

Camp Springs News

Delivering News to the Camp Springs Community



Camp Springs Initiative

June-July-August 2016

Built in 1865, Baptized in 2016: The Camp Springs Tavern Reopens

Earlier this spring, Keith and Amy Neltner bought the Camp Springs Tavern at the corner of Stonehouse and Four Mile Road. The “newly baptized” tavern gracefully combines the past with the present. The building has been a Camp Springs landmark since it was built in 1865 by Matthias Kremer, who had left the Saar River Valley in Germany in 1843 to come to the New World. In Camp Springs he opened a cobbler’s shop in what is now the tavern. The building was made of bricks fired locally and left over from the building of St. Joseph Church. Many individuals have owned the building since Matthias Kremer’s day, and the present owners are happy to tell the stories about the tavern they have been collecting since buying the tavern. Poster-sized prints that show early Camp Springs residents connect current customers with the tavern’s rich past.

The twenty-first century Camp Springs Tavern boasts a selection of craft and domestic beers, as well as wine and mixed drinks. There is bar seating as well as a party room and a veranda that overlooks the Four Mile Creek valley. Currently food is only available at special events, but patrons can bring in food if desired. There is a monthly pork barbecue night with pie. This event features locally prepared food. The tavern’s Facebook page and web site provide up-to-date information on hours and events, including news of the tavern’s softball team.

A Big Celebration at the Camp Springs Tavern will be held on July 9 and will feature live music by Mike Oberst of the Tillers along with food by The Four Mile Pig by local Tammy Viox and pie by Little Rock Farm.

For more information, check out the tavern’s Facebook page or website (www.campspringstavern.com) or better yet, stop by!

Community Gathers to Clean Roadsides

10 community members and Brossart High School Beta Club members met on April 16 for our semi-annual Adopt-A-Highway event. Two miles of Four Mile Road and some side roads were covered and eleven bags of trash were collected and disposed of. Please consider helping with the next Adopt-A-Highway event, which will spruce up our roads before this year’s Herbst Tour. *We will meet at 10 a.m. on October 1 at the Camp Springs Bed and Breakfast.*

Camp Springs Memory

By John Nehus

I spent many summer days with Jim and Roy Heck when I was a kid. One particular day we were at the Hecks’ on Tug Fork Road and we built a campfire in their woods. We had our pump BB guns at our sides for protection from bear and tigers. I don’t recall why (boredom, I guess) we ended up using my precious knothole baseball cap for target practice and shredded it with BBs. Roy, being Roy, threw my riddled cap in the campfire. I must have done something to make him do that, maybe it was the year I made the all-star game and he didn’t. It was getting near supper time so we called it a day, but before doing so we pulled the cap out of the fire and stomped it until the fire was out and threw dirt on the campfire to put it out. Roy, for some reason, then took my now scorched peppered cap and placed it in a tree. (Please don’t ask me why; I will just have to shrug my shoulders.) A little later I went home and Jim and Roy sat down for supper. Shortly thereafter, Roy looked out the window and saw smoke in the area we had been playing. In order not to get into trouble for not putting out the campfire, he told no one, slipped his brand-new moccasins on his bare feet and rushed up the hill. As he neared the camp site he realized it wasn’t the camp fire still burning but the tree where he had put the cap that was on fire. The leaves he packed around the apparently smoldering cap had caught fire. (Again, don’t ask me why he put leaves there.) So equipped with only the moccasins he was wearing, he ran to a nearby pond and shoe full by shoe full he put out the fire. I think for days he picked briars out of his bare feet. He never did tell his mom or dad. If we had only known that there were no bear or tigers in Northern Kentucky we may have been able to avoid this situation and I probably would still have that cap.

10th Annual Herbst Tour: Call For Entries

Whether or not you have ever participated in the Herbst Tour, 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 10^h Annual Herbst Tour on Sunday, October 16 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.

The Herbst Tour Team requests that you not hold a yard sale on the day of the Herbst Tour.

Call Sharon Ramler at 760-3500 for further information.

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CSI Update

CSI Board Members

Bill Allender	Carolyn Allender
Lonnie Enzweiler	Nancy Enzweiler
Ron Heiert	Bob Johnson
Sharon Ramler	Tom Ramler
Anna Zinkhon	

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

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Upcoming CSI Board Meeting

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

All community members are welcome.

Please come!

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Upcoming Events

June

- June 11** — Open Field Sales Day, Arrasmith Farm, 3595 Fender Road, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., call 630-1711
- June 11** — Summer Festival, St. Joseph Catholic Church, Mass at 4 p.m., dinners 4:30-8 p.m. call 635-2491
- June 12-17** — Vacation Bible School, St. John Lutheran Church, call 635-5013
- June 18** — Open Field Sales Day, Arrasmith Farm, 3595 Fender Road, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., call 630-1711
- June 20-24** — Pony Camp, Misty Ridge Farm, call 781-5779 or visit www.mistyridgefarm.com
- June 25** — Open Field Sales Day, Arrasmith Farm, 3595 Fender Road, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., call 630-1711

July

- July 9** — Open Field Sales Day, Arrasmith Farm, 3595 Fender Road, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., call 630-1711
- July 9** — Big Celebration at Camp Springs Tavern
- July 16** — Campbell County Backroads Farm Tour, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- July 18-22** — Rodeo Camp, Misty Ridge Farm, call 781-5779 or visit www.mistyridgefarm.com

August

- August 15** — 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 15, 2016

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