



## **Andy Clawson to be Inducted into The Citadel Athletic Hall of Fame**

Citadel director of sports medicine Andy Clawson, who begins his 45th year on the job this fall heads The Citadel's Athletic Hall of Fame class for 2017.

“I am ecstatic that we are able to recognize these six people who have helped shape the Bulldogs’ history,” The Citadel athletic director Jim Senter said. “Each of this year’s inductees have represented The Citadel’s core values of honor, duty and respect in competition and throughout their life. I would like to thank the Hall of Fame committee for their diligent work in selecting this year’s inductees from a list of deserving nominees. I’m looking forward to officially welcoming Andy in September to celebrate this tremendous accomplishment.”

Andy will be inducted during a banquet that is sponsored by The Citadel Alumni Association on Sept. 8, at the Holliday Alumni Center on campus and recognized at halftime of The Citadel’s football game against Presbyterian on Sept. 9. This year marks the 40th anniversary of the Athletic Hall of Fame.

This year’s induction class increases the membership of the Hall of Fame to 195 individuals. The Hall, which originated in 1977, is located in the lobby of McAlister Field House on campus.

Clawson arrived on The Citadel campus in the summer of 1973 as the head athletic trainer and remains the college’s first and only director of sports medicine.

He has treated literally thousands of cadet-athletes, members of the Corps of Cadets, coaches, staff, and the entire Citadel community with sports-related injuries and rehabilitation, while overseeing hundreds of student trainers, many of whom have gone on to become head athletics trainers/sports medicine directors.

He has served in many leadership positions within the NATA, MAATA, and SCATA throughout his distinguished career including serving on the NATA Board of Directors and as the District 3 Director. He also has served on the South Carolina Athletic Trainer Advisory Board and was the 2<sup>nd</sup> athletic trainer to be designated as a SC State Certified Athletic Trainer behind fellow NATA Hall of Fame member, Fred Hoover. He was enshrined in the National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA) Hall of Fame in 2010, the Arkansas Athletic Trainers Association Hall of Fame in 2016 and honored with a Distinguished Alumnus Award from Henderson State (Ark.) in 2002. Clawson was also recognized by the state with the Fred Hoover Award in 1998, by The Citadel with the Palmetto Award in 2009 and the Outstanding Service Award in 1992, and in 2013, was awarded lifetime membership in The Citadel Alumni Association continued service to the Corps of Cadets.

Congratulations to Andy!