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2007-08 ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Linda Petrakis, who is in real estate sales with Coldwell Banker in Boca Raton, Fla., has achieved top 3 percent internationally in sales for the third year in a row.

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Chip Byrd and his wife, Patricia, live in Santa Fe, N.M., and are the new owners/publishers of *The Essential Guide to Santa Fe & Taos*. Read about their work at www.essentialguide.com.

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2008 IS REUNION YEAR!

MARRIAGE: Jennifer Meyer Garrett and Thomas Levi Chesney, June 9. Thomas is a foreman at RT Construction in Fountain Inn, S.C., and Jennifer is a media specialist at Mauldin Middle School.

BIRTHS: Peter and Catherine **Gwin**, a daughter, Julia O'Brien, September 11. They live in Alexandria, Va.

John and **Heather Price Russell**, a son, Zane Alexander, February 22, Cary, N.C.

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The Western Carolina Regional Sewer Authority, which serves Greenville and several other counties in upstate South Carolina, has hired **Cathy Davis Caldwell** as its administration and finance director. She was previously assistant corporate controller and Americas region controller for KEMET Electronics Corp.

Kelly Jackson Roberts has earned a Ph.D. in music education from Northwestern University and works as a music specialist in the Clayton County (Ga.) school system. **BIRTH: George** and **Chandler Park Francis**, a son, Geoffrey Thomas, June 5, Raleigh, N.C.

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BIRTHS: Scott and Stephanie **Boyles**, a son, Wilson Scott, April 24, Thorofare, N.J.

Richard and **Lainie Cantrell Crose**, a son, Richard Rollin III, September 3, Boone, N.C.

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Lura Banner Dye of Greenville has earned her master's degree in health administration from the Medical University of South Carolina.

Regions Bank in Chattanooga, Tenn., has announced the appointment of **Michael Mathis** as its new city president.

BIRTHS: Reed and Susan **Hunt**, a daughter, Jillian Blair, May 31, Asheville, N.C.

Scott and **Melinda Ray Ortwein**, a daughter, Olivia Ray Ortwein, October 26, 2006, Atlanta.

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Jason Hightower recently accepted a new position as principal of Meeker (Colo.) Elementary School.

Emily Mitchell Peters teaches at Northwoods Montessori School in Atlanta.

Regina Walter is a voice instructor at Texas Woman's University in Denton.

MARRIAGES: Jennifer Marie Beatson and George Stewart Martin, June 16. They live in Wenham, Mass., where she is an associate professor of Spanish at Gordon College and he is a loss prevention investigator for AT&T.

Barbara Emener and Tony Karasek, June 15. Barbara recently went to work for the PGA TOUR as director of corporate marketing. They live in Jacksonville, Fla.

BIRTHS: Michael and **Julie Mabry Dotson**, a son, Parker Michael, August 14. They live in Greenville.

Scott and Nancy **Raeber**, a son, Mac Roberts, July 16. They live in Boise, Idaho.

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Laura Bryan has become clinical administrator of the Family Life Center in the Department of Counseling and Human

Services at St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas.

In June, **Ty Houck** joined the Greenville County Recreation District as director of greenways, natural and historical resources. He previously worked for the South Carolina State Park Service for 12 years. The Tennessee Repertory Theatre has named **Pat Patrick** marketing manager. Pat, who lives in Nashville, is also president of the board of directors for Book 'em, the Middle Tennessee literacy organization, and is chair of "Read Me Week," the state's most visible literacy initiative.

MARRIAGE: Tanya Hanano and Robert John Wheeler, Jr., September 15, 2006.

They live in Wilmington, N.C. Tanya is a physical therapist at New Hanover Regional Medical Center and Robert is a financial consultant for Edward Jones.

BIRTHS: Tim and Sharon **McCullough**, a daughter, Sarah Katherine, April 10, Greer, S.C.

Nathaniel and **Elizabeth Olsen Wade**, a son, Skyler Nathaniel, May 16. They live in Ames, Iowa.

Jeremy and Lindsay **White**, a son, Coleman Marshall, January 31. The Whites split their time between Charlotte and Lake Lure, N.C., in Jeremy's role as director of operations and camp director of Camp Lurecrest Ministries, a Christian summer youth camp and retreat center. Lindsay is a speech pathologist for Carolinas Medical Center.

Nathan and **Amy Heidebrecht Woolwine**, a son, Nathan Ashley II, May 19, Concord, N.C.

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Kevin Hebblethwaite of Atlanta is president of a new executive leadership team established by EDI, Ltd., to increase the company's operational excellence in technology consulting and design services for corporate, healthcare and institutional clients.