

# PAUL GREEN FOUNDATION

## NEWS WINTER – 2019



### Recent Events

On November 23, to a UNC Hill Hall packed auditorium, the acclaimed 75-voice **Carolina Choir**, under the direction of **Susan Klebanow**, performed the world's premiere of **Kenneth Frazille's "Songs of War."** This commissioned piece celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Paul Green's

return from World War I where he served in the trenches of France and Belgium. The composition's text was drawn from Green's poetry, diaries and journals that he wrote during the war – a way to survive and chronicle the tragedy. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=shmrCfbmhc> "Songs of War" follows the Chamber Choir music.



Paul Green served with the **105<sup>th</sup> Engineers, 30<sup>th</sup> Division** – one of two divisions that served in Flanders, Belgium near Ypres. One of Green's poems is an answer to John McCrae's famous poem, "In Flanders Fields."

### "A Thought in Ypres"

If deep within the earth I lay and learned, old friends, that you had lost or quit the game for which we paid such bitter cost, I know that death would fail to keep me there in slumber with the dead, tho' drowsy poppies held their cups above my bed.



Paul with younger brother Hugh in WWI.

### The North Carolina Botanical Garden's annual "Winter in the Garden"



included, for the first year, a special event in the **Paul Green Cabin** – all beautifully decorated for the holidays. Following lighted trails along the path and walking under lights hanging in the trees above, **500** visitors made their way to the

Paul Green Cabin for a cup hot chocolate in front of a sparkling fire in the cabin's old fireplace.