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Furman alumni news

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the award recognizes superior skill in teaching, significant research or creative effort, high standing among professional colleagues and general service to the university. ■

ADOPTION: Carolyn Ann Norris and Roger Velasquez, a son, Alexander Norris Velasquez, November 10, 2003, Izmail, Ukraine. Ann is a reading recovery teacher in the San Diego (Calif.) School District and Roger is pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church.

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Next reunion in 2007

Mike Gibbs of Simpsonville, S.C., is director of auxiliary enterprises at Greenville Technical College. ■ **Steve Wilson**, defensive coordinator for the Furman football team, has been named a charter member of the Northeast Georgia History Center's Sports Hall of Fame in his hometown of Gainesville.

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Next reunion in 2009

Saks Incorporated has promoted **Doug DiPrima** of Birmingham, Ala., to the newly created post of executive vice president of merchandising for Parisian. Doug, who has been with Parisian since 1986, has been a senior vice president and held various merchandising positions. ■ **David Kissinger** lives in Riverside, Calif., and works as an information systems analyst and central security officer in the Office of Information Technology of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services. ■ **Bruce Lancaster** of Alpharetta, Ga., has been promoted to director of operations quality within the Wireless Division of Nortel Networks. He has been with Nortel for 20 years. ■ **Brenda Crain McClain** of Edisto Island, S.C., was chosen the 2005 South Carolina Arts Commission's Prose

Fellow and received \$2,000 in recognition of superior artistic merit. She was a finalist for the 2004 Reynolds Price Short Fiction Award.

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Next reunion in 2005

Ellen Center Demetree has been elected to the board of trustees of Trinity Prep School in Winter Park, Fla. ■ After serving as department chair, division chair and associate dean at Chatham College in Pittsburgh, Pa., **Lisa Cain Lambert** has returned full time to the faculty of the school's biology department. ■ **Kevin Miller** has his own law firm in Spartanburg, S.C.

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Next reunion in 2007

Brenda Kuhfuss (M.A.) was recently named Greenville County Schools Teacher of the Year. A special education teacher, she taught in Pickens County, S.C., for 22 years before moving to Greenville County seven years ago. ■ **Dale Williams** of Westfield, N.J., is director of business development with Watson Pharmaceuticals.

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Next reunion in 2008

Wayne Blank has become the corporate compliance officer for MedQuest in Atlanta. MedQuest operates approximately 100 diagnostic imaging centers throughout the country. ■ **Vernon Dunbar** is managing shareholder with the recently opened Greenville office of Turner, Padgett, Graham & Laney PA. He practices in the areas of corporate and commercial business litigation, employment law and workers' compensation. ■ **Fred Lyda** is pastor of HopeWay Church in Simpsonville, S.C., a new congregation. He has pastored two other churches in the Greenville area. ■ Zix Corporation, a global provider of

secure e-messaging, e-prescribing and e-transaction applications and services based in Dallas, Texas, has named **Brent Sanders** vice president of sales for care delivery. He previously was vice president and chief business development officer for IntegriMED. ■ **Robert Spessard** of Alpharetta, Ga., is an executive vice president with Solarcom. ■ **Sherman Woodson** of Greenville is a health and safety consultant with Pinnacle Consulting Group.

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Next reunion in 2009

G. Allen Barbee, a member of the music faculty of North Georgia College and State University, has been awarded an honorary Ph.D. in education from Suffield University. He is music director of the newly formed Peachtree Symphonic Winds. ■ **Robyn Hood Black**'s first children's book, *Sir Mike*, is scheduled to be released in the fall of 2005 as a Rookie Reader from Children's Press, a division of Scholastic. ■ **Sandra McAllister Winter** of Atlanta was appointed to the Georgia Board of Real Estate Appraisers by Gov. Sonny Perdue. She is a principal at Novogradac & Co., a public accounting firm. ■ The First National Bank of Spartanburg, S.C., has promoted **David Zabriskie** to executive vice president. He previously served as bank examiner under the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Office of Thrift Supervision. ■ **BIRTH: Ben** and **Michelle Wyman**, a daughter, Brenna Margaret, February 11. Ben is an assistant county attorney in Louisville, Ky.

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Next reunion in 2005

Jeff Kuntz of Roebuck, S.C., is interim director of bands at Converse College. He is also director of bands at Gable Middle School, director of the

Dorman High School Jazz Ensemble, and jazz events chairman for the South Carolina Band Directors Association. ■ **Jean MacCallum** is the donor recruitment representative for the American Red Cross at Fort Jackson, S.C. She coordinates blood drives on post for South Carolina Blood Services. ■ **Elizabeth Schwab McGinnis** and her family now live in Moody, Ala., after returning to the States from Budapest, Hungary. She works with Church Resource Ministries. ■ **MARRIAGE: Sarah Adele Keller** and John Charles Monson, June 19. They live in Simpsonville, S.C.

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