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The HOLM

THE OFFICIAL HOLMWOOD PAST STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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Celebrating recent highlights, keeping our Holmwood family connected, and looking ahead to what's next!

Greetings, Alumni & Friends!

Welcome to THE HOLM! We are delighted to present this edition of our newsletter, created to celebrate our shared legacy, spotlight our achievements, and keep our global Holmwood family connected.

Whether you have an alumni spotlight to share, a business to feature, or cherished memories to revisit, THE HOLM is your platform to share your stories, celebrate milestones, and stay connected with fellow past students.

As we continue to honor the rich tradition of Holmwood Technical High School, we look forward to sharing updates from our chapters, celebrating accomplishments, revisiting memorable moments, and highlighting the people and events that make our association special.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to the Holmwood family. Together, let us keep our legacy alive through connection, service, and unity.

Dr. Denise Richmond

Have something to share? Submit stories, photos, and updates to hpsasecretary@holmwoodpsa.org

In this newsletter you can expect:

IEB President's Message

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IEB President's Message

Mrs. Fay Bailey-Gregory

Dear Fellow Past Students,

It is my pleasure to extend warm greetings to all members of the Holmwood Past Student Association, both at home and across the world.

As we continue to celebrate 90 years with our beloved alma mater, Holmwood Technical High School, we give thanks for the rich legacy of excellence, discipline, and achievement that has been built over the years.

Let us continue to remain united in our commitment to supporting our alma mater and creating opportunities for present and future students. Our strength lies in our willingness to give back, share our talents, and work together for the continued growth and success of Holmwood.

Thank you for your continued commitment, support, and love for Holmwood.

One Holmwood, One Family, One Legacy!

Let us stay together.

Fay Bailey Gregory

Meet the IEB Board Members



Mrs. Fay Bailey Gregory

IEB President
Missouri, USA
Class of 1981



Mrs. Berletta Henlon Lee

Immediate Past President
Florida, USA
Class of 1978



Glenville (Glen) Denton

1st Vice President
Florida, USA
Class of 1971



Eli Ferguson

2nd Vice President
Kingston, Jamaica
Class of 1972



Raymond McLean

Treasurer
Kingston, Jamaica
Class of 1970



Mrs. Olive Downer Walsh

Asst. Treasurer
Kingston, Jamaica
Class of 1975



Ms. Viris Clarke

Secretary
KMaryland, USA
Class of 1973



Mrs. Deniese Taylor

Asst. Secretary
Alberta, Canada
Class of 1979



Dr. Denise Richmond

Public Relations Officer
Brooklyn, NY
Class of 1987

STORIES OF IMPACT



Mrs. Ann-Marie Munroe Francis
London, UK
Class of 1987

Still Writing...

When I left Holmwood in 1987, I could not have told you where I would be standing today. Very few of us could. At seventeen or eighteen, the future is a blur, and the plan, if there is one, is usually borrowed from someone else.

What I remember are the early mornings climbing the hill, when the fog was so thick we could barely see ahead. I did not know it then, but that fog was preparing me. I now live in a country of grey mornings and cold winters and I learned long ago what it is to keep walking when the way ahead is hidden. Perhaps some of you are walking through fog now. Keep going.

Decades on, not one of us has travelled in a straight line. Some left Jamaica, others stayed. Some found their calling early, many found it late. Some have buried loved ones, lost jobs and begun again more than once.

I sometimes wonder what I might have understood sooner with mentors to help me recognise my strengths, avoid pitfalls, detours and see possibilities. Yet each turn has given me skills to carry forward. We can still offer that guidance to one another and those coming behind us.

To every alumnus or alumna reading this: you are not at the end of the book. The pen is still in your hand. It is not too late to begin something, to repair something, to forgive someone, or to forgive yourself. We are still writing.

Thank you for reading!

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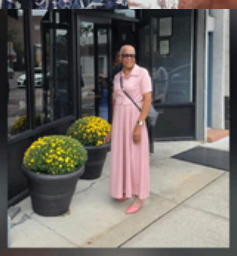
NEW YORK CHAPTER'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY
















HTHS 90TH ANNIVERSARY





























CHAPTER HAPPENINGS



Central Chapter

President: Mrs. Juley Wynter Robertson

Class of 1986



New York Chapter

President: Ms. D. Beverly Foster

Class of 1978



Eastern Chapter

President: Mark Ramsay

Class of 1982



Toronto Chapter

President: Alric Salmon

Class of 1979

Our strength lies in our vibrant regional chapters!

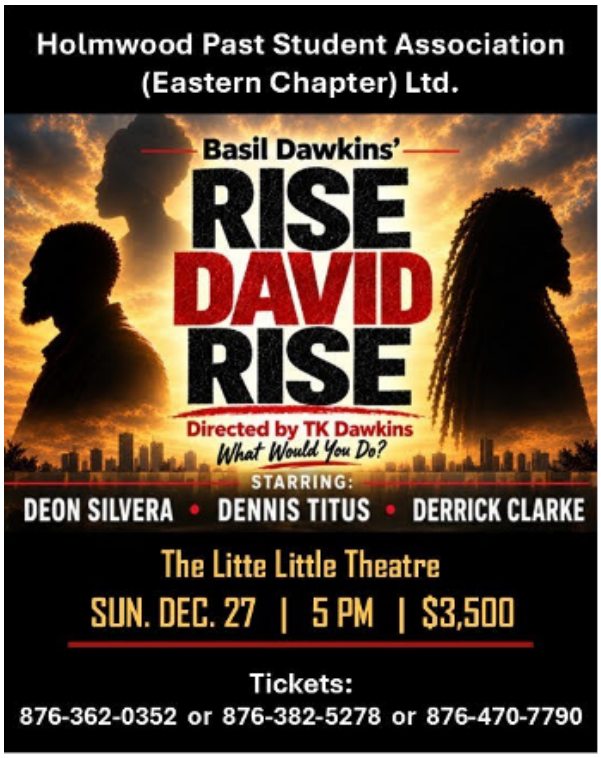
*Stay tuned for our **Chapter Updates. We also encourage you to join a chapter that's convenient and see what we are up to... Some meetings are held virtually, therefore you can be in any parts of the world and be part of a chapter.***

CHAPTER HAPPENINGS & EVENTS

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Here's what's happening in the various chapters. We encourage you to support these different causes where possible

Eastern Chapter





Central Chapter



Get Involved Today

Class Notes & Personal Milestones:
Brief reader-submitted announcements celebrating weddings, births, promotions, and anniversaries.
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Did You Know...

Think you know all there is to know about our beloved school on the hill? There's always another story, proud moment, or hidden gem to discover! Take a peek—you might learn something new about the Holmwood legacy we share.

TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS' ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIPS OVER THE YEARS

- Arnold Bloomfield — 1968/'69
- Michael Buckle — 1979/'80
- Joseph Green — 1980/'81
- Junior Bennett — 2003/'04

"Facta Non Verba" — Deeds Not Words.

Our blessed school on the hill in Christiana proudly boasted three Olympian past students—two ladies and a gentleman—who competed at the 2023 World Athletics Championships in Budapest, Hungary.

- ***Miss Janieve Russell, (HTHS '06 - '12).***
- ***Miss Shashalee Forbes, (HTHS '09 - '15).***
- ***Mr. Oblique Seville, (HTHS '14 - '16)***

Did you know that at RJR, 32 Lyndhurst Road, no less than four (4) of our HOLM "Distinguished Past Students" have, over the decades of its existence, served in the capacity of Technical Operator / Studio Engineer–in the first instance?

- Lewis Morris – HTHS '60–'64
- Ronald "Ronnie" Logan – HTHS '68–'72
- Michael Andrade – HTHS '70–'74
- Lloyd Pusey – HTHS '74–'78

…and that RJR has been recognized over the years at our HPSA milestone celebration events, commencing in 1986, on the occasion of Holmwood's 50th Anniversary Celebration.

For the Love of the Game

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From the track to the court and across the field, we celebrate the talent, teamwork, and heart that make us proud to be Holmwood!
Please share your stories, photos, and highlights of Holmwood in sports—past and present!



JodyKaye Martines
Athlete • Hall of Fame Inductee • Certified Coach • NY Chapter Member

A member of the New York Chapter, JodyKaye Martines has built an impressive record of achievement in track and field.

Collegiate Achievements

- NCAA Track and Field National Champion in the 4 × 100m relay, representing Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri.
- Seven-time All-American across the 100m, 200m, and 4 × 100m relay at Lincoln University.
- NAIA Track and Field National Champion and All-American.
- Second-place finisher in the 100m national final, representing McKendree University.
- Inductee into the McKendree University Sports Hall of Fame in Lebanon, Illinois.

Achievements in Jamaica

- 100m and 200m champion for the Area 2 Jamaica Police Youth Club, which comprises St. Ann, St. Mary, and Portland.
- 100m and 200m champion at the annual Police Track and Field Championships in Kingston, Jamaica.

Coaching and Recognition

JodyKaye is a USA Track & Field Level 1 certified coach, and her athletics record is archived on www.WorldAthletics.org

We proudly celebrate JodyKaye's accomplishments and her place in our Holmwood family!



HTHS PAST NETBALLERS AT THE CAC GAMES

Former Holmwood Technical High School netballers representing Jamaica at the CAC Games. The head coach is pictured in green.

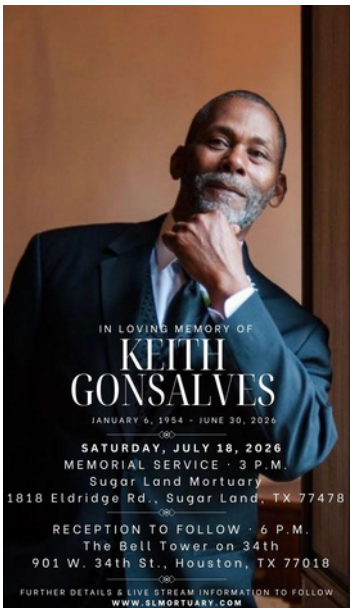
In Memoriam

A tribute honoring the lives and legacies of past students and retired staff members who have passed away



Genevieve Richards Class of 1990











Forever in Our Hearts

Remembering Their Lives. Honoring Their Legacy.

Some connections remain with us long after our days at Holmwood. They live in the friendships we formed, the lessons we learned, and the people whose kindness and guidance helped shape our lives.

In this edition of THE HOLM, we pause to remember past students and retired staff members who have passed away. They shared in the life of our beloved alma mater, and each leaves a story worth remembering—a friendship treasured, a lesson carried forward, a moment that still brings a smile.

We honor those pictured on this page and extend our remembrance to all members of the Holmwood family whose passing has touched our community. Though we cannot capture every name or memory here, we hold them with affection and gratitude.

To their families, friends, classmates, and former colleagues, we offer our heartfelt condolences. May you find comfort in the memories you cherish and in knowing that your loved ones are remembered within the Holmwood family.

As we carry forward the spirit of “Deeds… Not Words,” may we honor their memory through kindness, service, and care for one another.