Methodist Church, call 859-823-0027

August 19 — CSI Board Meeting, Camp Springs Vineyard, 6685 Four Mile Road, 7 p.m.

Camp Springs News Deadline

Calendar submissions for the next issue of the *Camp Springs News* are due to the editor at 635-2925 by August 12, 2013.

Thanks to Mike Enzweiler for the tribute to Don Wiedeman

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