

Stillwater Area Community Services Center Inc.

Where Stillwater Comes Together

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2010 ANNUAL REPORT

Mission Statement

Dedicated, Progressive, Accepting: The place for all to come together, to grow through laughter, learning, and sharing.

Submitted by Benjamin Baskin, Executive Director, SACC

As of December, 2010

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Tenants

Beginnings Preschool

SCEOC Head Start

Pentjak Karate

Stillwater Historians

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Summary: The Stillwater Area Community Center (SACC) is used and enjoyed by a great number of individuals and organizations. In addition to operating several community service programs, SACC hosts in its building several tenants, numerous special events, and many social and recreational programs run by other community organizations. Every week, literally hundreds of Stillwater residents pass through SACC's doors on their way to child care, basketball, Zumba, Boy Scouts, Karate, or any one of a multitude of fun and uplifting activities. SACC is open seven days a week. On weekdays, we open our doors at 6:45 a.m. and typically do not close until 9:00 p.m. Weekends are also buzzing, with sports, Girl Scouts, clubs, country line dancing, and private parties. In 2010, SACC served an estimated 1,500 to 2,000 families and individuals. Approximately 50% of SACC funding is generated by program services and facility user fees; about one-third is provided by the Town of Stillwater; about 10% is from fundraising; and 5% comes from other government support.

<u>SACC Programs</u>	<u># People Served</u>
1) School-Age Child Care	45 families weekly
2) Eldercare	43 seniors; 24,760 miles annually
3) Summer Recreation	40 families weekly
4) Dance, Tumbling, and Toning	82 children
5) Youth and Family Services (Youth Basketball, Biddy Ball, T-Ball, Open Gym)	150 children weekly
6) Special Events	<u>1,000 people annually</u>
TOTAL	Over 1,000 families/year

<u>SACC Tenants</u>	
1) Head Start	70 children
2) Beginnings Preschool	42 children
3) Pentjak Karate	35 families
4) Stillwater Historians	<u>200 visitors/year</u>
TOTAL	147 families + 200 visitors

<u>Groups Using the SACC Building</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Battle Football • Stillwater Girl Scouts • Stillwater Cub Scout Pack 35 • Boy Scout Troop 35 • Stillwater PTA • Civil Air Patrol • Yoga with Elin • Boot Camp with Debi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zumba with Kiera • Women's Cardio • Hoosic Valley Volleyball • Thundervolts Remote Control Club • Eastern NY Youth Soccer Association • AAU Basketball • Little League Baseball spring training
TOTAL	Over 150 people/week

<u>Additional SACC Facility Usage</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designated emergency shelter for Stillwater • Weekly adult basketball and volleyball • Kevin Richards Line Dancing monthly • Event/party space for non-profits, private parties • Public hearings, new conferences, voting site 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50 people weekly 30 people monthly 50 people weekly
TOTAL	Over 100 people/week

TOTAL FACILITY USAGE: Approximately 1,500 – 2,000 families in 2010

SACC Utilization

SACC Programs

SACC programs include: 1) School-Age Child Care; 2) Eldercare; 3) Summer Recreation; 4) Dance, Tumbling, and Toning; and 5) Youth and Family Services.

1) School-Age Child Care Program: This before and after school program provides child care from 6:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., and 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, for children in grades kindergarten through sixth. It is also open during school vacation days and snow days, and runs a camp during the summer. This program is crucial for many working parents, enabling them to go to work with the knowledge that their children will be well cared-for before and after school. In 2010, the program averaged between 40 and 45 participants weekly. The SACC Summer Program also served children Kindergarten through sixth grade. Enrollment generally ranged between 20 and 30 children.

Youth Dances: The School Age Child-Care Program organizes youth dances at least twice a year. The Halloween dance in 2010 attracted about 45 girls and boys.

2) Eldercare Program: This program transports seniors to medical appointments and shopping. In calendar year 2010, the program made 566 round-trips for a total of 24,760 miles. It served approximately 43 seniors, including: 29 low income seniors; 33 frail or disabled; 14 Age 75+; 11 Age 85+; and 35 seniors who live alone.

3) Summer Recreation Program: SACC runs a Summer Youth Recreation Program funded by the Town of Stillwater for children ages 8 to 14 (fourth to ninth grade). The program takes children on field trips, and provides children a safe, fun environment. The subsidized fee in 2010 was \$20/week, which included a T-shirt, child care from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., and entrance to Peerless Pool. The program served 40 children each week, which is full capacity.

4) Dance and Tumbling: Kathi Messoro and 5 part-time staff run evening classes of ballet and tap, tumbling, and adult body toning, Monday through Friday. There are 82 children participating in dance and tumbling in 2010-11, and about seven adults in body toning.

5) Youth and Family Services: The Youth and Family Services Program includes special events, sports and recreational programming.

Ongoing sports and recreational programs include:

- **Youth basketball** – Over 80 youth served, 51 in the senior (5th and 6th grade) division, and 29 in the junior (4th and 5th grade). The program was coordinated by two volunteers. Snack bar during Saturday games was also mostly provided by volunteers. The season included a tournament, all-star games, and ends in 2011 with a banquet.

- **Biddyball** – There were 31 registered players, aged 4 to 7. Volunteer coaches taught the program. The program ends in 2011 with a breakfast buffet and medals for every participant.
- **T-Ball** – Over 100 children, ages 4 to 7, registered in 2010. The season ended with a picnic.
- **After-school open gym** – The fall of 2010 saw a steady stream of middle and high school students, numbering from 6 to 20 most weekdays.

In 2010, these recreational programs served over 150 children and families weekly, depending on season.

Special Community Events in 2010 included:

- **Comedy Night** (January 23) – 180 tickets were sold for \$15 each. The event netted \$2,282, including snack bar, and received very favorable reviews from those in attendance.
- **Breakfast with Easter Bunny** (April) - A community breakfast was held, with the Easter Bunny as special guest. Following the breakfast was a gigantic Easter egg hunt for children from preschool to fourth grade.
- **Pasta Dinner and Open House (November 12)** – Over 150 tickets were sold, and closer to 180 served (under 5 free). Over 40 local businesses and individuals donated items. The dinner netted \$2,195, with \$1,021 raised by the auction. Two volunteers led the dinner preparations.
- **Breakfast with Santa and Festival of Trees (December 18)** – This is a lovely community event where local organizations and businesses display decorated trees in the Center’s gym. The decorations are enjoyed by community members during Breakfast with Santa, during the Town’s holiday party, and for the following week. In 2010, about 170 people came for breakfast. Two volunteer sisters led the breakfast preparations.
- **5K Run (June 4)** – In 2010, about 32 runners ran in the event.

Community events in 2010 totaled over 1,000 participants.

The **total number** of youth and families served by SACC programs was over **250** weekly, on average (a number of these activities are seasonal). Special community events can attract up to **200** people, depending on event. Not included in these numbers are special events organized by outside groups, such as Town of Stillwater press conferences, private parties, craft fairs, fundraisers, public hearings, and voting days. Non-profit and public entities are not charged for use of the facility.

SACC Tenants

SACC building tenants include: Head Start; Pentjak Karate; Beginnings Preschool; and Town of Stillwater Historians. Head Start rents space to serve 36 children in SACC classrooms, and another 34 home-based children. Head Start serves pre-school aged

children, ages 3-5 years, from low-income families. Beginnings Preschool serves another 42 children and families. Pentjak Karate serves about 20 children and eight adults weekly, and Women's Cardio serves about 7 women weekly. Together, SACC tenants serve approximately **150** children and adults weekly.

Groups Using the SACC Building

In addition to serving as the designated emergency shelter for the Stillwater community, the SACC building hosts a number of organizations and sports clubs. Organizations utilizing the SACC building include: Battle Football; Stillwater Girl Scouts; Stillwater Cub Scout Pack 35; Stillwater Boy Scout Troop 35; Stillwater PTA; Civil Air Patrol; Yoga with Elin Cary; Boot Camp with Debi Conlon; Women's Cardio; Hoosic Valley Volleyball; Thundervolts Remote Control Club; and Eastern NY Youth Soccer Association. SACC also hosts weekly adult basketball and volleyball, and Kevin Richards Line Dancing once to twice per month.

The **total number** of youth and adults coming to SACC on a weekly basis for these organizations is about **170**.

Total Usage

The **total number** of community members using the Stillwater Area Community Center, combining SACC programs, tenants, and local visiting organizations, was over **550** children, seniors, and families weekly. Hundreds more attend the special community events SACC holds throughout the year. Including these special events, and the parents and siblings of the children who use the Center, it is estimated that approximately **1,500** to **2,000** distinct individuals come through the Center's doors every month. Many of these individuals use the Center on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis. Therefore, the total number of families who use the Center is conservatively estimated to be between **1,500 and 2,000 annually**.

SACC Volunteers

A majority of the social and recreational programming enjoyed by Stillwater families, while coordinated by SACC staff, is largely implemented by community volunteers. Volunteers provide most of the labor for many of the special events, including fundraisers, breakfasts, basketball and T-ball programs. In 2010, approximately 70 volunteers ensured the successful implementation of these programs for the benefit of Stillwater families. Thank You Volunteers!

History of SACC

The Stillwater Area Community Center was founded and incorporated in 1991 by a group of civic-minded volunteers. The facility originally served as the old Palmer Street School. When the school was shut down by the Stillwater School District, the Town requested that the building be given to the Town for a community center. Though SACC is a 501-c-3 not-for-profit, the building continues to be owned and maintained by the Town of Stillwater, for the benefit of the entire community.