



**THE GRODEN NETWORK**  
Grodan Center - Cove Center - Halcyon Center  
*Your Autism Experts*

**APRIL & MAY WERE CHALLENGING  
BUT WE MADE IT!!!**

There was no guidebook for operating and providing critical services during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. but we came together as a team to continue to support those in our care.

Programs are not back to normal yet. School is still closed, residents of our group homes are just starting to be able to visit with their families, Early Intervention and CHTS services are still mostly virtual.

But we see the light and we couldn't have made it without our entire community ~ Staff, families, the government agencies we work with, very generous donors, the list goes on and on...

*Please take keep on reading, to catch up.*

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*The events of the past few weeks have highlighted the need for honest discussions on diversity.*

**At the Groden Network, we believe Black Lives Matter.**

"Since the tragic death of George Floyd, the Leadership Team of the Groden Network has been actively involved in discussions with our staff members and with members of our community agencies and partners, including the RI Coalition for Children and Families and the Community Provider Network of RI. These conversations have focused on collaborative actions and initiatives to counter systemic oppression and racial inequality.

We stand in unity with the families, children, and adults we support; our staff members; and our community and agency partners against all forms of prejudice, racism, and unjust behavior. We stand united with our community partners in active efforts to sustain lasting measures that will ensure authentic equality and diversity for all citizens."

Click [here](#) to read our entire statement

## KEEPING BUSY AND CONTINUING TO GROW

**Groden Day students missed their teachers & friends.**

**Those in our residential programs no matter what their age, made the best of not being able to be out in the community and not being able to see their families (that was probably the hardest)**

**Parents and staff went above and beyond to make sure that everyone kept busy, worked on all their skills, and most off all, stayed engaged in their community.**

*Click on photos to see stories and images that are sure to make you smile*



## Celebrating as we could

**Teacher Appreciation**

**Nurses Week**

**National Foster Care Month**

**Dr. Cooper Woodard being honored by the Providence Business News**

**Recognition from Treasurer Magaziner**

**Countless birthdays**

**Mother's Day**

**We did what we could to to make sure**

those we love got the recognition they  
deserve

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**All the above was made possible by our staff**

**There is no way to fully acknowledge their dedication  
during the past 3 months.**

**We know it is not nearly enough, but we say thank you  
once again.**

## EVENTS

**The COVID-19 pandemic forced us to cancel our 7th Annual Symposium  
and our biennial Sea Side Reception, where we were to honor Dr. June  
Groden.**

**These events have been rescheduled for 2021, keep checking our events  
page to get the latest updates**



### *Sea Side Reception*

Benefitting the Groden Network

POSTPONED UNTIL JUNE 17, 2021



THE GRODEN NETWORK presents the  
**7th Annual Symposium  
on Behavior Analysis**

POSTPONED UNTIL APRIL 1, 2021

*But some traditions continue*



The John Trimble Fund For Autism Golf Tournament will tee off for the **40th** time on September 14 at the Wannamoissett Country Club. All funds go directly to the Fund and are distributed via a grant process and directly benefit clients. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Catherine Nassa at 401-274-6310 or [cnassa@grodencenter.org](mailto:cnassa@grodencenter.org)

*Click on the golf image to register*

## The days to come.....

We hope school will open as planned on August 31st. But there is still a lot of planning and discussions to be had. We welcome all input and ideas. Please reach out to our Program Directors.

When the United Way of Rhode Island announced the 401Gives initiative in January, we were excited join in the effort to shine the light on the work of non-profit organizations throughout the state. In the end over 300 charities participated and thanks to generosity of our supporters we raised over \$5,200. placing us well in the top 100!!!



We also want to thank countless supporters who sent checks...just because and those who made masks, families who dropped off dinner and provided funds to ensure residents could keep in touch with their families and friends

There are too many to mention here, so we'll just say a big **THANK YOU.**

Of course, there is more to be done. click [here](#) for some of our most pressing needs. And if you can help, please call Catherine Nassa the Director of Marketing & Development at 401-274-6310 x 1230 to discuss further or you can simply click below to make a secure donation with your credit card.

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