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Letter to the editor

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Previously she was senior Washington associate with the American Association of Neurological Surgeons/Congress of Neurological Surgeons. ■

Melissa Snarr is an assistant professor of ethics at Vanderbilt Divinity School in Nashville, Tenn. ■ **Kim Richardson**

Voulgaris of Marietta, Ga., is an associate producer with MCI.

■ **Chris White**, senior strategist and copywriter for 440 Creative in Columbia, S.C., teamed with Jeff Sumerel of Greenville's Spontaneous Productions to produce the film "Bragging Rites: The Carolina-Clemson Rivalry," a tribute to the 100-year history of Clemson-

University of South Carolina football. Others with Furman connections who worked on or are featured in the film are graphic artist **Brian Ground** '00, production intern **Karen Buckley** '04 and theatre arts professor Rhett Bryson. ■

MARRIAGES: **Byron Harrison** and Kristin Ashley, May 10.

Byron is a consultant with IBM in Atlanta and Kristin is a project manager for JDA Software.

■ **James Patrick Hastie** and **Paola Torselli**, November 10, 2002. She is a public defender in DeKalb County, Ga., and he is a broadcast and advertising producer at Rich's-Macy's.

■ **BIRTHS:** **Tommy** and **Katie Clerkin Benston**, a daughter, Amelia Alice, June 12, Charleston, S.C. ■ **Gregory** and **Elizabeth Pritchard Evans**,

a daughter, Anne Catherine, April 10, Augusta, Ga. ■ **Rick Gibson** and **Anna Roe** '95,

a daughter, Ellis Roe Gibson, January 4, Hyattsville, Md. Rick is an attorney with the Federal Judicial Center. ■ **Wesley** and **Ashley Stuart Lindsey**, a daughter, Erin Kate. Wes is senior scientist for ThermoBioStar in Boulder, Colo. ■ **Michael** and **Lora Beth Lyster**, a daughter, Blake Elizabeth, May 10, Atlanta.

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Lewis Bozard of Goose Creek, S.C., has become pastor of

Pinopolis United Methodist Church. ■ **Terri Edmonds Heyns**

is president of DreamStudio Interactive in Atlanta. ■ **Russ**

Merritt is dean of students at Westminster Schools of Augusta, Ga. He is completing the classroom portion of a doctoral program at the University of South Carolina. ■ **John Turner** has

joined the faculty of Kennesaw State University near Atlanta.

■ **MARRIAGE:** **Jeremy White** and **Lindsay Barth**, May 10. He works in Charlotte, N.C., for Grant Thornton LLP and she is a speech pathologist for Carolinas Medical Center. ■

ADOPTION AND BIRTH:

Phillip '95 and **Cary Copenhaver**

Hargrove, a daughter, Carolyn Mishel, adopted October 27, 2002, in Guatemala City, Guatemala; and a son, **Lincoln Creed**,

born February 15, Charlotte, N.C. Cary is a psychiatric therapist at the Center for Mental Health in Charlotte and Phil is pastor of Rama Presbyterian Church in nearby Huntersville.

■ **BIRTHS:** **Dan** and **Ann Cox**, a daughter, Grace Louise, August 5, 2002. They live in Kennesaw, Ga., and Dan is a sales representative for Peach State Lumber Products.

■ **Doug** and **Corinne Fantz**, a daughter, Lucy Rose, February 3, Winston-Salem, N.C. Doug is an assistant professor of biology at Wake Forest University. ■ **Brian** and **Nancy Repsher**

Lee, a son, Aidan Repsher Lee, August 12, Greenville. Brian is women's soccer coach at Furman. Nancy has been

assistant principal at Berea High School. ■ **Lance** and **Meredith**

Lentz '94 **Lewis**, a son, William Lancer, Jr., May 14. Lance is an interventional cardiology fellow at Harvard University's Massachusetts General Hospital.

■ **Joseph** and **Heather Rowley** **Martin**, a son, Andrew Joseph, June 27, Sayville, N.Y. Heather is a physical therapist at Stony Brook University Hospital.

■ **Jon** and **Marja Bridges Mehr**, a son, Samuel Alois, April 21. Jon and Marja graduated from Creighton University Dental School and are in practice

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My neighbor, a Furman alumna, gave me your Summer 2003 issue with the cover story, "Golden Anniversary," about the groundbreaking for the current campus. She knew that my late uncle, Robert Charles Dean, was the chief architect of the new campus.

I was particularly interested in the priority given to trees and shrubs, which confirmed what I had heard from my father, who often visited the campus with his architect brother in the '50s and '60s. I did not get there until the '70s, when the wisdom of the early plantings was quite evident on the shady campus.

My Boston cousin, Andrew Dean, an architect like his father, tells me that the picture with the article (above, left to right) shows Dr. Dick Weibel, the landscape architect; John Plyler; Thomas Mott Shaw, another partner in my uncle's firm; and General Dean. In World War II my uncle rose to the rank of colonel and was later promoted to brigadier in the reserves.

Many thanks to you and to Joe King for the good coverage.

— **O.C. Dean, Jr.**, Athens, Ga.



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together in Leesburg, Fla.

■ **Angie** and **Daniel Payne**, twins, Joshua Parker and Jillian Paige, May 5, 2002, Jacksonville, Fla. Daniel is a vice president and portfolio manager with St. Johns Investment Management. ■ **Carl** and **Julie Willingham Townsend**, a son, William Claiborne, February 10, Austin, Texas. ■ **Steve** and **Allison Hall Wilson**, a daughter, Sarah, November 27, 2002, Alpharetta, Ga.

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Nathan Beamguard of Hamptonville, N.C., is a law clerk. His wife, **Rebecca Deacon Beamguard**, teaches at Forbush High School. ■ **Lisa Carter** of Fort Pierce, Fla., is a family services counselor supervisor with the Florida Department of Children and Families. She is studying for a master's degree

in applied sociology at the University of Central Florida.

■ **Jill Gottlieb Connolly** of Madison, Ga., is a freelance graphic artist. ■ **Tony Glass** of Buford, Ga., is a mortgage broker for Mid-Atlantic Financial Services. ■ **Grace Finagin Midkiff** is director of the Laurens County (S.C.) Election and Registration Commission. ■ **Clarke** '95 and **Jennifer Linvill** **Scott** live in Smyrna, Ga. Clarke is a freelance art director and graphic designer. ■ When **Ken Sikes** received his Master of Divinity degree from Columbia Theological Seminary in May, he also received the James T. and Celeste M. Boyd Book Fund Award, awarded by the faculty. He is a candidate for ministry from Olympia (Washington) Presbytery. ■ **MARRIAGES:** **Jennifer Frost** and **Brent Bounds**, May 24. They live in New York.