

# ALL IN THE FAMILY

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### The Important Questions

Recruiters who come to The Citadel to find the strongest candidates for employment select top interviewees based on their answers to the following questions: Why did you select your particular major area of study? What are your career goals? Why are you interested in our firm and how have you researched our company? What are your strengths and what can you do to help our organization? Are you able to show us samples of your work in demonstration of relevant skills? Why should we hire you instead of all the others who want this position?

These questions and their answers are critical in the competition for the best jobs. Students can strengthen their answers to these questions by using the many resources offered at The Citadel and by speaking with the many alumni mentors in the professional areas of greatest interest, available via The Citadel Career Services Office.

### Some Specific Actions for Students

As freshmen, students should use the FOCUS Program to determine the best major for them, and they should start compiling their academic portfolios and visit the Career Services Office to become familiar with the resources available.

As sophomores, students should more fully research career options and speak to alumni mentors for advice on preparing to be the strongest possible competitors upon graduation, including the types of summer jobs that provide the best foundation for competing in their chosen professional areas. Constructing a resume before the end of sophomore year will provide the student a distinct advantage in competing for summer employment. Multilingual students are encouraged to produce a resume in each language in which they are proficient.

As juniors, students should focus on particular industries and the best firms in those industries, participate heavily in the Career Fair, meeting recruiters and exploring the best summer employment possibilities, and continue to develop their academic portfolios, updating the portfolios as they continue to produce reports, papers and presentations for their classes. All students should have their resumes written and reviewed by the beginning of fall term of their junior year, and should participate in the seminars on letter writing, interviewing skills, researching firms, and other career-related topics. They should continue to build relationships with appropriate alumni mentors. Juniors should also participate in the practice interview sessions offered in spring term to prepare themselves for the coming year.

As seniors, students should pursue internships within their majors where possible, to build the practical experience that firms seek. The internship final reports are significant components of their academic portfolios. Seniors should participate heavily in the Career Fair and in on-campus interviews, starting their Senior Resume Files in Career Services by mid-September. They should also identify and speak with the faculty members and past employers whom they will ask to serve as references. Any questions that arise as they go through the interviewing process should be discussed with Career Services as appropriate, including how to handle difficult interviewing questions, how to handle salary negotiations, and how to decide among employment offers.

### How You Can Help Your Cadet

Parents, we look forward to working with you to ensure that your cadets take advantage of the opportunities available through The Citadel. Your encouragement and advice to your cadets is especially important in helping them start the career planning and preparation process early. This early start will help them be as successful as possible. Please feel free to contact The Citadel Career Services Office at 843-953-1617 or 1618 with any questions or comments.

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## Graduation Present Idea List

If you haven't gotten your senior a graduation present yet, here are a few suggestions:

A lifetime membership to the Citadel Alumni Association—NOTE: before graduation, it only costs \$400; on graduation day the price goes up to \$500 and again to \$700 a year after graduation. Contact The Citadel Alumni Association at 843-953-7696 for more information.

Using leftover class photographs, begin a scrapbook of Citadel memories and treasures.

Using the vast number of leftover uniform items and t-shirts, create a memory quilt. Believe it or not, the guys like these too!!

Have your cadets' diploma framed using the designs offered through The Gift Shop.



## Family Association Prayer Chain



New in 2000 and open to parents of all faiths, the Citadel Family Association Parents' Prayer Chain is a wonderful way for parents to come together, share their faith, and provide or ask for spiritual guidance for their cadets.

To join the list, go to <http://www.citadelprayerchain.org> and submit your email address to join the list. To submit a prayer request, email Dorothy Skipper at [skipfam@aol.com](mailto:skipfam@aol.com).

In the past two years, we have prayed for injured athletes, rides home, support during midterms and finals, tolerance in times of international crisis, and thanked each other, spiritual leaders, and our faith for providing what our cadets need everyday and in special situations.

## Commencement Week Schedule

### THURSDAY, MAY 9

11:00 a.m.	Mark Clark <i>Who's Who</i> Awards Presentation
1:30 p.m.	Summerall Field Star of the West Finals
3:45 p.m.	Summerall Field Review and Presentation of Awards
7:30 p.m.	Summerall Chapel Baccalaureate Service

### FRIDAY, MAY 10

9:30 a.m.	McAlister Alumni Fathers' Legacy Shot
10:00 a.m.	McAlister Alumni Father's Meeting
11:00 a.m.	Summerall Field Review for Board of Visitors
12:00 p.m.	Holliday Center Life Membership Ceremony for The Citadel Alumni Association
2:15 p.m.	Summerall Field 2003 Summerall Guards
3:00 p.m.	Summerall Field Graduation Parade (Long Gray Line)
4:00 p.m.	Quarters One Senior Garden Party hosted by General and Mrs. Grinalds

### SATURDAY, MAY 11

9:30 a.m.	McAlister Commencement of South Carolina Corps of Cadets ( <b>Admission by ticket only. SEATING BY 9:20 A.M.!</b> )
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#### Special Notes:

- Announcements are NOT commencement admission tickets. Each cadet receives 10 admission tickets.
- Commencement Information Booklets are scheduled to be mailed to parents/guardians of graduating cadets at the end of March/first of April.
- Parking is first come-first served. Shuttle service will be available from Johnson Hagood Stadium. Handicapped parking is extremely limited on campus.

For handicapped seating or signing for the hearing impaired, call Cadet Activities at 843-953-5111

For more information, contact the Office of the Provost at 843-953-5007. Also, check The Citadel's website at [www.citadel.edu](http://www.citadel.edu) for any additional commencement information.

## What is a Regimental Adjutant?

Cadet Major Fred Austin, 2001-2002 Regimental Adjutant

Most visitors to The Citadel know me as "the guy with the cool stripes" or "the one who yells alot at parade." While both of these are true, the position of Regimental Adjutant involves a lot more than what many people get to see.

The Adjutant is Third in Command of the Corps and has many assigned duties. Directing the Corps during parade is symbolic of one of the main missions of the Adjutant: facilitating communication throughout the Corps. The Adjutant coordinates and makes all announcements in the Mess Hall as well as ensures distribution of memos and other official documents in the Corps. The position also requires working with the Commandant's department when changes in administrative procedures are needed.

Many of the Adjutant's duties overlap other functional areas of the Corps. For example, Accountability at special details formed by the Regimental Sergeant Major is the Adjutant's responsibility. Supervision of guard

teams is the responsibility of the Regimental Provost Marshall; however the Adjutant provides consolidated guard rosters for the regiment so a proper schedule of guard teams can be maintained. Weekend duty teams, which are responsible for the company during weekends, are the responsibility of company First Sergeants. The Regimental Adjutant keeps a roster of these cadets in case someone in the company needs to be contacted during periods of general leave.

Being the Adjutant means preparing for a variety of duties beyond those specifically assigned. This requires one to be familiar with all aspects of the Corps; operations, security, and administration are all possible areas in which the Adjutant's assistance may be needed. The position of Regimental Adjutant carries heavy responsibilities, but being able to wear the "cool stripes" and "yelling alot at parade" make it easier to deal with daily responsibilities and unexpected duties.

# CFA Phone List 2002 Baseball Spring Calendar

Alpha—Brian & Dianne Cahill  
2004 / 803-865-2395

Bravo—Mike & Linda Shute  
2004 / 856-935-9127

Charlie—Frankie & Shirley Cook  
2003 / 803-791-1860

Delta—Stan & Dianne Townsend  
2003 / 843-881-6590

PB—Chris Lynn  
2004 / 864-573-8900

Echo—Gene & Leslie Skibitsky  
2003 / 207-562-7095

F Troop—Ed & Cindy Piper  
2004 / 910-455-6942

Golf—Jim & Lynda Dunn  
2003 / 843-795-8889

Hotel—Richard & Brenda Conwill  
2003 / 904-292-0656

Band—Bill & Cydney Kastner  
2002 / 843-781-4251

India—Ben & Carol Salvatini  
2004 / 843-875-3709

Kilo—Jack & Dorothy Skipper  
2003 / 803-366-0665

Lima—Bob and Clare Jones  
2005 / 864-288-9405

Mike—Dan & Paula Cannon  
2003 / 352-694-5449

Nov.—Charles & Ann Lawson  
2003 / 864-226-1566

Oscar—John & Mary Braeunig  
2004 / 864-250-9032

Romeo—Randy & Elaine Cuthbertson  
2005 / 843-579-0415

Tango—Teresa & Finbar O'Reilly  
843-762-3685



As our 2002 parents send their sons and daughters into the great wide world on May 11, 2002, we will need new cadets' parents to become our Company Contact Representatives. If you can become one of our company contacts, please send your name, phone number, and cadet's class year to Secretary Sherry Shults at CSshults@msn.com.

3/15 6:00 p.m.  
Appalachian State

3/16 2:00 p.m.  
Appalachian State

3/17 1:00 p.m.  
Appalachian State

3/27 7:00 p.m.  
USC

3/29 6:00 p.m.  
East Tennessee St.

3/30 2:00 p.m.  
East Tennessee St.

3/31 1:00 p.m.  
East Tennessee St.

4/3 7:00 p.m.  
Charleston Southern

4/12 6:00 p.m.  
UNC-Greensboro

4/13 2:00 p.m.  
UNC-Greensboro

4/14 1:00 p.m.  
UNC-Greensboro

4/27 1:00 & 4:00 p.m.  
Wofford College

4/28 1:00 p.m.  
Wofford College

4/30 5:00 p.m.  
Coastal Carolina

5/22 SOCON  
Tournament



Schedule & ticket information at <http://citadelsports.com>

3/29  
Spring Furlough Begins

4/7  
Spring Furlough Ends

4/8  
Classes Resume

4/30  
Last Day of Classes

5/1  
Exams Begin

5/7  
Exams End

5/11  
Class of 2002  
Commencement



\*Based on the schedule posted on The Citadel's web site at [www.citadel.edu/cgi-bin/calnet.pl](http://www.citadel.edu/cgi-bin/calnet.pl).

## ANNOUNCEMENT!



ALL IN THE FAMILY will soon be looking for a new editor! If you are interested in editing the CFA's quarterly newsletter, please contact CeCe Mikell at [c\\_mikell@hotmail.com](mailto:c_mikell@hotmail.com).



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CFA Calendar-Ar-A-Clance  
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Matriculation Day, Class of 2006  
August 17, 2002  
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Parents' Weekend  
October 11-13, 2002  
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Homecoming Weekend  
November 8-10  
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Chairpersons' Winter Retreat  
January 2003  
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Steering Committee Retreat  
January 2003  
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CFA Annual Meeting  
Election of Officers  
March, 14, 2003 (tentative)

# THE CITADEL FAMILY ASSOCIATION

## 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 A 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.