

# Massachusetts Men's Gathering, Inc.

Spring MMG 56: June 2-4, 2017

Fall MMG 57: September 15-17, 2017

at Camp Elliott P. Joslin in Charlton, MA 01507

This twice-a-year weekend provides an open environment for men of all ages and backgrounds to share experiences and learn from one another. Often participants find supportive friends and role models for more comfortable ways of handling life. Though the schedule offers a variety of structured and unstructured activities in both small and large groups, many regulars report that what they value most about MMG happens over coffee or during a walk around the pond.

**Friday evening** starts with registration (4 pm) and a light dinner (6 pm). The weekend officially begins with the Opening Circle (8 pm), a low-key, often laughter-filled orientation that includes a chance for guys to introduce themselves.

**Saturday activities** include three optional 90-minute workshop sessions – each of which offers a choice of participant-led workshops. There's plenty of free time for napping, exploring, whatever. After dinner, there's a talent show (skits, playing instruments, etc.) Drumming, movement and snacking follow.

**Sunday begins** with the fourth optional workshop session, followed by Closing Circle, lunch and camp-clean up. Departure is around 1 pm.

Attendance averages 45 men.

**Pre-Registration Is Requested.**

Minimum age is 18.

Questions???

Call Dennis at (617) 794-3226

For photos and more info, visit our website:

**www.massmensgathering.org**



## Directions to the gathering

**Camp Elliott P. Joslin**  
**150 Richardson Corner Rd.**  
**Charlton, MA 01507**

**Weekend  
 Emergency  
 Contact Number:**  
 1-860-888-5429

Take the Mass Turnpike to exit 10 for MA-12 toward I-395/I-290/Auburn/Worcester (0.6 mi)  
 Keep right at the fork to continue toward MA-12 S/Southbridge St (203 ft)  
 Keep right at the fork, follow signs for MA-12 S/US-20 W/Charlton/Sturbridge and merge onto MA-12 S/Southbridge St  
 Continue to follow Southbridge St (4.1 mi)  
 Continue onto US-20 W/Worcester Rd (0.6 mi)  
 Slight left at Richardson Corner Rd  
 Destination will be on the right

### What to Bring

- Medicines
- Sleeping bag or sheets/blanket & pillow
- Toilet Articles, Towels, etc.
- Artwork & Photos for the Expo
- Musical Instruments (that includes those DRUMS)
- Talent Show Props and Music
- Flashlight
- Warm clothes and raingear

### What not to Bring

- Alcohol
- Controlled Substances
- Pets
- Weapons



### New Policy Regarding "The Suites"

To ensure a more equitable registration process, the OC has decided that those wishing to reserve spaces in "The Suites" must now pre-register, pre-pay in full and include an extra \$5 per man fee in their mailing. Men who wish to be accommodated together should list their preferred roommates on their applications. Spaces will be assigned in the order that they are received; surcharge refunded for those who don't make the cut. Hence, there will be no longer any claiming of Suites beds by arriving early at the camp.

# Registration Form

Men who are coming to MMG for the first time may choose to pay only half the fees listed in the guidelines below.

If your income is...	Your fee is:	First Time Attendees:
Under \$10,000	\$95	\$47.50
\$10,000–\$19,999	\$120	\$60
\$20,000–\$29,999	\$140	\$70
\$30,000–\$49,999	\$175	\$87.50
\$50,000 or more	\$215	\$107.50

### Your donations make our partial scholarships possible.\*

Don't let money come between you and MMG; however, all scholarships must be approved before arriving at the event.

**Refund Policy:** Your conference fee, less a \$20 handling charge, will be refunded if we receive notice at least 7 days before the event or if a replacement attendee is found.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephones: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

My Conference Fee ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sweets Surcharge ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Scholarship Fund Donation (Thank you) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Due ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit (Please enclose at least half of fee) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

By my signature on this application, I agree to assume all responsibility for all risk of damage and injury that may occur to me as a participant in this event. I hereby — for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators — release and discharge Massachusetts Men's Gathering, Inc., The Barton Camp Center for Diabetes Education, Inc. and all persons associated with this event from all claims, damages, causes of action, present or future, known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, which result or arise from, or are incident to my participation in this event.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

More registration material on the other side

# Registration Form

All workshops are led by MMG participants only and we encourage the involvement of any participant as a facilitator. If you would like to lead a workshop, please indicate a title or short description below. We'll be in touch with you to ask for (and give) more details.

A sampling of workshops from recent gatherings: *Conversations with Our Fathers; Improvisation & Drumming; Caring for Elderly Parents; Mentoring a Young Child; Discovering the Green Man; Active Stretching; Spirituality, Masculinity and Emotions; Men's Belly Issues; Salty Dawgs (Foot Massage).*

## Workshop Title/Description

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This is only a preliminary workshop form. Soon you will be sent a detailed form to complete and return for posting at the gathering.

In addition to the scheduled workshops, there are always opportunities to create **Affinity Groups** (meet whenever/wherever-you-like discussion groups about a particular topic like *Generic 12-Step Meeting, Male Survivors of Incest and Sexual Abuse, Divorced Dads, Bisexuality*, etc.)

## Needs Checklist

- I need \_\_\_\_ more brochures.
- I need a ride to MMG.
- I can take \_\_\_\_ riders to MMG.
- I am a vegetarian  vegan.
- Special medical/dietary/safety needs \_\_\_\_\_



Please complete both sides of this registration panel and send it with your check payable to *Massachusetts Men's Gathering* to:

**MMG**  
c/o Dennis Donovan  
20 Ledyard Road  
Winchester, MA 01890

**MMG 56 & 57**  
c/o Dennis Donovan  
20 Ledyard Road  
Winchester, MA 01890  
(Address Correction Requested)



*First-time attendees pay only half-price!*

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