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Becky Haus (M.A. ’93) has been named Teacher of the Year at Hurst Elementary School in Daytona Beach, Fla., where she is in her second year of teaching physical education. She previously taught kindergarten for 12 years.

The Carolinas Hospital System of Florence, S.C., has announced that Evan Lee has joined the Anesthesiology Consultants practice. He became a board-certified anesthesiologist after completing his internship at Eisenhower Army Medical Center and his residency in anesthesiology at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. He served three years as chief of the Department of Anesthesia at Fort Stewart, Ga., and was deployed for a time to Iraq.

Teresa Skinner has become project manager with the Shafer & Huguley Marketing Communications firm in Greenville. Her responsibilities include project management for local, regional, national and international consumer and trade accounts.

BIRTHS: Jim and Elizabeth Foster Bloodworth, a son, Benjamin Foster Bloodworth, October 9, Greenville. Christopher and Caryn McMahon Hammond, a daughter, Meagan Riley, March 27, 2007. They live in Greer, S.C. Derrick and Jewell Stanley, a daughter, Peyton Rebecca, August 15. They live in Lugoff, S.C.

John and Sandy Upchurch, a son, Austin Blase, October 3. John practices law in Daytona Beach, Fla., and was recently elected president of the Volusia County Bar.

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THIS YEAR IS REUNION!

BIRTHS: Brian and Anna Christopher Johnson, a daughter, Hope Elizabeth, March 6, 2007. They live in Anderson, S.C. Leland and Melanie Vaughan Powell, a daughter, Ansley Elizabeth, October 12, Charlotte, N.C.

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Robbie Higdon is employed as magnet program coordinator at Hughes Academy of Science and Technology in Greenville. Scott Wild of Flowery Branch, Ga., earned his Master of Education degree from the University of Alabama.


BIRTHS: Jim and Burch Barger, a son, James Fredrick III, May 25, Birmingham, Ala.

Michael and Jennifer Frankenberger Parker, twins, a daughter, Ella Jayne, and a son, Aidan Foster, May 8, Charlotte, N.C.

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Virginia Gaylor is managing editor for Vitality Communications in Greensboro, N.C. She oversees two publications, LUNGhealth and MedlinePlus.

BIRTHS: William and Michelle Ferguson, a daughter, Grace Anna, June 2, Black Mountain, N.C.

Jeff and Julie Simon Fries, a son, Adam Wesley, June 24, Asheville, N.C. Julie was recently promoted to news director at WLOS-TV.


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Matt Good of Greenville, a senior vice president and shareholder of Professional Mortgage Company, is one of six new board members of Community Bank.


Donna-Leigh Eichor Harmon recently started teaching auditorium field trip classes at Greenville’s Roper Mountain Science Center.

Sean and Leslie Coades ’99 Rogers live in Athens, Ga., where Sean was recently promoted to director of capital budgeting at the University of Georgia. Leslie teaches Latin and is chair of the foreign languages department at Oconee County High School.

Keith Walters, a chemistry professor at Northern Kentucky University, was honored in the fall with the College of Arts and Sciences Junior Faculty Award.

MARRIAGE: Brandon Barron and Lindsey Wheeler, June 30. They live in Atlanta.

BIRTHS: Micah and Kristen Burns ’98 Chanevsworth, a daughter, Sarah Brooke, August 15, Columbia, S.C. Brad and Jennifer Buttrum Hanchey, a son, Charlie James, October 10, Franklin, Tenn.

Daniel and Cari Williams ’97 Hicks, a son, Jonah Herrin, July 26, Greenville. Deon and Patrise Runnels Miles, a son, Noah Alexander, July 7, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Matt and Maryanne Rule Purcell, a daughter, Sydney Elizabeth, August 22, Richmond, Va.

John ’95 and Mikki Streight Ramey, a daughter, Kaelyn Grace, September 30, Charleston, S.C. Mikki is a realtor with Palmetto Realty Group.