

## IMPORTANT CAMBERSHIP INFORMATION—PLEASE READ!

The Barton Center makes every effort to award camperships to campers who qualify for financial assistance. Thanks to the generosity of our friends and supporters, we are able to offer assistance to over 40% of our campers. **The campership funds available to be awarded this year may, however, not be sufficient to meet your needs.** We need your help to make up the difference! Please consider participating in an event or following some of our helpful suggestions to help defray your camp fee. If you would like additional information, please call Lynn Butler at 508-987-2056, Ext.102 or email: [lynn.butler@bartoncenter.org](mailto:lynn.butler@bartoncenter.org)

## HOLD YOUR OWN FUNDRAISING EVENT

Enlist the help of family and friends and have your own fundraiser that may include:

**Bake Sale**  
**Breakfast**  
**Bottle and Can Drive**  
**Bowl-a-thon**  
**Car Wash**  
**Yard Sale/Flea Market**

*Please be sure to check with your city/town officials for any license and permit requirements.*

## REQUESTING SUPPORT FROM BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS

### Selecting an organization—

You may want to contact one or all of the following for assistance:

**Lion's Clubs:** Diabetes awareness was adopted as a long-term commitment of the

Lion's International Association in 1984. Educating children about diabetes by sending them to camp, participating in work days, building cabins, etc.—the Lion's are always here! **Find your local Lion's Club by visiting: [www.lionnet.com](http://www.lionnet.com).**

- **American Diabetes Association:** The American Diabetes Association is pleased to provide financial support to Clara Barton Camp and Camp Joslin for camp scholarships. Please apply for financial assistance directly to The Barton Center using the Financial Assistance/Campership Application form included with your camp application materials. Applications to the ADA will not be required this year.
- **Pharmaceutical Companies & Local Pharmacies:** Check with your diabetes supply companies and local pharmacy. Some of the larger corporations have summer camp monies available on their web site! Visit your local pharmacy and ask them about sponsoring you.
- **Organizations—Kiwaniis Clubs, Rotary Clubs, Masonic or Eastern Star Groups, Knights of Columbus, Legion Posts, V.F.W., etc.:** Similar to the Lion's Clubs, start asking around the community to find out who the members are of these clubs. They are often more than happy to offer assistance or sponsor you in one of The Barton Center fundraising events.
- **Other:**
  - Church/religious groups
  - Trade or Labor Unions
  - Women's Clubs
  - Businesses in your community

*Many of these groups are never approached but respond when asked!*

## BARTON FUNDRAISING EVENTS

### St. Patrick's Road Race/Walk MARCH 13, 2010

Recruit family and friends to walk or run in this four-mile sanctioned race and raise money toward your camp fee through pledges! Event begins at 1 p.m. and is followed by buffet, prizes, and more! **Money you raise is credited to your camp fee.** Registration forms and pledge sheets are available at: [www.bartoncenter.org](http://www.bartoncenter.org). For registration forms, pledge sheets, or more information, please call The Barton Center at 508-987-2056.



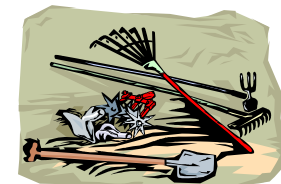
### Work Days at Camp

**Clara Barton Camp  
MAY 8, 2010**

**Camp Joslin  
MAY 22, 2010**

Help spruce up camp! Collect pledges from family and friends for each hour of work you donate to camp. Help prepare for the summer while earning your own camp fee. **Money you raise is credited to your camp fee.** Enlist the help of family and friends who also work on your behalf. Lunch is provided!

Pledge sheets are available by calling The Barton Center at 508-987-2056 or on our website: [www.bartoncenter.org](http://www.bartoncenter.org).



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Will my health insurance carrier cover any portion of the camp fee?** Check with your provider. Many insurance companies will cover a portion of your camp fee.

### **How do I approach an organization or business?**

- Ask family and friends if they know anyone in the organization who they can put you in contact with.
- Write a letter to the organization. Include information about diabetes, previous camp experience, why you will benefit from attending camp, etc. Personalize the letter so that after reading it, the potential donor feels they know you.
- Visit the organization in person. Bring information about camp, photos of your previous camp visits OR a pledge sheet if you are participating in the St. Patrick's Road Race/Walk or Work Day.

**I have not heard back from several businesses and/or organizations that I have contacted—what should I do?** *Follow up is very important!* If you have not heard in 2-3 weeks, call or visit and ask the status of your request. If they feel connected to you, they are more likely to make a donation.

**An organization has agreed to sponsor me but cannot process the payment until later—how do I handle this?** Give them a copy of the agency/organization agreement form. If you need a copy of this form please visit: [www.bartoncenter.org/forms](http://www.bartoncenter.org/forms). Ask them to fill it out and mail it directly to camp. Send them a thank you note, and we will also thank them after receiving the funding.

**We hope you have found this information helpful! If you would like additional assistance, need more information, or have an idea to share, please contact Lynn Butler at 508-987-2056 x102 or Email: [lynn.butler@bartoncenter.org](mailto:lynn.butler@bartoncenter.org)**

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## Funding your Clara Barton Camp and Camp Joslin Sessions!



Helpful Hints and  
Innovative Ways to  
Help Fund Your Own  
Camp Fee!



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