BOSTON COLLEGE

20th ANNUAL VETERANS REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2020
ONLINE AT 11:00 A.M. EST
Veterans Remembrance Ceremony

Introduction and Welcome
Michael P. Dunford '82
BCVAN Co-Chair

Tolling of the Bells

The Star-Spangled Banner
O say can you see, by the dawn’s early light,
What so proudly we hail’d at the twilight’s last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight
O’er the ramparts we watch’d were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket’s red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,
O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O’er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

20th Anniversary Reflections
Michael J. Lochhead '93, MBA'99, P'21, '23
Executive Vice President
Boston College

Introduction of Featured Speaker
Michael P. Dunford '82
BCVAN Co-Chair

Featured Speaker
W. Christopher Bade '80, P'20
Interviewed by ROTC Cadet Charles W. Work '23
About W. Christopher Bade ’80, P’20

Chris is a Marine and entered the service through the PLC program while he attended Boston College. He achieved the rank of captain in the United States Marine Corps, where he served seven years on active duty and four more years in the Marine Corps Reserves. Chris was a Marine aviator and flew the A-4 Skyhawk and AV-8B Harrier Jumpjet and served a tour as forward air controller and infantry battalion adjutant. Chris finds many ways to support fellow veterans, with a particular focus on veterans suffering from PTSD. For the last five years, Chris has served on the board of trustees for Ironstone Farm, a therapeutic riding farm in Andover, Massachusetts, that offers programs for veterans. He has helped raise funds for a new veterans center at the farm and for the Cape and Islands Veterans Outreach Center. He coaches veterans in transition to civilian careers and has helped build networks among the organizations around the state that support veterans including the Massachusetts Department of Veterans’ Services, Home Base, Heroes in Transition on Cape Cod, and Brighton Marine. Chris is also a member of the BCVAN Executive Committee and has been an active participant in the annual Wreaths Across America and other BCVAN-sponsored events.

In his civilian life, Chris has been a leader in the medical and security imaging industries for over 25 years and currently serves as vice president, field service and customer support, for Analogic Corporation in Peabody. Chris and his wife, Faith, have a daughter, Katherine, who graduated from Boston College in 2020, as well as a son, Ben, who lives in Austin, Texas, and another daughter, Elaina, who lives in Boston.

Remembrance of the Fallen
Readers:
CDT Thomas J. Lick ’23
CDT Kayli J. Ko ’23

Taps

Closing Prayer
Brett B. McLaughlin, S.J., STM’20, LT, CHC’04, USAF (ret.)

God Bless America
God bless America, land that I love,
Stand beside her and guide her
Through the night with a light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America, my home sweet home.
God bless America, my home sweet home.
Proud Refrain

What are you dreaming, soldier,
What is it you see?
A tall gray Gothic tower;
And a linden tree.
You speak so sadly, soldier,
Sad and wistfully....
I cannot hear the tower bell
In the swirling sea.
What meaning has it, soldier;
A tower, bell, and tree?
Nothing, nothing — only once
It meant my life to me.

- Thomas Heath

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