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Camp Springs Home to New Winery

4 Mile Wine Co. was founded by Holly and Ben Studer in June 2022. Ben grew up on 4 Mile Road in Camp Springs, just across from the historic Kort Grocery Store stone house and Camp Springs Winery, and he and his wife now grow blackberries and keep honey bees for their wines on the family farm.

In Ben's words, "The inspiration for 4 Mile Wine Co. came to me around 2012, when a best friend, Jerrit Bridewell and I decided we weren't very good at making beer, and it seemed everyone in Camp Springs had a grandpa who made wine, so we should try it. In 2015 we planted our first blackberries, and in April of 2016, I had this intuition: what if we used honey instead of sugar in the wine — not knowing there was even a name for it. And two weeks later we had honey bees on the farm.

All mead is wine, but not all wine is mead. Honey in wine is not a new thing. It is actually used in the oldest known alcohol which is called mead. Simply put, mead is just honey wine. Just like there are different kinds of wine, there are different kinds of meads. There are traditional meads which are just honey, water and yeast. There are also different categories of fruit meads which combine honey with fruit, and then there are specialty categories that may contain herbs and spices, or other ingredients that are combined with the honey and/or fruits. Ben says, "Meads can range from dry to sweet, light to full-bodied, low to high alcohol, and have flavor profiles beyond imaginable."

4 Mile Wine Co.'s vision is to focus on meads and country wines (not typical grape wines), and give customers an experience through the vast world of mead and unconventional wines. They will initially focus on meads, then expand to country wines such as blackberry, blueberry, raspberry, and concord.

4 Mile Wine partnered with local artist Keith Neltner of Neltner Small Batch and owner of the Camp Springs Tavern to design the 4 Mile Wine Co. brand logo, labels and packaging which are shown on the right.

Though there will not have an on-premise tasting room, the Studers are working with the Camp Springs Tavern to become their unofficial tasting and bottle sales room.

The initial release will include three meads: Blackberry Mead, Ripple (maple) Mead, and Blueberry Blossom Mead. The release will take place on June 10th at the Camp Springs Tavern in conjunction with Kurt Adams' new album release.

~Thanks to Ben Studer for this article



CSI Update

The South End Camp Springs Sign on Whitey Heeb's field is being rebuilt by CSI members along with folks from the community. It was damaged in a recent windstorm

A special thanks to Whitey Heeb for allowing the sign to be placed at this location years ago and for providing the tractor to move the heavy sign during the repair work and maintenance of the area around the sign. The 4x4 posts have been replaced. Mike Enzweiler is getting pricing for a new sign to mount to the structure.

Others involved in the project are Tom Ramler, Josh Henry, Bob Johnson, Kenny Studer & Ron Bridewell.

Here is a Trivia Question. "Does anyone know what year the sign was installed?"

CSI's board met recently and has its next meeting scheduled for August 21 at 7 p.m. at the Camp Springs Winery. All community members are encouraged to attend, as the board will be brainstorming ideas for a community event and would like input from residents.

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CSI Update

CSI Board Members

Bill Allender
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Nancy Enzweiler
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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 Events

June

June 10 — Summer Festival, St Joseph. 4-11 p.m.
June 10 — Release Party for 4 Mile Wine Co. and Kurt Adams'
album, Camp Springs Tavern

July

July 4 — Mass, St. Joseph, 9 a.m.
July 17-20 — Vacation Bible School, St. John Lutheran

August

August 14 — Mass (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) St.
Joseph, 7 p.m.
August 15 — Mass (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) St.
Joseph, 9 a.m.
August 21—CSI Meeting, Camp Springs Winery, 7 p.m.

This and That

Registration for the 2023-2024 **St Joseph Pre-K** school year is
underway and space is limited. If you are interested and will have a
3 or 4 year old, *reach out to Lisa at LRoetting@Saint-Joseph-School.org* or text 859-409-9185.

Madison Wittrock (2020 BBHS Alum) will be exhibiting at the **Bish-
op Brossart High School Art Gallery** from August 6-27. She
primarily paints realistically in oil. *For additional information please
call 859-630-2874.*

At the **St. Joseph Summer Festival** you can enjoy many outdoor
grill food items, homemade desserts, and a weather-protected
Beer Garden. Activities include Ducky Downs Races, kids' games,
pull-tabs, a \$1,500 total Major Raffle, raffle baskets, and live enter-
tainment.

Your Camp Springs News editor recently had a book of poetry
published. *For more information and to order, please see her web-
site <https://jentsch8.wixsite.com/my-site>.*

On June 10, four songs by Kurt Adams called the CST Sessions
will be released at the **Tavern**. They were recorded on the first
floor and produced by Tyler Shelton (Bill Bezold's grandson).

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