

Citadel Family Association

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A mother's journey to the center of the Ring



The following article is an interview with two mothers of cadets: one a Senior and the other a Knob.

Sally Self (knob's mother)- Tell me about how you were feeling the day your oldest and first child was reporting for Matriculation Day? *As matriculation day arrived, I felt both excitement and dread realizing that Justin was finally realizing the task he had prepared for all summer. As I watched him prepare for the physical challenges that would soon face him, I constantly questioned why do you have to go to The Citadel? That day came and after all the planned activities – it was time to say good-bye. When leaving the main gate, I had to get out of the car and look back at those tall fortresses that seemed to box him in and I felt myself holding onto the gate, straining for just one more glimpse of the young man that would never be the same again.*

How long until you were able to see him again? *It was 13 days and we came down for our first parade and football game. I finally spotted Hotel company and I walked back and forth trying to catch a glimpse of my son. I thought I saw him – it looked like him but he was thinner than I remembered. I focused on this young man without blinking an eye and as I got into his line of vision – he winked. What a feeling of relief – I knew right then he would be fine.*

So now it's been three months, how differently do you feel since the day you dropped him off? *Knowing that since he was eight years old, he has talked of going to a military school; I am happy knowing that he is realizing one of those goals in his life. He seems more humble and appreciative of us as parents but most of all I have seen him excel in his endeavors and I feel more at peace about his decision to go to The Citadel.*

Four years later.....

Linda Leone (mother of Senior) - well it really has happened quickly. Tony is our youngest and the last to leave the nest.

Tell me about Ring Day: *The chapel service was more emotional for me. The anticipation of this day was finally being realized by every Senior and their parents. I felt this event was probably the most significant in the life of a cadet. Of course it goes without saying that we are very proud of him. I kept thinking back to his knob year and watching the seniors run across the parade ground after receiving their rings...and I realized we had just experienced watching our very own son four years later.*

What has impacted you as a Citadel parent? *The Citadel has afforded him the opportunity to show his strengths and face his weaknesses. For him, this continues to be a very important part of his development as a person which I do not believe would have happened had he attended a conventional college. No matter what my goals and dreams are for him, I can only offer the emotional support for each of his accomplishments. Few things during the life of your child can bring you so much love, pride, and admiration as watching them reach goals during their life's journey. Walking arm and arm through the ring with him at the Ring Hop was the ultimate confirmation that erased all of the doubts, fears, and worries I had experienced during those long days of his first year. I am thankful that The Citadel includes the mothers in this wonderful tradition and I hope it never changes.*

Special thanks to Sally Self (Columbia, SC) and Linda Leone (James Island, SC) for sharing.

Duty Honor Country

This program was presented during 2003 half-time Homecoming festivities and the half-time program for The Citadel vs. VMI Military Classic on November 15, 2003 by The Citadel Regimental Band.



DUTY, HONOR, COUNTRY

Adopted from an Address to the U.S. Military Academy
By: General of the Army Douglas MacArthur
May 12, 1962

DUTY . . . HONOR . . . COUNTRY

A code of conduct and chivalry of those who guard this beloved land.
An ideal so noble that it arouses a sense of pride yet humility.
An expression of the ethics of the American man-at-arms.

DUTY . . . HONOR . . . COUNTRY

Those three words build courage when courage seems to fail.
Regain faith when there seems to be little cause for faith.
Create hope when hope seems forlorn.
The American man-at-arms above all other people prays for peace, for he must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war.

DUTY . . . HONOR . . . COUNTRY

The unbelievers will say that they are but words...a slogan...or a flomboyant phrase.
Every demagogue, every cynic, and every hypocrite will try to downgrade them to the extent of mockery and ridicule.
The code, which those words perpetuate, embraces the highest moral law, and will stand the test of any ethics or philosophies ever published for the uplift of mankind.

Around a thousand campfires, on a hundred battlefields,
Listening for the witching melody of faint bugles blowing reveille...far-off drums beating the long roll.

This is the story of the American man-at-arms.

His name and fame are the birthright of every American citizen. He has never failed us. Were he to do so, a million ghosts in olive drab, in brown khaki, in blue and gray, would rise from their white crosses thundering those magic words:

DUTY . . . HONOR . . . COUNTRY

Reflections from a Proud Parent

By: Marsha Clayman

Half-time program at The Citadel vs. VMI football game in Charlotte, NC on Saturday, November 15th. The Citadel Corps of Cadets stood the entire game. At half-time The Citadel Regimental Band presented a wonderful patriotic program to honor all of the armed forces. The announcer requested the crowd stand to honor our troops. I am assuming the VMI cadets did not hear this request or either wanted to display the traditional disregard for their rival's program and sat throughout this program. However, The Citadel stood tall. "May the best man win," and we did!

Update on Operation Iraqi Freedom

Almost 500 alumni are currently deployed or have deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan, and other regions of the world fighting the war on terrorism. For names of Citadel alumni, please check the Citadel website, right side box *At The Citadel*, "Deployed Alumni".



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“Highlighted” Upcoming Home Athletic Events

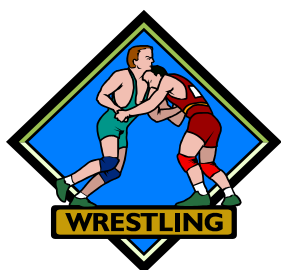
Men’s Basketball

December 3	vs. Univ. of SC	7:15 p.m.
December 22	vs. Georgetown	7:15 p.m.
January 2	vs. Army	2:00 p.m.
January 31	vs. Col. Of Chas.	1:00 p.m.
February 3	vs. Davidson	7:15 p.m.

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Wrestling



December 2	vs. Davidson	7:00 p.m.
January 24	vs. Duke	2:00 p.m.
January 27	vs. Appalachian	7:00 p.m. “Corps Night”

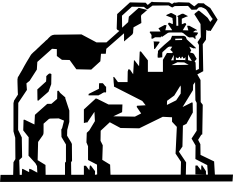
Have you made plans for Corps Day Weekend starting March 13, 2004?

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Citadel Family Association (CFA) is composed primarily of parents or guardians of current cadets. Its mission is threefold:

- (1) To provide information to and support for the families of current cadets;
- (2) To provide the families with a forum for discussion of common interests; and
- (3) To take reasonable steps to support College initiatives.

<http://www.citadel.edu/cfa>

Enjoy the many sites of Charleston with special events:

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The Citadel Museum (843) 953-6846
citadel.edu/archivesandmuseum

Patriots Point Museum (843) 884-2727
www.state.sc.us/patpt

For more info: www.Charleston.com



*Citadel's annual Christmas
Candlelight Services
Free & Open to the Public*

December 6, 7, & 8 7:00 p.m.

Summerall Chapel

*Chorale groups, Gospel choir &
Regimental Band*