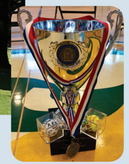
Drew Varsity Boys Golf Team Makes History





In late May, Drew Charter School's Varsity Boys Golf Team won the Class A Public State Championship, outscoring the two-time defending state champions by more than 15 strokes. They are the first Atlanta Public Schools team to win a State Championship in golf and the first all African-American team and coaches to win a State Championship in golf in Georgia.

The team included three seniors and three underclassmen, all of whom are members of The First Tee® of East Lake. All three seniors have graduated and plan to attend college. Solomon Dobbs, who has hit the ceremonial opening tee shot at the TOUR Championship twice, will attend Morehouse on a golf scholarship. Christopher McCrary will attend Georgia Tech on several academic scholarships, and Treveon McCurty will attend Savannah State University on a golf scholarship.

The team was invited to participate in Nationals in Orlando on June 27th and 28th.

The Drew Varsity Girls Golf Team advanced to the State Championship for the third consecutive year and placed 4th. Congratulations to these Drew Eagles. ■

Purpose Built Communities Opens Office in East Lake



The East Lake Foundation is thrilled to announce that our sister organization, Purpose Built Communities, has moved its office to a new building on the northeast corner of 2nd and Hosea in the East Lake neighborhood.

Purpose Built Communities was established in 2009 to help local leaders replicate the successful East Lake neighborhood revitalization model in other urban areas of concentrated poverty around the nation.

Today there are 19 other communities, including the Grove Park Foundation in Atlanta, that are successfully creating new opportunities for residents, and building strong, healthy and economically diverse communities that thrive.

If you'd like additional information on Purpose Built Communities, please visit www.purposebuiltcommunities.org. ■



TOUR Championship Moves to August

This year's TOUR Championship, the culminating event of the FedEx Cup Playoffs, will take place August 21-25, 2019 at East Lake Golf Club. The TOUR Championship is hoping that the move from September to August will heighten fan engagement and media interest and further elevate the importance of the FedEx Cup Playoffs and the TOUR Championship.

East Lake Golf Club has been the permanent home of the TOUR Championship since 2005. The tournament was first played at East Lake in 1998 and has been held at East Lake 18 times since then.

The East Lake Foundation is honored to be the primary beneficiary of this great sporting event. In addition to the East Lake Foundation, the TOUR Championship supports two additional neighborhood-based nonprofit organizations in Atlanta, the Grove Park Foundation and Purpose Built Schools Atlanta, and The First Tee® of Metro Atlanta.

The 2018 TOUR Championship raised $1.9 million to support the mission of the East Lake Foundation.

The East Lake Foundation is grateful for the golf fans, PGA TOUR players, the PGA TOUR, the Coca-Cola Company, Southern Company, and the thousands of volunteers who make the tournament possible each year.

To purchase tickets, please visit http://bit.ly/TOURChamp2019. ■

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Columbia Residential Breaks Ground on The Villages of East Lake Phase III

Earlier this summer, Columbia Residential, in partnership with the East Lake Foundation and CF Foundation, broke ground on The Villages of East Lake Phase III, a new mixed-income apartment complex in the East Lake neighborhood.

This new development will provide affordable housing options for families and furthers the East Lake Foundation's goal to broaden its impact in the East Lake neighborhood and at Charles R. Drew Charter School.

This state-of-the-art 108-unit complex is being built behind the Publix at East Lake facing Fayetteville Road. It will include 1, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments, a community room and other amenities. 70% of the apartments will be rented at an affordable rate to families who earn 60% of area median income (AMI) and below, including 20% of the units at 50% of AMI and below. Construction is scheduled to be completed by Spring of 2020. ■

The East Lake Foundation is nationally known for its integrated approach to community revitalization that focuses on three pillars: **cradle-to-college education**, **mixed-income housing** and **community wellness**. The Foundation serves as the lead organization working closely with its partners within and across these pillars to benefit our youth and their families. To make a donation, call **404.373.4351** or visit **eastlakefoundation.org.**

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Drew Charter School Graduates the Class of 2019

By Solomon Simmons, Drew Charter School - Class of 2017 and East Lake Foundation Intern





On May 18th, Charles R. Drew Charter School graduated its third senior class, which included my brother, James Simmon. As a member of the Class of 2017, it was interesting to be on the other side of stage watching my brother and his class accept their diplomas and turn their tassels. The Class of 2019 was an exceptional group of students. Fortunately, I had the chance to get to know many of them through James. With the highest GPAs in Drew's history, acceptances to more than 110 colleges and universities, scholarship offers of more than $12 million and interest in fascinating careers, it is no surprise that these Drew Eagles were dubbed by Don Doran as Drew's "Best Class Ever." I'm proud to see that the Class of 2019 has continued to fly higher, especially my brother who hopes to be a commercial pilot. ■

Drew Charter School Names Peter McKnight New Head of School

By Solomon Simmons, Drew Charter School - Class of 2017 and East Lake Foundation Intern



On July 1st, following the retirement of Don Doran, Peter McKnight became Charles R. Drew Charter School's second Head of School.

Mr. McKnight served as Drew Charter School's Senior Academy founding principal since 2013. In addition to his deep commitment to Drew's mission and students, he has implemented a rigorous STEAM and Project-Based Learning and has had tremendous success leading his team, establishing relationships with students and families and meeting the varying needs of his students.

Prior to joining Drew Charter School, Mr. McKnight worked as a teacher at South Atlanta High School and later founded and led the South Atlanta School of Law and Social Justice. Mr. McKnight has Bachelor of Arts degrees in Religious Studies and Mathematics from the University of North Carolina.

The East Lake Foundation congratulates Mr. McKnight on his new role at Drew Charter School. ■

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Drew Recognizes the Ann and Tom Cousins, Eva Davis and Rc Pruitt Scholars





Nine Drew Charter School graduates are the newest recipients of the Ann and Tom Cousins Scholarship. The Cousins Scholarship is presented by the East Lake Foundation to Drew students who demonstrate academic excellence and active leadership in the community. Each of these students will receive a $5,000 scholarship annually, renewable for their four years in college.

2019 Ann and Tom Cousins Scholars:

- Zakia Tookes
- Peyton Rodgers
- Victoria Nunnally
- Rashan Schoffner
- Ivy Diamond
- Keiarra Bray
- Haley Whetstone
- Christopher McCrary
- Niara Botchwey

The Eva Davis Empowerment Scholarship, launched in 2018, is awarded to ten deserving Drew Charter School seniors each year. Named in honor of the late Eva Davis, this scholarship is awarded to students who demonstrate academic excellence and promise and are engaged in a meaningful way in the Drew Charter School community. Each of these students will receive a $3,000 scholarship annually, renewable for their four years in college.

2019 Eva Davis Empowerment Scholars:

- Chase Porter
- Joseph Daniel
- Kaylah Richards
- Jaydin Beasley
- Autumn Linsey
- Omyah Royals
- Aleshia Evers
- Chelsea Cole
- Joshua Smith
- Suhayla Abdullah

This year, the Foundation was proud to announce the Rc Pruitt Scholarship. This scholarship is named in honor of Rc Pruitt, a pillar in the East Lake community and the former Senior Vice President of Operations and Executive Director of the East Lake Family YMCA. This scholarship is presented to one student each year who demonstrates academic achievement, civic leadership and healthy living. The winner receives a $3,000 scholarship annually renewable for his/her four years in college.



2019 Rc Pruitt Scholar

- Trinity Mosely

Interested in supporting Drew Charter School's College and Career Readiness Program? Contact Chad Cox at 404-974-4514 or ccox@eastlakefoundation.org. ■



2018 Annual Report

The East Lake Foundation is proud to present our first-ever online annual report. To view the report, please visit https://2018.eastlakefoundation.org/. The East Lake Foundation's work would not be possible without your generous support and commitment to our work. Thank you.

Start: ME East Lake Celebrates Fifth Graduating Cohort



In its fifth year, Start:ME East Lake graduated its 2019 cohort including 14 entrepreneurs. The program, a partnership with Social Enterprise @ Goizueta at Emory University, Access for Capital for Entrepreneurs (ACE) and the East Lake Foundation supports cohorts of small business in the East Lake and Kirkwood neighborhoods.

The 14-session program offers business training, mentorship support and early-stage financing as the entrepreneurs work to develop sustainable businesses. Entrepreneurs support one another while competing for peer-selected seed investment grants from a $10,500 pool.

This year's Start:ME Entrepreneur Showcase and Graduation was held on April 9th at the Goizueta Business School in Atlanta. The event featured food and beverage sourced from Start:ME alumni, pitch presentations from top ventures, and grant investment award announcements.

The following Start:ME East Lake entrepreneurs were selected to receive grants to help grow their businesses:

Start:ME Growth Grants of up to $4,500

- **David Sessions** of Peach State Pressure Wash
- **Keith Forrester** of Poppa Corn's Gourmet Popcorn

Start:ME Growth Grants of up to $1,500

- **Joi Faison Saleem** of Doorway
- **Sheldon Prescott and Naima Smart** of Tidy Tooty

Community Impact and Peer-of-the-Year Grants of $500

- **Brittany Sapp** of Bsapp's Transition Services
- **Josh Bennett** of Bennett's Accounting Services

Since its inception, Start:ME programs in East Lake, Clarkston and the Southside Atlanta have supported more than 200 local businesses and awarded 57 working capital investments in the form of loans and grants. Start:ME has also engaged more than 75 volunteer mentors with significant professional business and/or entrepreneurial experience to provide critical support for entrepreneurs participating in the program.

Contact Joi Jackson, Special Programs and Partnerships Manager at the East Lake Foundation for more information please contact jjackson@eastlakefoundation.org or 404-974-4507. ■

PARTY on the Green

Party on the Green Raises a Record $1 Million for Early Childhood Education





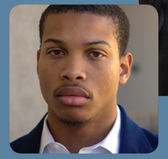
The East Lake Foundation's 3rd Annual Party on the Green, held on May 4, 2019 at East Lake Golf Club, raised a record $1 Million to support East Lake's Early Childhood Education Initiative. Presented by Cox Enterprises, Inc., the event honored Billy and Martha Payne for their philanthropic commitment to East Lake and for partnering with Tom and Ann Cousins to bring the TOUR Championship to East Lake in 1998.

Highlights from this special night included a video tribute for Billy and Martha (http://bit.ly/POTGTribute), remarks from Drew Charter School alumna Janaye Brown, and a Jack Daniels tribute a toast to Billy Payne. More than 500 guests attended the event led by Honorary Chairs Barbara and Vince Dooley, Corporate Co-Chairs Lee and John McColl and Mary and Charlie Yates, Patron Co-Chairs Pam and Rob Johnston, Alice Ann and Pat Battle and Kelly and Lee Styslinger, and Board Chairs Erika and Jimmie James.

Thanks to all our corporate and patron sponsors and attendees for making this year's Party on the Green a spectacular event. Plans are already underway for next year's event. For more information on Party on the Green, visit our website www.eastlakefoundation.org. ■

East Lake Foundation Welcomes Summer Intern and Bank of America Student Leaders!





The East Lake Foundation is proud to host Solomon Simmons, an East Lake resident and Drew Charter School Alumnus from the Legacy Class of 2017, as our summer intern. Solomon attends Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) and is studying Film/Television and photography. He plans to be an actor, writer and director in the film industry and has already had his debut role on the show Atlanta by Donald Glover. This summer he has been working with Foundation staff members across several initiatives and has been a tremendous asset to the team. As part of his internship, two articles in this edition of our Community Vision newsletter were written by Solomon.

For the seventh year, the Foundation welcomes our Bank of America Student Leaders. The Bank of America Student Leaders Program recognizes and rewards high school juniors and graduating seniors for their passion and commitment to community service by placing them in paid internships across the U.S. The East Lake Foundation is thrilled to have five student leaders this summer. These talented students will be working with several East Lake Initiative partners, including Drew Charter School and the East Lake Family YMCA.

- **Luci Allen** – Luci will attend the University of Alabama in the fall where she would like to major in business and pursue a career in non-profit management.
- **Kennedy Head** – Kennedy is a rising senior at McEachern High School. She would like to be a nurse specifically working in Labor and Delivery and is testing this summer for her nursing assistant certification.
- **Michelle Ramrez** – Michelle will attend Texas A & M in the fall, as Posse Scholar, and would like to enter the world of politics.
- **Aleisha Sawyer** – Aleisha is a rising senior at Westlake High School. She would like to be an engineer in transportation research and science, open her own school of the arts and enter the world of politics.
- **Rashan Schoffner** – Rashan is a graduate of Drew Charter School's Class of 2019. He is a Cousins Scholar and will attend Howard University in the fall with hopes of becoming a film director and producer. ■

The First Tee® of East Lake and The First Tee® of Atlanta Combine to Create The First Tee® of Metro Atlanta

On July 1st, The First Tee® of East Lake and The First Tee® of Atlanta combined to create The First Tee® of Metro Atlanta. The consolidated organization significantly broadens the impact of the program throughout Metro Atlanta by increasing program locations and offering expanded golf and life-skills programming opportunities for youth participants.

The First Tee® of Metro Atlanta will have 8 program locations including John A. White Park Golf Course in SW Atlanta and Charlie Yates Golf Course in East Atlanta. The organization will serve 8 counties including Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett and Henry.

The First Tee® of Metro Atlanta will serve approximately 145,000+ participants in 2019 including 1,300 in its Life Skills Education Program (Green-Grass), 1,000 in the after-school DRIVE (Develops Rewarding, Inspiring Values for Everyone) program and over 137,000 in the National Schools Program (NSP).

For more information on The First Tee® of Metro Atlanta, please contact Marvin Hightower at 404-756-1868 or mhightower@thefirstteeatlanta.org. ■