

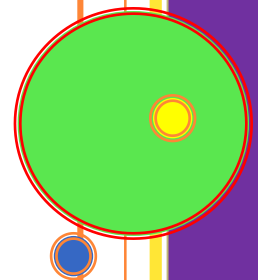


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Annual Report 2015



***“Helping Children Communicate
Better Every Day”***



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Letter from the Executive Director

A year of positive change; what a perfect way to describe 2015. From purchasing and implementing our long-anticipated practice management system, to tackling enormous national ICD-10 medical coding changes that took place in the fall, the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center navigated these changes with ease.

The Practice Management System, a tremendous change to many of our internal processes, has given us the ability to bill electronically, schedule clients from a main portal, document and analyze clinical statistics with greater specificity, and even generate reports in a more productive manner. The most important aspect however, is how these new capabilities will allow us to serve the children in our care even more efficiently, as providing quality treatment to our clients is our greatest aspiration.

Two hundred new clients from toddlers to teens received services from the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center in 2015. A total of 1,859 evaluation/therapy sessions were performed, and of these, 1,434 were provided for free or at reduced fees through the Access for Care Program. An independent audit by Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP verified the net of scholarships and fee reductions for the year at over \$120,000.

Our community Outreach Programs were robust this year as well. The Preschool Speech and Hearing Program was offered for free or reduced fees at Christ Church Episcopal Preschool, Coal Pit Language Center, Derbyshire Preschool, Grace Covenant Community Preschool, River Road Church Preschool and St. Stephens Church Preschool. We also were able to provide screenings and pure tone audiological testing to Richmond Early Head Start/Head Start Program to assist them in their early identification efforts.

Our Language and Literacy Stimulation Programs at Coal Pit Learning Center and Grace Covenant Community Preschool achieved wonderful results once again. This program provided language and literacy development to at-risk preschoolers at no charge to the parents or schools. The children in these programs received weekly intervention from our licensed and nationally certified Speech/Language Pathologists. By the end of the year, all children had a basic understanding of books, print and letters and many had an understanding of sound-letter association as well. Upon entering Kindergarten, they will now be prepared to succeed having mastered the skill sets needed to begin the journey towards reading, writing and spelling.

Finally, our Graduate Student Practicum Placement enabled two students from James Madison University to receive direct clinical supervision from our highly regarded clinical staff as a part of their University curriculum/requirements for degrees in Speech Pathology and Audiology. It

is our belief that we can broaden the impact we can have on the lives of children with communication disorders by helping to train future professionals. It is always a pleasure to work with these students, and we often find we too learn new things in the process too!

These successful programs deliver great results, but require additional financial resources. The SRCLC held several fundraisers to recoup what was written-off. Thanks to the hard work of our board of directors, staff, parents and volunteers, the total raised from these events last year was \$52,024.

The Masonic community once again provided outstanding support through donations, golf sponsorships and the Sponsor-a-Child Program. This year, twelve lodges participated in the Sponsor-a-Child Program by sponsoring one of the children receiving reduced fee treatment. These dedicated lodges helped the SRCLC recoup \$18,600 that had been written-off in fees. This program truly is a wonderful demonstration of caring and support.

It is with a heavy heart that I also must report that the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center lost one of the original members of our Board of Directors, someone who served faithfully for over two decades. George A. Page, SRCLC Treasurer and long-time friend, passed away after a brave battle with cancer. George was one of the kindest and most dedicated individuals ever to walk the Earth and he will be dearly missed by all who knew him. We will strive to honor his legacy by upholding the core values he demonstrated; unwavering commitment, compassion and the desire to serve others as we forge on into a new year.



Sincerely

Robin K. Olivier, M.S. CCC-SLP
Executive Director

Mission Statement

**“To provide speech, language and hearing services to children,
with fees based on their families’ ability to pay.”**



“Please accept this as a testimonial to the good works of the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center. Our son has been a recipient of their speech and language services for over 7 years. Therefore, we can personally attest to the progress he has made, largely through our therapist’s efforts and interest in him. Our son has blossomed from a non-verbal, young child to a somewhat confident, young teenager. His speech is highly intelligible and the weekly practice with our therapist to help him understand sarcasm and humor, along with practicing proper social skills, has helped him to be more like a “typical teen.” We feel truly blessed and lucky to be the recipients of Scottish Rite’s generosity and unparalleled speech and language services. Their commitment to our son has shaped and changed his life.”

Kim Miller, Parent

History of the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center

The Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center was founded by the Richmond Scottish Rite Organization in 1989. The Center, a 501 (c) 3 not-for-profit organization, is a pediatric speech, language and hearing clinic. The mission of the Center is to provide speech, language and hearing services to children, with fees based on a family’s ability to pay. We work with children from birth to age eighteen.

Our Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologist diagnose and treat disorders of articulation, language, voice, fluency (stuttering), hearing and auditory processing. These disorders, left untreated, may impact children medically, socially, academically, psychologically and behaviorally.

Since opening our doors in 1991, the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center has worked with 10,525 children. Many of these youngsters would not have been able to receive the treatment needed without our assistance because medical insurance does not frequently pay for communication services unless the result of an accident or traumatic injury. Thankfully, we are here to help. To date, we have provided financially assisted services in the amount of \$2,777,054. We rely on donations from individuals, businesses, organizations and foundations, as well as our own fundraising efforts to continue in our important work.

The Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center is very active in our community. We strive to develop lasting partnerships because we believe that by working together, we can improve the lives of children living in the greater Richmond area. Besides our clinic on Richmond’s north side, we offer several community outreach programs. Through our Preschool Screening Program we are able to identify children with hearing and speech problems before they reach Kindergarten. Our Language and Literacy Stimulation Program provides at-risk children at two preschool facilities intensive therapy on a weekly basis throughout the school year. Two training sessions, “Read with Me” Interactive Workshop and “If You Think There Is a Problem, There Probably Is,” is offered to teachers and caregivers at conferences and in-services. Our Graduate Student Practicum Program enables graduate students at James Madison University, University of Virginia, Longwood University and NOVA University to learn clinical skills from our seasoned professionals as a part of their University curriculum.

Clinical Statistics for 2015

Number of Children Served:	200
Number of Clinical Visits:	1,859
Number of Clinical Visits Provided for Free/Reduced Fees:	1,434
Patient Contact Hours	4,160

Additional Accomplishments in 2015

Fundraisers

- * Spaghetti Dinner and Benefit Concert
- * Eighteenth Annual Golf Tournament
- * Parent Fundraiser (Yankee Candle)
- * Annual Campaign for Children

Camps

- * Cool Kids Communicate Camp

Language and Literacy Stimulation Program Sites

- * Coal Pit Learning Center
- * Grace Covenant Community Preschool



“Addy started receiving services at the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center in the fall of 2013. When she first started speech at the SRCLC she would act like a puppy around other children because she knew she didn’t have the words to engage the other children with whom she wanted to play. But as time went on, Addy began feeling more confident in her ability to communicate. Addy now has plenty of friends, she is easy to understand and she is excited to meet new people. We are eternally grateful for all this center has done for our amazing Addy girl. Our little girl is finally able to be the child she was meant to be.”

Jennifer Cunningham, Parent

Level of Financial Assistance by Category (fees written-off in 2015)

	Part Scholarship Write-off	Full Scholarship Write-off	Insurance Write-off	Disability Write-off
Jan.	\$7,322	\$875	0	0
Feb.	\$ 6,447	\$350	\$1,602	\$ 89
Mar.	\$13,357	\$953	0	0
April	\$7,005	\$1,578	\$645	0
May	\$ 6,380	\$1,303	\$2,029	0
June	\$7,296	\$409	\$5,435	\$283
July	\$ 6,972	0	\$2,973	\$ 350
Aug.	\$5,846	0	\$4,411	\$143
Sep.	\$ 5,262	\$ 125	\$978	\$ 213
Oct.	\$5,007	\$1,454	\$3,677	\$116
Nov.	\$7,075	\$953	\$1,629	0
Dec.	\$5,986	\$4,550	\$1,683	\$23
Total	\$83,960	\$12,550	\$25,067	\$1,080

Total Write-offs: \$122,658

Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Assets Modified Cash Basis as of December 2015

Assets

Current Assets

Cash and cash Equivalents	\$1,418,232
Investments – at fair value	\$4,335,916
Land Held for Sale	\$159,833
Total Current Assets	\$5,913,981

Property and equipment – at cost

Building	\$615,022
Furniture, fixtures, office and therapy equipment	\$193,472

Less – accumulated depreciation	(\$509,899)
Property and equipment, net	\$298,595
Total Assets	\$6,212,576

Liabilities and Net Assets

Net Asset

Unrestricted – undesignated	\$4,776,380
Temporarily restricted	\$260,835
Permanently restricted	\$1,175,361
Total Liabilities and net assets	\$6,212,576

Revenue and support

Fees	\$76,081
Contributions and grants	\$137,609
Bequests	\$256,539
Fundraising	\$52,024
Investment Income	\$186,904
Realized gain on sale of investments	\$115,228
Unrealized gain on investments	(\$350,959)
Total Revenue and support	\$473,526

Expenses

Program services Speech/Language Therapy	\$315,020
General and administrative	\$208,184
Fundraising	\$5,945
Total Expenses	\$529,149

Change in net assets:

Unrestricted	\$499
Temporarily Restricted	(\$56,122)
Total Change in Assets	(\$55,623)

Net assets – beginning of year	\$6,268,199
Net assets – end of year	\$6,212,576

Grants Received

Dominion Foundation
First Presbyterian Church
Townebank Richmond Foundation
Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church

Cecil R. and Edna S. Hopkins Family
Foundation
St. Stephens Episcopal Church
The Titmus Foundation
Windsor Foundation Trust

Organizational Support

ACCA Temple Golf Club
American Legion Post 361
ARC3 Gases
AW Bennett Company, Inc.
BB&T Securities (Scott & Stringfellow)
B & J Steel Construction, Inc.
Babcock Lodge No. 322
Bennett Funeral Home
Blairs Drug Store
C.F. Sauer Foods
Center Pharmacy
Chester Lodge No. 94
Cralle Insurance Agency, Inc.
Dairy Queen Of VA, Inc.
Dillwyn Pharmacy
Discount Medical
East Coast Fresh Cuts
First Community Bank
Fisher Packaging

Fraternal Lodge No. 53
Glen Allen Lodge No. 131
Grove Avenue Pharmacy, Inc.
Harold R. Stephenson SR Association
Henrico Union Lodge No. 130
Joppa Lodge No. 40
King William Pharmacy
Knights of St. Andrew
Macoy Publishing and Masonic Supply
Martins
McGuire Park Pharmacy, Inc.
McLaughlin Furniture/Cabinet Shop
Meridian Lodge No. 284
Metropolitan Lodge No. 11
Midlothian Lodge No. 211
Miller Mechanical Inc.
Newelljim Farm
Northside Lodge No. 292
Performance Foodservice

Richmond Lodge No. 10

Richmond Scottish Rite Bodies

Ruth Chapter No. 8 Order of Eastern Star

Rx South Pharmacy

Scottish Rite Foundation of Virginia

Scottish Rite Woman's Club

State Farm

Temple Lodge No. 9

Tuckahoe Lodge No. 347

Virginia Research Lodge No. 1777

Washington and Henry Lodge No. 344

Westhampton Lodge No. 302

Westmoreland Lodge No. 212

Winters/Oliver Insurance Company

Bequests

Anonymous

The Estate of Dorothy Barton

The Estate of Marguerite L. Britton

Estate of Irvin C. Rourke

The Estate of Carl L. Taylor



"The Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center provides the one on one care that our daughter needs, and our therapist is outstanding and worked extremely well with our daughter during their sessions. She provides us homework assignments to practice with her at home as well. It feels like our weekly sessions are made just for our daughter."

Kelly Marsala, Parent

Governance

Executive Officers

J. Larry Dixon, President, CFO

Joseph A. Towler, Vice President

Robert W. Carpenter, Jr. Secretary

George A. Page, Treasurer

Directors

Brian Adams
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Wayne A. Robison, Sr.
J. Thomas Wadkins
Clarence E. Whitley
Percy Wootton, M.D (Emeritus)

Administrative and Clinical Staff

Robin K. Olivier, M.S. CCC-SLP, Executive Director

- *Non-Profit Management Certification
Virginia Commonwealth University
- *M.S. in Speech Pathology
State University of New York (Fredonia)
- *Employed at the Center for 22 years

Kathleen Lobdell, Administrative Assistant

- *Over 30 years experience in Administration/Office Management
- *Employed at the Center for 12 years

Heidi Chew, M.S. CCC-SLP

- *M.S. in Speech Pathology
James Madison University
- *Employed at the Center 13 years

Regina Dwyer-Urban, M.A. CCC-SLP

- *M.A. in Speech Pathology
University of Iowa
- *Employed at the Center for 23 years

Kathleen Edwards, M.A. CCC-SLP

- *M.A. in Speech Pathology
University of Iowa State
- *Employed at the Center for 21 year

Marilyn Tonkin-Stickler, M.A. CCC-SLP

*M.A. in Speech Pathology

Trenton State College

*Employed at the Center for 17 years

Laurie A. Clifton, Au.D. CCC-A, FAAA

*Clinical Doctorate in Audiology

University of Florida

*Employed at the Center for 20 years



"I can't even begin to express our gratitude and thankfulness for all that you have done for our family over the last year. We struggled to find our son a place for speech where he really felt comfortable and at ease and that we could afford with a single income household. We have definitely found that here at the Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center. Our son loves his speech therapist and has made great improvements over the past year and we can see how much he has changed. We are so very thankful for everyone who is able to make this therapy affordable for us. This is truly an amazing act of kindness and we appreciate it more than you will ever know.

The Fornel Family

Special Acknowledgements

The Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center would like to thank the many individuals who worked tirelessly on our committees, participate in special events and fundraisers and showed unwavering belief in our mission through the gift of their time, talents and resources.

Thank you for supporting our program.

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