

GALENA
ARC
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CENTER



2011 Annual Report

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Executive Director's Note

Galena Area Community Members,

The year 2011 proved to be another exciting year for the Galena Art & Recreation Center (ARC). Through hard work and dedication from ARC employees, community volunteers and board members we were able to offer new and ongoing quality sports, recreation, art and childcare programs. These programs serve the community in many ways, for hundreds of people, from ages zero to eighty enhancing the quality of living in and around Galena.

The new offerings in 2011 include: Baseball/Softball Parent & Child Camp, High School Basketball Shoot Out, Summer Youth Basketball Clinic, Summer Camp Casper Week, variety of new Summer Youth Art Classes, Kids Club After-School and Highland Servant Leaders mentorship activities and a newly revamped ARC Moms & Me program. For programming details see page 11 and 12.

These programs would not be possible without the dedication and assistance from our volunteers. There were 172 volunteers who served the ARC in 2011. These volunteers wear many hats from preschool speakers, coaches, officials, board members to Art In Action instructors, exercise teachers, cookie walk helpers and more. We are indebted to them and recognize that their service is invaluable. See page six for a listing of volunteers.

In 2011, approximately 25% of revenue generated was through various fundraising efforts, donations and grants. Hundreds of individuals, organizations, and businesses made monetary donations and sponsored programs and events. See page seven thru ten for a complete list of fundraising efforts and sponsor/donor recognition.

Through strategies developed at the ARC Board of Directors retreat and the Vision2020 Galena community initiative (see inside for further information) we are committed to the ongoing process of balancing the budget and achieving financial security as well as improving and increasing current program offerings. We will continue to build partnerships with local non-profit organizations, businesses, schools and government entities to achieve these goals.

As described in this report, hundreds of businesses and individuals gave monetary gifts and volunteered their time and talent towards our mission. The dedicated employees, volunteers and board of directors have committed countless hours to the ARC and should be proud of their accomplishments in 2011.

Sarah Petersen

Sarah Petersen
Executive Director

2012: Looking Ahead

Art Programs

- Art Themed Birthday Parties
- Summer Early Childhood Art Classes

Athletics

- Create an ARC Athletics Booster Club
- Increased volunteer appreciation and involvement

Early Childhood Education/Childcare

- Increased Enrollment
- Monthly "Kids Night Out" Evening Babysitting
- ARC/Club Volleyball Movie Days

Multicultural Programming

- Dance
- Music
- Language

Fundraising

- Bingo
- Sponsorship Program
- Concession Stand

Partnerships

- Galena School District (Vision2020)
- City of Galena
- Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation
- Galena Dog Park Committee
- United Way

Galena ARC Mission Statement

To promote individual independence and cooperation.

To develop community cooperation in programs and activities which further arts/crafts, sports, and recreation for all ages.

To create a friendly, respectful social environment based on self esteem, discipline, fairness, equality and responsibility; collectively for the health, safety and welfare of all including family persons, groups and visitors.

History of ARC

In 1965, while Mayor of Galena, Robert Buehler, Robert Roth and Robert Murphy saw a void in the lives of local children who had nothing to do while outside of school. They created the Team Center Program. Team Center was based upon the principle that every boy who is present at games has the opportunity to participate. The organization was patterned on the Neighborhood Boys Club of Chicago that Mr. Buehler had founded in 1929.

Later in that first year, the Team Center expanded and included the Galena Girls Recreation program, operating under the same principles as the boys' program. In the first year, the programs served 171 boys and 150 girls.

In the late 1960's, the Team Center merged with the budding Art & Recreation Center which was located on Main Street in Galena. The Galena Art & Recreation Center was then founded and funded by Mr. Buehler, the B & B Foundation (a Buehler family foundation dedicated to youth assistance programs) and special contributions. The goal of the Art & Recreation Center was to serve the community members of all ages.

In 1969, the Art & Recreation Center moved from Main Street to its current location, the former St. Michael's School built in 1886, at 413 South Bench Street with the aid of a forgivable and forgiven interest-free loan from Mr. Buehler.

In October of 1970, voters defeated a special tax levy to fund a part of the Center's operations. For the next four years, only the summer sports program was continued, and the building was held on a minimum maintenance basis. Mr. Buehler continued to cover the expenses for both the programs and the maintenance.

In 1974, a bequest from benefactors Helen Boevers Brown and Ray Brown created the opportunity for the Art & Recreation Center building to be reopened.

With Art & Recreation Center funds and a matching government grant, the exterior brick was renovated, new windows were installed, a new roof was put on, and part of the playground was improved. A Director was hired and interest level in the Art & Recreation Center was at peak in its history.

By 1990, the Art & Recreation Center board members were faced with a continuing erosion of capital, costly new governmental property occupancy rules and the recognition that programs were no longer self-supporting. At that point in time, it appeared that the building would have to be closed and programs terminated. A strong community fundraising effort matched 50% by Mr. Buehler removed that threat and enabled continuing renovation.

The ARC continued to offer a variety of sports and recreational activities both on the field (Recreation Park and W. Galena Township Park) and in the gymnasium. In the late 90's a relationship was created with two Dubuque businesses to offer dance and karate to children; classes are still going strong today.

Due to the continuing need for childcare in the community the ARC brought back the preschool program for two mornings per week in 2003 and eventually growing to 5 full days per week; currently serving over 30 children a year. The Kids Club after school program grew to offer childcare during school breaks, holidays and a 5-day/week summer camp childcare program for children 4-12 years.

May 2006, at the age of 103, ARC founder and friend Robert O. Buehler passed away. For 39 years the Galena community had been truly blessed by his personal commitment and financial support. In October 2006 the ARC was named as a beneficiary under a 401K Plan owned by Mr. Buehler. The funds have been added to the ARC endowment and will provide the board with income to assist with the administration of its programs and activities. The funds are a significant boost to the ARC endowment, but only a small step in the ongoing process of balancing the budget and achieving financial security.

Today the Art & Recreation Center is a thriving organization which offers a variety of programs to the Galena community, thanks to the support and generosity of Mr. Robert Buehler, volunteer community members and donors, businesses and non-profit organizations.

2011 ARC Personnel

The employees of the ARC are committed, loyal community members who work tirelessly to provide quality childcare, educational, art and sports programs. In addition to their work responsibilities they volunteer at ARC fundraising events and often give their own time planning programs, special events and working on building projects. The following is a list of 2011 ARC employees and officials.

Executive Director Sarah Petersen
Front Office Assistant Toni Moser
Custodian Sharon Lapidus
Maintenance Keith Jakel, Jacob Leib

Early Childhood Education/Child Care

Child Care Director Brenda Jakel

Early Childhood Education Teachers

Kristina Dillon
Becky Machala-Peters
Aaric Orth
Tara Peters
Heidi Swiderski

School-Age Childcare Teachers

Melissa Busker
Lisa Foley
Kailee Martin
Sarah Roddick
Kate Wiersema
Beverly Williams
Courtney Woodward
Michelle Zmich

Art

Art Program Director Liz Larson

Art Instructors: Rose Noble, Sandra Principe, Melissa McGuire

Fitness

Zumba® Instructors Emily Painter, Nancy Mangrum

Athletics

Athletic Director Brett Noble

Athletic Assistants Bill Albee, Gavin Kaiser, Amy McCoy

7th/8th Grade Baseball/
Softball Coaches Bill Albee, Michael Decker, Lynn Heitkamp

Officials:

Basketball

Dale Arnold
Karl Burmeister
Dan Carriker
Jeff Hartl
Merrill Henrichs
Dennis Higgins
Adam Hoffman
Erik Johnson
Adam Kaiser
Steve Kaiser
Tom Kieffer
Kyle Knight
Rich Miller

Basketball (continued)

Terry Murphy
Eric Olson
Jeff Roen
Tyler Sincock
Chuck Spielman
Jerry Stecklein
Al Stoltz
Nate Wagner
Jamie Watson
Ken Welter

Baseball/Softball

Jim Albee
Mike Benson
Luke Einsweiler
Larry Holland
Dalton Montgomery
Terry Murphy
Matt Schumacher
Greg Tancrell
Chase Wasson
Chris White

2011 Board Participation

The 2011 ARC Volunteer Board of Directors consisted of the following nine community members:

Board President: Nicole Peebles

Board Vice President: AJ Soat

Board Treasurer: Ron Leinen

Board Secretary: Heather Sites

Board Member: Tina Hyde

Board Member: Mike Hyland

Board Member: Joan Murray

Board Member: Kim Roddick

Board Member: Mike Wells

Thank you to the ARC Board of Directors for the countless hours of volunteer time, financial support and commitment to the organization. Ron Leinen has committed to an additional three year term and Kim Roddick a three year term after serving one year. Nicole Peebles will be stepping down January 2012.

Nikki Peebles served on the board for over six years as Board Secretary, Board Vice President and her final year as Board President. She served on the Personnel, Finance and Fundraising committees and assisted with all ARC's fundraising efforts. She has organized the silent auction at Taste of Galena and other fundraising initiatives raising thousands of dollars for the ARC. She has also been involved with several sports and childcare programs, helped and recruited volunteers and was always a willing volunteer in the ARC concession stand. Nikki has offered to continue to serve the ARC and create a volunteer based ARC Athletic Boosters Club. One of the goals of the booster club is fundraising for sports activities to assist in balancing the budget. She has also committed to take a lead role regarding the concession stand at various sports activities which involves become a licensed food service manager. We thank Nikki for her service and will miss her fun spirit and positive presence at monthly meetings, however we look forward to her future role with the ARC. Thanks Nikki!

ARC Board of Director's Retreat

The ARC Board of Directors attended a retreat in October 2010 facilitated by volunteer community member Eric Dregne. Several issues were addressed, goals created and a new five-year strategic plan developed. The key strategies developed were:

- Organizational Structure – restructure personnel/organizational chart so the Executive Director can focus efforts on overall organization and sustainability effort
- Building-evaluate options as related to the current building to ensure growth and progress of the organization
- Programs-evaluate current programs to ensure a good fit to core mission and from a sustainability perspective; driving participation is a goal.
- Marketing/PR-develop professional brand and consistent PR strategy to improve perception in the community and ensure the community understands what the ARC does, it's impact on the community, and what the ARC needs are.
- Sustainability-strategies were identified to develop sustainable funding for the organization

Vision2020 Galena / Galena School District Partnership

Vision2020 Galena mission is: To engage Galena area citizens in a community visioning process; an open, all-inclusive discussion to develop a variety of ideas to benefit the future of our area. Out of this process, the Galena ARC was chosen as one of the top 5 ideas (out of 800). The idea is: *Find a permanent financial solution for sustaining the Galena Art & Recreation Center (ARC) and for allowing the expansion of programming.*

Committee Members: Darlene Farrey, Carol Fouts, Ron Leinen, Joan Murray, Sarah Petersen Kim Roddick and Robert Roth

January 2012 ARC Vision2020 Galena Statement:

The ARC Vision2020 Committee and ARC Board of Directors are exploring several options to reach the ARC Vision2020 goal. These options include the formation of a park and recreation district, a tax increment and working with the Galena School District's Core Planning Group for new school facilities.

ARC Vision 2020 committee members have been attending meetings with the school district's Core Planning Group and discussing a possible partnership. The ARC is the primary provider of youth athletics, art, early childhood education, childcare and recreational programming in Galena. These services and programs are vital to the quality of living within the community. A partnership with the Galena School District would be beneficial to the Core Planning Group goals and may decrease ARC operating costs to allow for the expansion of services and programming.

Volunteers

Community members volunteered time and talent coaching and referring for youth sports leagues, summer youth art classes, Art In Action as well as volunteered for ARC child care programs, maintenance for the building and assisted in fundraising efforts. The ARC is very grateful for these community members who gave countless hours of their time serving the ARC; without their commitment and service the ARC could not offer the variety of programs that exist today. The list below is an attempt to thank and recognize the volunteers who assisted the ARC in 2011.

Anderson, Tara	Glasgow, Bruce	Laskowski, Kate	Roddick, Blake
Angell, Sharilyn	Gurdak, Dan	Leinen, Ron	Roddick, Kim
Ault, Nicole	Haase, Brian	Leonard, Kathy	Roddick, Sarah
Bainbridge, Amy	Hauber, Ryan	Liberg, Brady	Sacia, Jim
Basten, Matt & Shelly	Hefel, Cindy	Lincoln, Jess	Scharpf, Sydney
Beadle, Brian	Hefel, Erika	Long, Tyler	Schemehorn, Chad
Beadle, Pat	Heisler, Jason	Lubinski, Marion	Schubert, Jon
Becker, Aaron	Heller, Ann	Machala, Sarah	Schumacher, Matt
Benson, Dan	Heller, Chad	Machala-Peters, Becky	Simpson, Marie
Benson, Mike	Hesselbacher, Eric	MacIntyre, Rachel	Sinagra, Cindy
Busker, Melissa	Highland Servant Leaders	Martensen, Chad	Sincock, Tyler
Cox, Jim	Hill, Jill	Martensen, Chris & Cheri	Sites, Heather
DeVecchi, Nicholle	Holland, Jeanne	McArdle, Jeff	Sites, Tracy
Dillon, Tina	Holland, Joel	McGuire, Melissa	Smith, Amanda
Distler, Connie	Holland, Kelsey	McNeely, Kade	Soat, AJ
Dittmar, B'Ann	Holland, Steve	Miller, Terry	Soat, Ben & Christine
Doolittle, Amy	Howland, Colleen	Monahan, Adam	Stangl, Steve & Lori
Doyle, Marce	Hulscher, Ben	Montgomery, Dalton	Stoffregen, Jennifer
Dregne, Eric & Carolyn	Hyde, Jeff & Tina	Montgomery, Josh	Swiderski, Heidi
Duerr, Staci	Hyland, Mike	Morgan, Terry & Kerry	Tancrell, Greg
Eaton, David & Leigh Ann	Ingwalson, Lisa	Moser, Toni	Tassone, Joe & Kelly
Ehrler, Kaitlyn	Jakel, Keith	Murray, Joan	Temperly, Brett
Ehrler, Nathan	Jakel, Keith & Brenda	Nack, Tom	Timmerman, Pat
Einsweiler, Luke	Jerry, Josh & Karla	Nelson, Cooper	Timp, Chris
Einsweiler, Mike	Johnson, Cole	Neuhaus, Paula	Townsend, Drew & Michelle
Einsweiler, Sue	Johnson, Marshall	Noble, Brett & Rose	Turner, Todd, Alana
Engle, Joe	Kaage, Bill & Betsy	Orth, Aarica	Uppena, Bailie
Farrey, Darlene	Karberg, Bill	O'Shaunessey, Steph	Uppena, Tessa
Felderman, Laura	Keeffer, Erin	Painter, Emily	Wall, Erica
Fishler, Becky	Keeffer, Janelle	Patterson, Terry	Ward, Allison
Foley, Amber	Kirchner, Pam	Paxton, Kelly	Warner, Chris
Foley, Lisa	Klingler, Toni	Pearl, Jolleen	Watson, Jamie & Lisa
Folks, Rich	Knautz, Kevin	Peebles, Alex	Wells, Mike & Shelia
Folks, Teresa	Kopp, Guy	Peebles, Kevin & Nikki	Werner, Brad
Fouts, Carol	Kouzmanoff, Keith & Vickie	Peters, Tara	White, Tammy
Frank, Jim	Kropp, Beth	Petersen, Hans & Sarah	Wiegel, Dave & Hannah
Friederick, Ella	Kruse, Chad	Poppy, Pete	Wiersema, Kate
Friederick, Mica & Susan	Kurt, Ann	Principe, Sandra	Williams, Beverly
Furlong, Tom	Landwer, Jody	Quick, Jen	Wills, Abby
Furlong, Tracy	Lange, Samantha	Randecker, Matt	Wills, Dave
Galena HS Cheerleaders	Larson, Craig & Liz	Rasmussen, Jack	Wills, Jane
Garza, Chris & JoAnn	Larson, Evelyn	Richardson, Jill	Woodward, Courtney
Gebhard, John	Larson, Padgham	Rigopoulos, Dino & Paula	Wubben, Jill

Donations –Monetary for Operating/Programming

The Galena ARC depends on the monetary support from the community to keep the center operational. The following is the list of 2011 monetary donations for general operating and programming:

Anderberg, Richard & Virginia	Freeman, Edward & June	Machala, Richard & Ellen	Schuler, Mary Jane
Asta, James & Josephine	Galena BPO Elks 882	Maloney, Joe	Schultz, Jean C.
Augustyn, Sharon	Galena Cellars Vineyard/Winery	Marsden, Charles & Katherine	Schwartzhoff, Richard/Linda
Auman, Dick & Mary	Galena Gazette/ Newton, Carter & Sarah	Mason, Donald & Crystal	Seeger, Gerald & Janet
Bader, Steve & Mary	Galena Kandy Kitchen, Inc.	McGuire, Stephen	Sertle, Dan & Ann
Bainbridge, Mark & Amy	Galena Rebekah Lodge #346	McIntyre, Ronald & Maureen	Sinagra, Kevin & Kim
Baranski, Jim & Beth	Galena State Bank	Merkle International, Inc.	Sites, Heather & John/ Alliant Energy
Basten, Matt & Shelly/ BP of America	Garvin, Gary & Mary	Merkle, Betty	Smith, Doyle & Carol
Bayer, Thomas & Amelia	Gaul, Leon	Midwest Business Products	Soat, AJ & Jennifer
Bed & Breakfast Innkeepers of Galena	Gibbs, Mary Ellyn	Miller Funeral Homes Miller, Bill	Soat, Ben & Christine
Beilke, Evelyn	Glick, Doris	Miller, Ronald & Elizabeth	Spencer, James/Mary Barbara
Bell, Helen	Golden, Tom & Patricia	Miller, William & Donna	Sproule, Michael & Laurie
Bell, Isobell	Gronewold, Geraldine	Molitor, Floyd & Marleene	Sproule, Nick In Memory of
Benson, Dan & Amy	Gruber, Frank & Linda	Montgomery Trucking, Inc.	Stair, Maribeth
Benson, James & Joan	Gruszecki, Kathy	Montgomery, Gordy & Karen	Stephenson, Timothy/Tamara
Berning, Joan	Gunning, Daniel & Elissa	Moser, Marie & Harold	Stodden, Angela
Blackdrop Driveway Services/ Gronner, William	Hansen, Bruce & Sharon	Muehleip, Ingrid	Straka Johnson Architects, PC
Bohnsack, B'Ann/ In Memory of	Hart, Ernest & Jo Ann	Muehleip, Laverne	Stryker, Peter & Charlotte
Bohnsack, Donald & Dorothy	Hartwig, Kendall	Murray, Joan	Terry, Joseph & Patricia
Bollinger, Lea	HB Wilkinson Title Co., Inc./ Mennenoh, Dan & Merry	Nack, James & Patricia	The Wild Turkey B & B/ Stoneburner, Lawrence/ Nancy
Bonnet, Fred & Mari-Kristen	Hefel, Clyde & Donna	Nack, Louis & Dolores	Ties, Larry & Julie
Bookless, Kathy	Heller, Glenn & Diane	Nack, Tom & Sarah	Tri State Auto Auction/ Brogley, Gerald & Helen
Brotheridge, Robert	Hillard, Mike & Marianne	Nath, Gladys	Tri-State Travel
Brotzman, Glenn & Ruth	Holland Plumbing, Inc.	Noel, Joan	Truair, James & Doris
Buehler, Robert O. Fund	Homrich, Louis/Einsweiler, Sue	North, Leonard	United Methodist Women
Bunyer, David & Sherry	Hopper, Mark & Christy	Norton, William & L. Carolyn	US Bancorp Foundation
Calvert, Eugene & Nancy	Howard, David & Linda	O'Connor, Brooks & Co/ McCarthy, Pat	Vandigo, Greg & Jennifer
Carlson, Donald & Jeanne	Hulscher, Shirley	Packard, Charles & Linda	Veneman, Mary
Chestnut Mountain Resort	Hutchings, Clarence & Karen	Painter, Gregg & Emily	Veterinary Associates
Cihak, Debra	Hyde, Jeff & Tina	Palermini, Mary	Vincent, James
City of Galena	Jansen, David & Henrietta	Parrott, Kenneth	Vinny Vanucchi's/ Coulter, Jack
Clarke, Donald & Marianne	Johnson, Craig & Marilyn	Parsons, Terry & Lauren	Vondran, Denis & Susan
Clingman, Roy	Johnson, Robert & Barbara	Parton, Kathleen	Vondran, Doris
Coates, Stephen & Maren	Johnson, W.	Pearson, Ronald & Katherine	Wachter, John & Margaret
Coates, David	Junge, Greg & Gloria	Peebles, Kevin & Nicole	Wal-Mart Foundation
Cooke, John & Margarete	Kaage, Bill & Betsy	Peters, Charles & Jeanne	Walsh, Richard & Patricia
Cox, Jim & Pauline	Kaage, Roger & Pat Timm	Popp, Susan	Wasson, Christine
Cox, John & Bonnie	Kellar, James & Barbara	Pratt, Margaret	Watson, Jamie & Lisa
Culver's of Galena	Kennedy, Charlotte	Price, Robert & Charlene	Weis, Richard & Norma
Curtis, John & Rita	Kreiser, Daniel & Bonnielynn	Racette, Lorene F.	Wells, Michael & Sheila
Defilippo, Anthony & Holly	Kurth, Ester/In Memory of	Radabaugh, Janice	Westminster United Pres Church
DeNino, Christine	Lacavek/Sullivan, Jan/Carole	Regez, Peter & Hendrica	Wiederholt, T.
Dimke, Robert & Jean	Larsen, Yvonne	Renner, Mayor Terry & Elly	Wienen, Barb
Doyle, John & Linda	Lawlor Family/Scott	Repp, Steve & Family	Wild Birds Unlimited/ Bruser, Julie
DuPlessis, Ed	Lawlor, Robert & Joyce	Richardson, Betty	Wilhelm, Christine & Edward
East Galena Township	Lawson, Ronald & Laurel	Rigopoulos, Dino & Paula	Wills Construction Co./ Wills, Kirk
Ericson, Raundle & Carol	Leinen, Norbert In Memory of	Roberts, William & Dianne	Wills, Deb & Dennis
Ertmer, Joy	Leinen, Ron	Rohnke, Karl & Gloree	Willy, Mark & Linda
Ferguson, Carmen	Leonard, Dennis & Kathleen	Rosenthal, Carol	Wynard, Robert & Kathleen
Fjelde, Frederick	Levens, Kerry	Rosenthal, John & Shirley	Yoder, John & Jane
Flack, Kenneth & Marilyn	Lewis, Paul & Nora	Rosenthal, Martin & Diane	Zaya, Lydia
Floral Chic & Vignettes, Inc.	Lieb, Joseph & Jorene	Rosenthal-Levens, Lara/Mike	
Foecking, William	Luebke, Wanda	Roth, Robert & Marty	
Fouts, Don & Carol	Lund, Robert & Lynne	Schafer, Calvin & Linda	
	M.D. Technologies, Inc./ Merkle, William/Melissa	Schoenrock, Brian & Lisa	
		Schubert, Kenneth	

Scholarships

No child is ever turned away from ARC sponsored programs due to lack of funds. Scholarships and financial aid is provided after completing a simple form. In 2011 approx. \$3,500 in scholarships was provided to families.

Sponsorship & In-Kind Programming Support

In 2011 the following business and organizations sponsored athletic teams, donated or made items, opened up their businesses and supported the ARC sports, child care and art programs in various ways:

AJ's Copper Garden	Galena Public Library	Midwest Medical Center
Aunt Beez	Galena School District 120	Moore & Sons Heating & AC
Beyond the Horizon	Galena State Bank	Nack, Richardson & Nack
Chestnut Mountain Resort	Galena State Bank	Painter, Dr. Greg
Chorak, Dr. Robert	Galena Strauss Senior Care	Paradise Bar & Grill
Churchill & Burns Cigars & Men's	Community	Pasta Perfetto
Gifts Store	Gateway to History	Petals & Primitives
Coldwell Banker Network Realty, Inc.	General Grant's Home	Phat 1/4, Inc.
Country Crafts & Sports	Gobbie's Sports Pub & Eatery	Polly Hop's
DeSoto House Hotel	Golden Hen Café	Poopsie's
DeSoto House Hotel	Grant's Home	Robert's Plumbing & Heating
Dillon's NP	Great American Popcorn Co.	Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory
Donnie's Tire & Auto	Hulscher Fencing, Inc.	Serendipity Home Boutique
Dupaco Community Credit Union	Hyde's Pro Shop	Tammy's Piggly Wiggly Bakery
Earl Thompson Masonry	In The Woods	Tammy's Piggly Wiggly
Embe Eatery & Lounge	Jo Daviess Conservation	The Blueberry Cottage
First Community Bank	Foundation/Conservation	The Oldies
First Community Bank of Galena	Guardians of Northwest Illinois	Top Notch Plumbing & Heating
For Bare Feet	Kaladi's Coffee Bar	Tri-State Screen Printing
Fried Green Tomatoes	Kiwani's Club	Tri-State Travel
Furlong Funeral Chapel	Klein's Market Bakery	Union Leather
Galena Day Spa	Log Cabin Steakhouse	Vintaj Natural Brass Co.
Galena Elks Club	Lu Lu's	West Galena Township
Galena Fire Department	Machala, Dr. Sarah	
Galena Garlic Company	McCoy Insurance	

Non-Profit Support

Galena area non-profit organizations and government municipalities listed below continue to assist the ARC through various ways including scholarships, planting flowers and support with programming and fundraising.

East Galena Township	Galena Jo Daviess CVB
Fraternal Order of Eagles	Galena Pirates Booster Club
Galena Elks Club	Galena Public Library
Galena Area Chamber of Commerce	Galena School District #120
Galena 4-H Club	Galena High School Cheerleaders
Galena Boy Scout Troop 93	Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation/
Galena Downtown Business Association	Conservation Guardians of Northwest Illinois
Galena Fire Department	West Galena Township
Galena High School Booster Club	Visit Galena
Galena Historical Society & Museum	
Galena Police Department	
Galena-Stauss Senior Care Community	

Fundraising

In 2011 approximately 25% of revenue generated was through various fundraising efforts, donations and grants. In addition to support from the ARC employees, volunteers and board of directors, several businesses assisted with fundraising efforts by donating event space, promotion, advertising, sponsorship and matching donations.

2011 Grants Received

The Chicago Community Trust/Robert O. Buehler Fund: general operating
Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque- youth art programming
Jo Daviess County Country Fair Charities- youth basketball & fitness equipment
State of IL Quality Counts Grant- early childhood education and childcare equipment and supplies
Wal-Mart Foundation –art programs

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Tag Communications, Jim Brown (see Donations-Monetary for contributors)

Market Day (monthly fundraiser): West Galena Township & Galena Primary School

Little Caesar's Pizza Kits- W. Galena Township

Galena Golf Club Golf Outing

Bel-Aire Rental, Inc.; Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa; Galena Golf Club; Galena State Bank; Fried Green Tomatoes;
Galena Pirates Booster Club; Hyde's Pro Shop; Main Street Cheesecakes; Midwest Medical Center; Stern Beverage;
US Bank; & Wolf Hollow Golf Course

Country Fair Weekend/Fudge Sales & Parking Lot Volunteers

ARC Moms & Me participants; City of Galena; Jo Daviess County Country Fair Charities; Main Street Cheesecakes
& Cindy Sinagra

Father/Daughter Valentine Dance

Bruce Small, Ben Soat, Galena Middle School, Country Inn & Suites

Culver's Kids Night

ARC Board of Directors, ARC employees & their children.

Holiday Cookie Walk

DeSoto House Hotel, Lynn Gaber, Galena State Bank, Galena Boy Scout Troop 93, Galena River Wine & Cheese;
ARC Moms & Me, ARC Board of Directors, ARC employees and 80+ local bakers.

Take the Cake Celebrity Cake Auction

Event Sponsors: Main Street Cheesecakes & DeSoto House Hotel

Event MC: Mica Friederick

Auctioneer: Representative Jim Sacia

Celebrity Bakers:

Tracy Bauer/Midwest Medical Center; Frances Beadle; Danica Boehm; Carolyn Dregne/Main Street Cheesecakes;
Darlene Farrey; Carol Friederick/Hard Scrabble Antiques; Bruce & Nan Glasgow/Victory Café; Galena State
Bank/Michelle Murdock; Goldmoor Inn & Dining/Senen Lopez; Jane & Kelsey Holland/Galena Gazette, Keith &
Brenda Jakel; Bill & Betsy Kaage; Alden Kuntz; Ruth Montgomery; Joan Murray, Rose & Brett Noble, Jolene
Northrup, Piggly Wiggly/Tammy Lee; Mayor Terry & Elly Renner; Ben & Christine Soat; Sherriff Kevin Turner;
Katie Wienen, & Mary Wilson/Sweetheart Bakery

Cake Buyers:

Tracy Bauer; Natalia Blaskovich; Fred & Mari-Kristen Bonnet; Thomas & Robin Canode; Roy Clingman; Eric &
Carolyn Dregne; Don & Carol Fouts; Dale & Peg Griemann; Matt & Beth Gullone; Andy & Amanda Hillard; Joel
Holland; Shelly McCoy; Roger & Carol Peterson; Dino & Paula Rigopoulos; Robert & Mary Roth; Jim Sacia; Kevin
& Julie Turner & Leah Ubersox;

Fundraising (continued)

Taste of Galena

Event Sponsors: The Grateful Gourmet, Miss Kitty's Grape Escape

Radio Sponsor: Galena State Bank;

Music Sponsor: Miss Kitty's Grape Escape;

Hosted by: Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa;

Marketing Team: Larson Design Studio/Liz Larson & Keefer Creative/Janelle Keefer;

Restaurant Set-Up Assistance: Galena High School Highland Servant Leaders volunteers

Kids Night Out:-babysitting at the ARC the night of Taste hosted by Galena Thunder Volleyball Team

Event Exhibitors:

Bomb Fire Pizza, Bun In The Oven Bakery, DeSoto House Hotel, Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa, The Flying Horse, Galena Brewing Company, Galena Cellars Vineyard & Winery, Gobbie's Sports Pub & Pizzeria, Goldmoor Inn & Dining, Happy Joe's Pizza & Ice Cream, Jo Daviess/Carroll AVC, Log Cabin Steakhouse, Main Street Cheesecakes, The Market House Restaurant, Massbach Ridge Winery, Rocky Waters Vineyard/Winery; Tucci Bruscato's Restaurant & Victory Café.

Silent Auction Donors:

Best Western, Champps Americana, Chestnut Mountain Resort, Diamond Jo Casino, Eric & Carolyn Dregne, Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa, Galena ARC, Galena Candle & Bath Co., Galena Dips & Gifts, Galena Glass Jewelry, Galena Golf Club, Galena High School Athletic Dept., Galena River Wine & Cheese, Galena State Bank, Galena Tanning Salon, Happy Joe's Pizza & Ice Cream, Indulge Day Spa, Irish Cottage, LeFevre Inn & Resort, MainStreet Cheesecakes, Midwest Health & Fitness Center, One Eleven Main, Simply Elegant Boutique, Tami Soat/Jewels by Park Lane, Star Restaurant and Ultra Lounge, U.S. Bank, Vinny Vanucchi's and Vintaj Earth

Father/Daughter Dance

The Galena ARC held the 7th annual Father/Daughter Dance close to Valentine's Day with over 150 dads/daughters in attendance. Special thanks to Country Inn & Suites for sponsoring the event, Bruce Small for providing the music and being our DJ and to the Galena Middle School for allowing the dance to be held in their fully decorated commons.

Galena Dog Park

December 2011 the ARC agreed to partner with the volunteer based Galena Dog Park committee, the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation/Conservation Guardians of Northwest Illinois and the City of Galena in the creation and management of a dog park within Gateway Park in Galena.

Gateway Park is now owned (August 2011) by the City of Galena in partnership with the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation (JDCF). JDCF is the non-profit organization that raised necessary funds to "Save the View", purchase the land and create Gateway Park. The City of Galena and Conservation Foundation are waiting on two possible grants to build Gateway Park, add roads, a parking lot, bathroom and trails.

The Galena Dog Park Committee is a group of volunteers committed to the creation and maintenance of the Galena Dog Park. The committee consists of Chris DeNino, Jane Holland, Sarah Petersen, Gail DeMoss, Christy Hopper, Jim Webster, Cathy Winslow and Gail Gabbert. The group consists of approximately 100 community members.

The role of the ARC will be to assist in the administration including membership data, donations, administer tags and the marketing and promotion of the park. The volunteers of the Galena Dog Park Committee will lead all fundraising, logistics and maintenance of the park.

The benefit of the partnership to the ARC is to reach a percentage of population currently underserved by ARC including the retirement community, dog owners, and JDCF and therefore increase overall ARC support.

Early Childhood Education/ School-Age Child Care Programs

The Galena ARC educational/child care programs served a total of 178 children in 2011. These programs continue to be an essential part of the community. Parents love the flexibility of the programs allowing several options for part-time care. Many working parents depend on the programs for full-time year-round childcare for children ages 3-12. In 2010, the ARC created two new after-school programs now located at Galena Primary School and Scales Mound Elementary School. Enrollment for each of these programs increased approximately 20% during the 2011/2012 school year.

New in 2011:

Camp Casper Week - The ARC partnered with the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation/Conservation Guardians of Northwest Illinois to provide an educational and fun week of outdoor activities at Casper Bluffs. Attendance during this week was the highest for the summer camp program and plans are underway for 2012.

Galena & Scales Mound Highland Servant Leaders – high school members of the Highland Servant Leadership program from both Scales Mound & Galena High Schools worked in partnership with the ARC Kids Club after-school programs at both schools. The Highland Leaders assisted school-age children with homework, reading and played games with the participants.

ARC Moms & Me – the newly reorganized ARC Moms & Me group has made several updates to their program including new volunteer coordinators, daytime and evening program hours and an active Facebook group following. In addition to fun outings (example: Christmas caroling down Main Street) this highly motivated group of moms parked cars at Galena Country Fair, made and sold homemade cake pops and volunteered at the ARC Cookie Walk as well as taking a lead role organizing and running the silent auction at the 2012 Taste of the Galena.

Early Childhood Education Programs (school-year)

- Moms & Me – moms and children 0-5 years, once per week
- Preschool Prep Playgroup – 2 & 3 year old children, two mornings per week
- Preschool – children 3-5 years old, five days per week

School-Age Child Care Programs

- Cool Camp School Breaks Holidays/Early Release–children 3-12 years during school year
- Summer Camp – children 3-12 years old, five days per week
- Kids Club After-School Program at Galena Primary School
- Kids Club After-School program at Scales Mound Elementary School

See 2011 participation numbers on page 15.

Early Childhood Center Construction Grant

The ARC partnered with the Galena School District for construction of an Early Childhood Center. The grant (submitted Nov 2011) is administered through the State of Illinois Capital Development Board (in cooperation with the State Board of Education). The Galena School Board approved the required 10% match for construction and the school district is fiscally responsible for administering and adhering to 10 years of operation if awarded. The ARC's role would be to provide childcare for children 0-5 (required to obtain funding) within the school district's center. Also housed in the new center will be district operated preschool programs, new bi-lingual preschool, special education preschool and Head Start program. Construction of new center is connected to district's larger goal of new facilities for primary and high school (possible referendum Nov. 2012). Announcement of the grant recipients may be in the spring of 2012.

Athletic Programs

The Galena ARC provided year-round athletic leagues, camps/clinics and tournaments for hundreds of youth and adults in 2011. Programs were operated at the Galena ARC, Galena Middle School & Galena High School gymnasiums, Galena High School practice football field, Galena Recreation Park and James H. Wiene Memorial Park. The ARC Athletic Director, along with several volunteer community members also ran the concession stand at Wiene Park. Administrative concession assistance (ordering and scheduling volunteers) was provided by the ARC Office Assistant. See 2011 participation numbers for ARC athletic programs on page 15.

Youth

Jan-March : Basketball Leagues & Open Gyms
May-July: Baseball/Softball Parent/Child Camp*
Baseball/Softball Leagues
Baseball Tournaments: 3rd - 8th Grade
Softball Tournaments: 5th-8th Grade
High School Basketball Shootout*
Basketball Clinic*
*new in 2011
August-Oct: Football & Cheerleading
Nov-Dec: Volleyball
ARC Coaches Clinic w/Galena High School Basketball Coaches
*High School Dodge Ball Tournament-ARC made plans to run a Tri-State area high school dodge ball tournament March 2011. Although Galena High School would have had two teams participate, the wasn't enough interest from surrounding area high schools for a tournament. We hope to schedule a tournament in 2012.

Adult

Nov-March: Co-Ed Volleyball League & Open Gym
4-on-4 Basketball League
June-August: *ARC attempted to create a summer adult softball league on Friday evenings at Galena Recreation Park. The City of Galena agreed to extend pool hours (also at Recreation Park) on those evenings during the league. Unfortunately, there wasn't enough community interest to form a league.

Summer Art Programs / ARC Art in Action

Summer Classes

ARC summer youth art classes were offered for the second consecutive year. Approximately 90 children participated in the ARC Art Programs. The classes are taught by ARC Art Director, art instructors and volunteers. The teacher to child class ratio is small and class fees kept low to offer quality programs at an affordable price. Summer classes included:

- Paint & Create
- Screen Printing
- Jewelry Design
- 3D Art: Treasure Boxes, Animal Masks, Garden Gnome/Fairy Houses
- Fine Art Painting
- Recycled Art
- ARC Children's Theatre Company (performance in gym on ARC state)

A few of the classes were so popular that a second class session was added to accommodate the demand.

ARC Art-In-Action

Art In Action (AIA) is an art history program that opens children's eyes to the Great Art Masters. The ARC took over the program at the Galena Primary School (managed by volunteers at the time) in 2010. For the second consecutive year, a volunteer was recruited for every classroom (including the ARC Executive Director and Art Director), the curriculum was updated and program streamlined so children in every classroom received an additional monthly art class. The goal of the program is to provide free art classes to students (in grades K-4, 16 classes total) introducing different cultures, historical periods and styles of art. Along with art history, AIA teaches creativity and critical thinking skills. The classes are taught by volunteers who not only teach monthly lessons they also host a local artist during the school year.

Zumba® Fitness Classes

Zumba® is a Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness program. The program blends international music and contagious steps to form a cardio fitness program. Zumba® started at the ARC October 2010 and has been very popular with new members added monthly and a total of 95 participants. The classes are held four times per week using a punch card system offering a lot of flexibility for participants. The ARC employs two Zumba® certified instructors.

Music and Senior Fitness/Recreation Programs

ARC board member Joan Murray continues (as a volunteer) to teach Adult Exercise Class three mornings per week. Tai Chi classes with instructor Gloree Rohnke are offered and seniors continue to walk the gym during the winter. Belly Dancing class also continues with Avianna and private guitar lessons by Scott Waterhouse are offered weekly.

Programming Fees

Program fees remained the same for 2011. Total participation numbers were slightly higher compared to 2010. Ideally the fees charged cover the direct cost of the program, including supplies and wages. It is a continued goal to break even when conducting any program. Unfortunately, when including indirect costs such as insurance, utilities, payroll taxes and building maintenance, these programs do not break even and only stay operational from the support of the community and investment fund.

Programming: Building Rental/Usage

The following organizations and businesses used or rented the gymnasium or meeting rooms at the ARC during 2011:

Bai Yu Healing Arts/Tai Chi	Guitar Lessons w/Scott Waterhouse
Belly Dancing with Avianna	Men's Soccer League team practices
Dubuque Dance/Gymnastics	Club Volleyball Practices
Dubuque Karate Club	Birthday Celebrations (private parties)
Galena Cub Scout Troops	YWCA Child Care Solutions Training
Galena Girl Scouts	Community Church and Theatre Practices
Galena Historic Dance Society	

Advertising & Promotion

Promotion of each program/league continues with flyers to all Galena Schools and Scales Mound, Elizabeth when applicable. There has been ample promotion of ARC sports events and fundraising functions in the Galena Gazette. Schedules and press releases are emailed to the editor on a regular basis. Nine full page Monkeyshines "newsletters" ran in the Gazette throughout 2011. See Monkeyshines attached. Photos ran of youth recreation leagues, fundraisers and various photos of the after school summer and pre-school program. Coach and ARC Board member AJ Soat wrote several articles in the summer for ARC Baseball. The ARC Facebook Fan Page has over 325 fans and is a very useful tool for up to date information and promotion.

2011 ARC Scrapbook

The 2011 ARC scrapbook includes a complete listing of ARC programs, press releases, advertising, flyers, childcare newsletters, calendars league team photographs. The scrapbook is located in the ARC office and can be reviewed at anytime.

Website – www.galenaarc.org

The ARC website was given a complete overhaul fall/winter of 2011. The new and improved site features:

- over 60 photos of ARC past and present participants,
- 48 pages including all ARC Programming, Fundraising/Events, About Us, Ways to Give, Volunteer/Employment and more
- registration forms
- online program evaluation
- online registrations
- and donations are accepted online.

The site is an important tool for many community members. Information is now updated on a regular (almost daily) basis. Coming in 2012; volunteer photos, Google calendar, online evaluation forms, YouTube videos, and Facebook link. We've been accepted to receive Google for Non Profits apps, benefits and other features on the site.

Security System

Spring 2007 a (15) camera security system was installed complete with buzz entry, monitors and digital video recorder. The funds were raised through a solicitation letter sent to the community in 2006. The center is locked down during the day while child care programs are operating. Parents with children in the programs are given key card entry.

Building Maintenance/Improvements

2011 was a relatively low maintenance year for the center. The largest expense was various ac/heating and electrical issues. The following is a list of the 2011 repairs, maintenance and improvements:

- Electrical repairs and updates
- Replace draft inducer on rooftop ac/heating unit; wet switch flood detector, drip pan
- Gymnasium Lights
- Replace front door panic bar
- Replace broken gymnasium window
- Annual Inspection Fire Extinguishers
- Blackhawk Sprinklers – annual inspection plus 5-year obstruction testing
- Backflow preventer installed on boiler
- Gym floor – annual refinishing
- Heating/AC Annual Inspection
- Backflow Inspection
- Fire Alarm Monitoring
- Orkin Pest Control monthly

2011 Galena ARC Participants

Child Care Programs	Approx. Participation #s
Pre-School	65
Preschool Prep Playgroup	20
Moms & Me	30
Kids Club After-School/School Breaks	60
Summer Camp	85
	Subtotal: 260
Youth / Adult Sports	
Basketball/Adult	35
Basketball Shoot Out/High School	170
Basketball/Youth	195
Basketball Clinic/Youth	65
Cheerleading/Youth	60
Baseball/Softball League-Youth	210
Baseball/Softball Parent-Child Camp/Youth	30
Football/Youth	125
Volleyball/Adult	55
Volleyball/Youth	75
	Subtotal: 1,020
Art/Fitness/Recreation	
Summer Art Classes	90
ARC Art in Action at Galena Primary School	325
Dubuque Dance & Gymnastics	25
Dubuque Karate Club	25
Galena Historic Dance Society	15
Guitar Lessons	15
Zumba®	95
Adult Exercise Class	10
Tai Chi Classes	10
Belly Dancing Classes	15
Birthday Party Rentals	100
	Subtotal: 725
Fundraising/Special Events	
Taste of Galena	350
Father/Daughter Valentine's Dance	150
Golf Outing	60
Market Day	45
Culver's Kids Night	65
Little Caesars Pizza Kits	40
Spaghetti Dinner	60
Galena Country Fair Fudge Sales/Parking Lot	100
Holiday Cookie Walk	75
Take the Cake Celebrity Cake Auction	80
	Subtotal: 1025
Total	3,030