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Portrait of Georgia Watson Lee Brown and Georgia Doremus Watson Craven and the rest of their classmates standing together for their eighth grade class picture, in 1919.



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SCHOLARS' & ALUMNI DAY



The Watson-Brown Foundation hosted its annual Scholars' Day event on May 13, 2017, to honor the newest scholarship recipients. This fall semester, 232 new scholars will attend forty-five different colleges and universities across the country, some as far away as the University of Southern California! There are also Watson-Brown scholars bridging out and attending new colleges, such as Florida A&M University, University of Buffalo, Palm Beach Atlantic University, and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. These new scholars will be joining our 672 current recipients.

The foundation received roughly 1,100 applications from the designated eighteen counties of Georgia and South Carolina. New recipients averaged a 1300 SAT score (combined math and verbal) and a 27 ACT composite score. Scholars come from a variety of backgrounds and will be pursuing a variety of majors, such as computer science, journalism, business, environmental science, culinary arts, and many more.

Staff of the Watson-Brown Foundation was given a bit of a scare by the initial weather, as the day started off with heavy storms. Fortunately, the rain let up for a few hours and allowed everyone to have a great time. After arriving and having their pictures taken, scholars and their families enjoyed refreshments. Shortly after, Matthew Marciano, the Director of Scholarships, addressed those gathered with a brief overview of the scholarship requirements, some general tips for school, and some fun statistics about the newest recipients. Tad Brown, President of the Watson-Brown Foundation, followed up with a general history of the Foundation, which included a slideshow of relevant pictures. Following the presentations, a group photograph was taken on the front steps of Hickory Hill.

Congratulations to the 2017–2018 Watson-Brown Foundation scholarship recipients. Welcome to the family!

The Foundation will award around 230 new scholarships for the 2018–2019 academic year. Current high school seniors and college undergraduates from eighteen counties in Georgia and South Carolina are eligible to apply. The online application will be available September 11, 2017 at www.watson-brown.org/scholarship and is due by February 15, 2018. For more information please contact the Foundation at 706-595-8886 or visit www.watson-brown.org.









MISTY OUYANG



CAMPUS NOTES



Watson-Brown Scholars in Action

Misty Ouyang, Boston University, Freshman: “When speaking about college, many people have said to me, ‘You will most likely change your major.’ Although I was uncertain about what career I ultimately wanted for the future, I did not think that statement would apply to me. I started college, confident that I would remain a psychology major on the pre-medical track. But as I journeyed through my first semester and braved the struggle that was chemistry, I realized that being a doctor was not necessarily what I wanted. I still did not know what it was exactly that I did want by the time the semester was over, but I knew that being a physician was not for me. It terrified me that I no longer was certain about what I wanted to pursue, so I decided to visit my school’s center for career development to make an appointment with a career advisor. After a few meetings and assessments, I was able to figure out a sense of what I valued and what type of career would suit my personality and skills. From this, I began to explore the different aspects of my psychology major

more, investigating the career fields of behavioral therapy and clinical psychology. I even looked into transferring into my school’s Sargent College of Rehabilitation into the Behavior and Health major and in the School of Education at the Emotional and Behavioral Challenges in Schools minor. When the end of the second semester was nearing, I became stressed because I was not sure what I was going to be doing in the summer. I had already gotten a volunteer position at the hospital in my hometown, but I wanted to explore a different field. Luckily, in the BU Red Cross Facebook group, someone had posted a flyer for a camp counselor position at Camp Ramapo, a summer camp for children with behavioral and social needs. Because I wanted to explore behavioral therapy as a possible career or maybe even education, I applied for the job. Recently, I have been offered a job as a counselor in their arts center! This summer, I will be spending nine weeks in New York working with children with autism and other disorders, and I believe this will be a truly life-changing experience for me. I know that



ultimately, I want to work with children, and I hope that by working at this camp, I will get closer to knowing what I want to do in the future.”

David Stoner, Harvard University, Sophomore: “The academic year has been amazing! As a sophomore, I continued to challenge my limits and explore my passions for mathematics and computer science. I’ve thoroughly enjoyed collaborating with other

students in these areas. This past semester, I collaborated with two colleagues in a graduate CS course to research and write a paper regarding some original results in the similarity search problem. This experience reinforced my resolve to pursue a career in academia!

"I also acquired a lot of teaching experience this past year, at both the group and individual levels. During the winter, I worked as an instructor at the A-Star math competition preparation camp. I also started tutoring students in mathematics long-distance this past semester, via Skype and phone meetings. These were valuable jobs for me; I enjoyed working with the students on mathematical techniques and ideas, and helping them develop stronger intuitions.

"This coming summer, I'm looking forward to researching mathematics at the 2017 REU in the University of Minnesota, Duluth. There, I hope to acquire more experience in the fields of combinatorics and number theory as I work alongside fellow aspiring mathematicians.

"I am incredibly grateful for the Watson-Brown Foundation Scholarship's support in my academic pursuits, and I look forward to pushing my boundaries during my remaining years at Harvard!



Edwin Franco, University of South Carolina, Junior: "My junior year has been the best year in my college career. I started the 2016 fall semester with a flight to Paris to study abroad. I studied abroad in Paris until December in the American Business School of Paris, where I learned all about different economies of the world, international finances, and intercultural studies. I became friends with many people from all across the world and learned a great deal about the French culture and also about the cultures of many other places in Europe and the world. This was partly due to the Watson-Brown

scholarship I have been receiving.

"When I started my 2017 spring semester I came back very focused on my studies and was able to receive a 3.963 GPA for the semester. I did very well in school but I also did well in my life overall. I became friends with a lot of professional people, and I have now expanded my network to an unlimited reach. I am also looking into various internships at various banks. The Watson-Brown Scholarship has helped me focus on my goals and a little bit less on the financial side of my college experience."

Hannah Steele, Toccoa Falls College, Freshman: "In the past year, my life has changed drastically. I have found who I am as an individual and have come to understand how my life has the power to make the lives of others better. I have found joy in the midst of papers and deadlines through the encouragement of friends and the support of family. I have learned the importance of respect, scheduling, and even doing laundry. I have gained experience in leadership and serving others through my involvement in Student Government and Resident's Life with my dorm. I have begun to see life through a different perspective; one that does not take the small gifts of life for granted and who is confident in who she is. College has taught me that even in the hard times there is always hope for tomorrow, and as I step out in faith there is always a great reward. I have discovered the importance of family when



being away from home, how to multi-task, and a hundred different ways to cook ramen noodles. College has provided me with an outlet for expressing myself and pursuing my passion: people. I am truly blessed to be where I am after a year of hard work, learning, and growth, and can only look forward to the future with enthusiasm and excitement."

Hayle Thomas, College of Charleston, Sophomore: "This semester was tough, and I am proud that I made it through intact. From working in my school's Writing Lab to deciding to study abroad in Spring 2018, this semester was very hectic.





MARGARET HUFF

“This semester, I decided to start planning my semester-long residency in Germany. Last summer, I participated in a study abroad program that traced the Holocaust throughout Germany, Poland, and Ukraine. It was on this trip that I discovered my love of European history and culture. By deciding to pick up a double major in History and German, I hopefully will be able to increase my knowledge and understanding of European affairs. However, my primary accomplishment was my contribution to research associating the Spanish Influenza outbreak of 1918. Along with nine other students, we scoured the archives of Charleston and beyond to craft a new perspective on the disease, while simultaneously advancing our knowledge in historical research. This newfound love of archival materials has led me to participate in a Summer internship at the Medical College

of South Carolina’s Waring historical archives. Nonetheless, I will also continue to work in my school’s Writing Lab helping students craft their own research and narrative writings, as well as take two summer history courses. I can’t wait to see what else this summer and coming fall semesters have in store for me.”

Margaret Huff, Anderson University, Junior: Spring semester was a very challenging semester, both academically and personally. As I am graduating in three years instead of four, this semester was the one in which I had to make all my post-undergraduate plans. I decided that I want to pursue a Master’s in Speech Pathology at the University of Chapel Hill. As this was a big decision and a school that requires strenuous prerequisites, I have been doing everything possible to make sure that I will get in. In my

major, I have started to do more psychology research than ever before. Alongside my professor, I have started a project that will take a year to complete. The project is on birth order and dating, and I hope to present it at a conference in Portland, Oregon, next spring. This was also a year in which I started working a job along with taking classes. This has been hard but proven to be a great opportunity for me to get real-world experience that aids my classroom learning. Furthermore, I have started an organization in my school that studies how those with mental illness view religion. I am very excited to see this club take off, and how it will shape my fellow psychology major friends in our future plans to deal with those that have mental illnesses. For the summer, I am working at the YMCA, and I will be spending my spare time working on my research project paper!”



GUSTAVO CERVANTES

Gustavo Cervantes, University of Georgia, Freshman: “When describing my college experience to friends from high school, the one word that I use to sum it all up is ‘blessing.’ I have been incredibly excited to participate in the student culture and academic community of the University of Georgia, and it has truly opened up more doors than I ever would have anticipated in my entire life. Among an exciting admission to the University of Georgia Honors Program and participation in exciting academic extracurriculars and making the dean’s list both semesters, I have finished out my first year at the University of Georgia in a positive stride, as a person and a student.

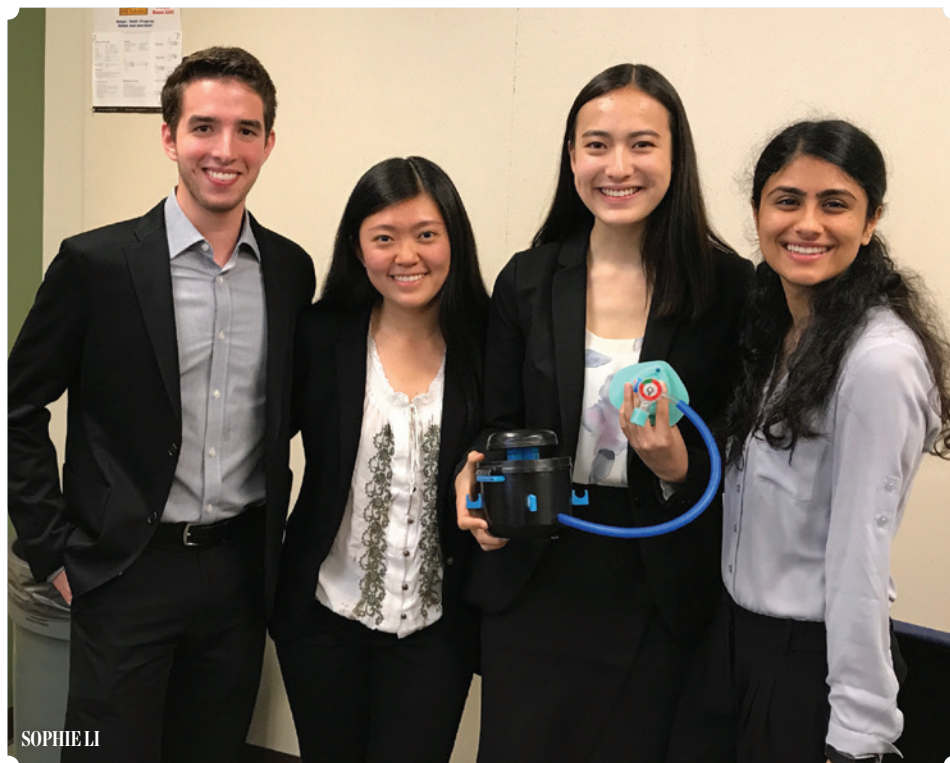
“I believe that as person I respond to academic situations well because I have a strong desire to grow and learn. This has led me to participate in various activities here at the college a little bit off the beaten path, involving myself in clubs such as the Public Relations Student Society of America and the University of Georgia Model United Nations team, and attending such events as debates at the Demosthenian Literary Society. Partaking in such a variety of environments has let me feel as though I am getting a full college experience, because I have been able to expand my worldview by participating in such a variety of academic cultures. I particularly enjoyed being able to get straight into publications experience by writing for the Publications Committee of Public Relations Student Society of America; I also was extremely excited to have a paid trip to Chicago with the University of Georgia Model UN team, where I got to compete against some of the greatest schools in the nation including Notre Dame and Harvard University.

“As I get closer and closer to achieving my pragmatic college goals of entering Grady college as a Public Relations major and also making sure I have the chance to do an fulfilling internship, I hope to also progress my own personal understanding of the career world and convince myself that I have the potential to be a professional, while at the same time feel positive about the career opportunities that await me in the future. It has been a pleasure to participate in an academic culture that I never could have foreseen, and I hope to finish it in a healthy, productive, and meaningful way.”

Ashleigh Harris, Georgia Southern University, Sophomore: “This has possibly been the best year at Georgia Southern so far. This year, I have been selected as a member of the SOAR team, which is Georgia Southern’s orientation team, and honestly it’s been the best experience of my life. Not to mention, this was my first year on leadership for the Southern Pride Colorguard, and, although it will be my last year, it was probably one of the most rewarding experiences. I also marched a winterguard in Atlanta named Reverie 2, and I learned so much about this sport that I really love. We got first place at SAPA Championships! The icing on the top of the cake was this was my first year married to another Watson-Brown Recipient, Raymond Harris.”



Sophie Li, Georgia Institute of Technology, Junior: “This semester, I have spent a good portion of my time researching in the Davis Lab as a Petit Undergraduate Research Scholar in order to develop a bioink that is suitable for 3D printing functional, patient-specific aortic valves for pediatric patients. I will be working full-time on this project throughout the summer. I also worked on a semester-long team project to redesign the neonatal bag-valve-mask resuscitator as part of the biomedical engineering curriculum. My team chose to redesign this device in order to make it more suitable for long-term use in developing countries, where birth asphyxia is one of the leading causes of infant mortality. I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Watson-Brown Foundation for giving me the opportunity to freely devote my time to such meaningful projects without having to worry about the burdens of paying for my college education.”



SOPHIE LI



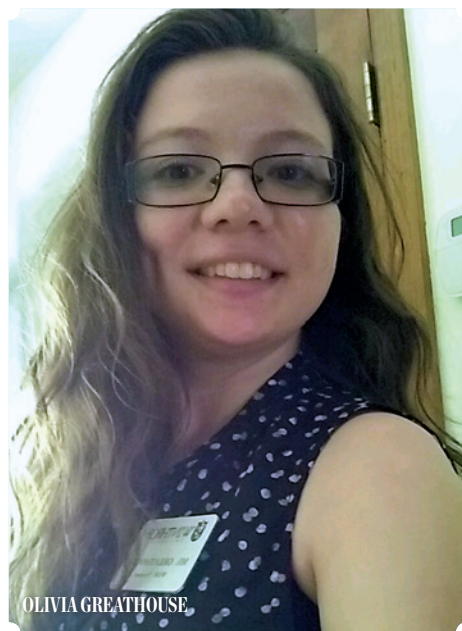
Brandon Bolton, University of South Carolina, Junior: "This year has been an eventful one because I actually got into the core of chemical engineering. The workload has increased substantially, however it is what I'm interested in. It is very satisfying to figure out a really hard engineering problem because it just makes so much logical sense and lets you know that you are starting to understand how all these classes start intertwining. In fact, the application of all of my knowledge gained so far was applied to my 2016 CEINT REU at Carnegie Mellon University, studying the application of metal oxide nanomaterials for enhanced removal of viruses in drinking water. This summer I will be working with Dr. Dumesic at the University of Wisconsin-Madison on further research on catalysis. On top of all of my research endeavors, I'm President of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE), which has been quite the experience interacting with my fellow engineers. I've thrown numerous socials, professional development talks, and community service events to help make the chemical engineers at USC a well knitted community. It has been such an adventure to get to know all the great people in chemical engineering and be able to make a difference in their college."

Olivia Greathouse, Winthrop University, Freshman: "College has been one of the greatest experiences for me, as it has been able to help me find out who I really am and what I would like to do in the future. During my first semester, I decided to add on a major, Spanish, to add along with my mathematics major. I plan to teach in both areas in the future and would like to learn

as much as possible in both areas during my college career before going out and teaching students about how wonderful these areas are in terms of their futures.

"I think what has surprised me the most about college is the amount of independence I had, despite the expectations given. I had the freedom to do what I wished, but I also had classes to attend and grades to make in order to keep all the scholarships I had. I made sure that my scholarships covered all the expenses I would have going to college, and I was going to make sure to keep them as well. I have successfully done so and currently have over a 3.9 GPA, of which I am proud.

"I also have served as a tutor over the course of my spring semester, which allowed me to work with students and learn how to go backwards in my current knowledge in



order to help other students be as successful as they possibly could be. The tutoring has further confirmed my desire to be an educator and help other students.

"After the spring semester was over, I got the opportunity to work as an intern for a program that provides an initiative for STEM educators. During this internship, I got to work with students in middle school and high school classrooms and did some independent research with a research mentor. The experience gave me new friends, knowledge, and a more heartfelt outlook on education.

"Now that the summer is here, I will go to South Korea for a few weeks to visit family that I have never met before, which is extremely exciting. I appreciate all the opportunities that have been given to me and cannot wait to see what else is in store!"

Gabrielle Connor, University of South Carolina Aiken, Freshman: "My first year of college was a very memorable experience. Never have I consumed so much Starbucks and pizza before in my life! Despite my poor diet, my first year was great. I learned so much about college life, myself, and even chemistry! All three of these learning experiences lead me to change my major from engineering to chemistry after just the first semester. Today, because of the hard work and dedication, I am now the proud recipient of the Outstanding Freshman Student in Chemistry Award at my university!"

JOSEPH BALDWIN



Alumni Spotlight

BY SHANNON FRIEDMANN HATCH

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Most times when Joseph Baldwin is in the car, he rolls the windows down, takes in the breeze, and clears his mind. No music, just wind and the sounds of the city. Passing cars vibrate with the voices and beats flowing through their speakers, windows up containing the acoustics and creating mini mobile sound studios.

These days, Joseph drives the streets of Champaign, Illinois. He moved to the Midwestern town, which is about one hour north of Chicago, two years ago to pursue his Doctor in Musical Arts degree with a focus on Choral Conducting. While he is a baritone, he more often than not takes a different role on stage: Joseph is a conductor.

With their backs to the audience like pre-Vatican priests, conductors set the tempo and interpret the score. Their arm movements are as purposeful as ground-control agents directing planes but also as graceful as dancers' sweeping through choreography. "Someone once told me that once you get bit by the conducting bug, good luck from there," he said.



Joseph first formally tried his hand as a conductor during his undergraduate studies at Northwestern University. "As a high schooler, I had straddled leadership and music," Joseph said of his early interests. He wasn't sure if he wanted to be president or a pianist. His piano teacher in his hometown of Washington, Georgia, had mentioned Northwestern at one point, as the school offered a dual bachelor of arts/bachelor of music degree. "I could play with what it felt like to be in both worlds at a

world-class level," he said. But once he took a class in conducting, he knew he had found his niche. "It was the best combination of my two passions."

After graduating with his bachelor of music from Northwestern, Joseph enrolled at the University of Michigan, where he pursued his master's degree studying conducting in more depth. While in Detroit, he worked with an arts leader and philanthropist to start the Community Chorus of Detroit, his first outside gig.



“Being a part of the Watson-Brown Junior Board opened me up to the good that one can do. I am so grateful for that experience.”



Joseph was its founding artistic director and conductor. “Now, it’s a thriving part of the Detroit arts scene,” he says.

As he was finishing up his master’s coursework, he came across an amazing opportunity—the Iva Dee Hiatt Distinguished Assistant Director of Choral Activities and Lecturer in Music—at Smith College. Although he was only 23, he was hired as a professor. The three-year position was nonrenewable but it opened the door to amazing experiences: traveling to London and France to research the roots of choral music, conducting at Songfest at Los Angeles’s Colburn School of Music, “one of the world’s preeminent singing schools,” Joseph said. He conducted at music festivals in Oregon and the Berkshires. He reflected

on his time at Smith, “I thrived musically, personally, and professionally.”

Deciding to tackle his doctorate and become a student again was “a huge about-face,” Joseph said. But he knew that the University of Urbana-Champaign was the right fit, mainly because it gave Joseph the chance to grow under his mentor, conductor Andrew Megill, who had just been hired to take over the historic, great choral program.

Now that his coursework is complete, Joseph is dividing his time between his dissertation research—a project on the effect of yoga on conductors—and his full-time job working in admissions and public engagement at the music school. He also recently accepted the position of music director with the Baroque Artists of

Champaign-Urbana (BACH), the leading choral group outside of the University. “I’m excited for the opportunity to have a creative outlet,” he said.

To be an exceptional conductor, one has to be an excellent communicator and expert listener. But there’s also a bit of the supernatural, being able to sense what the musicians need in any given moment. “When I’m conducting, I get both lost in the music and I’m very present. There’s a psychology and sociology to helping the people in front of me express themselves,” he said. “The people who I admire most are servant leaders who live for collaboration—there’s something very unique and beautiful about getting everyone on the same page.”

2017–2018

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 Key, Shelby Thomson, GA
 White, Lacey Augusta, GA

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 Mills, Kaitlyn Augusta, GA
 Odom, Cayla Aiken, SC
 Tarver, Roysheda Augusta, GA

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 Lambert, Hayley Augusta, GA
 Thomas, Jasmine Augusta, GA

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 West, Lauren Inman, SC

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 Coon, Sierra Martinez, GA
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 Epps, Casey Thomson, GA
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 Garner, Steven Augusta, GA
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 Wilson, Shelby Harlem, GA

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Genis, Salma Greenville, SC



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Camp, Lacey Landrum, SC
McCoy, April Augusta, GA
Stafford, Haley Louisville, GA
Vasquez, Olivia Grovetown, GA

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Zhang, Yuqing Simpsonville, SC

Boston University

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Ouyang, Misty Augusta, GA

Brewton-Parker College

Parrish, Caitlyn Appling, GA
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Brigham Young University

Higgins, Hyrum Blythe, GA

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Dossaji, Huzefa Spartanburg, SC
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Finger, Maryanne Greenville, SC
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Fitch, Sydney Campobello, SC
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Fritz, Brittany Simpsonville, SC
Frost, Stephen Aiken, SC
Gantt, Christopher Simpsonville, SC
Garrison, Samuel Simpsonville, SC
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Goodman, Khalil Duncan, SC

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 Greene, Chavah Aiken, SC
 Hardy, William Graniteville, SC
 Hawes, Russell Simpsonville, SC
 Haynes, Cory Greer, SC
 Hook, Sydney Taylors, SC
 Hunter, Gregory Spartanburg, SC
 Huskey, Timothy Chesnee, SC
 Iseman, Nicholas Evans, Georgia
 Jackson, Joshua Greenville, SC
 Joines, Ashley Greer, SC
 Jolly, Margaret Edgefield, SC
 Kaplun, Sergey Boiling Springs, SC
 Kaur, Navpreet Duncan, SC
 Kisby, Ruth Greer, SC
 Kitchings, MarCaysia New Ellenton, SC
 Klein, Zachary Aiken, SC
 Layden, Courtney Aiken, SC
 Lewis, Eliza Graniteville, SC
 Lipe, Isaac Simpsonville, SC
 Liu, JueJie AIKEN, SC
 Macias, Michiko Beech Island, SC
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WHO KILLED TOM COBB?



BY SAMUEL N. THOMAS, JR.

Nearly every scholar of the Civil War knows that Thomas R.R. Cobb died in December 1862 at the battle of Fredericksburg. Most scholars even know that he died while organizing and directing the defense of the stone wall. But what most scholars do not know is *how* Tom Cobb was killed.

There are three major lines of thinking in the way that Tom Cobb met his untimely end that day on December 13, 1862. All three have credible evidence as they relate to his death. All these have witnesses that attest to their belief in the way he died. Two of the stories have the support of very prominent individuals of the time to back up the statements.

Over the past few months we have launched a forensics investigation into the stories of what exactly happened that day at the wall. As you might expect, that is no small feat after nearly 155 years have gone by. We hope to end the investigation in the summer of 2018 with the conclusions being rendered by a group of middle-school-aged investigators.

The first train of thought as to how Tom Cobb died is that he was killed by shrapnel from an exploding artillery shell. The second, is that he was killed by a bullet fired from a sharpshooter over on the left flank. The third, and the weirdest story of all, is that he was killed—fragged—by one of his own men.

For the last theory, we turn to an article in the *Marietta Journal* of March

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21, 1901, appropriately entitled, “Who Killed General Cobb?” According to the newspaper editor, a fellow walked into the office of the newspaper the day before and relayed the story that caught everyone’s attention. The fellow was a former Confederate veteran and what he told the editor was shocking to say the least. He explained that he served as a private in Phillips Legion of Cobb’s Brigade and was present during the battle of Fredericksburg. Phillips Legion was added to the Brigade during Lee’s reorganization of the Confederate Army just a few weeks prior to the battle. The veteran, whose name was never divulged by the newspaper for fear of retribution upon the family, stated that an incident occurred just a few weeks earlier that set Tom Cobb off on his date of destiny.

Just a few weeks earlier, according to the veteran, while the men of Phillips Legion were on the march back to Virginia following Lee’s invasion of Maryland and the battle of Sharpsburg, the men crossed a stream of cool, clear running water. Being thirsty, this veteran and his buddy, one Samuel Drake, broke ranks and



Stephens House at Fredericksburg. This was Tom Cobb's headquarters at the battle. That is a portion of the stone wall the fellow in the photo is leaning against.

proceeded to fill their canteens. At this moment, General Cobb came riding up on horseback. Stopping at the two privates, Cobb ordered them to pour the water out onto the ground and to get back into the ranks. Drake, however, refused to obey. Cobb then drew his sword and pointing it at the private, threatened to use it if he did not do as told. To this, Drake simply replied, "Use it." Having his authority questioned undoubtedly startled Cobb, who re-sheaved his sword. His anger rising, Cobb drew his pistol and rode up to Drake, threatening to shoot him if he did not obey. To which Drake replied, "Sir, you can kill me, but you cannot scare me. I will not pour out the water. Now, shoot me." Confronted with this blatant insubordination, Tom Cobb holstered his weapon, wheeled his horse around, and rode off with Drake calling after him, "I will kill you the first opportunity I get."

Cobb gave some validity to this incident when he wrote to his wife Marion on October 24, 1862, that General Drayton (the former commanding officer of Phillips Legion) "allowed full scope to straggling from his brigade, and this caused me greater trouble." From this reference, we can estimate that the incident in question took place near Duffield Station on the Baltimore & Ohio

Railroad in what is now West Virginia. Cobb's Brigade at the time was involved in tearing up the tracks to thwart the flow of men and supplies for the Federal army.

Jumping ahead to the events of December 13 at Fredericksburg, Tom Cobb stationed Phillips Legion on the left flank of his line behind the stone wall. The Stevens House along the sunken road that ran behind the stone wall, where Tom Cobb had his headquarters, was only a few yards away from the men of Phillips Legion. During a lull in the fighting, this unnamed veteran was sent to retrieve ammunition for the next attempt by the Federals to take the stone wall. As he was returning down the side of Marye's Heights with the ammunition, he saw a rifle go off near the wall where Phillips Legion was stationed, and he saw General Cobb topple from his horse. General Lafayette McLaws' (Cobb's immediate superior) report of the battle does say that he sent runners to request ammunition and reinforcements in anticipation of the next big Federal push.

Upon returning to the wall, the unnamed veteran claimed to have confronted Samuel Drake, asking him, "Sam, did you shoot General Cobb?" Drake reportedly replied, "Well, I got him." Only a few moments later, Drake,

himself, was hit in both the shoulder and the breast, a wound which cost him his life two weeks later.

Just before Drake succumbed of his wound, the unnamed veteran visited him in the hospital and confronted him. "Sam," the veteran began, "you are going to die, and I want you to tell me did you kill General Cobb?" Drake reportedly responded with, "I did. I always do what I say I will." Shortly after uttering these words, Samuel Drake died, and so too did the story until 1901.

The story attracted great interest to the *Marietta Journal*. Almost immediately a number of individuals came forward to adamantly dispute this version of the events surrounding Cobb's death. So, is it myth or truth? We may never know for certain, but we may come that much closer to the final account by the time our middle schoolers get through with it.



OUR HUMBLE HUMANITARIAN

BY BARBARA HYDE

Glancing through the number of times May Patterson Goodrum Abreu was mentioned in the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* for entertaining in her Shutze-designed home on West Paces Ferry Road, one might assume she was merely a typical society matron of her time, concerned with debutante balls, high teas, and dinner parties. Although little personal ephemera from May's life survives in our collection, a few items hint at a more complex woman than is revealed in the newspaper articles. The items she saved, including the program and acceptance speech for a Red Cross Award and a nineteenth-century sterling silver urn engraved with the words "Atlanta's Woman of the Year/1943/May Patterson Abreu" tell a deeper story—one of her support of the war efforts during World War II and her pride in a job well done.

Dorothy Haverty Grove recorded the major efforts of the Red Cross activities in the *Historical Record of the Atlanta Chapter American Red Cross in World War II: September 1, 1939–July 1, 1945* (published 1948). In March 1943, a new Blood Donor Center opened at 291 Peachtree Street, NE, and May was named Director. The volunteer job was full time one—five-and-a-half days a week—though this was probably not dissimilar to her younger days spent working the retail counter of Jacob's Pharmacy.



Mrs. Francis Abreu

MRS. FRANCIS ABREU
Chairman
Blood Donor Center
Entire War Period

Dorothy described the center as a "quiet, cheerful establishment" run "as perfectly as any complicated business, with a difference of an added personal element." May directed the campaign to recruit donors like an army officer. The demand for dry plasma for injured servicemen was high. The Red Cross requested donations be stepped up from 1,000 per month to 6,000 per month. Through May's society connections, she solicited the National Daughters of the American Revolution Fund for a Mobile Unit which enabled the program to operate within a seventy-five-mile radius of Atlanta. Not unlike today's corporate sponsorships, she approached businesses to donate as groups:

the Atlanta Federation of Trades, soldier-students of the Atlanta Ordnance Depot at Fort Benning, and the employees of the *Constitution* and the *Atlanta Journal*, to name but a few. In Dorothy's words, "Walnut 9635 became Atlanta's most important telephone number—all calls making dates for donors." That year, May, Mrs. Robert C. Hunt, and Mrs. J. B. Suttles attended the two-day conference of the Blood Bank Meet in Chicago. May called on every advantage she could employ for a successful outcome.

The success of the Atlanta center and May's leadership abilities came to the attention of the War Department. So efficiently run under May's direction, the center was awarded the

" THE WAR DEPARTMENT HAS INDEED BESTOWED A GREAT HONOR ON ATLANTA AND THE RED CROSS BLOOD DONOR SERVICE IN PRESENTING US WITH THE "E" AWARD: IN RECOGNITION OF THE ALL IMPORTANT AND ESSENTIAL TASK WE HAVE PERFORMED ~~HERE~~ THAT OF BRINGING BACK OUR MEN STRUCK DOWN IN COMBAT. IN ANY OTHER WAR THAN THIS, THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN NO ALTERNATIVE FOR MANY HUNDREDS OF THEM THAN TO BE BURIED THERE ON FOREIGN SOIL--THOUSANDS OF MILES FROM THE LAND OF THEIR LOVED ONES AND ALL THE THINGS THEY HOLD SO DEAR.

IT IS NOT AS AN INDIVIDUAL THAT I AM ACCEPTING THIS PENNANT* BUT IN BEHALF OF ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE DONE SO MUCH HERE; WHOSE UNTIRING EFFORTS AND SINCERE DEVOTION TO THEIR CAUSE OF DOING THE RIGHT THING, HAVE ENABLED THE ATLANTA DISTRICT TO RECEIVE THIS NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR THE AMOUNT OF PLASMA THAT HAS GONE OUT FROM ~~THIS~~ ^{our} CENTER.

WE MAY LIKEN ATLANTA AND THE SURROUNDING AREA TO A VALVE IN A GREAT HEART--WHICH IS DOING ITS PART TO PUMP LIFE'S BLOOD OUT TO BATTLEFIELDS--ALL OVER THE WORLD.

I KNOW THAT I SPEAK FOR EVERYONE OF YOU, WHEN I PLEDGE THAT WE SHALL CONTINUE TO DO THE WORK WE ARE DOING--TO ACCEPT EVEN MORE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ~~HIGHER QUOTAS~~ IF NEEDS BE, SO THAT MORE OF OUR FIGHTING MEN MAY KNOW THE JOY OF SEEING AGAIN THE WHITE SHORES OF AMERICA AFTER THAT FINAL DAY OF VICTORY HAS BEEN ACHIEVED AND ONCE AGAIN THEY COME BACK AND ASSUME THEIR RIGHT OF BEING HONORABLE CITIZENS IN A FREE DEMOCRACY.

May's acceptance speech for a Red Cross Award

highest honor of the Army-Navy "E" Award for two consecutive years. Her efforts had resulted in 90,442 registered donors—30,346 through the Mobile unit—and a total contribution of more than 150,000 pints of blood. Throughout the years, she saved her typed and annotated acceptance speech, poignantly expressing her belief in Allied victory and a soldier's return to a life swept off course by war.

That same year, a committee of fourteen women was established under the direction of Charles H. Jagel to select seven women of Atlanta who had made outstanding contributions to their community. May was selected as both the Woman of the Year in War Effort and Atlanta's Woman of the Year. The January 22, 1944, *Atlanta Constitution* article, accompanied by a photograph of May wearing a simple short-sleeved dress with a wide lace collar and accessorized with modest pearl and diamond earrings accepting the urn from Georgia's First Lady, boasted "City's Woman of the Year Is Mrs. Francis L. Abreu." The article describes May characterizing herself as "a hum-drum woman with a one-track mind." Attended by hundreds of prominent Atlantans, the dinner at the Biltmore Hotel must have been a milestone in May's life; a girl who grew up in the rough and tumble, blue-collar Castleberry Hill area at the turn of the century, likely never finished high school, financially supported herself and her aging mother for years, and was considered an undesirable spinster in 1926 when, at the age of thirty-five, she married one of Atlanta's wealthy eligible bachelors.

But perhaps it was that very hand of cards she'd been dealt early in life which made her uniquely qualified for the task at hand during World War II. Oral histories tell the story of a woman who was deeply altruistic and identified with less-fortunate souls throughout her lifetime. Nine mutts from the local humane society had the run of her six-acre property and mansion. She generously sent two children of her staff to college and purchased a home, car, and Coca-Cola stock for the retirement of two beloved staff members who cared for her until her death in 1976. It seems May was a woman who heeded the call to action throughout her lifetime.

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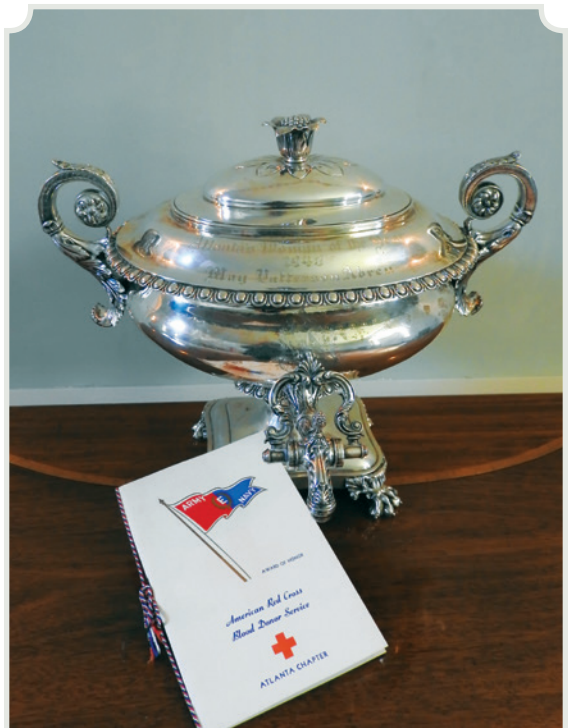
"THE WOMAN"—Mrs. Francis L. Abreu last night was announced winner of the title, "Atlanta's Woman of the Year." She is shown accepting the silver urn, accompanying the honor, from Georgia's other First Lady, Mrs. Ellis Arnall. (Story Below.)

Great Air Fleet Rakes Nazis' French Defenses

City's Woman of the Year Is Mrs. Francis L. Abreu
German Radio Off Air Again
London Raided

(Picture Above.)
By CELESTINE SIBLEY.
Mrs. Francis L. Abreu, who a few days ago classified herself as a hum-drum woman with a one-track mind, was acclaimed Atlanta's "Woman of the Year" at a banquet at the Biltmore hotel last night. One of seven women honored for outstanding achievement in the seven fields. The Georgia Constitution field division 1943.

LONDON, Saturday, Jan. 22. (P)—Strong formations of Allied planes hammered targets of German invasion last night.



Nineteenth-century sterling silver urn engraved with the words "Atlanta's Woman of the Year/1943 / May Patterson Abreu"

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THE WAR TO END ALL WARS



BY MICHELLE L. ZUPAN

On April 6, 1917, the United States officially entered the War to End All Wars, the Great War, World War I. Hickory Hill has very close ties to the history of the War, primarily through Tom Watson's publications but also in some other very interesting ways!

In August 1914, Watson provided a brief history of the conflicts between the "Ottoman Empire, Russia, Serbia (Watson: *sic*), and Bosnia-Herzegovina that led up to the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand, albeit more than a little skewed toward his anti-Rome sentiments. Though Watson was engaged in various other activities at the time, including courting trouble with the US Postal Service on his editorial about Maria Monk and the resolution of the Leo Frank case (but that's another article), he kept a weather eye on the happenings in Europe and President Woodrow Wilson's policies as they related to the War.

"Why make war on account of crimes we that condoned?"





Cliff Hall

Does President Wilson Command the Respect of Europe?

It becomes a national misfortune, when the Powers-that-be in any country earn the reputation of being weak, doubting, and fickle.

Neither President Buchanan nor Hayes inspired respect; Cleveland did, and he brought England to terms in Venezuela. Roosevelt did

dent should have decided upon a fixed policy.

Had he recognized the changed conditions of naval warfare, brought about by the under-sea boats, and promptly told Americans everywhere that they must not expect governmental protection, if they took passage on the passenger ships of England, France, Italy

But President Wilson did not have the nerve to make the surrender.

I say "nerve," because it sometimes requires the higher courage to surrender an abstract right, than to fight for it.

General Lee was braver at Appomattox

Wilson article

Giving a ship warning, after a couple of torpedoes had been aimed at her, is like yelling to the man below to "look out," when the safe-hoisters see that the rope has broken.

Lusitania quote

The sinking of the *Lusitania* in May 1915 did not spark a big editorial in *The Weekly Jeffersonian*, but it did earn some back-handed comments about warning a ship of danger after torpedoes were targeting it in Alice Lytle's column "The Good, the Bad, the Otherwise, and a Few Laconics" on May 20.

I'd love to see somebody run a sword clean through the Kaiser; but this feeling was strongest just after he murdered the non-combatant tourists on the passenger ship Lusitania. He has never done anything, since, half so atrocious as that, and he never can do anything worse. If President Wilson didn't hit him then, why hit him now? Why was it all postponed until after the election? Why make war on account of crimes that we condoned?

—Watson's *Editorials on the War Issues*

The burr that really got under Watson's saddle was the Conscription Act—the draft—instituted in 1917 when the anticipated droves of young American men desiring to be soldiers in defense of France failed to materialize. Watson and Woodrow Wilson grew up a mere thirty miles from one another, but it may as well have been 30,000 miles as disparate as their views were on The Great War. His editorials and publications were already on the radar of the Wilson Administration due, in no small part, to Augusta Postmaster General Albert Burleson's deep dislike of Watson. It was Watson's speech to his followers on June 23, 1917, that became the catalyst for his running afoul of the Espionage Act.

The Law of Nations and our own common sense, tell us that what England, France, and Germany do to each other, is none of our business. It is not cause for us to send a million of our boys, to sacrifice their lives, so far from home.

—Watson's *Speech Against the Conscription Act*

Watson was arrested and, had he not folded *The Jeffersonian*, would have been prosecuted and jailed as many journalists across the country were at the time.

Following the Armistice, the Watson family hired a chauffeur. Cliff Hall was an African-American, shell-shocked war vet who drove Watson to Washington, D.C. Driving an early automobile must have been a terrifying experience for someone who had lived through war as the cars were inordinately prone to backfiring.

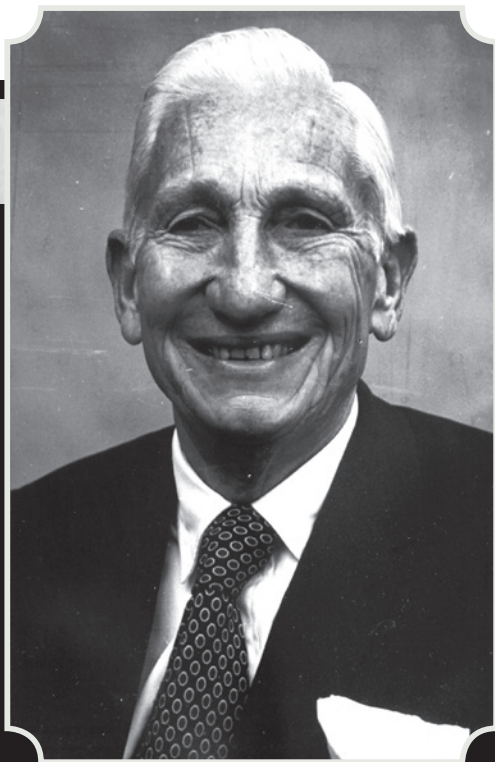
For the next two years, Hickory Hill will be honoring both Watson's resistance to The Great War as well as America's contributions to pushing back the German advance. Spring 2017 saw the rollout of our new *Lusitania* program for Georgia fifth grades. Students will look at American, German, and British primary sources to determine if the torpedoing of the ship was inevitable, contrived, or a terrible accident. Fall 2017 brings a National Archives traveling exhibit "Over Here: Americans at Home in World War I." We will continue in 2018 with *Watson and the War*, an in-house exhibit looking at the Conscription Act and its effects on American journalists. We will also be working with our National History Day students on their World War I topics.



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Early in his career, Brown had an office in the White House when he served on the staff of Secretary of State James F. Byrnes. Brown's enduring love for politics was eclipsed only by his respect for Jimmy Byrnes. Inspired in part by Byrnes's philanthropy—which in 1948 established the James F. Byrnes Foundation—Brown created his own private Foundation in 1970. Named for Thomas E. Watson and J.J. Brown, the men to whom Brown attributed his success, the Watson-Brown Foundation today continues to ensure that hundreds of deserving students are provided the opportunity to excel at the college of their choice.