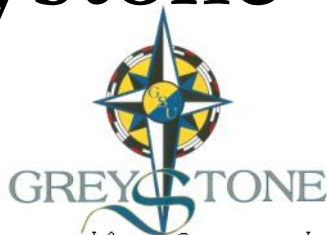


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ALL IN A DAY'S WORK!



Greystone students and YMCA Camp Flaming Arrow staff pose in front of one of six cabins they refurbished in one day.

GREYSTONE PROJECT EXPANDS CAMP'S OCCUPANCY

One of Greystone's goals is to find ways to give back to the community in which we live. Recently, students helped to refurbish – and rebuild in some cases – aging cabins at YMCA Camp Flaming Arrow in Hunt, Texas. First established in 1927, the camp facilities had numerous areas that were in dire need of fixing, updating and refurbishing. With camp staff supervision, Greystone students installed new ceilings, hung walls, trimmed out windows and assembled bunk beds in cabins that were originally built in 1932.



This refurbishment project enabled the summer camp to add 384 kids for this year. Additionally, Camp Flaming Arrow is initiating a new program this summer by offering summer camp at no cost to children of active duty service members who are deployed overseas.

Left: Part of the YMCA Camp Flaming Arrow project included installing new ceilings in the cabins, which were originally built in the 1930s.

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**CDR David T. Bailey,
USN (Ret.) USNA '81
Executive Director**

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

We finally see the light at the end of the tunnel – the end is rapidly approaching for the Greystone Class of 2011. In less than a month, what began as a trip into the unknown and possibly an overwhelming challenge is now seen as a known and manageable routine!

How did this happen? YOU made it happen! For each of you, your Greystone journey has been a constant series of events, and in the process of engaging each event, you worked as a team to succeed.

Successful event after successful event soon empowered you to rise above the frustration and anger of the dreaded "rejection letter" until you saw yourself as a winner capable of doing all the things you may have thought were impossible or too difficult because someone at an academy told you were just not good enough!

Well, you proved them wrong! Looking back on the events of the

last eight months you now know that you are fully capable of succeeding in any task you put your mind to – earn great grades, tutor elementary school children, mentor teens in need, help community service organizations, survive the great outdoors, learn to swim with confidence, run a marathon (and finish), ring a bell and open our hearts for those less fortunate, walk for a cure for those unable to walk for themselves, shoot a weapon *accurately*, make a speech with confidence and counsel those who are interested in walking down the same path.

The Greystone program is coming to an end, but for each of you – whether you earned your appointment or not – you are just beginning . . . *the rest of your life*. Because of your Greystone experience, you will go forward with more confidence in yourself and your abilities because you know you are a

proven scholar, athlete and leader. But what makes you different is that you will never be going anywhere alone.

You are now part of a team and more importantly, you are part of the Greystone family! Wherever your path takes you, you know you will always be welcome home to Greystone. You are our successes and we are all very proud of each and every person who now calls themselves a Greystoner!

It is a bittersweet end and yet a beautiful beginning for so much more – the rest of our lives!

Go confidently knowing you are not the person who did not make the academy cut last year – you are now the mature, focused and committed leader who is capable of succeeding at anything you desire! *You got 'er dun!*

Cheers,
CDR B

ELEVEN FOR ELEVEN IN 2007! . . . *THEY ALL MADE IT!* ELEVEN FORMER GREYSTONERS TO GRADUATE FROM USNA

While this marks the third year Greystone has witnessed "its own" graduate from one of the academies, this particular year represents an even more significant milestone.

Turn the clock back four years to U.S. Naval Academy's Induction Day (I-Day), June 2007. Brenda Bailey beamed as CDR B (both Greystone founders) proudly swore in 11 Greystone students. The students had just lived through

the Greystone chapter in their lives, which prepared them for academy life.

Now, they were motivated, committed and ready to face the next four years at the Naval Academy.

Realistically, a predictable percentage of students who begin at an academy inevitably "fall out" for different reasons.

Fast forward to the present. This May will be a déjà vu of the best kind. The difference is that it won't be I-

Day; it will be Commissioning Day! Brenda and CDR B will congratulate 100 percent of the Greystone class that entered the Naval Academy four years ago.

A heart-warming hug and handshake go out to the following men and women who persevered and are living examples of stamina, tenacity and exemplary character, Greystone graduates (and alumni), one and all.

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LEADERSHIP FOCUS: JUMP START

Outside the Schreiner academic world, Greystone students engage in a variety of leadership opportunities carefully selected to enhance specific skills. This issue features **JuMP Start** — a program that pairs Greystone students with teens in Kerr County who are currently on probation.

What drives someone to knowingly make right choices? What drives others to knowingly make wrong choices? Questions like these have been asked forever and if there were a simple answer, they wouldn't be asked anymore.

Respect. Safe environment. Support. Encouragement. Positive feedback. Tolerance. Honesty. Fun. Purpose. Integrity. Team interaction.

All of these aspects are an integral part of the Juvenile Mentoring Program, also known as JuMP Start. The program is valued as such a growing success, it has be-

come a Greystone standard in its repertoire of continued community services.

Each Friday, 10-15 juvenile youths come on campus and meet up with as many Greystone students. The one-hour sessions vary week to week but typically include one-on-one discussions about life goals and what lessons have been or can be learned and how to deal with inevitable challenges.

Following one-on-one time, the group reconvenes and engages in team-building and leadership activities.

"Teens face a myriad of temptations and stigmas in

their everyday life," said Greystone student Owen Corn, JuMP Start Coordinator.

"While some teens may succumb to temptations, we model the rewards of making the right choices and help them realize the importance of looking ahead and setting goals.

"JuMP Start has been a win-win-win opportunity, benefiting teens, helping Greystone students engage in leadership roles, and providing a valuable community service for Kerr County Probation Department."



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- Owen Corn

OWEN'S STORY

This is the time of year that is extremely emotional for all students who seek an academy appointment. *Will I get my Letter of Appointment? Did I make the Wait List? Have all appointments been submitted? Which appointment shall I choose if offered more than one? Why didn't my buddy get one? Do I still have a chance?*

This nerve-racking part of the cycle is tough on students and the academy Admissions

Boards alike. Due to stiff competition, highly qualified individuals who choose to follow this specific career path and the increasingly limited number of slots that are open each year, the selection process is stressful.

While this process is serious and definitely *not* a laughing matter, one Greystone student in particular faced such turmoil all in one day. Owen Corn applied to four

academies and in one day received four envelopes — three regular-sized envelopes and one larger, bulkier envelope. As he stood by his mailbox he opened them all.

He opened the first one and the dreaded letter from the Coast Guard Academy began, "We regret to inform you," (yadda yadda ya). He opened the second envelope from the Naval Academy and cringed as it, too, began, "We

regret to inform you ..."

Given the first two disappointments, Owen caught onto the pattern and anticipated West Point's "regrets."

Finally, Owen saved the large envelope for last. He couldn't help but believe this was just a "big" rejection letter. However, this letter from the Air Force Academy began: (See an excerpt of the letter below.)

"Congrats, Owen!"



Dear Owen

Congratulations! On behalf of the Superintendent, Lt General Michael C. Gould (USAF '76) it is my pleasure to announce your appointment to the United States Air Force Academy as a member of the Class of 2015. You will be joining a select group of our nation's finest young people as you take this challenging and rewarding step toward becoming a professional Air Force officer.

A PARENT'S PERSPECTIVE

BY SARAH STARR

As the parents of a current Greystone student, we have been asked to share some of our experiences and thoughts on this roller-coaster ride we began almost two years ago, when our son embarked on his journey to attend a United States service academy. Our son, Kelly, is the youngest in the family and the first to desire to serve his country in the military, let alone attend a service academy. You can imagine the quick study we all became when he decided late in his junior year of high school that he wanted to attend a service academy.

He knew that he was entering the process late, and so almost immediately began exploring his backup plan options. Even as he began the long, tedious process of nomination packages and academy applications, he researched the options available, and that is when we stumbled upon Greystone Prep Academy.

We decided to visit the Schreiner/Greystone campus to see if Greystone was for him. I accompanied Kelly on his visit, and we both knew almost immedi-

ately that Greystone was for him should he not receive his appointment.

Kelly did not receive an appointment, and last August joined the current Greystone class. We attended orientation, and met the other 27 students and their parents going through all the same emotions as we were. When your son/daughter decides to embark on this journey, you already know they are different. They have a desire to serve that is not common in these times. They may have separated from friends who do not share or understand this commitment. But here at Greystone, they share this common bond, and while they each bring their own individuality to the table, they are a team first and foremost.

Greystone is not for the faint of heart. It is tough. Long days and even longer nights of studying, studying and more studying. Community service. Physical training. Attending Greystone is not a guarantee of an appointment. It is, however, an opportunity. It is an opportunity to demonstrate to these academies that

your son/daughter is worthy of that appointment. They will demonstrate excellence in all areas to prove they will not only survive the academy, but excel!

I am so proud to say that Kelly has now received an appointment to the United States Military Academy (USMA) at West Point. He had just returned to Greystone after the holiday break when the BFE (big fat envelope) came, and so we Skyped together as a family as we opened the envelope. I will never forget the look on his face as he saw his appointment. But here is the interesting thing: as the appointments have started to roll in, we get just as excited to hear of the appointments of the other Greystone kids! We know how hard they have worked, and want each one to achieve their dream of serving their country as an officer in the United States Military. So 28 for 28!!!

Sarah and her husband, Brian, live in Mesa, Arizona. Son, Kelly Walsh, was the second Greystone student this year to earn his academy appointment – to USMA!

ONGOING AND UPCOMING EVENTS

CHECK OUT GREYSTONE WEBSITE FOR DATES AND DETAILS!

WWW.GREYSTONEPREPSCHOOL.ORG

*Greystone Candidate Weekend * PRTs * Klocko Leadership Forum * JuMP Start * Nimitz Mentoring and Tutoring * Toastmasters * Donor Appreciation Luncheon * Board of Directors Meeting * Character Development and Leadership Training * Schreiner University Military Recall Breakfast * Skeet and Trap Shooting Practice * Howlin' at the Moon * Greystone Achievement Recognition Ceremony*

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

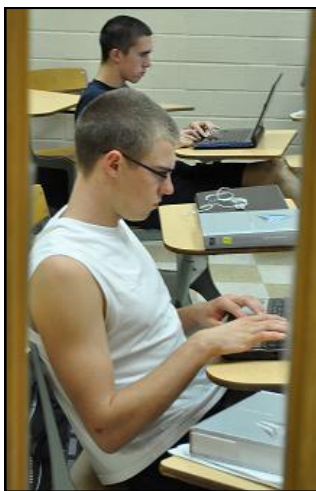
Greystone students proved last semester that their independent and collaborative study skills paid off. Most students confessed that they hadn't used most or any of these study techniques in high school, before the Greystone program. These techniques included mandatory Study Hall (minimum of four hours, six nights per week), constant communication with their professors, peer tutoring, study groups, weekly academic reporting and ... if one doesn't understand the material ...ASK! ASK! ASK!

Schreiner University President's List

To qualify for the President's List, one must earn at least a 3.70 GPA.

Well done:

Joel Davis
Robert Fontenot
Andrew Stallard
Zachary Watt
Cody Womack
Darrin Alba
Seth Bond
Molly Dundon
Lucas Holmes
John Kroon
Kelly Walsh
Aaron Rambo
Jeff Engel
Michael McGee
Ian Barnes



Joel Davis, front, and Andrew Stallard continue to maintain a 4.0!

Schreiner University Dean's List

To make the Dean's List, one must earn at least a 3.30 GPA.

Keep it up:

Josiah Smith
Owen Corn
Connor Duran
Kevin Sampson
Keyawna Danai
Claire Longabaugh
Matt Zatkovich
Vincent Molina
Michael Papes

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA FRESHMAN HONOR SOCIETY



Alpha Lambda Delta

Alpha Lambda Delta is an academic honors society established throughout many university campuses for students who have maintained at least a 3.5 GPA and who are in the top 20 percent of their class during their freshman year or term of higher education.

While not all Greystone students who did qualify actually applied for the society, the following participated in the formal Induction Ceremony.

The Schreiner University Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society members were inducted in March, representing the largest new member class ever at Schreiner. Greystone students, pictured with Dr. Tim Summerlin, center, president of Schreiner University, made up one-third of the total new members. From left, Molly Dundon, Andrew Stallard, Zachary Watt, Michael McGee, Kevin Sampson, Matt Zatkovich, Jeffrey Engel, Claire Longabaugh, Connor Duran, Dr. Summerlin, Joel Davis, John Kroon, Robert Fontenot, Josiah Smith, Aaron Rambo, Darrin Alba, Owen Corn and Lucas Holmes.

FIRST GREYSTONE CANDIDATE WEEKEND 2011 MARCH 24-27

Greystone hosted its first Candidate Weekend in March for high school juniors and seniors who are interested in learning more about the program first hand. Each of the five candidates was paired up with current Greystone students, "running mates," and shadowed them from Thursday evening when they arrived on campus to the closing presentation on Sunday morning.

Following the meet-and-greet time on Thursday, candidates woke up Friday at "0-dark-30" (actually, 0530) for light physical training before breakfast, then

accompanied their running mates to university classes. Friday afternoon, the candidates participated in Nimitz Elementary School Tutoring, engaged in JuMP Start Mentoring and heard a couple of presentations that are key to the Greystone structure and goals.

Saturday morning kicked off with a Candidate Fitness Assessment, facilitated by the current Greystone class, followed by breakfast tacos, then proceeded to attend Character Development/Leadership Training and a typical Toastmasters meeting.

After the delicious Schreiner Diner Brunch, the candidates met with academy representatives who made themselves available for questions and answers. Saturday closed with a taste of Kerrville night life at a restaurant and movie theater.

Sunday came too quickly for most. The candidates experienced a glimpse of a Greystone student's life at Schreiner University. They bonded not only with their running mates, but also with the entire Greystone class.

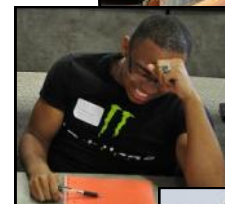


First Greystone Candidate Weekend Candidates (C) and Running Mates (RM) bottom row, from left: Kamron Murrell-C, Allen, TX, and Darrin Alba-RM; Mitchell Spooner-C, Waco, TX, and Joel Davis-RM; top row, from left: Mason Kraft-C, Prosper, TX, and Jeff Engel-RM; Claire Longabaugh-RM and Samantha Whitmore-C, San Antonio, TX; Molly Dundon-RM and Mattie Tigges-C, Tuscon, AZ.



"Candidate weekend was an insightful look into the life of a Greystoner."

Samantha Whitmore



"What stood out to me was that everyone is really a member of the 28-person Greystone family. They do whatever they can to help one another. It takes a special program to incorporate that kind of environment, which is exactly what I am looking for."

Mitchell Spooner

THANK YOU, FRIENDS

We are grateful to the many people and organizations who help in endless ways to make Greystone what it is. Whether you pitch in financially to help support students' valuable programs and scholarships, devote time in volunteering for CFAs, cheer students on during events, bake "comfort food," shuttle students, tutor — you name it! We sincerely appreciate the positive difference you make.

This Fall Semester, Greystone received a total of \$5,000 in financial contributions to date.

Thank You:

Sodexo
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Major Lorrin Peterson



Greystone extends a special thank you to Major Lorrin C. Peterson, USAF (Ret.), USMA '45 who has given many kinds of support to Greystone students.

The Major attends and participates in many of the weekly Greystone Toastmasters meetings as well as helps fund the program. His wisdom, experience and entertaining

stories keep a captive audience.

We can always count on Major Peterson to attend Greystone's many functions, such as the Klocko Leadership series and special guest-speaking events, and to have "tough" questions for the audience to ponder.

Thank you, Major Peterson, for your presence and participation with the Greystone family.



One chilly morning, some of the Greystone students helped the Kerrville Veterans Administration Hospital raise flags for one of their many events that honor veterans.

WISH LIST

Dear Friends,

The Operations side of Greystone is only partially funded. The unfunded events and programs are as vital to Greystone as academics. Providing students with many opportunities in leadership, community service and additional athletics, these programs are an important part of Greystone because they directly coincide with the expectations, preparedness and extra-curricular activities found at the U.S. Federal Service Academies. Any financial help in deferring these costs is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,
Greystone Preparatory School
at Schreiner University

These events, programs and items set Greystone apart from other preparatory schools.

Events and Programs:	Funds Needed
Toastmasters (An international organization aimed at developing communication and leadership skills)	\$350
"New" Van Upkeep and Maintenance (A Schreiner-donated gift is in need of repair and maintenance)	\$1,500
Klocko Leadership Forum (Experienced leaders presenting military topics one evening per semester)	\$300
High Adventure (Venturing Crew Camping Trips)	\$2,000
Family Sports Center (Students have daily access to an off-campus activity center that has an indoor pool and workout facilities)	\$1,575
President's Plaque	\$250

Join the Friends of Greystone!

☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$75 ☐ \$100

Event and Program costs can be subdivided into "chunks." You may also choose to earmark your contribution.

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Greystone Preparatory School at Schreiner University in Kerrville, Texas, is a unique program that combines intense service academy preparation with a challenging university education for high school graduates committed to earning their appointments to one of the five Federal service academies. In the last seven years, 100 percent of all Greystone graduates earned at least one Congressional nomination, 98 percent were accepted into military officer programs and 90 percent of those graduates earned academy appointments. This success rate remains unmatched by any other academy preparatory program in the nation!

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