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2008-09 ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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NEXT REUNION IN 2009

David Klausman performed with a TRUTH Reunion Band for the Pastors Conference of the Southern Baptist Convention in Indianapolis in June. He is instrumental music director at Crown Pointe Community Church in Kennesaw, Ga.

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David Perry Ouzts completed his Doctor of Sacred Music degree from the Graduate Theological Foundation in South Bend, Ind. He has been invited to be a post-doctoral fellow at the School of Theology, University of Oxford (England) in the summer of 2009. He is director of music and liturgical ministries at the Church of the Holy Communion (Episcopal) in Memphis, Tenn.

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Ned Caswell, a tennis professional in Chattanooga, Tenn., has been named director of tennis at Baylor School.

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Emily Hipchen, an English professor at the University of West Georgia in Carrollton, won a Fulbright Scholars Award to teach creative writing in India.

MARRIAGES: Lori Hunt and Eric Roger Nicely, November 2, 2007. They live in Knoxville, Tenn.

Christine Schneider and Patrick Purcell, November 24, 2007. They live in West Long Branch, N.J.

ADOPTION: Bill and Vicki **Richmond**, a son, Christopher Ruslan Richmond, born March 25, 2007; brought home from Novosibirsk, Russia, May 28, 2008. They live in Sterling, Va.

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Scott Niemiec has been named vice president and director of USA operations for Proximo Spirits, Inc., a Jose Cuervo International Company based in New York City. Previously he was director of North American operations for William Grant & Sons Distillers Ltd.

MARRIAGE: James Looper and Anastasia Dennis, April 26. They live in Nashville, Tenn.

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Jay and **Valarie Scheetz Burks** live in Springfield, Va. Recently promoted to the rank of colonel in the U.S. Air Force, Jay is executive officer to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs at the Pentagon.

E. Charles Grose of Greenwood, S.C., was sworn in this summer as circuit public defender for the Eighth Judicial Circuit of South Carolina. He previously served as chief public defender for Abbeville and Greenwood counties and has been president of the S.C. Public Defender Association since 2002.

ADOPTION: Jeff and **Alicia Roper Korich**, a son, Jordan, born August 24, 2005; adopted from China on May 13, 2007. They live in Norcross, Ga.

BIRTH: Steve and **Valerie Miller Maloof**, a son, Stephen Gerard, Jr., January 30, Atlanta.

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David Jewell assumed duties August 15 as commander of the 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, the Army element for the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, at the Presidio of Monterey, Calif.

J.P. Royer III won a \$1.9 million grant that enabled him to accept a promotion from classroom teacher to magnet curriculum director of Midway Elementary School of

the Arts in Sanford, Fla. He oversees the implementation of the Leonard Bernstein Artful Learning model, in addition to managing and coordinating the school's arts program.

Allison Clark Turknett works as a personal chef in the Jacksonville, Fla., area.

BIRTH: Jeff and LeJeanna **Raymond**, a daughter, Paxton Kathleen, May 19, Colonial Heights, Va.

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Lura Banner Dye has joined the Health-care Consulting Group of Dixon-Hughes PLLC in Greenville as a physician consultant.

Christina Thompson Howell was recently appointed assistant professor of music at Georgia Perimeter College in Atlanta. She was also chosen, through a national competition, to be one of 12 participants in the prestigious 2008 National Association of Teachers of Singing internship program.

James Reddoch is now executive vice president and head of research with New York City-based Royalty Pharma, a company that focuses on the acquisition of revenue-producing intellectual property within the biopharmaceutical industry. He was most recently a managing director at FBR Capital Markets.

MARRIAGES: Nicolas Francis Carter and Julie Anne Newmark, May 4. Nick is vice president of Ux Consulting, a nuclear consulting company in Roswell, Ga., and Julie is a pediatric therapist specializing in sensory disorders.

Benjamin Charles McDow and Kimberly Sue Holloway, June 28. They live in Greenville where he is a mechanical design engineer at Advanced Automation and she is a physician at Greenville Gynecology Group/University Medical Group.

BIRTH: Joe and Dianna **Garren**, a daughter, Alexandria Elizabeth, April 3, Snellville, Ga.