



# THE BartonCenter

## FOR DIABETES EDUCATION, INC.

*Inspiring Children. Empowering Families.™*



the barton *Spirit!* newsletter

SPRING 2022

### CAMP NEWS

We are so excited to be welcoming all our campers, new and returning campers, to our camp programs this summer! Registration is open and spots are filling up. We have exciting improvements, upgrades, and news to share!

The tennis court renovations at Clara Barton Camp are complete along with upgrades to the summer staff lounge thanks to a generous gift from the Estate of Dr. Thomas Zand. We have purchased much-needed new equipment for both camps including picnic tables, items for the summer staff lounge, and sports equipment. Our campers, who are tremendous gaga fans, will be happy to know that we have also purchased new gaga courts that are portable as well as more durable. We will be able to store the courts during the winter to help keep them in optimal condition.

At Camp Joslin, a new feature is being added that is sure to be a hit. We are installing a miniature golf course, complete with obstacles and fun themes throughout. The golf course is in honor of former camper Joe Kenney, whose friends and family raised the funds. Volunteers are in the process of constructing it.

In other news at Camp Joslin, we have completed a full septic survey and design that has been approved by the Town of Charlton and orders



of condition have been issued. The septic work will begin in late August. Once we are able to complete the septic, we can FINALLY start the process of upgrading cabins.

The big news at Clara Barton Camp involves the kitchen. In partnership with Lions Clubs, near and far, we are creating a "Teaching Kitchen" for our campers and all our camp programs. Renovations are currently underway. The kitchen upgrade will replace 60-year-old appliances and will include convection ovens, steamers, and more. The upgrade will also include teaching aspects including teaching stations which will consist of portable carts containing tools and small appliances for small groups to work together. It will also include a year-round greenhouse for herbs that participants will plant, grow, and dehydrate for use by camp. Additionally, we hope that this will be an opportunity for hospitals, clinics, support groups, and all impacted by dietary needs, to use this facility for teaching opportunities when camp is not in session. We are applying for matching grants and can use your help to make this a reality. We have a wish list specifically for the "Teaching Kitchen" on AmazonSmile. Please go to our website for the link: [bartoncenter.org](http://bartoncenter.org) and choose About Barton/How You Can Help and scroll down to the Wish List.

As always, thank you for your continued support!

### IMPORTANT SUMMER 2022 CHANGES AT CLARA BARTON CAMP AND CAMP JOSLIN

While we are excited more than we can express to have campers on site this year, we are still facing challenges that we share with most businesses today – staff shortages! We find ourselves in the unusual predicament of being able to staff only one camp. Given that the North Oxford campus has more cabins, more bathrooms, etc., all campers will sleep at Clara Barton Camp. Cabins will be designated to separate Camp Joslin and Clara Barton Camp participants.

While we are sure the Camp Joslin campers will be disappointed, we assure them that their history and traditions will not be lost. At least one full day per week, they will board a bus for Camp Joslin Day! Traditions at night will still occur, and we will transport for those activities as well. Additionally, separate cabins may make additional trips to Camp Joslin during the day for activities, including rounds of golf on the newly constructed miniature golf course.

This is not ideal; however, it is necessary to run a safe camp for staff and campers. We hope that by summer 2023, staffing shortages across the country will be better. Thank you to all who have contacted us and registered for camp.

### RECENT PROGRAMS AND EVENTS



We recently held our new Color Wars Weekend in April. It was wonderful to have campers on site and to see all the smiling faces, including those of returning campers as well as new campers. Campers had fun making new friends and participating in various activities such as egg

drop, boat challenge, counselor hunt, wiffle ball, gaga, and more.

Also in April, we held our Annual Auction which was previously scheduled for last October but postponed. It was a fun evening and



great to see our Barton friends and supporters as we raised money for camp.

# Summer Calendar 2022



# Special Events

## ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE!

[www.bartoncenter.org](http://www.bartoncenter.org)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Per our COVID-19 protocols, all campers and staff will be required to be **FULLY** vaccinated prior to the start of camp.

### CLARA BARTON CAMP & CAMP JOSLIN COED CAMP\*

(Boys & Girls, Ages 6-16 — held at Clara Barton Camp)

Session 1 June 19–June 25

### CLARA BARTON CAMP (Girls only, Ages 6-16)\*\*

CAMP JOSLIN (Boys only, Ages 6-16)\*\*

**\*\*BOTH CAMPS WILL BE HELD AT THE NORTH OXFORD FACILITY. SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

#### **Two-Week Sessions**

Session 2 June 26–July 9  
Session 3 July 10–July 23  
Session 4 July 24–August 6

#### **One-Week Sessions**

Session 2a June 26–July 2  
Session 2b July 3–July 9  
Session 3a July 10–July 16  
Session 3b July 17–July 23  
Session 4a July 24–July 30  
Session 4b July 31–August 6

### BARTON DAY CAMPS\* (Coed, Ages 5-15)

The Rainbow Club—Greenwich, CT June 27–July 1  
Worcester —Clara Barton Camp July 4–July 8  
Long Island—Old Westbury, NY July 11–July 15

### FAMILY CAMP (Coed, all ages)

Clara Barton Camp August 11–August 14

### VERMONT OVERNIGHT CAMP\* (Coed, Ages 6-16)

South Hero, VT August 14–August 19

**\*WACKY Session—Campers can bring a sibling or friend who does not have diabetes with them to camp during this session.**

## CLARA BARTON BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM



The museum is open beginning with the last weekend in May thru the last weekend in August on Friday thru Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In September, the museum is open Saturdays only from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. From October through May, the museum is open weekdays by appointment only.

Masks are required. No more than five visitors at a time will be allowed in the museum. For more information about the museum, visit our website at [www.clarabartonbirthplace.org](http://www.clarabartonbirthplace.org) or call 508-987-2056, Ext. 2013.

## BARTON OPEN HOUSE

May 22, 2022

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Join us at Clara Barton Camp (also the Day Camp location for Worcester program) in North Oxford and Camp Joslin in Charlton for a tour of the facilities and see firsthand what camp is all about. You will have the opportunity to meet with year-round staff, summer counselors, and members of our medical teams. You will see where your child will be sleeping, eating, and tour the facilities. **Please register to attend.** Online registration is available on our website at [www.bartoncenter.org/registration/](http://www.bartoncenter.org/registration/). If you have any questions, please email [events@bartoncenter.org](mailto:events@bartoncenter.org) or call 508-987-2056, Ext. 2000.

## HOT HEADS ANNUAL CAR SHOW

June 12, 2022

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Hot Heads Car Club of Oxford, MA, is hosting its 7th Annual Benefit Car Show at Singletary Rod & Gun Club, 300 Sutton Avenue, Oxford, MA (off Rt. 395). All proceeds from the event will be donated to The Barton Center! Spectators are FREE. Bring the kids! There is a \$15 donation per car. This fun event includes music by DJ Dick Salvas, 50/50 raffle, food, trophies, and prizes.

## 26<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CLARA BARTON OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

June 17, 2022

Shotgun Start 8:30 a.m.

Hosted by the Oxford Lions, this annual event is always a lot of fun complete with contests, raffles, prizes, and lunch! The event will be held at Pine Ridge Golf Club in North Oxford, MA. For more information, online registration, or PDF registration and sponsor forms, please go to [www.bartoncenter.org/news-events/upcoming-events](http://www.bartoncenter.org/news-events/upcoming-events), email [events@bartoncenter.org](mailto:events@bartoncenter.org) or call 508-987-2056, Ext. 2000.

## WOO SOX GAME TO BENEFIT THE BARTON CENTER

June 18, 2022

Game begins at 4:05 p.m.

Worcester Red Sox is holding special Town Takeover nights this season at Polar Park in Worcester. On Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, it is Town Takeover Night for the Town of Oxford. The Barton Center will be honored on this day. For every ticket purchased using the link on our website or the QR code in the flyer on our website, \$5 will be donated to The Barton Center. Please go to [www.bartoncenter.org/news-events/upcoming-events](http://www.bartoncenter.org/news-events/upcoming-events). Buy your tickets now, and enjoy a great game, have fun, support The Barton Center, and help boost the Town of Oxford's participation at the game. Be sure to stay for a Sunset Catch on the Field after this game!

## 4th ANNUAL WALK FOR BARTON

October 22, 2022

Check-in 10 a.m.

Walk begins at 11 a.m.

**SAVE THE DATE**—Join this fun family event and help support The Barton Center. Enjoy a nice walk through Clara Barton Camp and beyond, some great food from our vendor, face painting, and other family friendly activities. Closing ceremonies will take place at noon, and the celebration continues until 2 p.m. More details will be posted on our website as they become available.



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