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Furman alumni news

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year, \$1.2 million grant from the National Institutes of Health to study how DNA repair pathways influence the cellular response to cancer chemotherapy. He teaches in the College of Pharmacy at the University of South Carolina in Columbia. ■ **MARRIAGE:** **Kimberly Morgan** and Tim Richter, January 22. Kimberly is a partner at Durham Nephrology in Durham, N.C., and Tim is vice president of RCOR Systems. ■ **ADOPTION:** **Ralph** and **Kim Davis**, a son, Elijah Jameson Hansard Davis, born December 27. They live in Knoxville, Tenn. ■ **BIRTHS:** **Greg** and **Abigail Walters Blackmon**, a daughter, Margaret, December 10, Knoxville, Tenn. ■ **Steve** and **Heather Plaskett Booth**, a son, Eli Morris, June 15, 2004, Jacksonville, Fla. ■ **David** '86 and **Kirsten White Gantt**, a daughter, Caroline Grace, September 2, Greenville. ■ **Julian** '93 and **Mary Elizabeth Fox Kaufman**, a daughter, Julia Liliana, November 9, Chattanooga, Tenn. Julian recently opened Fitness Together, a personal training studio. ■ **Greg** and **Katherine Collins Restel**, a son, Joshua Scott, December 10, Fairfax, Va. Greg is a pilot and vice president with Van Metre Air, LLC. ■ **Brian Estridge** and **Rebecca Ringer**, a son, Carl Wilson Gaines Estridge, October 31, Colleyville, Texas. Becky is a Ph.D. candidate in musicology at the University of North Texas, where she has also taught. She teaches an on-line music appreciation course at Collin Community College as well as private lessons. ■ **Charles** and **Kerry Maeland Skara**, a daughter, Rachel, March 7, 2004, Oak Ridge, N.C.

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Charnley Wolcott DeMeritt, a teacher at Buena Vista Elementary School, was named the 2004-05 Greenville County

Science Teacher of the Year by the Piedmont Chapter of the South Carolina Society of Professional Engineers. She received a \$1,000 award, as did her school. ■ **Jill Wood Jefferson** of Smyrna, Ga., is assistant tax manager with Cox Enterprises in Atlanta. ■ **Brian King** is manager of corporate finance with IBM in Chapel Hill, N.C. ■ **Christy Reed**, coordinator of technology and enrichment services with the Atlanta Speech School, has completed her master's degree in education. ■ **Paul** and **Heather Bergen Siffri** are planning an August move from New York to Greenville, where he will practice orthopaedic surgery with a focus in sports medicine (joint replacement). ■ **Lisa Zimmerman**, a psychotherapist in Washington, D.C., has been named director of the D.C. office of The Women's Center, a nonprofit counseling center. ■ **MARRIAGES:** **Angela Halfacre** and **Daniel Russ Hitchcock**, November 20. They live in Charleston, S.C., where she is an associate professor of environmental policy at the College of Charleston and he is coastal environmental quality specialist with Seagrant Clemson Extension. ■ **Heather Jeanne Hughes** and **Jack Griswold**, May 1, 2004. They live in Concord, N.C. ■ **BIRTHS:** **Davis** and **Sarah Dill** '94 **Barlow**, a son, Robert Davis, July 25, Birmingham, Ala. ■ **Scott** and **Tomoko Brown**, a son, Bailey Kaisei, December 6. A postdoctoral fellow in the Carolina Population Center at the University of North Carolina, Scott has accepted a faculty position at Miami University in Oxford. ■ **Jimmy** and **Meg Spann Daniel**, a son, James III, August 25, Myrtle Beach, S.C. ■ **Ed** and **Tracie VanHooser Setzler**, a daughter, Sarah, March 31, 2004. Ed is a consulting manager for MACTEC, an environmental engineering

firm in Atlanta. He also serves as the state representative for Acworth/Kennesaw in the Georgia General Assembly. ■ **Bert** and **Kelley Wallace**, a son, Peter, April 2, 2004, Lillington, N.C. Bert is an assistant professor of theatre at Campbell University.

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Next reunion in 2008

Bryan Fox is a clinical counselor at Palmetto Baptist Medical Center in Columbia, S.C. This spring, he was scheduled to complete his Ph.D. in motor development with a focus on sport psychology. He has a consulting practice working with athletes on performance enhancement issues. ■ **Erik** and **Allison Bridwell Leaver** live in Silver Spring, Md., where she is a part-time special education teacher in Montgomery County Public Schools. He works at the Institute for Policy Studies. ■ **Bryce Norton** completed his master's degree in theology at Dallas Theological Seminary and was ordained by his home church. After a trip abroad and a two-month ministry in Romania, he is now minister of discipleship and small groups at Mount Pisgah United Methodist Church in Alpharetta, Ga. ■ **Lhatoya Reed** is a human resources specialist with the Peace Corps in Washington, D.C. ■ **Sherrie Altman Shaver** of Jackson, Tenn., teaches eighth grade reading and science and seventh grade reading at West Middle School. She is pursuing her master's degree and licensing in elementary education at Union University. ■ **MARRIAGES:** **Allison Blake Brock** and **Barrett William Burns, Jr.**, November 6. She teaches seventh grade literature at Riverside Middle School in Greer, S.C., and he is a controller for ChemPro Inc. ■ **Amy Heidebrecht** and **Nathan Woolwine**, December 11. They live in Concord,

N.C. ■ **Jamie Moon** and **Benjamin Merrill**, October 23. Jamie is a purchasing executive with American Axle and Manufacturing in Detroit. ■ **Ron Wagner** and **Kristy Kowalske**, April 15, 2004. They live in Hendersonville, N.C., where Ron is sports editor at the *Hendersonville Times-News* and Kristy heads the gifted program at Rugby Middle School. ■ **BIRTHS:** **David** and **Candice Ashburn**, a daughter, Annabelle Geneva, January 16. David has been chief resident in surgery at Bowman Gray School of Medicine. They are to move to Ann Arbor, Mich., in June for him to train in cardiac and

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