



# 2009 Annual Report

Galena Art & Recreation Center (ARC)  
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## 2009 Executive Director's Comments

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Galena Community Members,

The Galena Art & Recreation Center continues to be a vital part of the community. There are days we feel we're bursting at the seams with every room occupied. It is a hub of activity.

There is the daily presence of the preschoolers and after-school children during the school-year/school breaks and summer campers during the summer. The number of children and adults participating in sports and recreation has remained consistent or increased in some leagues.

The building remains in good shape with one major repair in 2009, replacing the sprinkler heads in the gymnasium (95% of funds received through a grant) and some minor repairs and maintenance. Parking continues to be our biggest challenge.

In the ongoing process of balancing the budget and achieving financial security we are committed to improve and increase current fundraising efforts, investment strategies, special events and donor relations. We continue to build partnerships with local non-profit organizations, businesses, the public school system and government entities.

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 2009.

Sarah Petersen  
Executive Director

## Galena ARC Mission Statement

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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

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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.

## 2009 ARC Personnel

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The employees of the ARC are committed, loyal community members who work tirelessly to provide quality childcare, educational 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.

### ARC EMPLOYEES/INSTRUCTORS/REFS

Executive Director	Sarah Petersen		
Child Care Director	Brenda Jakel		
Office Assistant/Concessions	Toni Moser		
Early Childhood, School-Age & Summer Camp Teachers	Becky Machala	Stacey Middendorf	Beverly Williams
	Heidi Swiderski	Maria Kuntz	Josephine Hopperich
	Tammy White	Susan Friederick	Sara Davis
	Tilli Wiene	Sarah Roddick	Steve Ball
	Tina Dillon	Samantha Lange	
Recreation/Sports	Gavin Kaiser, Brittany Ahler		
Recreation Intern	Mindy Meyer		
Custodian	Sharon Lapidus		
Music Explorers Instructor	Tara Anderson		
Volleyball Refs	Bruce Small, Lindsey Crawford		
Football Ref	Don Foley		
Basketball Ref	Nate Bingham		
Baseball/Softball Umps	Nick Ludescher, Chad Crawford, Adam Hocking, Nate Bochniak, Lindsey Crawford, Greg Tancrell, Caleb Buss, Jack Rasmussen, Zach Altfillisch		

## 2009 Board Participation

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The 2009 ARC Volunteer Board of Directors consisted of the following nine community members.

Board President	Carolyn Dregne	Board Member	John Gebhard
Board Vice President	Todd Arno	Board Member	Carol Fouts
Board Treasurer	Robert Roth	Board Member	Ron Leinen
Board Secretary	Nicole Peebles	Board Member	Heather Sites
		Board Member	Rich Folks

**Thank you** to the ARC Board of Directors for the countless hours of volunteer time, financial support and commitment to the organization. Robert Roth, Rich Folks and Todd Arno will be stepping down January 2010.

Robert Roth served on the ARC Board of Directors for another six years. Robert is one of the ARC's "founder fathers" and has served on the board since the ARC's inception (continuously serving six years and stepping down for one year). He has been the ARC treasurer for the past six years and actively served on the Finance and Personnel Committees and assisted with Taste of Galena, Cookie Walk and Country Fair fundraisers. Robert has also obtained several bequests, large donations and played in integral part in securing additional financial support from the City of Galena. We thank him for his service. Although he is stepping down for one year, we know he will continue to support the ARC and hope to see him back next year.

Rich Folks has also served on the ARC board for six years. Serving on the Building Committee he has assisted with several small and large building projects including, but not limited to: fire rated gymnasium doors, small electrical issues, septic/pipe issues, air conditioners, projects for compliance for child care licensing, security system and new stairs leading to gym. Rich has also coached for ARC youth basketball teams for several years and helped with ARC fundraisers including Taste of Galena, Cookie Walk, Market Day and Country Fair. His sense of humor and presence will be missed.

Todd Arno has served on the ARC board for five years. He also served on the Building Committee and has obtained and reviewed bids and assisted with several building projects including, but not limited to: new baseboard heaters, boiler inspection, installing window shades, small plumbing projects, concrete issues, security system, new stairs leading to gym and installed anti-slip safety track on the gym stairs. Todd is also a coach for ARC little league baseball and assisted with baseball committee issues. He has helped with ARC fundraisers including Taste of Galena and Market Day. We wish him luck with his Main Street business and will miss him at monthly meetings.

## Volunteers

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Community members volunteered time and talent coaching and referring for youth sports leagues 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 would not be able to 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 2009.

Allendorf, Connie	Holland, Marvin & Jane	Oldenburg, Adriane
Arno, Todd & Jill	Holland, Steve	Patterson, Terry
Bainbridge, Amy	Hope, Mark & Jolie	Peebles, Nicole & Kevin
Bainbridge, Peg	Indulge DaySpa/Brenda	Peters, Steve & Kristi
Bass, Joyce	Jakel Family	Petersen, Hans & Sarah
Bauer, Tim & Nikki	Johns, Brent	Pfile, Tom
Bautsch, Jeff	Kaage, Bill & Betsy	Pickel, Andrea
Beadle, Kelsey & Cassie	Kaiser, Kailyn	Quick, Jennifer
Beadle, Pat	Karberg, Bill	Reittinger, Mark
Benson, Gwen	Keeffer, Janelle	Rigdon, Jim
Benson, Lisa	Ketelson, Craig	Rigopoulos, Paula
Berning, Tony	Knautz, Kevin	Roddick, Blake & Tara
Bingham, Jason & Penny	Knuckey, Tom	Roddick, Sarah
Bochniak, Ed/Nate	Kouzmanoff, Keith & Vickie	Roth, Robert & Mary
Bonnet, Fred & Mari-Kristin	Kruse, Chad	Rury, Marc
Cogan, Rebecca	Kurtz, Denise	Salgado, Danny
Cook, Jerrett	Larson, Craig & Liz	Schemehorn, Scott
Davis, Norman	Leinen, Ron & Lisa	Schemel, Tabethe
DeVecchi, Lucas	Leitzinger, Pam	Schubert, Jon
Dillion, Tina	Leonard, Dennis & Kathy	Schuler, Andrew
Dr. Chorak	Lubinski, Marion	Sexton, Rodney
Dregne, Carolyn & Eric	Lucey, Brian	Sites, Heather & John
Eaton, David & Leigh Ann	Ludwig, Susi	Sites, Josh
Ehrler, Nathan	LuGrain, Jennifer	Skinner, Heather
Einsweiler, Mike	Luna, Holly	Small, Bruce
Engle, Joe	Machala, Becky	Soat, AJ & Jennifer
Fleege, Greg	Machala, Sarah	Soat, Tim, Tami & Makenzie
Foley, Amber	Martensen, Christopher	Spillane, Mike & Lori
Foley, Don	McArdle, Jeff	Stangl, Tim
Folks, Rich, Penny & Eva	McDowell, Arnie	Streight, Christy
Fouts, Carol & Don	Meyer, Mindy	Swiderski, Heidi
Furlong, Julie	Middendorf, Stacey	Swisher, Dave & Kelli
Gaber, Lynn	Miller, Jeff	Townsend, Drew & Michelle
Garza, Chris & JoAnn	Morgan, Terry & Kerry	Turner, Lt. Kevin
Gebhard, John & Tammy	Moser, Danny	Vandigo, Jennifer
Galena Spikers Club Volleyball	Moser, Toni	Vosberg, Jessie
Glasgow, Bruce & Nan	Muchow, Alicia	Walker, Jerri
Hefel, Mike	Mullane, Ben	Wand, Dan & Chris
Hillard, Amanda	Murray, Joan	Wasson, Barry, Rhonda & Chase
Hillard, Kelsey	Nack, Joe	Wells, Dr. Michael & Sheila
Hohman, Alicia	Nack, Tom	Werner, Brad
Holder, Kayla	Niles, Holly	Westemeier, Jerry
Holland, Joel & Joellen	Noble, Brett & Rose	White, Tammy
	Nodorft, Jeff	Wienen, Tillie
		Willard, Tiffany
		Wills, Dennis
		Winter, Tom
		Wurster, Brian
		Ziarko, Ed

## Donations – Monetary

The Galena ARC depends on the monetary support from the community to keep the center operational. The following is the list of 2009 monetary supporters:

Adami, Kirsten	Flack, Marilyn & Kenneth	Lawlor, Scott	Patterson, Robert & Betty
Ahrenholtz, Diana & Timothy	Fouts, Donald & Carol	Lawson, Ronald & Laurel	Pearson, Ron & Kathy
Albaugh, Craig & Jane	Friends In Christ	Leonard, Dennis & Kathleen	Peterson, Dr. Roger & Carol
Allendorf & Yonda	Fullmer, Paul & Sandra	Levens, Kerry Concrete	Poopsie's
Alliant Energy/Heather Sites	Furlong, Tom & Julie	Lewis, Paul & Nora	Price, Robert & Charlene
Alliant Energy/Sue Einsweiler	Galena Gazette	Luebke, Wanda	Procento's Pizzeria
Anderberg, Virginia/Richard	Galena Rebekah Lodge #346	Lund, Robert & Lynne	Renner, Terry & Elly
Asta, James & Josephine	GalenaSpikersClubVolleyball	Lunde, Harry F.	Richardson, Betty
Austin, Richard & Hilary	Galena State Bank	Machala, Richard & Ellen	Roberts, Tracey/Jeffrey Wright
Bader, Mary & Steve	Galena Territory Assoc., Inc.	Malik, Karl & Renee	Ropa, Arete & John
Bainbridge, Amy & Mark	GalenaUnitedMethodist Women	Maloney, Joe	Rosenthal, Benjamin & Clara
Bautsch, James	Garrow, Terry	Manz, Kathleen S.	Rosenthal, Carol
Bayer, Tom & Amy	Garth, Rosemarie	Market House Restaurant	Rosenthal, Frances & Dave
Bell, Helen	Gibbs, Mary Ellyn	Marsden, Katherine/Charles	Rosenthal, Marty & Diane
Benson, Dan & Amy	Golden, Tom	Martensen, Cheri/Christopher	Roth, Robert & Mary
Benson, Joan & James	Gunning, Daniel & Elissa	Mason, Donald & Crystal	Rowley, James
Bernardi, John & Suzanne	Hansen, Sharon & Bruce	McCormick Foundation/ Bryan Hulscher	Schafer, Calvin & Linda
Bohnsack, Donald & Dorothy	Hanson, June	McKernan Estate, Evelyn K.	Scharpf, Darlene
Bookless, Kathy & George	Hart, Ernest & JoAnn	McLane, Robert/Norma Jean	Schenck, Daniel & Cynthia
Branagan, Mary	Hefel, Donna & Clyde	Mendez, Carmen & Santiago	Schmidt, Alex & Lucille
Brogan, John & Joanne	Hilby, Mike & Rebecca	Mensendike, Ray & Teresa	Schoenrock, Brian & Lisa
Buening, Ms. Nancy	Hillard, Michael & Marianne	Merkle International, Inc.	Schuler, Mary J.
Bunyer, Mrs. Sherry	Holland Plumbing Inc.	Merkle, Betty Lou	Schwartzhoff, Rick & Linda
Burns, Gayle	Holland, Joel & JoEllen	Midwest Business Prod.	Smith, Lori & Ron
Bursoni, Tina	Holscher, Marilyn & Rourke	Miller Steinke Funeral Home	Soat, AJ
Carlson, Donald & Jeanne	Homrich, Louis & Susan	Miller, Ronald & Elizabeth	Sproule, Mike & Laurie
Chambers, Kathleen & Walter	Howland, Colleen	Miners Lodge #273	Stair, Maribeth
City of Galena	Hulscher, Shirley	Montgomery Trucking, INC.	Stephenson, Tim & Tamara
Clarke, Donald & Marianne	Hutchings, Karen & Clarence	Montgomery, Gordy & Karen	Stodden, Angela
Clingman, Roy	Hyland, Mike	Moyer, Lorie	Stryker, Peter & Charlotte
Coates, Stephen & Maren	Interactions Therapy Center	Muehleip, L. Ingrid	Terry, Joseph & Patricia
Cole, Edwin & Carol	Jerry, Patricia & Don	Muehleip, Marilyn & Paul	VanZile, Elaine
Cooke, John & Margaret	Johnson, Robert J.	Murray, Joan	Veneman, Mary
Davis, Alice & Jon	Junge, Gregory & Gloria	Nack, Dolores & Louis	Vestuto, Russell
Dimke, Robert & Jean	Kaladi's	Nack, James & Patricia	Vincent, James B.
Dittmar, Dixie	Kellar, James & Barbara	Nack, Thomas & Sarah	Vincent, Roth & Toepfer, P.C.
DuPlessis, Ed	Kern, Delbert & Beverly	Nath, Gladys	Vondran, Denis & Susie
Ehrler, Amanda & Nathan	Klingler, Toni & Mac	Northcraft, Calista & Harry	Vondran, Doris
Einsweiler, Dirk & Susette	Korte, Robert & Kathryn	O'Connor, Brooks & Co.	Vondran, Jerome & Margaret
Ericson, Raundle & Carol	Kouzmanoff, Vickie & Keith	O'Shea, John & Heidi	Walsh, Patricia & Richard
Ertmer, Joy	Krall, Kenneth	Painter, Gregg & Emily	Wasson, Christine
Ertmer, Lyle	Kurtz Communications, Inc.	Palermini, Mary	Weis, Richard & Norma
Farmers Guest House	Larsen, Yvonne	Parrott, Kenneth	Wells, Michael & Sheila
Ferguson, Carmen	Lautenschlaeger, Mary	Parsons, Terry & Lauren	Wilhelm, Christine & Edward
Fjelde, Rik & Jennie	Lavacek, Jan		Wills, Michael
			Winter, Clarence & Rita
			Winter, Thomas J.
			Wurster, Vicki
			Wynard, Robert & Kathleen
			Zaya, Lydia

## **Sponsorship & Support: Sports/Child Care Programs**

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In 2009 the following business sponsored sports teams and supported the ARC child care programs in various ways:

Anderson-Weber Toyota	Happy Joe's Pizza & Ice Cream	The Oldies
Apacas Farm	Holland Heating & Air Cond.	Paradise
Bauer Construction	Hulscher's Fencing, Inc.	Peace of the Past
Benjamin's	Inter7.com	Roberts Plumbing & Heating
Cannova's	Hyde's Pro Shop	Roelli Cheese Co. Shullsburg, WI
Country Inn & Suites	The Flying Horse	US Bank
Boyd & Trish Cox	The Grateful Gourmet	VFW Post 2665
DeSoto House Hotel	Jo Daviess County Transit	Vincent, Roth & Toepfer, PC
Dillion's NP Tavern	Knotty Ideas Woodworking	Bev & Mike Williams
Exquisite Escapes	Lasers	World Class Imports
Fleege Electric	Leading Edge Construction	
First Community Bank	Log Cabin Steakhouse	
Fried Green Tomatoes	Market House Restaurant	
Galena Gazette	McCoy Insurance & Real Estate	
Galena State Bank	Moon Valley Pet Lodge	
Gary's Tattoos	MSA Professional Services, Inc.	
Giese Commercial Roofing	Mullane Paint & Stain	-
Gobbie's Sports Pub	Nack, Richardson, Nack	

## **Non-Profit Support**

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

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

## **Fundraising/Grants**

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In 2009 the ARC grossed approximately \$72,500 through various fundraising efforts, donations and grants. In addition to support from the ARC employees and board of directors several businesses assisted with fundraising efforts by donating event space, promotion, advertising, sponsorship and matching donations.

### **2009 Grants Received**

State of IL Quality Counts Grant-gymnasium sprinkler heads; Wal-Mart Foundation – youth basketball adjustable backboards; Jo Daviess County Country Fair Charities- transportation for field trips

### **Market Day (monthly fundraiser)**

West Galena Township, Joan Murray, Elizabeth State Bank, First Community Bank, Galena State Bank, Happy Joe's Pizza, US Bank, Rick Vojta

### **Little Ceasar's Pizza Kits**

Galena ARC Moms & Me, W. Galena Township

## **Fundraising/Grants (continued)**

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### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rummage Sale**

Vickie & Keith Kouzmanoff, Jane Yates, Rose Noble, Jennifer Vandigo, Shelia Wells, Nan Glasgow, Julie Furlong

### **Country Fair Weekend/Fudge Sales**

Main Street Cheesecakes, Jo Daviess County Country Fair Charities, Joan Murray, Jennifer Quick, Joellen Holland

### **Cookie Walk/Celebrity Cake Auction**

Main Street Cheesecakes, DeSoto House Hotel, DuPaco Community Credit Union, Lynn Gaber, Galena State Bank, First Community Bank, Galena Boy Scout Troop 93, Galena River Wine & Cheese; Keith & Brenda Jakel, Bob & Mary Roth, Great American Popcorn Company, Carolyn Dregne, Sheriff Leo Hefel, Bill Kaage, Sarah Newton, Sarah Petersen, Carol & Roger Peterson, Terry & Elly Renner, Shirley Rosenthal, Ben Soat, Michelle & Drew Townsend, Lt. Kevin Turner, Dr. Mike & Shelia Wells, Galena ARC Moms & Me, 93+ local bakers.

### **Pitching Machine Fundraiser/Sports Sale & Swap Meet**

Rhonda, Barry & Chase Wasson, AJ Soat, Tony Berning, Tim Bauer, Marvin & Jane Holland, Greg Fleege, Galena Spikers Club Volleyball

### **Taste of Galena**

Larson Design Studio/Liz Larson, Keefer Creative/Janelle Keefer, Suburb Web Design/Keith Kouzmanoff, Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa, Boone's Place Restaurant & Pub, Cindy's Classic Catering, DeSoto House Hotel, Dick's/Piggly Wiggly, Frank's Place, Fried Green Tomatoes, Fritz & Frites Bistro, Galena Cellars Vineyard & Winery, Galena's Kandy Kitchen, Gobbie's Sports Pub & Eatery, Happy Joe's Pizza & Ice Cream, Jo Daviess/Carroll AVC, The Log Cabin Steakhouse, Main Street Cheesecakes, The Market House Restaurant, Massbach Ridge Winery, Rocky Waters Vineyard/Winery, Galena Garlic Company, Irish Cottage Boutique Hotel, Country Inn & Suites, Galena Square Car Wash, Vincent Monuments, Rick & Dee Vojta, Galena Glass Jewelry, Fried Green Tomatoes, Galena Candle & Bath Company, Galena On The Fly, Worldmark/Wyndham Hotel, Mike Williams, Chestnut Mountain Resort, Happy Joe's Pizza & Ice Cream, Galena Square Veterinary Clinic/Dr. Barbara Bernard, Galena Dips & Gifts, Younkers/Dubuque.

## **Scholarships**

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No child is ever turned away from ARC sponsored programs due to lack of funds. Scholarships and financial aid is provided to families after completing a simple form. In 2009 approx. \$5000 in scholarships was provided to qualifying families.

## **Child Care Programs**

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The Galena ARC child care programs served 164 children with much need child care services for the community. Programs included:

- 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 (open 11 hrs/day)
- After-School / School Breaks Holidays –children 5-12 years, five days per week,
- Summer Camp – children 4-12 years old, five days per week (open 11 hrs/day).

## **Youth/Adult Sport Leagues**

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The Galena ARC Youth/Adult Sport Leagues provided recreational sports for hundreds of youth and adults in 2009.

### **Youth Leagues**

January-March – Basketball/Open Gym  
May-July – Baseball/Softball  
August-October-Football & Cheerleading  
November-December-Volleyball

### **Adult Leagues**

August-October - Flag Football  
November-March –  
(2) Volleyball Leagues  
(1) 3-on-3 Basketball League

## **Youth Dances**

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The Galena ARC held the fifth annual Father/Daughter Dance close to Valentine's Day with over 160 dads/daughters in attendance. Special thanks to Jumpin' Jane's for sponsoring the event, Bruce Small for providing the music and being the DJ and to the Galena Middle School for allowing the dance to be held in their fully decorated commons.

## **Senior Programming**

Joan Murray continues to volunteer teaching the Adult Exercise Class three mornings per week. The ARC organized two Elderhostel programs during 2009 for senior tourists visiting Galena. Tai Chi classes are offered weekly and seniors continue to walk the gym during the winter.

## **Programming Fees**

Program fees remained the same for 2009. Participation numbers were similar to 2008. 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 and building maintenance, these programs do not break even and only stay operational from the support of the community and endowment fund.

## **Advertising//Marketing**

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. Photos ran of youth recreation leagues, fundraisers and various photos of the after school summer and pre-school program. See 2009 media scrapbook.

A professional four-color, tri-fold marketing piece was created and is used for solicitation purchases and distributed at fundraising events.

## **Website – [www.galenaarc.org](http://www.galenaarc.org)**

The ARC website is updated weekly and is an important tool for many community members. Information for all programs, events and fundraising is updated weekly. People can print registration forms or register online for sports programs.

## **Building Rental/Usage**

The following organizations and businesses used or rented the gymnasium or meeting rooms at the ARC during 2008;

Bai Yu Healing Arts/Tai Chi	Guitar Lessons w/Scott Waterhouse
Dubuque Dance/Gymnastics	Men's Hispanic Soccer League
Dubuque Karate Club	Club Volleyball Programs
Galena Cub and Boy Scout Troops	Birthday Celebrations (private parties)
Galena Girl Scouts	YWCA Child Care Solutions
Galena Historic Dance Society	

## **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 the Fall of 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**

The Fall of 2009 community member Norm Davis began donating his time with maintenance projects around the building. Board members helped with several small projects and professional companies with hired for larger projects. The following is a list of 2009 repairs, maintenance and improvements:

- New sprinkler heads in gymnasium
- Cleaned/organized storage and equipment in basement and behind gym stage
- Re-attach gutter screen at back of building
- Concrete repair sidewalk south side, patchwork front wall/steps
- Annual Inspection Fire Extinguishers
- Blackhawk Sprinklers – Full Test
- Gym floor – annual refinishing
- Repair Hole in gymnasium wall
- New carpet preschool hallway
- Electrical Repairs/Updates
- Backflow Inspection
- Fire Alarm Monitoring
- Orkin Pest Control monthly

### 2009 Galena ARC Participants

<b>Child Care Programs</b>	<b># of Participants</b>
Pre-School	46
Preschool Prep Playgroup	15
Moms & Me	15
Kids Club	33
Summer Camp	55
<b>Youth / Adult Sports</b>	
Basketball/Adult	39
Basketball/Youth	170
Cheerleading	22
Baseball/Softball League-Youth	193
Football/Adult	39
Football/Youth	115
Soccer Men's League	70
Volleyball/Adult	111
Volleyball/Youth	44
Youth Open Gym	50
Ultimate Frisbee	10
<b>Art/Fitness/Recreation</b>	
Dubuque Dance & Gymnastics	23
Dubuque Karate Club	23
Galena Historic Dance Society	15
Guitar Lessons	15
Music Explorers	14
Adult Exercise Class	10
Tai Chi Classes	10
Birthday Party Rentals	100
<b>Special Events</b>	
Taste of Galena	400
Father/Daughter Valentine's Dance	160
Holiday Cookie Walk	100
Elderhostel	26
Total	1923