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2008-09 ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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& Co. Public Relations in Atlanta. Todd is business director of The Lenox Group, a boutique investment bank.

BIRTHS: Bennett '97 and Janet

Belliveau Bomar, a son, Samuel Gerard, December 5, New Bern, N.C.

Scott and Christina **Clanton**, a daughter, Caroline Marie, July 3. They live in North Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Stacy and **Julie McAvoy Hover**, twins, a daughter, Sara Kate, and a son, Jack Irvin, December 1. They live in Elberton, Ga., where Stacy operates a flooring business and Julie teaches science at Elbert County High School.

John and Amy **Jacobs**, a son, Charles Richard, November 21. They live in Mableton, Ga.

Brent and **Jayda Biddix Justus**, a son, Graham David, December 1. They live in Midlothian, Va.

Christopher and **Merideth Eason**

Miller, a daughter, Emory Hall, December 30, Burlington, N.C. Christopher is senior vice president at Willis Re, Inc., and Merideth is a program specialist in curriculum and instruction for exceptional children.

Jonathan and **Jenifer Kudelko Runion**, twins, a daughter, Alexis Lynn, and a son, Evan Parker, December 29, Clearwater, Fla.

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THIS YEAR IS REUNION!

Five Oaks Academy in Simpsonville, S.C., has hired **Emily Gaskin Gagne** as middle school program director.

Capt. **Brian Griffin** has been awarded the Silver Star, the U.S. Army's third-highest honor for combat valor, for braving machine gun and rocket fire during a three-day fight with insurgents in Afghanistan in August 2005.

David Ibsen has started work toward a Master of Science degree in organization development at Queens University in Charlotte, N.C.

Karen Schulz has joined Verizon Wireless as public relations manager for the Carolinas and Tennessee. She was previously strategic marketing manager at *The Greenville News*.

MARRIAGES: Cameisha Merriweather and Jamar Barnes, December 26. They live in Lithonia, Ga.

Jennifer Walton and Christopher Whelan, January 17. They live in Lansing, Kan.

BIRTHS: Jim and **Courtney Armstrong Buxton**, a son, Julian Edward Thomas Buxton, October 7. They live in Mount Pleasant, S.C.

David and **Sarah Zajaczek Cordell**, a son, Nathan Andrew, June 21, 2008.

David is an instructor at the University of South Carolina-Upstate in Spartanburg and is working on his doctorate. Sarah is a contract writer for Uhlig, LLC, and is working to start her own company, SZC Communications.

Mike and **Nathalie Bell Lankford**, a son, Daniel Coleman, January 19, 2008, Charlotte, N.C.

Dan and **Tara Byer Parsons**, a daughter, Ella Grace, February 3, 2008, Charlotte, N.C. Both Dan and Tara are dermatologists with Charlotte Medical Clinic, a multi-specialty internal medicine clinic.

Eddie '98 and **Jamie Dorman Storey**, a daughter, Remy Alexis, November 19. Eddie is managing partner of Thorne & Storey, P.A., law firm in Orlando, Fla.

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Shelby Huie recently graduated from Mercy School of Nursing in Charlotte, N.C., as salutatorian of her class. She is working on a cardiac unit at Charlotte's Carolinas Medical Center.

Tracy Towle (M.A. '01) finished first in her age group for the 2008 South Florida Triathlon series. She lives in Miami Beach.

MARRIAGE: Mittie Elizabeth Richards and Kevin Lee Freeman, January 3. Beth is employed as a funeral director, embalmer and aftercare coordinator with Eggers Funeral Home and Crematory. Kevin works with UPS Supply Chain Solutions. They live in Taylors, S.C.

BIRTHS: Nathan and **Jennifer Dahms '01 Baker**, a daughter, Annabelle Caroline, September 10, Raleigh, N.C. Clay and **Lauren Hupp Garner**, a son, Jack Andrew, September 9, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bradley and **Martha Davis King**, a daughter, Adah Miriam, January 11. Brad and Martha are in graduate school at the University of North Carolina, he as a third-year medical student and she as a third-year Ph.D. student in cultural anthropology.

Jason and **Erin Carnahan Lane**, a son, Aidan McPherson, December 15, Raleigh, N.C.

Warner and **Melissa Freeman May**, a daughter, Caroline Elizabeth, November 12, Atlanta. Melissa is a legal nurse consultant with the law firm of Owen, Gleaton, Egan, Jones & Sweeney LLP.

David and **Wendy Copelan McDowell**, a son, Graham David, January 20. They live in Hixson, Tenn.

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P. Kristen Bennett has joined the Wilmington, Del.-based firm of Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP as an associate. She focuses on estate planning and trust administration and provides counsel on taxation and tax planning for businesses. She is a member of the Delaware Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

J. Matthew Boyleston, assistant professor of creative writing at Houston (Texas) Baptist University, received his Ph.D. in creative writing and literature in December from the University of Houston, where he gave the Commencement address.