

East Lake Summer Interns

by Divya Achtani, Bank of America Student Leader

This summer, five talented high school students from Georgia's Bank of America Student Leaders program spent eight weeks working at the East Lake Community Learning Garden and Urban Farm, experiencing firsthand how the Garden supports the East Lake Foundation's community wellness mission. These young women also enjoyed a Bank of America sponsored trip to Washington, DC where they met with other Student Leaders from around the US. The five Student Leaders, and where they'll spend the coming year included (from left):

- Divya Achtani**, Georgia Tech Honors Program, B.S. in Industrial Engineering
- Freedom Wright**, Syracuse University POSSE Scholar, B.S. in Forensic Science and Psychology
- Hannah Rull**, Hiram High School
- Katie Vogt**, University of Dayton, B.S. in Chemical Engineering
- Morgan Foreman**, Georgia Tech, B.S. in Psychology with a minor in Chemistry Pre-Med

Bank of America also generously sponsored 24 CREW Teens in the Atlanta Workforce Development Agency's summer program.



Douglas Peters, an East Lake resident who is also a Drew Charter School and CREW Teens alumnus, spent the summer working at the Foundation and at Drew Charter School. Doug was one of five college students participating in the inaugural CREW Teens Internship Program (CREWTIP) this summer. Doug completed his

undergraduate degree in three years and is currently in the final year of a masters program. He is actively involved with the 100 Black Men of Atlanta's Project Success, Pi Sigma Alpha (National Political Science Honors Society), Georgia Southern's Colleges Against Cancer, CREW Teens, and the Georgia Southern's V.A.L.U.E.S. Team. In the future, he plans to work in university student affairs and to one day serve as a college president and philanthropist.



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East Lake Foundation's Development Team is Growing

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Welcome Elizabeth Kuney, Cornesha Scott and Jessie Bond, who recently joined the Foundation's Development team.



Elizabeth Kuney, Volunteer and Special Events Manager
Elizabeth manages both the Foundation's volunteer program and special events. She was previously Business Development and Communications Manager for the Jones Day law firm. She is involved with the Corporate Volunteer Council, the Legal Marketing Association and the Junior League of Atlanta.



Cornesha Scott, Development Coordinator
Cornesha supports database management, individual giving and direct mail. She joined the Foundation in 2012 as a development intern. Cornesha is currently involved in the Nonprofit Leadership Alliance and is also pursuing her Master of Public Policy degree from Georgia State University.



Jessie Bond, Grants Manager
Jessie is responsible for research and development of grants proposals and grants reporting. She has served as a consultant to a number of nonprofits and foundations and was formerly Senior Program Officer for the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta. She recently served on the board of VOX Teen Communications and is active at North Decatur Presbyterian Church.

Please join us in welcoming these new colleagues. ■

The East Lake Foundation is nationally recognized for our holistic approach to community revitalization through support of excellent cradle-to-college education, mixed-income housing and community wellness. To find out how you can make a difference, please contact the Development department at **404-373-4351** or visit us online at **eastlakefoundation.org**.

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TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola

September 19-22, East Lake Golf Club

Golf enthusiasts head to East Lake for the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola, the finale to the PGA TOUR's FedExCup® Playoffs. Since the first TOUR Championship was held here in 1998, this signature event has raised more than \$13.25 million, including \$2.25 million contributed last year to local charities including the East Lake Foundation and The First Tee® of East Lake. Many thanks to the PGA TOUR and The Coca-Cola Company, valued East Lake Foundation partners.

She's back!

Kayla McClendon earns another ceremonial tee shot

Every year, a participant from The First Tee of East Lake has the opportunity to hit the "Hope" ceremonial first tee shot at the TOUR Championship. This young person accompanies a golfer striking the "Tradition" ceremonial first shot.

The Hope shot honor rotates each year among The First Tee's boys and girls. This year is a girl's year and Kayla McClendon, a senior at Chamblee High School, won three rounds of golf competition to earn this high-profile opportunity. Kayla is a second-time winner, having also earned the accolade in 2011.

This year, Kayla will team with PGA legend Dow Finsterwald, who will hit the Tradition shot during opening ceremonies on Thursday, September 19. ■



TOUR Championship Volunteer Tributes



Guess how many volunteers it takes to run the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola every year? More than 1,300 people from as near as the East Lake neighborhood and from as far away as Europe make up a dedicated volunteer corps that gives more than 25,000 hours of their time to ensure the event runs smoothly.

This year, volunteers have elected to give even more generously by establishing TOUR Championship Volunteer Tributes. Volunteers can make donations in honor or memory of other volunteers, and 100% of the proceeds support The First Tee of East Lake.

To make a Tribute gift, please visit our web site at www.eastlakefoundation.org or use the reply envelope included with this newsletter. Please indicate on the envelope that this is a TOUR Tribute. The East Lake Foundation thanks the TOUR Championship volunteers for helping families in East Lake build better lives and children reach their highest potential. ■



Well done, CREW Teens Graduates!



In June, current and former East Lake Foundation CREW Teens attended the annual Moving Beyond the Bridge ceremony, celebrating this year's high school graduations. The ceremony signifies the teens have successfully navigated high school and are now "moving beyond the bridge" of the CREW Teens support program. CREW Teens (Creating

Responsible, Educated, Working Teens) is a program for Drew Charter School graduates and East Lake youth that provides tools to enable students to earn high school and college degrees and successfully enter the workforce. Of course, we could not help these students succeed without the generous support of our CREW Teens partners.

Thank you to these stakeholders who made the 2012-2013 school year a success:

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The Belk Foundation
Bank of America Charitable Foundation
Elavon/US Bank
Atlanta Foundation
Turner Broadcasting System, Inc. ■

Drew Junior/Senior Academies at the Charlie Yates Campus



It was a rainy summer in Atlanta, but construction is well underway on the Drew Charter School Junior and Senior Academy facility at the Charlie Yates Campus. Students will begin the 2014-2015 school year in this facility next July.

Celebrating East Lake's Scholars

East Lake youth who are college bound or returning to college this fall are doing so with big smiles, thanks to a variety of scholarship opportunities.

Ann and Tom Cousins Scholarships

Eight graduating seniors are the newest recipients of the annual Ann and Tom Cousins Scholarships, presented in May. This year's winners are:

- **Nyesha Agee**, Maynard Jackson High School, attending the University of Georgia
- **Jay Brown**, Mays High School, attending Gordon College
- **Angell Green**, Woodward Academy, attending Georgia State University
- **Johnny Jones**, Grady High School, attending Georgia Southern University
- **George Martin**, Grady High School, attending Georgia Gwinnett College
- **Areana Pate**, Mays High School, attending Valdosta State University
- **Amber Person**, The Darlington School, attending Mercer University
- **Montavious Wright**, Grady High School, attending Georgia Southern University

Each of the eight scholars has been active in East Lake Foundation's CREW Teens program during their high school years. The scholarship winners' anticipated majors range from pharmacy and political science to physical therapy, market management, psychology and electrical engineering.

Harrison Scholars

These eight college students, who currently caddy at the East Lake Golf Club, or have caddied in the past, will have Harrison Scholarships to help support their ongoing studies at local universities. (*repeat winners)

- **Gregory Addonizio***, Kennesaw State University, Mathematics
- **Thaddius Callaway***, Georgia State University, Marketing
- **Kevin Flores**, Georgia State University, Business Administration/Managerial Science
- **Charles Hagan***, Kennesaw State, Political Science
- **Philip Hembree**, Georgia State University, Pre-Finance
- **Kyle Olson**, Georgia State University, Finance
- **Mark Putnam***, Georgia Institute of Technology, Civil Engineering
- **Anwar Raghani**, Atlanta Metropolitan College, General Studies

The Charlie Harrison Scholarship provides opportunities for employees of the East Lake Golf Club and Charlie Yates Golf Course who exemplify character, integrity and leadership. The scholarship honors Charles W. Harrison, Georgia golf legend, East Lake neighbor and dedicated instructor in The First Tee of East Lake. This year's recipients will be honored at a dinner later this year.

Gates Millennium Scholars

Kudos to CREW Teens Divine Butts and Bulmaro Espericueta, who both graduated from Maynard H. Jackson High School in Atlanta, and were among the 1,000 2013 Gates Millennium Scholars. The awards provide "good-through-graduation" scholarships which allow students to study through Ph.D. level at the college or university of their choice. Divine was also a POSSE Scholar. Congratulations to all of these talented young East Lakers. ■

Test Scores Remain Strong at Drew Charter School

All Georgia students, grades 3-8, take the Georgia Criterion Reference Competency Test (CRCT). 2013 scores reflect Drew students' impressive accomplishments and demonstrate their knowledge, proficiency and achievement. The State of Georgia's Department of Education also introduced the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) in 2013, ranking Drew's elementary grades (K-5) #1 and middle school grades (6-8) #3 in Atlanta Public Schools. Great work, Drew students, teachers and staff! ■

The percentage of Drew students (grades 3-8) who met or exceeded state standards in 2013 CRCT testing	99%	Reading
	99%	Language Arts
	98%	Math
	93%	Science
	97%	Social Studies

It's Great to Partner with Belk



The East Lake Foundation has been fortunate to have Belk, Inc. as a long-time supporter. From participating in outings with The First Tee of East Lake, to sponsoring "Ready to Work" month for our CREW Teens program to serving as the annual sponsor of Community Day during the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola (Sept. 18), Belk and its employees are actively involved in East Lake.

This summer, Belk continued its support by sponsoring an intern from Emory University's Center for Ethics. Ayanna Williams, a graduate student in the Rollins School of Public Health, dedicated over 300 hours to the East Lake Foundation's Resident & Community Support Program (RCSP). This program provides economic stability and community engagement activities to over 1,400 residents living in The Villages of East Lake. Through Belk's generosity, Ayanna was able to help make a difference in the community. Our RCSP staff enjoyed giving this rising leader a challenging hands-on work experience.

Thank you, Belk, for your enduring support of the East Lake Foundation! ■

Emory student and Belk summer intern Ayanna Williams (center) spent the summer with the East Lake Foundation's Resident & Community Support Program, including Tywonika Orum (left) and Jennifer McCrary (right).



Cheryl Lomax Named to East Lake Foundation Board

The East Lake Foundation is pleased to announce that Cheryl Lomax, Senior Vice President, Global Marketing and Corporate Affairs at Bank of America, has joined the Foundation's Board of Directors.

Ms. Lomax has been actively involved in several East Lake Foundation programs, including CREW Teens and The First Tee® of East Lake. Bank of America is a long-time supporter of the Foundation, providing funding to both the CREW Teens program and the Resident & Community Support Program at The Villages of East Lake. Bank of America is also a Founding Sponsor of East Lake Golf Club. Lomax's addition brings the Foundation's Board membership to 15.

Ms. Lomax, who is responsible for driving Bank of America's Corporate Social Responsibility Strategy in Georgia, is also a board member of True Colors Theatre, Warrick Dunn Charities and

The Atlanta Botanical Garden. A graduate of Leadership Atlanta, she is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., The Links Incorporated and Jack & Jill of America. Prior to her tenure at Bank of America, Lomax, a CPA, served 17 years at The Coca-Cola Company in various leadership positions in both finance and national sales and marketing. Lomax also served five years at Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP as Director of Marketing and Director of Community Affairs, Pro Bono and Diversity. ■



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