

HOLMES COMMUNITY COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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BULLDOGS, **THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION** **IS SEARCHING FOR** **You!**

Q: WE ARE ALL OVER THE NATION -
HOW WILL YOU FIND US?

A: USING HOLMES' ONLINE ALUMNI
COMMUNITY, 360 ALUMNI!

We have been using our online alumni community for almost four years now!
Over 10,000 alumni have registered...have you? We want to help you stay connected or reconnect with your memories at Holmes. Please join our online community! If you are already a member, log in and update your profile. Add your e-mail address, upload a profile picture, load your experience (work) and post your social links.

We also want to hear what you have been doing since your time at Holmes. Do you own your own business? We want to support you. Please e-mail Katherine Ellard at kellard@holmescc.edu, so we can promote you to our other alumni.

**WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU
UPDATED YOUR ALUMNI DIRECTORY
PROFILE? REVIEW THESE ITEMS IN
YOUR PROFILE TODAY!**

- ☒ **ADD** your photo
- ☒ **UPLOAD** your resume
- ☒ **INCLUDE** your social media links
- ☒ **GET** on our mailing list

HOW CAN I USE MY 360 ALUMNI ACCOUNT?

- ☐ Access mentorship opportunities
- ☐ Find job opportunities
- ☐ Discover upcoming events
- ☐ Keep up with HCC news
- ☐ Purchase personalized Chapel courtyard bricks
- ☐ Organize class reunions
- ☐ Make memorials and honorariums
- ☐ Purchase a Holmes CC vehicle license plate
- ☐ Donate to Development Foundation Campaigns

GIVE THE GIFT OF
**ALUMNI
MEMBERSHIP**
TO A RECENT GRADUATE



RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING ALUMNI!

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Holmes Community College Alumni Association began honoring its alumni in 1975. These awards are chosen by the Executive Committee of the Holmes Community College Alumni Association.

If you would like to nominate someone for the Alumnus of the Year, Distinguished Service, Young Alumnus of the Year, or Veteran of the Year Awards, mail a letter of nomination and a copy of the person's current resume to the Holmes Community College Alumni Association, Attn: Katherine Ellard, P.O. Box 369, Goodman, MS 39079. For more information, call (662) 472-9134 or email Katherine Ellard, kellard@holmescc.edu.

HOLMES SPORTS HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

Many Bulldog athletes that excelled at Holmes have gone on to compete at four-year schools and some even professionally.

The Alumni Association honors many of these male and female athletes during Homecoming Activities each year. The Holmes Community College Sports Hall of Fame has been organized to recognize former coaches and athletes who made major contributions to intercollegiate athletics while attending Holmes Community College.

If you would like to nominate someone for the Holmes Community College Sports Hall of Fame, please fill out the Sports Hall of Fame nomination form by scanning the QR Code.



UPCOMING DATES:

SPRING CAREER FAIRS:
GOODMAN - MARCH 7
GRENADA - MARCH 21
RIDGELAND - MARCH 26
SPORTS HALL OF FAME: APRIL 11

SPRING POPS CONCERT: APRIL 25
FOUNDATION GOLF TOURN.: MAY 2
CLASS REUNION, 1975-80: JULY 20
HOMECOMING: OCTOBER 31



CLASSES OF 1975-1980, WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!

The classes of 1975, 76, 77, 78, 79, and 80 will gather for their fifth annual reunion as a group. If you were in these classes, please save the date for July 20. We will meet in Goodman to reconnect and have lunch. RSVP is required.

For details, contact the Alumni Office at (662) 472-9134 or speak to someone on the reunion committee:

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BULLDOG SCORES A SPOT IN MCC SPORTS HALL OF FAME



Bobby "Monkey" Joe Grantham of Winona will be inducted into the Mississippi Community College Sports Hall of Fame

during a ceremony on April 11 at the Clyde Muse Center in Pearl.

Grantham is a graduate of Holmes Agricultural High School in Goodman and earned his A.A. degree from Holmes Junior College in 1960.

In the 1961 yearbook Grantham was quoted as saying "The good die young, I want to live!"

During Grantham's time at Holmes, he lettered in football and track. He was coached by Horace McCall in football and Billy Mustin and Aubrey Rozell in track.

In 1959, the Holmes track team placed third in the state and set two state records for the 440 and 880 Relay (team mates: Bud Knight, Al Clanton, Ban Allen, Eddie Davenport and Robert Smith). In 1960, Grantham was a state champion in pole vault for the college.

"I am extremely grateful for my time at Holmes," Grantham said. "I am grateful for the lessons I learned, the relationships that still help guide me to this day. I'm blessed to have spent my best years at Holmes."

After a 30 year career, Grantham retired from AT&T in 1990. He was inducted in the college's Sports Hall of Fame in 2008.

He is married to Pamela Grantham from Greenwood, and they currently reside in Winona. Together they have two children, Warren and Bobbie. Grantham and his wife still enjoy attending sporting events in Goodman as fans of Holmes athletics.

ALUMNI, FIND YOUR GROUP ONLINE!



**1965 FOOTBALL
TEAM ALUMNI**



**1972 FOOTBALL
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**SPORTS HALL
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**DON'T SEE
YOUR GROUP?
START A
NEW ONE!**

HOLMES SPORTS HALL OF FAME

THE SPORTS HALL OF FAME BANQUET IS SET FOR APRIL 11!
Join us in Goodman at Frank Branch Coliseum at 6 p.m. Alumni and friends, scan the QR code to purchase your tickets, or call the Alumni office at (662) 472-9134.



Larry Hart ('08)



A Madison native and former Bulldog player and coach, Hart earned All-State honors at Holmes before transferring to the University

of Central Arkansas. There he recorded 21.5 sacks in two seasons — a total that still ranks among the top five in the school's record books. Hart was chosen as an All-American and the Southland Conference Defensive Player of the Year as both a junior and senior. Now, Hart is the University of Houston's defensive consultant and outside linebackers coach. He is making his mark off the field as well: His book, "The Recruit's Playbook: A 4-year Guide to College Football Recruitment for High School Athletes," was published in 2021.

Walter Holman ('80)



Holman, native of Vaiden, lettered in two sports while at Holmes. He played football for Coach Quinby Morgan and track and field

for Ode Burrell. He was named All-State 1979 by the Mississippi Junior College Association and went on to play at West Virginia State University, where he was 2nd team All-Conference running back. His professional sports career continued when the Cleveland Browns selected him to join their training camp in 1983. He moved over to the USFL with the Pittsburgh Maulers (1984) and Tampa Bay (1985) and Detroit Arena Football (1988) and back to the NFL Washington Redskins (1987).

Hugh Gibson ('66)



Gibson, a native of Eupora, played football and participated in track and field at Holmes under Coach Robert McGraw.

Gibson was selected as a Mississippi Junior College All-State. After Holmes, Gibson earned a J.D. from the University of Mississippi and continues to practice today. He served on the Mississippi Employment Commission as Chairman (1980-1992) and served as a City of Eupora Alderman (2011-2019). Gibson was also on the Holmes Board of Trustees for many years. He continues to serve on the Holmes Development Foundation Board of Governors.

Shelton Richardson ('02)



Richardson, a native of Grenada, played football at Grenada High School before coming to Goodman to play for the Bulldogs. He

played running back in the 2001 and 2002 seasons under Head Coach Hugh Shurden. After Holmes, Richardson signed with Louisiana Tech. Richardson is a terrific athlete and a physical player who played running back and quarterback. While playing for Holmes, Richardson rushed 128 times for 627 yards and six touchdowns in nine games his sophomore year. He was selected first-team All-Region 23 and was Holmes' Most Valuable Player.

Shane Trosclair ('97)



Trosclair, a native of Chackbay, Louisiana, played baseball for the Bulldogs under Quinby Morgan and Kenny Dupont. He was

a pitcher and Mississippi Junior College All-State and All-American with an appearance in the Mississippi Junior College All Star Game. After Holmes, he continued on in the sport to lead the Southeastern Louisiana University pitching staff and continues to coach at his alma mater, Thibodaux High School.

Richard Worthy ('07)



Worthy, a Canton native, played at Canton High School, where he averaged 20 points, five rebounds and five steals a game. Coach Todd

Kimble recruited Worthy to play at Holmes where he earned First-Team All-NJCAA Region XXIII honors during his sophomore season. While playing for the Bulldogs, he scored 22 points in the first round of the region tournament and 18 points in the state semi-finals, which helped lead the team to a state championship. Worthy earned All-Region and All-State honors before transferring to Mississippi College and Oklahoma City University.



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Stay in touch! Helping you stay connected to Holmes Community College and to each other is what the HCC Alumni Association is all about. Update your contact information by sending an email to: kellard@holmescc.edu.



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HOLMES COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT

**THURSDAY
MAY 2
2024**

Deerfield Golf Club
Madison, Mississippi
11 a.m. Registration & Lunch
12 P.M. Tee Time

**AFTER 5:00
SOCIAL &
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TEAM/CORPORATE SPONSOR **\$600**

Advertise your business while supporting Holmes! Includes 4 player team, green fees, cart fees, lunch and hole sign.

HOLE SPONSOR **\$100**

Not able to play, but still want to participate? Includes a hole sign showing your support.

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Feature your most sought-after wares. Support the Foundation by donating a raffle or prize item.

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL ENTRY FORMS WITH PAYMENT TO ALLISON DEWEESE BY **FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024**

By email: adeweese@holmescc.edu | By mail: 412 West Ridgeland Ave., Ridgeland, MS 39157.

Make checks payable to: Holmes Community College Development Foundation.

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