



A Few Words from Marie...

For the first time in our history the Dream Center met for two days a week during the months of July and August. We were very pleased with the attendance and will continue with this next year.

We'd like to introduce Michelle Tremont to our staff, as a Chair Yoga specialist. She will be in once a month on Wednesdays.

Get well wishes to Donna Wheaton, who is currently waiting for a kidney transplant. We've missed you!! A special shout out of thanks to Rose Arruda and her niece, Sherry, for all of their help with this year's Wine and Dine!

Thanks, also, to Annette Annese for assisting us during our daily schedule. Check out all of the Halloween decorations she's made come to life in our office and café.

Please feel free invite any friends or acquaintances to our Center for Chair Yoga on Tuesday, Chair Exercise on Wednesday, and Chair Zumba and Strength Training on Thursday. Each of these classes begins at 10:30AM.

Annual Appeal

Our Annual Holiday Appeal letter will be going out on November 1st. Please consider the MS Dream Center in your holiday giving. No Donation is too small. Please know that every time you donate to the Center you're helping to keep the dream alive!!

We owe a debt of gratitude to those who donate via payroll deductions, as well as those who generate funds for us through connections with various companies and contacts they have. If you or someone you know would like to contribute in this way, please let us know.

Lastly, for anyone looking to do a random act of kindness we're always accepting donations of bottled water, coffee, and snacks for the Center.



**Bring a Friend Day!!
Halloween Costume Contest
Thursday 10/31 at Noon
Prizes will be awarded
Pizza and Cake provided by Doreen**



**Annual Holiday Party
Valley Country Club
12-3
251 New London Avenue, Warwick
More information to follow shortly**



Thanks to a combination of funds received from The Rhode Island Foundation and our amazing staff and volunteers at the MS Dream Center, we're happy to announce a beta of our new Accessible RI website. The site lists restaurants, museums, cinemas and cultural sites in Rhode Island that have been surveyed according to the guidelines for identifying accessibility outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design. The new site is mobile friendly and features new accessibility features for enlarging fonts, changing contrast, and more. Please play around and let us know what you think. We're building this site for YOU so don't be shy with what you'd like to see it do in the future, too.

FUNDRAISING

What an exciting year for fundraising it's been at the Center! From our various fundraisers, to unexpected acts of giving, people continue to bless us with their generosity :)

March brought our annual Bake Sale which was once again coordinated by member Rosemary Arruda. What a thrill to see so many members, their families, and Dream Center friends dropping of their baked goods at the Center and the mall. It does take a village and we're blessed to have the village we do!

March also brought MS Awareness and our first annual MS Awareness Calendar raffle. Over 500 tickets were sold and word of the MS Dream Center was spread all around. Thanks to all who sold tickets to their friends, family and coworkers. Stay tuned for 2019's calendar raffle!

In June we hosted our 8th annual golf tournament at Valley Country Club. We were so happy to have a beautiful day. Thanks to all who joined us and to all the volunteers!

On June 15th we announced the winner for our first annual New York Yankees Experience. 68 people took a chance at this terrific prize. Our resident massage therapist Michelle Russo was the lucky winner. Thanks to all who supported it and to the Yankees organization for their continued support!

September brought us the 5th annual Wine and Dine Extravaganza. A fun night was had by the 500 plus people in attendance. Thank you to all of the sponsors, restaurants, liquor distributors and all those who attended! Special thanks to Bobby Gasbarro's Oak Lawn Liquors for sponsoring the event. Make sure to stop by their store for your holiday liquor needs. They're located at 985 Oaklawn Avenue in Cranston. Tell them we sent you :)



“Your Change Will Make a Change”

We will be kicking off the New Year with a “Your Change Will Make a Change” Contest.

TEAM MS DREAM CENTER is looking for other teams to compete against us to see who can raise the most change. Help us raise money and spread awareness for the MS Dream Center! The winning team will be posted on the MS Dream Center Facebook page. Bragging rights and a trophy are at stake.

Contact Anne at anne@msdreamcenter.org to sign your team up.

MS Dream Center Spotlight - Zooma Trattoria Armando Bisceglia & Gabriela Valerio

The MS Dream Center would like to give special thanks to Armando Bisceglia, General Manager of Zooma Trattoria, Gabriela Valerio, and the staff at Zooma. From hosting an MS Awareness Month special throughout the month of March to raise money and awareness for us, a charity bartending in September, and the 3rd year of participating in our annual Wine & Dine Extravaganza, we are amazed by their generosity and thoughtfulness. Thank you!!



“Everyone is my teacher. Some I seek. Some I subconsciously attract. Often I learn simply by observing others. Some may be completely unaware that I am learning from them, yet I bow down deeply in gratitude”

Donald & Marie Perna,

Thanks for the continuous life lessons. I am humbled and love you both.

Armando Bisceglia