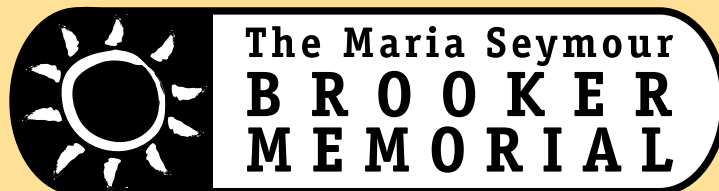


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Preparing Children for Life-long Success...



Child Care ~ Children's Dental Care ~ Community Health Programs

Fan Mail

“Thank you for providing a free preventative dental care program to all the children in our school. This program makes it easier for families to obtain dental care especially with the price of gas and difficulty getting time off from work. Leigh Vitukinas, R.D.H., always does a great job greeting the children with a smile and organizing her days to make the program run smoothly.”

*Caren Bunce
School Nurse and the Staff and Students of Lee Kellogg School*

“When we drop our daughter off at Brooker, she smiles and laughs; we know she is at the right place.”

*Melissa
Child Care Parent and Licensed Clinical Social Worker
Steve
Child Care Parent and High School Guidance Counselor*

“Working at Brooker Memorial is like being around your second family every day. The outpouring of support from the Brooker “Community” is continual, especially that of the staff and families. It makes you feel so welcome all the time.”

*Jessica Lopardo
Brooker Teacher*

“I love exchanging jokes and stories with the parents. And the hugs and kisses from the children make even the busiest days enjoyable!”

*Carole Thebarg
Dental Receptionist*

“My children have learned so much at Brooker – they were ready for Kindergarten long before it was time for them to go.”

*Jane
Child Care Parent and Recruitment and Training Manager,
Girl Scouts of CT*

“Zach had his first dental visit at 1 year. Debbie was wonderful with him, playing games and making the experience non-threatening. I wouldn’t take him anywhere but Brooker.”

*Jan
Grand Parent of Dental Patient Zach*

“The Ready, Set, Go! program has been a wonderful gift to our children. Each year, I am amazed by the academic and social growth of our youngest students during this 5 week program. Thank you, Brooker Memorial, for partnering with us to provide this exceptional opportunity for our children.”

*Cathy Todor
Principal, Tarringford School*

“Great work. Friendly staff. Awesome with kids, thanks!”

*Becky
Parent of Dental Patients Jozsef & Janos*

Dear Friends,

Sometimes, things just click. So it was last year when Judy and Tom Hogan, Brooker corporators, attended our annual meeting. Judy had recently retired as the school nurse at Wamogo High School. After the meeting we talked about Brooker and Judy's interest in volunteering here. Later that year, Judy came to Brooker to talk with staff and me about ideas. We had a very exciting meeting discovering several ways to utilize Judy's knowledge and skills. We all agreed enthusiastically that Judy would be the perfect person to coordinate and take our Little Green Thumbs Garden project to the next level. We brainstormed about building the garden into the Early Learning curriculum, building more permanent garden beds, utilizing community experts, volunteers, staff and involving children and parents in the project – from preparing the beds to using the harvest in healthy snack options for our children.



As spring unfolded, Judy did an amazing job developing the project: securing the materials and funding necessary to make the project a reality. The harvest has been bountiful and tasty, but the relationships formed and the good feeling of involving the community at Brooker is even sweeter.

In addition to the garden project, we made progress over the past year moving the renovation plans forward, planning new programs for our future space, implementing a new initiative to provide dental care to pregnant women and developing additional partnerships that will benefit the children and families we serve. Our dental program grew and we added a full-time dental office manager to coordinate its continued success. The child care center provided a safe, nurturing, learning-based program for 67 children. Our teachers worked hard to prepare children for kindergarten, both in our center's pre-school and in our summer Ready Set Go! community program at Tarringford School.

All in all it was another positive year for Brooker Memorial. I'd like to thank all our staff, board members, volunteers and community partners for joining with us as we seek to fulfill our mission: preparing children for life-long success.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cathy C. Coyle". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Cathy Chiron Coyle
Executive Director

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PRESTIGIOUS PAUL HARRIS AWARD

In the fall of 2011, Brooker Board Member Dr. Frank R. Vanoni received the Paul Harris Award from the Torrington Rotary Club and in the spring of 2012, Brooker Executive Director Cathy Coyle received the honor. Rotary International's highest honor, the Paul Harris Award is presented to community members and Rotarians for outstanding achievement in community service and high moral character and principles. Both were recognized for the positive impact they've had on the lives of those in our local community.



LITTLE GREEN THUMBS

This year, our Early Learning Center's Little Green Thumbs garden received a huge boost from Judy Hogan, corporator and retired school nurse/teacher.



Judy volunteered to coordinate and lead an expansion of our garden project. The goal was to increase the garden's yield and teach the children more about healthy eating and nurturing the land. The volunteer effort involved students from UCONN's Master Gardener Program and Wamogo, families of child care students and Brooker staff. The volunteers worked on all aspects of the garden, including preparing the ground for the raised beds, planting and maintaining the gardens. The Child Care students planted seeds early indoors, then transplanted seedlings outdoors and have kept up the weeding, watering and harvesting during the summer. So far, the children's favorites are sweet peas and green beans – uncooked - fresh from the garden!

TORRINGTON EARLY CHILDHOOD COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP

Brooker Memorial expanded its partnership with the Torrington Early Childhood Collaborative (TECC) through several initiatives this past year. Jan Lyon, Brooker's Director of Outreach and Children's Services continued to identify community gaps in services and explore future program collaboration through her participation on the local Birth to Three/Local Interagency Coordinating Council. Toward this end, Jan was also recommended by TECC's Executive

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Director to join the statewide Head Start/Department of Children and Families Collaborative. Brooker helped TECC collect and sort clothing and school supplies for TECC's annual "Junior Dress for Success" event that served more than 520 local school-age children. Brooker also provided TECC with office space for the past year. Housing TECC's Director, Donna Labbe, created mutual opportunities around program development and information sharing. Through the partnership, Brooker became involved in the city's Even Start program. Plans are being discussed for more joint projects in parent education, early learning, health and nutrition.

DENTAL OFFICE MANAGER

In January, Tina Mitchell joined Brooker's Staff as Dental Office Manager. As the Children's Dental Center has grown to now serve 4,326 children in-house and another 1,034 in the schools, the administrative demands called for more emphasis on daily operations and planned expansion of services. Tina comes to Brooker with several years experience in dental administration including Medicaid billing and coordinating multiple sites and providers.

CHILD CARE SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

The children and staff had a very busy year participating in enrichment and philanthropic

activities! Children enjoyed visits from Dr. Bugman, the Burrville Fire Department, the Drakeville Fire Department, Ranger Nate, Patti Harris with Maggie the Service Dog, Susan B. Anthony with their Safe Touch puppet show, and the children marched in Torrington's Memorial Day Parade. Field trips included Ruwet's Pumpkinville, Berkshire Pizza where they learned to make pizza, the Torrington Library, and attending the Veteran's Day ceremony at Coe Park. In-house activities included Pirate Day, Dance and Movement classes, Halloween Haunted House, our annual Halloween Parade, a turkey dinner for children, families, staff, and board members, and Chinese New Year. The children held two food drives, a clothing drive, and participated in the Pajama Program fundraiser to benefit children in shelters nationwide.



SPANISH THROUGH MUSIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

We welcomed Bernice Jensky to the Early Learning and Child Care Center for a program introducing young children

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to Spanish through music. Ms. Jensky has extensive experience in multi-cultural expressive arts with an emphasis on music. Children are learning Spanish translations of familiar English pre-school songs as well as those sung in Mexico, Central and South America. Puppets, bells, and drums creatively enhance the experience. The weekly sessions have enriched the children and are enjoyed by all ages!

SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

During the past year, Jan Lyon, Director of Outreach and Children's Services, provided a variety of services to children, staff and families including: classroom observations, behavioral planning, strategies and follow up consultation; staff

training; family conferences; referrals and team meetings with professionals from two area school districts; in-home programming; intensive program follow-up with DCF; and classroom management strategy development. Fifteen children and their families from both child care and the dental center have had direct services from Jan from the above list. She also provided additional outreach services to child care and dental families including community resource referrals, coordinating gifts of food, clothing and other essentials through the Care Closet and Greenwoods Counseling Referrals. In her role, Jan also consulted with dental staff on policy development, recognizing at-risk families and managing cases of suspected neglect.

NEW ORAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

Brooker expanded its partnership with Family Strides and WIC through a CT Health Foundation grant to increase access to dental care for pregnant women. Brooker played a key role in establishing the NW Oral Health Collaborative. Our hygienist Leigh-Lynn Vitukinas presented five "Lunch and Learns" where 40 staff from WIC, OB/GYN offices, Family Strides and our dental staff received valuable information on the importance of, and barriers to, oral health during pregnancy. Twenty-eight pregnant women were seen at Brooker accumulating 50 visits for dental treatment. We will follow these

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new moms for the first year of their baby's life with plans to connect the child to a dental home in our dental center by age one.

CURRICULUM NIGHT FOR FAMILIES

Our Child Care Center held its first annual Curriculum Night in October 2011. Teachers from each classroom met with parents and caregivers presenting information on classroom structure, schedules, and lesson planning followed by time for individual questions. Eighty percent of child care families attended. This event helped foster a partnership between caregivers and teachers. Feedback from families was overwhelmingly positive.

CHILDREN'S THERAPY CENTER HEADS FOR REALITY

Brooker continues to explore meeting the needs of local children in occupational, physical and speech therapies, and sensory processing. Staff have conferred with United Cerebral Palsy's Montano Center in Bridgeport; the Hospital for Special Care in New Britain; and Education Connection in Litchfield. Based on our findings, we are working toward a partnership with Education Connection to bring out-patient, community-based pediatric therapies to Torrington. We have consulted with Education Connection's Birth to Three program staff and administration on the needs, treatment and design of a new therapy room, which

we plan to incorporate into the up-coming building project. Education Connection is seeking Husky insurance to support the under-served populations, which represent many of the families expected to be seen at Brooker.

KINDERGARTEN READINESS DAY

More than 120 pre-schoolers received Free Dental Screenings from Brooker Hygienist Leigh-Lynn Vitukinas at the district's Kindergarten Readiness Fair held in March at Torrington School. Child Care staffed a booth and introduced families to the Early Learning Center's offerings. Cathy Coyle provided event photography. The Kindergarten Readiness Fair is run annually by the Torrington Early Childhood Collaborative in partnership with the Torrington Schools. We are proud to be a planning partner and active participant in the event.



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FOCUS ON HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Brooker Memorial has been an active participant in the community-wide Fit Together initiative to increase health and fitness in the community. In December, the Early Learning and Child Care Center took part in the Community Healthy Living Index (CHLI) survey. CHLI, developed by experts from Stanford, Harvard and St. Louis Universities, was created to help determine the extent that policies, systems, and environments support healthy living in the places people live, work, learn and play. Our participation and responses led us to revise our policies around healthy eating to immediately achieve positive change in our own program. Our new nutrition policy ensures parents send only healthy meals and snacks for their children. We have eliminated juice from our menu and serve water and milk with

daily snacks and lunch. Staff provided nutrition information to families through newsletters, bulletin boards and recipes. The Little Green Thumbs Garden expansion enabled us to expand the healthy eating concept by providing more fresh organically grown vegetables for snacks and for child care families to take home.

READY, SET, GO!

2012 marked Ready, Set Go!'s third year. Twelve students enrolled in the intensive five-week kindergarten readiness program held this year at Tarringford School in partnership with the Torrington School District and Tarringford School. Throughout the three years of the program that has been funded entirely by Brooker, children with little or no ability to recognize letters, numbers and sight words, left the program recognizing the majority of lower and upper case letters, numbers 1-11 and were able to write their name and identify several sight words. In addition to the academic gains the students made in all three years, the social skills they've acquired that prepare them for kindergarten routines and expectations have been invaluable. Board member Susan Carroll of Words and Numbers Research has graciously offered her expertise to compile the three years of data to determine the program's impact and the feasibility of future expansion.

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DENTAL CARE IN SCHOOLS

The school dental program was again a success this year with Sharon Grieco, RDH and Leigh-Lynn Vitukinas, RDH treating 552 students in the Torrington schools and 482 in Region One schools. The Foundation for Community Health continued their support of the Region One program with a grant of \$24,000. Brooker provided the funding for the Torrington school program.



CHILD CARE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Child Care staff participated in training this year on topics including: Nutrition and Oral Health in Children, Supervision, Bilingual Language Development, De-escalation, and the Creative Curriculum. We applied for and received funding from Connecticut Charts a Course and the CT Department of Social Services to offer a comprehensive two-day training on the Creative Curriculum. The funding enabled us to offer the training to other centers' staff members in addition to our own. Twelve area child care programs participated in the curriculum trainings.



an annual project of Charlotte Hungerford Hospital and the City of Torrington.

KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION DAY!

In June, twelve students from Miss Tammy and Miss Cath's classrooms graduated from Brooker's pre-school program. Our teachers are proud to have prepared the children with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in school. An outdoor graduation ceremony, complete with songs and diplomas, was held on the Brooker lawn for the graduates and their families.



PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT

Brooker Memorial provided dental kits to 200 individuals who were homeless or at risk of being homeless during the day-long Project Homeless Connect event. The program is

Volunteer Leadership

Brooker Memorial is fortunate to have the support, expertise, commitment and active involvement of many individuals who serve the organization in voluntary leadership positions.

Several board members have served the organization for many years and some are the second and even third generation of their family to serve on the board. The Board of Managers meets regularly to review operations and to set the strategic direction for Brooker. The committees of the board are made up of board members and corporators. Committees provide guidance and oversight to programs and projects.

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IN MEMORY OF RUTH CHADWICK

Long-time Brooker corporator and board member and tireless community volunteer Ruth E. Chadwick passed away on June 15, 2012. Her remarkable service to Brooker Memorial spanned more than 27 years. In 1986, one year after being named a corporator, Ruth was elected to serve on the Board of Managers, which she did until her resignation in 2010. She served as a passionate member of the Child Care Committee from its inception in 2003 right up until her death. While on the board, Mrs. Chadwick served on the Health Services Committee from 1984 to 2003, and was the Chair from 1988 to 2003. She was a member of the Nominating Committee from 1997 to 2007 serving as Chair from 2003-2007. During her tenure on the Board, Ruth also served on two by-law review committees. Her devotion to children was most evident over the years through the many hours planning, preparing and soliciting Christmas gifts and donations for the annual Brooker Children's Christmas party. Ruth is sadly missed by all her friends and colleagues at Brooker.



Staff and Volunteers

Staff, family members, community members and community organizations generously support Brooker Memorial with their time, creativity and expertise. Our employees deserve praise for their dedication to our mission and to the children and families we serve. We thank all of Brooker's many volunteers for sharing with us their time and talents that help make Brooker Memorial a success.

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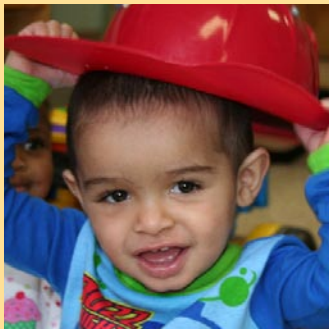
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*5+ years of service
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Staff and Volunteers

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Kevin Hayes
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Claire Tronina

CHILD CARE STAFF VOLUNTEERS

Child Care Staff volunteered their time this year to organize special projects including: Ruwet's Pumpkinville field trip, Tupperware and Mabel's Labels fundraisers, preparing Thanksgiving dinner for child care, Memorial Day float and T-shirt designs, Portrait Day and Scholastic Book Fair.

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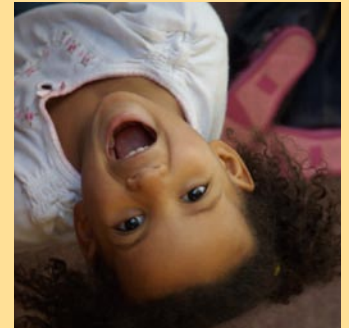
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Brooker Memorial is ever thankful for the generous support of individuals, businesses, and organizations that support our programs and the families we serve. Brooker operates as a non-profit organization with support coming from fees for child care and dental services, grants from foundations, investment income from trust funds, and donations from the community.

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Brooker works with many community and state agencies to improve the overall health and well-being of the people we serve. The following are the organizations Brooker worked most closely with this past year:

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The Center for Youth and Families
Charlotte Hungerford Hospital
Community Foundation of NW CT
Community Health and Wellness Dental Center
CT Department of Children and Families

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Fit Together
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Head Start and Early Head Start
Local Interagency Collaborating Council
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Torrington Youth Service Bureau
United Way of NW CT



BROOKER CARE CLOSET

Many families Brooker serves must make choices between buying groceries, paying the utility bills and buying needed clothes, shoes, car seats or safety gates for their children. To respond to this need, Brooker introduced the "Care Closet" in 2008. Items such as new clothing, gift cards for food and department stores can be donated to the Care Closet for distribution as needs arise.

Making a cash donation is another way to help a needy family.

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Early Learning and Child Care Center for Infants,
Toddlers, Pre-schoolers and Kindergarteners Before
and After School



Child Care Program Enrichments in Gardening,
Music and Introduction to Spanish



Children's Dental Center established in 1994
through the Generosity and Expertise of the
Temkin Family: Preventative and Restorative
Care for ages 1-20



Dental Care and Oral Hygiene Education for
Pregnant Women



Community-based Education about Dental,
Nutrition and Exercise



Founding Member of the NW Oral Health Collaborative



Kindergarten Readiness through Ready, Set, Go!
Summer Program



Family Supports: Assessment, Resource Referral
and Short-term Counseling



Behavioral Health Assessments and Referrals
through Greenwoods Counseling Referrals



Weekly Blood Pressure Screening for Seniors



Child Care and Dental Care Statistics

CHILD CARE STATISTICS

The Early Learning and Child Care Center has the capacity to serve 54 full-time children. At any time, we can serve eight infants, 16 toddlers and 30 pre-schoolers/kindergarteners.

Last year, the center enrolled 67 children-full and part-time.

We assisted 32% of enrollees with monies from our scholarship fund to help with tuition fees.

Thirty five percent of our families received tuition assistance through the CT Care 4 Kids program.

Sixty five percent paid their tuition without state assistance.

A measure of parent satisfaction with our child care programs is the number of "long-term" families we have. Five children who "aged out of our program" in August 2011 to start public

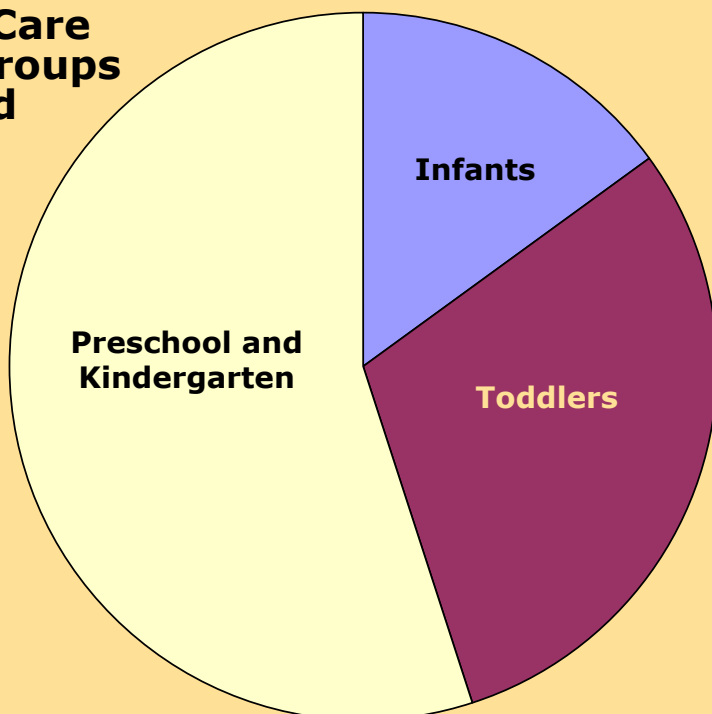
school had been at Brooker for four years or longer. We also have two families who have had multiple children enrolled over a period of twelve years!

We served families from the towns of Torrington, Winsted, New Hartford, Bristol, West Cornwall, Waterbury, Bantam, Plymouth and Harwinton.

Referrals to our Early Learning and Child Care Center come mostly from currently enrolled families. However, a growing number of agencies are acknowledging our quality program by referring families. Last year children were referred by the Torrington Board of Education, the Susan B. Anthony Project, Head Start, and the Department of Children and Families.

In response to community need, our Early Learning & Child Care Center serves a much higher proportion of infants and toddlers than other centers. The high cost of providing infant care makes it difficult for most centers to offer more than a few slots. Even with 24 spaces available for children under three, we have a waiting list.

Child Care Age Groups Served



DENTAL CENTER STATISTICS

The Dental Center, started by the Temkin Family in 1994, continues to grow and serve more children each year. In 2011-2012, 4,326 children and pregnant women were seen in our in-house dental center. Five hundred thirteen were new patients. In total, Brooker dental professionals provided 8,396 visits to these patients. Our school programs, serving

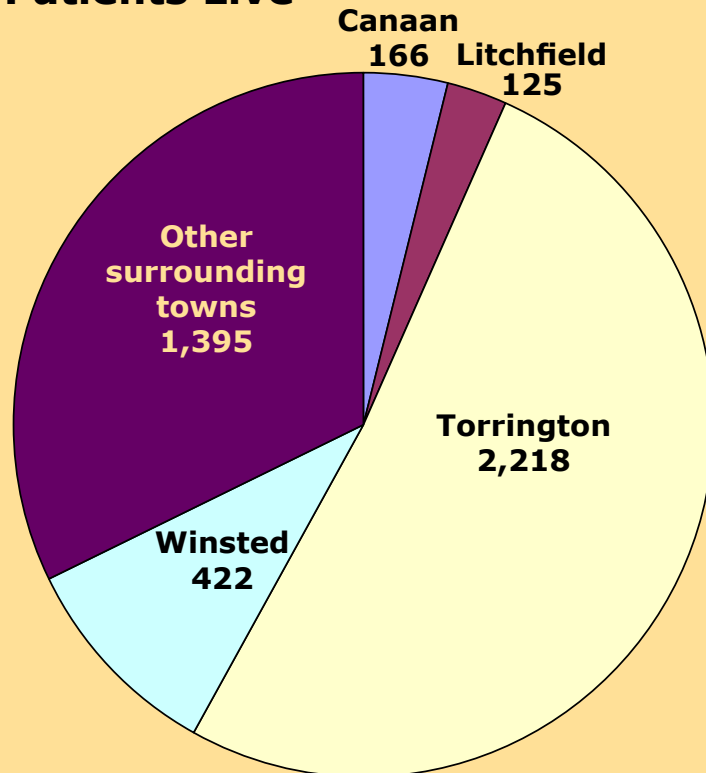
Child Care and Dental Care Statistics

Torrington and Region One schools, saw 1,034 students, providing 1,128 visits. Of these patients, 277 were new to the program.

In March 2012, Brooker logged 908 patient visits, a new record for most visits in one month.

In addition to serving children insured by Husky, Brooker provides dental care for children and pregnant women who have no dental insurance. We charge a \$10 per visit fee and donations are accepted from families who are able to contribute more. Last year \$312 was donated by dental families. The total value of the treatment beyond the \$10 fee was \$137,100. Brooker views this uncollected revenue as part of its commitment to serving the needs of the community.

Where Our Dental Patients Live



Financials

Brooker Memorial Financials (unaudited)				
	2011-2012	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009
Income from Activities	\$1,565,800	\$1,590,721	\$1,529,274	\$1,620,664
Cash Donations	28,201	29,436	20,587	28,611
Investment Income	508,453	449,106	436,550	505,306
Total Operating Revenue	\$2,102,454	\$2,069,263	\$1,986,411	\$2,154,581
Less Operating Expenses	1,627,644	1,727,329	1,639,399	1,566,415
Gain (Loss)	474,810	341,934	347,012	588,166
Plus Realized Capital Gains	188,935	638,007*	616,227*	434,607*
Total Increase	\$663,745	\$979,941	\$963,239	\$1,022,773

*gains reinvested

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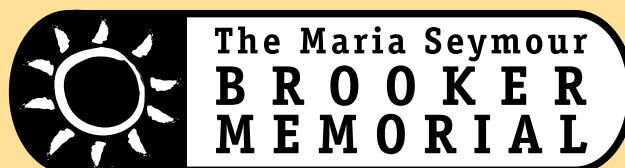


The Brooker Memorial, Inc. has been serving Litchfield County residents since 1918. Maria Seymour Brooker was a devoted mother, known in her local community, for her great love of all children. She was an early crusader of child and family supports, human services and open space for children to play.

Charles F. Brooker established the Maria Seymour Brooker Memorial in memory of his mother's "works of benevolence, aid, charity, and education to which Maria Seymour Brooker was devoted throughout her life." Early programs included housing for local nurses, a day nursery, orphanage and playground for children. Current programs continue in the tradition of services to children and their families. Brooker seeks to respond to today's needs for family support, child health and education.

Maria Seymour Brooker Memorial Mission Statement

**"To prepare children for life-long success
through education, health services,
family support and programs of excellence."**



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