

IN MEMORIAM Royal Thomas Farrow, M. D.



Dr. Roy and Anne Farrow

The unyielding force of time has taken from us a beloved physician, a man who devoted four and a half decades to the treatment of the children and youth of our community. Following his retirement in 2004, he returned as a Board Member for the Looper Speech and Hearing Center, an organization of which over forty years ago he was a co-founder.

Dr. Roy Farrow was a special breed of physician from the “old school” variety. He was thoughtful and caring concerning the anxiety of parents confronted with the illness of a child. He consistently took the time to explain his recommendations and treatment plans, and he exhibited extraordinary patience with frightened and tearful children. He approached his young patients with the knowledge that a child realizes that most adults have forgotten what it is like to be a child. This intuition provided him with the empathy to successfully relate to those under his care, including speaking in terminology understood by parents.

Some may wonder what it takes to be the consummate physician for children. Perhaps, Roy had a touch of Art Linkletter in his personality. Some will remember the Art Linkletter TV show that had one feature with the host asking children questions, and his then thoroughly enjoying their unpredictable and frequently amusing responses. Another tenable thought is the story of a little boy, Peter Pan, who never wanted to grow up. Roy Farrow was born in 1928, and Sir James M. Barrie published that same year his stage play, Peter Pan. Peter started in the play, “I’m youth, I’m Joy, I’m a little bird that is broken out of the egg.” Roy’s interaction with children displayed a positive aspect of the Peter Pan Principle. In the world of the child, I would like the spirit of Roy Farrow and Peter Pan on my side.

Roy has left a void within the medical community, and elsewhere, that cannot be filled, but the example of the way to live a fulfilling life is there for all to see and emulate within their personal abilities.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Thanks to all who were generous to support our services in 2010. We are all looking forward to what this year will bring and all we hope to achieve. The times are difficult however, we are proud to say that the programs continue to grow. Our current needs are to add another addition on the building and to replace some out-dated equipment. The Board of Directors and staff will be working together

over the next few months to determine how we are going to meet these needs. These changes will allow us to continue to provide state-of-the-art services to our community.

Change is always inevitable however; the passing of Dr. Roy Farrow has brought great sadness to us. He was a special part of Looper Speech and Hearing Center as the co-founder and an active board member. Since the center first opened its doors in September 1969, Dr. Farrow has been there. His passing is felt by those associated with Looper and all in our community. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to his wonderful wife and family.

As we continue our mission to serve - We will always be here making communication possible.

Looper Speech and Hearing Center's Fourth Annual Flower Show and Luncheon A Southern Autumn Affair October 25, 2011 ∞ The Farm



Featuring **John Grady Burns**

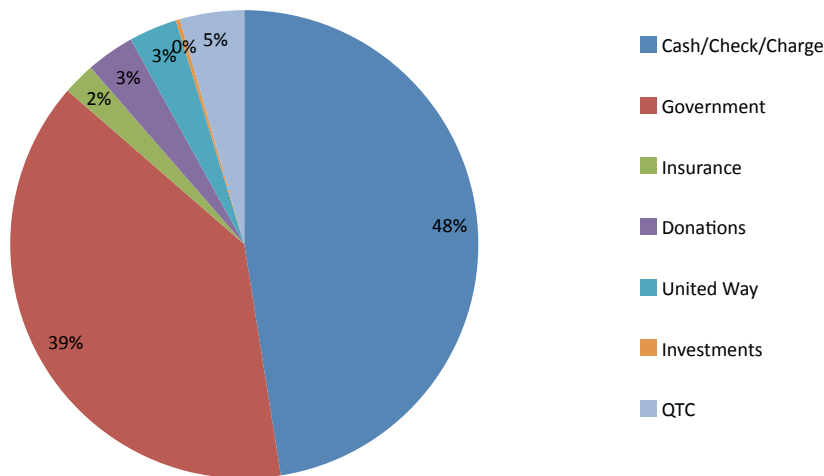
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After graduating with a BS in Horticulture and Retail Floral Management, Mr. Burns was selected to go to Washington, D.C. to work with the White House, the Blair House as well as several embassies and dignitaries. Now in Atlanta, his floral designs attract famous clients like the Ritz Carlton and the Atlanta Symphony. Mr. Burns also teaches the art of floral design at Halls Atlanta Floral Design School. He has won Best in Show, Professional Division in the Southeastern Regional Flower Show in Atlanta, and is often featured in major floral and design publications.

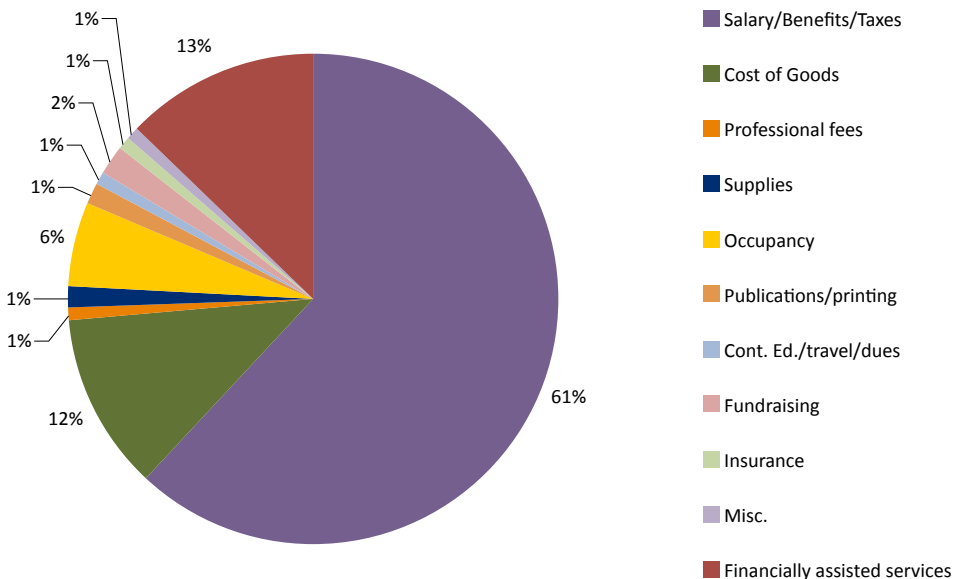
Founded in 1969, LOOPER SPEECH AND HEARING CENTER is a private, not for profit 501 (c) (3) tax exempt organization, dedicated to meeting the speech, language and hearing needs of Northwest Georgia’s children and adults. The Center is a direct service provider, an information resource center and an advocate for people of all ages who suffer from hearing loss, or have speech, swallowing and language disabilities.

Looper Speech and Hearing Center’s fiscal year is January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010. The Center has an annual audit conducted by Ethan Miller of Mann & Miller, PC, an independent auditor, and files an IRS Form 990 each year.

INCOME 2010



EXPENSES 2010



In 2010, Looper Speech and Hearing Center provided over 7633 services. Of these services, 1264 were financially assisted.

Of those served:

36% are infants or youth under age 18

30% are adults under age 65

34% are older than age 65

71% are residents of Whitfield and Murray Counties

29% are from the surrounding communities.

Income produced from Service Fees and Sales:

53% from Speech Services

19% from Audiology Services

28% from Hearing Aid Sales

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