

# Massachusetts Men's Gathering, Inc.

Spring MMG 60: May 31 - June 2, 2019

Fall MMG 61: September 13-15, 2019

Camp Elliott P. Joslin  
150 Richardson Corner Road  
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), a light dinner (6 pm) and a brief “Camp Logistics Meeting” for all (7:30 pm). The weekend officially begins with the Opening Circle (8 pm), Opening Circle features rituals that create a safe place for sharing. It's an organic and supportive experience that provides a space for authentic connections with ourselves and others. **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**

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



## WHAT IS NEXT FOR MMG ?

MMG 60/30, beginning on May 31st, is a celebration of both our 60th gathering and the 2nd gathering of our 30th year. (The counting of camps began in the fall of 1989). We have so much to be grateful for, not the least of which is our longevity. Hats off for so many excellent participant led workshops over the years, for our varied talent shows, as well as the mutual support and camaraderie we share. Who can ever forget the laughter?

*What else is next?*

Even as we celebrate our past, we also look forward to our future in the fall with MMG 61/31 kicking off our 31st year of fall/spring gatherings. By always doing the next thing needed, and then the next, we slowly and steadily create that future.

**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

**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.

**Planning Ahead? Here are our 2020 dates:**

**MMG 62** is 5/29/20 - 5/31/20 • **MMG 63** is 9/25/20 - 9/27/20

# 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

CityStateZip

Telephones: HomeWork

E-Mail address (if any)

My Conference Fee ..... \$

Suites Surcharge (see Suites Policy in the middle panel) \$

\*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 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

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*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 60 & 61**  
c/o Dennis Donovan  
20 Ledyard Road  
Winchester, MA 01890  
(Address Correction Requested)



First-time attendees pay only half-price!

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Our Sixty-first Gathering/ Thirty-first Year

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