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“Emi’s strengths and gifts, her business acumen and creativity, and her ability to see a problem and solve it, have had an enormous impact on the growth of our company.”

With i play® and green sprouts® running strong, Becky has made time to publish a book about nurturing your baby’s physical and emotional wellbeing, Grow Healthy, Grow Happy: The Whole Baby Guide, available in the i play. retail store, Malaprop’s, and amazon.com.

Ciera Barrow ’12 produced a video short this summer featuring Emi and Carrie. — Scan the QR code to view.

GIVING BACK - to the Community
One of the things Emi enjoys about the company is a strong connection to the greater community. i play. was founded on a commitment to healthy children, so an alliance with a children’s nonprofit was ideal.

In Buncombe County, the child poverty rate is nearly 20%. “I got the idea to partner with Smart Start when I was invited to join their board and learned more about the work they do,” said Emi.

What emerged was a plan for i play® and Smart Start to provide and distribute new, quality clothing to hundreds of families for their infants and toddlers.

“Our company has always been about doing the best thing, the right thing for babies,” said Becky. “We are committed to leadership in continually learning and sharing information with parents about product materials and potential health and safety issues, so the Smart Start partnership was a perfect fit.”

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Find out more about Kevin and Hardy’s business. — Scan the QR code to view.

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Class Notes
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Julie Patterson Shore SGP retired from IBM at the end of 2013 after more than 36 years. Looking forward to coaching kids golf with TGIA of America, spending more time with family, playing more golf and doing more woodworking.

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Congratulations to Stephanie Arendale and her husband, Maureen Stock, who were married on Friday, April 4, 2014. The couple exchanged their vows at the North Carolina Arboretum. In the wedding was Amanda Arendale Sykes ’96.

Rob Parker Bob Parker married Amber Wizeman on July 20, 2013 on Edisto Beach. One of the bridesmaids was Rob’s sister, Kitty Parker Resuch ’94.

1991
Brent Cunningham, his wife, Amy, and their son Jack and Max welcomed Lucy Hart, born on August 22, 2013. Lucy weighed 8 lbs 1 oz and was 20 ins. long. Grandmother, former CDS Headmaster’s Assistant and alumna, Shirley Lewis Cunningham Selman ’64, is excited about the family’s newest addition.

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Dr. Brian Doby is doing a fellowship in Orthopaedic Sports Medicine at the University of Colorado.

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Celeste Morgan Herrera and her husband Kevin welcomed twin daughters Araceli Morgan Herrera and Bernadette Cordova Herrera on September 24, 2013.

Lauren Lowe Greene and her husband Russell welcomed Evelyn Elizabeth Greene on February 6, 2014. Evie weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz. and was 19 ins.

Congratulations to Jonathan Lowe and his wife, Jazmin, on the birth of their son Jonathan Carter Lowe, Jr. on February 2, 2014. Carter weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. and was 21” long.

Trey Grove was elected to the Board of Directors of Grece Funeral Home Inc. As corporate treasurer, he will represent the fourth generation of Groce to lead the local business. He will help manage their three locations.

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Katherine Moreosani ACDS assumed the role as director of the new Asheville Center for Professional Studies. This program is offered through A-B Tech Education & Entrepreneurial Development Foundation.

Lauren Cunningham Nehmer and her husband Marc welcomed their son, Benjamin Thomas Nehmer, to their family on March 24, 2014 joining big sister Caroline. Ben weighed 8lbs. 5oz. and was 21 ¼ inches long.

Scott Bardist lives in Portland, Oregon with his twins, Cole and Zoe, who attend Oregon Episcopal School. He is in the middle school head at OES.

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After living in California, Washington DC, and Philadelphia for the past 13 years, Audrey (Elliot) Ulli is thrilled to be moving back to Asheville in August 2014 with her husband, Erin Ulli, and their two dogs. Audrey is a clinical psychologist and Erin is a veterinarian.

Congratulations to Michelle Lenos and Tyler Lacrosse who were married on June 14, 2014.

On June 13, 2014, James and Melanie Wells Clayton added William “Liam” Clayton to their family. Liam weighed 8 lbs. 3 ozs and was 19.3 in.

John Harris was recently awarded a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Fellowship. John will begin his fellowship at the University of Michigan after completing his residency in OB-GYN at the University of Kentucky School of Medicine.

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Sam Daniels and Meredith Daniels, administrative assistant at Key School, welcomed Eli Marsh Daniels, born on October 21, 2013, weighing 8 lbs. 9 ozs and 20 inches long. His grandmother is Peggy Daniels, principal of the Upper School at CDS.

Ryan Rankine, a policeman in Charlotte, NC, was recently awarded his Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate.

Congratulations to Derin Togar on the success of her music career. She is a sensation in Turkey, her father’s home country, entertaining for audiences of 10,000 or more. She sings and writes a lot of her own music, from opera to pop. She is now in the music business in the Asheville area.

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Congratulations to Starling Underwood who was named a North Carolina Super Lawyer in The Rising Star List for 2014.

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2004

Jim Wade, a PhD student in biomedical engineering at Georgia Tech and Emory, was recently awarded a fellowship to continue research in the joint Systems Biology program between ETH Zürich and the University of Zürich in Switzerland.

In March of 2013, after two deployments, Andrew S. Waddell returned from Afghanistan. Andrew is working at Stanford’s Institute for International and Area Studies with a focus on Russia. He is currently pursuing a PhD in International Relations with a concentration in the area of European Union and Russian Foreign Policy.

On May 31, 2014, in Dallas, TX, Jessie Christianson ’05 and her husband, Emerich Gutter, had a baby boy, Mark Timmins Gutter, on July 7, 2013.

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Cameron Cogburn placed 4th in the Loedville MTB10, a 10-mile mountain bike race, in August 2013. On August 17, 2013, he took the top prize in the 41st Mt. BBQ. Washington Auto Road Bicycle Hillclimb, a 7.6-mile all-uphill race to the summit of the highest peak in the northeastern United States.

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Our prayers go out to the family of Sarah Richardson Taylor. Sarah was a beloved member of the UNC-Chapel Hill community and a dedicated volunteer. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Lizette Caronnet. Lizette was a hardworking and dedicated member of the UNC-Chapel Hill community. She will be missed by all who knew her.

The Class of 2011—2012

On April 4, 2014, Ashley Burt SGP ’12 graduated from the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine. She is now a primary care resident at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Ann Garrison will join the 2014 graduating class of the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine and will also be honored at the Class of 2011—2012 graduation in May from UNC-CH.

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Fairfield Romero Johnson SGP ’64, mother of Carolina Kilpatrick Lively, died on July 3, 2013.

Riley Berry is majoring in Spanish & Business Economics at Wolfson. She spent last semester in Chile and will be in Argentina for spring 2014.

Alex Burt tells us, “This summer I’m working as the Community Intern for Mojo Coworking here in downtown Asheville. Mojo Coworking is a business that allows freelancers and small business owners to come in and use the printers merely 3D Innovation Lab—a place where anyone can come in and use the printers merely for the cost of the plastic. I am also currently writing my senior thesis on the curriculum for the Mojo to teach budding 3D artists how to create 3D objects and bring them in to reality. The curriculum is similar to one I intend to use at Carolina Day during my Summer Quasi midterm mid-July-3D Digital Art.”

Tyler McDaniel’s report on the NEA Graduate Fellowships is due in September, 2014. Check it out!
In Memoriam

Anne Williamson Hohenstein SGD ’49 died on May 27, 2013.

Mary Ella Thomas, who passed away on February 16, 2014. In addition to Sally, he is survived by his grandchildren Taylor, Mollie, and Emery.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Betty Morrison, who passed away on April 10, 2014. She was the widow of Samuel M. Butler, English Butler SGP ’47 and son III ACDS ’88. She was the widow of Buddy Patton for 58 years before his death in 2007. Marilyn was also involved in volunteer tutoring of students with learning disabilities, the Pisgah Girl Scout Council, and the Children’s Welfare League. 

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On July 19, 2014, the Waynesville community lost a long-time resident Dr. George Wallace Brown passed away at the age of 85. He was born in Waynesville, went to Mars Hill College, and graduated from Wake Forest University and from UNC School of Medicine. He practiced family medicine for over 55 years in his beloved mountain town. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family, which includes Andy Brown ACDS ’73 (Skua) and Wally Brown ACDS ’87 (Racey). He is also survived by three daughters and sons-in-law, a son and daughters-in-law, twelve grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

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Bettie Lowry Crews passed away in Austin, TX, on August 2, 2014, at the age of 80. She was the loving mother of our upper school librarian Kay St. Clair (Neil) and grandmother of Rachel St. Clair Iglesia ’05 (Michael) and Jessie St. Clair Smith (Adrian). She has also passed away in two other granddaughters. Bettie was a person who brightened the world around her through her artistic abilities and her community service. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her friends and family.

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Carolina Day School and the city of Asheville lost a very valued supporter and volunteer when Charles Nesbit passed away on October 2, 2014, at the age of 72. Charles and his wife of 50 years, Barbara Morgan Nesbit ACDS ’61, were very involved in the school when their three sons: David ACDS ’87, Edward ACDS ’89, and Andrew ACDS ’90 were students. He was in the banking business for over 40 years. He gave many hours to Givens Estates Retirement, Sisters of Mercy Foundation, Asheville Symphony, UNC Foundation, and many more organizations. He is also survived by his three daughters-in-law Heather, Natalie, and Rebecca, as well as seven grandchildren.

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Q: What are your preferred mediums?
A: There’s not really any limitation to what you can do. I like a lot of mediums: painting, drawing with pencil or ink, and in my free time I enjoy cartooning.

Q: How does Carolina Day foster your love of art?
A: One reason I’ve gotten so into art is the small class size and teacher interaction here. I feel confident trying something new. A big part of art is enjoying the process, rather than just being centered on the final product or grade.

Enjoy this video of Lauren as she talks about her art.
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A: One reason I’ve gotten so into art is the small class size and teacher interaction here. I feel confident trying something new. A big part of art is enjoying the process, rather than just being centered on the final product or grade.

Enjoy this video of Lauren as she talks about her art.

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Mac Gourlay
Class of ’17

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Love,

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Key School
Key Learning Center

Celebrating Adelaide Key
1936-2014

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CarolinaDay.org/Key
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