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Innovative Art Award at the West End Friends Art and Earth Day. ■ **Sally Pielou Shurtz**, head of the physical education department at Christ Church Episcopal School in Greenville, coached the boys' and girls' tennis teams to the Class AA-A state titles last year and earned Region Coach of the Year honors for girls' basketball. ■ First Baptist Church of Indian Trail, N.C., recently honored senior pastor **Michael Whitson** with a six-week sabbatical commemorating his 20 years of leadership.

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Next reunion in 2005

Nancy Haile Bowden is an administrative assistant with Regions Bank in Greenville. ■ **David** and **Candy Combs Smith** are teachers in the McAllen, Texas, School District.

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Next reunion in 2006

Nick Ballew is in his second year as pastor of Locust Hill Baptist Church in Travelers Rest, S.C. ■ **Lewis Barnett III**, a member of the faculty at the University of Richmond in Virginia since 1990, has been appointed to a three-year term as chair of the school's Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. ■ **Bobbi Given Campbell** of Corinth, Miss., was a featured soloist in the Corinth Symphony Orchestra's fall 2002 concert, which included Bizet's "Suite No. 2 from L'Arlesienne" and Rimsky-Korsakoff's "Capriccio Espagnol." ■ **BIRTH: Robert and Anne Prim**, a son, William Curran, August 29, 2002, Sautee-Nacooche, Ga.

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Next reunion in 2007

Mike Barnett owns a law firm in Tampa, Fla., specializing in consumer and small-business cases. ■ **Cynthia Smith DeBaldo** of Gibsonia, Pa., is an outpatient therapist with Gateway Rehabilitation Center, a drug and alcohol treatment facility. ■ **Alejandro**

Fiol is a personal injury attorney with the Tampa, Fla., firm of Fiol and Gomez, P.A. ■ **David Jordan** has received his doctorate from Columbia Theological Seminary and is on the ministerial staff at Providence Baptist Church in Charlotte, N.C.

■ **Marty Price** began duties in May as senior pastor of Greenville's Pendleton Street Baptist Church, where he had been associate pastor since January. Previously, he was director of leadership development for the Lexington (S.C.) Association. ■ **Lisa Horne Stevens** of Greenville has been appointed by Gov. **Mark Sanford** '83 to the South Carolina Board of Education. ■ **BIRTH: Craig and Laurie Ritzenthaler Lemasters**, a daughter, Coral Grace, January 5, Atlanta.

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Next reunion in 2008

Beth Paule Thomas of Chickamauga, Ga., is studying to become a registered nurse.

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Next reunion in 2004

Idella Goodson Glenn, director of multicultural affairs at Furman, was honored by the Upward Bound program at Greenville Technical College for outstanding service.

■ **DeeAnne Sexton Jackson** works part time as an assistant professor in the University of Alabama-Birmingham Department of Pediatrics. ■ **Kristi Pearson Kirkland** is a part-time research analyst with Enterprise Support Systems, a small strategic planning/consulting company in Dunwoody, Ga. ■ **Becky Hutto Kumar** is a consultant with Kumar Actuarial Services in Charlotte, N.C. ■ **Beth Scheimann**, an All-American swimmer at Furman who went on to shatter national and world records as a Master swimmer, is aquatics program coordinator at the Westside Aquatic Center in Greenville. ■ **BIRTH: David and Linda Howard Hickman**, a daughter, Hayden Abigail, November 22, 2002, Greenville.

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Shirley Sidney Ulmer '52, longtime professor of political science at the University of Kentucky, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association August 29 in Philadelphia. The award recognizes a distinguished career of achievement and service in the field of law and courts.

Ulmer, a member of the APSA for 50 years, is a leading scholar in the application of behavioral methodologies to the study of government, especially the judiciary. After earning his master's and Ph.D. degrees at Duke University, he taught political science at Michigan State University from 1956-63 before moving to Kentucky as department chair. He retired as an alumni professor in 1988.

The author of seven books and more than 75 articles or book chapters, he is a past president of the Southern Political Science Association and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Furman awarded him an honorary Doctor of Laws degree in 1979 for his accomplishments as a scholar, teacher and writer.

A chapter in *The Pioneers of Judicial Behavior*, published in 2003 by the University of Michigan Press, is devoted to assessing his life's work.

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Next reunion in 2005

Melissa Sexton is enrolled in the Ph.D. program in comparative literature at Emory University. A therapist, she is interested in researching post-traumatic stress disorder and trauma narratives via psychoanalytic theory and religious languages of testimony. ■ **Roger and Elaine Roark** '92 **Thomas** live in Albemarle, N.C., where he is senior pastor of First Baptist Church and she is a part-time pharmacist at Stanly Memorial Hospital.

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Next reunion in 2006

Lee Hughes has been appointed to the board of directors of the Consumer Credit Counseling Service in Savannah, Ga. He recently opened Hughes Public Affairs, a consulting firm. ■ **Joseph O'Quinn** is medical director of the emergency department and chief of staff at Palmetto Health Baptist Medical Center in Easley, S.C. ■ **Benjamin Rogers** of Conyers, Ga., is a surgeon with B. Carter

Rogers, M.D., FACS. ■ **Worth Swearingen** left the practice of law in 2000 and is now a math teacher at Aiken (S.C.) High School.

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Next reunion in 2007

Debbie McCurdy Cushing of Decatur, Ga., works part time in international sales with Symco Group, Inc. ■ **David** '89 and **Cindy Cash Driskill** live in Greenville. He is president of DMA Consulting, Inc., an automation consulting and software development group, and Cindy teaches aerobics at the YMCA. ■ **Christina Jenkins Porter** lives in Chamblee, Ga., and works as director of development at Children's Cross Connection USA. ■ **BIRTHS: John and Christine Hiley Donohue**, a son, Connor Justis, June 25, West Palm Beach, Fla. ■ **Warren and Kathy Barrett Lamb**, a daughter, Caroline Grace, June 16, Elizabethton, Tenn. ■ **Michael and Kathleen Pollock Rarer**, a son, Jack, December 29, 2002, Alpharetta, Ga.