

Though the look has changed over time, the varsity letterman jacket has remained a staple at Holmes Community College throughout the years. Likewise, the values and fervent Bulldog spirit of the small agricultural school that opened its doors in Goodman 90 years ago have stood the test of time and still remain today.

Holmes Community College. 90 Years Strong. Solid Foundation. Bright Future.



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A group of eight students are jumping joyfully in the air, holding hands, in front of the Holmes Community College archway. The archway is made of brick and metal, with the words 'HOLMES COMMUNITY COLLEGE' visible. In the background, there are trees, a parking lot with cars, and a building with a sign that says 'WELCOME BULLDOG NATION'.

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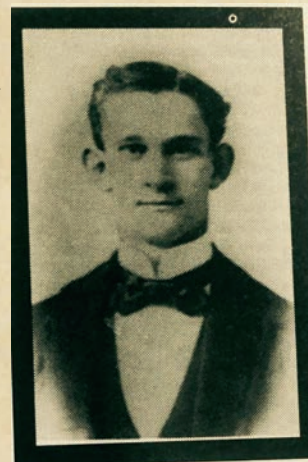
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1925-1935

"After having met with your Board of Trustees and discussed the proposed junior college work in the Holmes County Agricultural High School in Goodman, Mississippi; after having gone into the plan of organization with you fully, we wish to say we heartily endorse your movement and approve your plans for the work. The State Department of Education hereby approves your school for full credits of the freshman college work for the session of 1925-26."

- W.F Bond, State Superintendent of Education.



M.E Morehead

Having M.E Morehead as superintendent of Holmes Junior College in Goodman in 1925, Holmes was able to start its journey to becoming the excellent college it is today. Unlike today, the campus started with only three main buildings: the administrative building, the girl's dormitory, and the boy's dormitory. All three were modernly built with steam heat, electric lights, running water, and screening. In 1925, Holmes was given access to farm acres that were furnished and included an effective lab for teaching crops and grazing. The farm provided the school with not only educational resources, but also with milk for the students.

On Jan. 27, 1927, Morehead reported to the Board of Trustees that 20 students were enrolled in college work, 15 students were taking



1925-1935



M.C. McDaniel

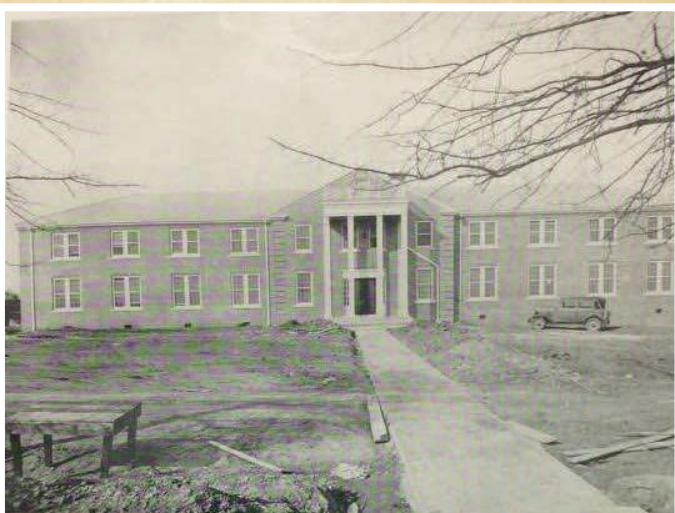
commercial classes, and the college was now offering most major sports. After Holmes' quick success, Morehead soon began plans to expand the community college into a two-year college. He was able to achieve his goal with a \$12,659.50 loan given by the Board of Trustees.

On May 24, 1928, members from the Mississippi Junior College Accrediting Commission visited Holmes and offered recommendations for improvement such as: the addition of more science equipment, new roofs, steam heat in the boy's dorm, construction of a gymnasium, and the

cooperation of other counties in support of the school.

By June 1, 1928, M.E. Morehead was succeeded by M.C. McDaniel as the new superintendent of Holmes. During McDaniel's first year in leadership, Holmes was able to make repairs, build a gymnasium, and introduce the first school newspaper and yearbook that we still know today as The Growl and Horizons, respectively.

Three months later in September of 1929, the school underwent more improvements as they added new dormitories for the students, added 2300 volumes to their library, and formed a school band led by Professor Leonard from Millsaps College.



1935-1945

The Holmes football stadium was built in 1936 in honor of the coach, Ras M. Branch. Branch ended up taking over as president in 1940 following McDaniel's resignation. During his tenure, the college continued to grow at a rapid pace and he made certain that the physical plant and course offerings expanded accordingly.



Ras M. Branch

Student activities were expanded and now included athletics, the marching band, the Glee Club, a debate team, a drama club, the International Relations Club, religious organizations, and the two student publications that exist today: The Growl student newspaper and the yearbook. The yearbook changed its name from The Cornerstone to Horizons in 1941.

In 1939, school dances were allowed to be held on campus for the first time. Also during this time, in appreciation for McDaniel's dedication to Holmes, the administration building was named for him.

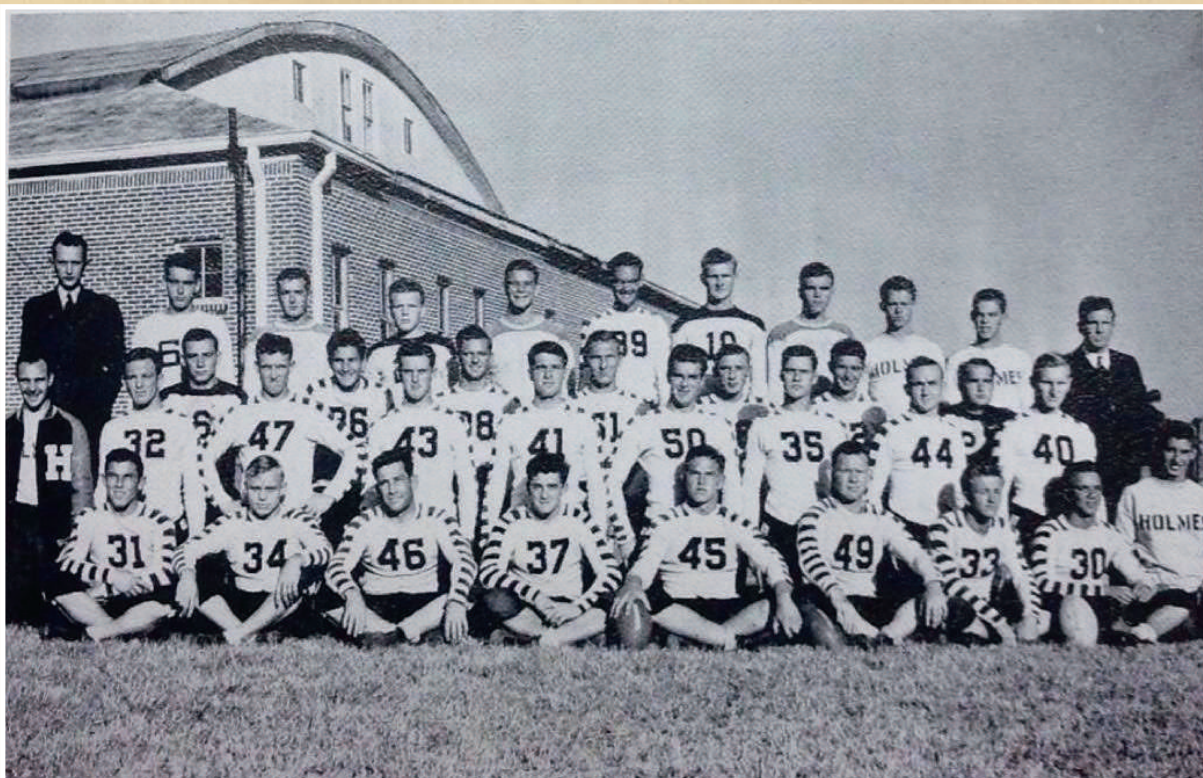
Other buildings built during this period included an annex to the girl's dorm, the band hall, a canning plant and a laundry mat. The Goodman Grammar School was purchased, as well, and renovated into a boy's dorm.

In 1942, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools evaluated both the high school and the college and found both to be in excellent condition.

(right) Students in 1942.



1935-1945



The 1941 Holmes Junior College Bulldogs Football Team had 10 lettermen.



Pictured is the 1939 marching band in the former band hall.

1945-1955

Holmes continued to grow and progress as it had in earlier decades. As World War II came to an end, the college adjusted to post-war life, adding a veteran's dormitory to campus in 1946.

Additionally, the school obtained two wartime naval barrack buildings from the government - free of charge - that were converted into dormitory space for boys and apartments for married couples.

Other campus changes included the replacing of the old bleachers with new concrete ones, and the addition of a manual arts building, a grade-A dairy barn, and an addition to the home economics building. The former grammar school was also turned into six faculty apartments.

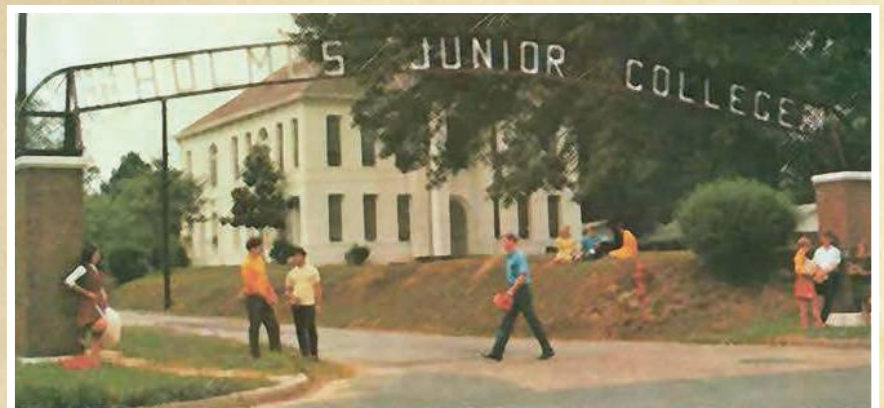


Clarence W. Lorance

Additionally, the arch marking the entrance to Holmes Junior College was completed in November of 1949. Made possible by the combined gifts of the High School Senior Classes of 1924 and 1949 and of the College Sophomore Classes of 1948 and 1949, this structure was built as a memorial to the young men and women of these classes whose generosity to and love of the institution enabled it to be built. The archway was sadly torn down in an 18-wheeler wreck in the 1990's, but was rebuilt in 2015 as part of the 90-year celebration with "Holmes Community College" replacing

"Holmes Junior College."

In May of 1948, Ras Branch suffered a severe heart attack and resigned as president the following



Pictured is the archway built in 1949.

1945-1955

January. The board then appointed Clarence W. Lorange as the fourth president of Holmes. Branch was appointed to the board in March.

Soon after he became president, construction began on the new gymnasium and was completed in December of 1951. A new student center was built on the site of the previous gym. It included the canteen, the bookstore, a recreation hall, and a lobby area.

The Bulldogs football team was particularly strong during this decade. In 1945, Holmes played against Hinds in the first ever junior college bowl game, the Lions Bowl Game in Laurel. They also played in the Toy and Doll Bowl Game in Hattiesburg in 1946 and the Lions Bowl again in 1950. After beating Scooba in the 1950s Lions Bowl Game, the team went on to play in the Memorial Bowl Game in Jackson and the Gulf Bowl in Del Mar, Texas. They were state championship winners in 1945-46 and 1950-51.

The Men's Basketball Team brought home the state championship trophy one year later, in 1952.



Pictured are students in the '50s congregating in the original Lorange Student Center.

1955-1965

The mid-50s were a rather sad time for Holmes. The beloved President Lorance suffered a severe heart attack and died. This happened just four months after the student center was destroyed by a fire. Upon completion of the newly-rebuilt student center, it was named in memory of Clarence Lorance for his many years of service and dedication to the school.

Frank B. Branch, who had served at Holmes since 1936, was elected by the Board of Trustees to fill the position as president. He served as a history instructor, contact man, assistant football coach, head football coach, athletic director, women's basketball coach,



Frank B. Branch

men's basketball coach, track coach, baseball coach, dean of men, and high school principal all before becoming president in 1955.

During his tenure as president, Branch brought in seven additional counties to join the two already in place - Holmes and Carroll counties - supporting the institution. They included Attala, 1956; Montgomery, 1958, Grenada, 1959; Choctaw, 1959; Madison, 1961; Webster, 1963, and Yazoo, 1964. These counties are all a part of the nine-county district area that the college still serves today.



(left) Pictured are the 1962 Holmes Bulldog cheerleaders performing a pyramid.

1955-1965

During the 1955-1965 era, Holmes renovated all existing structures and realized that increasing enrollment would require expansion. The college bought 128 acres to expand the campus, and the following buildings were added: McMorrough Library, 1961; Motel Dormitory for Boys, 1962; Attala Hall, 1962; Carroll Cafeteria, 1963, and Montgomery Fine Arts Building, 1965.

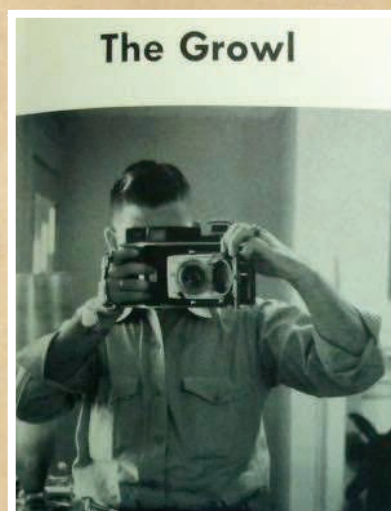
Athletics and academic groups flourished during this period as well. The men's basketball team won the state championship in 1956, and Holmes added tennis as an athletic offering again after an 11-year hiatus from campus. Bulldog football player Tommy Guthrie played in the first annual Junior College All-American game, and Holmes alumni were proud to watch Ode Burrell, a former standout Bulldog football player, sign a professional contract with the Houston Oilers in 1964. Burrell was later inducted into the Holmes Sports Hall of Fame.

In 1959, the international honor society Phi Theta Kappa granted Holmes its first chapter and the Kappa Alpha chapter was founded. Today, all three campuses have PTK chapters; Alpha Lambda Sigma Chapter in Ridgeland; Alpha Mu Beta in Grenada, and the original chapter, Kappa Alpha, in Goodman.

Pictured are the 1956 basketball state championship winners.



Pictured is a member of The Growl newspaper staff circa 1962.



1965-1975

The period from the mid-60s through the early-70s was a time of drastic change for Holmes. Life as a Bulldog during this era was lively, to say the least.

Holmes made several renovations including updating Webster Hall, updating Grenada Hall, and adding extra housing for the faculty. The school also added new tennis courts during this era.

Holmes also began offering classes at other locations including Canton, Carmichael, Grenada, Kosciusko, Lexington, Winona, and Yazoo City. On campus, in addition to the cosmetology, radio and television, and drafting programs already established, Holmes added automotive mechanics, building and construction technology, data processing, electronic servicing, machine shop, practical nurse education, refrigeration and air conditioning, secretarial training, and welding.

The wide array of extracurricular activities offered expanded, as well. The Student



Pictured are Ann Russell and Ricky, Casey who were voted Most Athletic in 1974.



(left) A Holmes Junior College marching band drummer proudly leads the group.



(right) Students perform chemistry experiments in 1966.

1965-1975



Pictured is Frank B. Branch Coliseum in '75.

Government Association, the Women's Judicial Council, the Collegiate Civitan Club, the Drama Club, Phi Theta Kappa, Phi Beta Lambda, the Debate Club, the Lottie Peebles Home Economics Club, the Cosmetology Club, the Chess Club, the Christian Council, Baptist Student Union, Wesley Foundation, the Newman Club, and

Vocational-Industrial Clubs of America (what is known today as SkillsUSA) were all offered to Holmes students during this time.

Although women's basketball had been played at Holmes for many years, the first athletic scholarship was signed by a female athlete in 1975. Frank B. Branch Coliseum was built near the end of this decade, and both Branch Coliseum and McDaniel Building were dedicated on April 21, 1974.

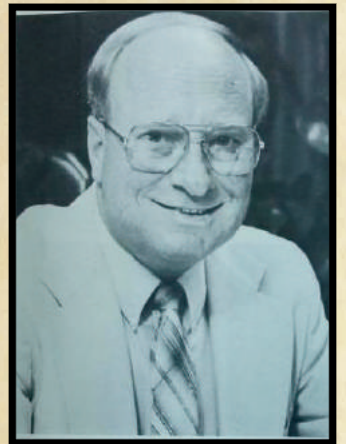
(right)
Pictured
is 1969
Home-
coming
Queen
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Martha
Burney.



Pictured is the 1974 women's basketball team.

1975-1985

The late-70s and early-80s were some of the most pivotal years for the college. Frank B. Branch decided to retire in 1976 and M.R. Thorne replaced him as president. Thorne had been at Holmes since 1959; first as an industrial education instructor, then as a drafting and design technology instructor, and then as director of vocational-technical education. He served as administrative assistant to the president under Branch for one year before being named president in 1976. Thorne served in this capacity until his retirement in 1989.



M.R. Thorne

In the athletics department, the A.A. Derrick Jr. Field House was dedicated in 1976 and a new track was completed in 1979. Also, a building to hold the mechanics shop and welding shop was added in 1978. That same year, Madison Hall, a dormitory for male students, was destroyed by a fire.

Holmes athletic teams continued to excel; the football team won the state championship again in 1981.

The greatest change to occur at the college during these 10 years was the establishment of two commuter campuses, one in Ridgeland and one in Grenada, by 1985.

The decision to build new centers in the northern and southern extremes of the geographical district came as a result of extensive study and strategic planning conducted in 1981 and 1982 involving all segments of the two-year college's community.

The main purpose for the centers was to make the educational programs and services of the college available to a greater percentage of the district's population.



Pictured are the 1980 Bully mascots.

1975-1985



Pictured is the Ridgeland Campus, which opened its doors in 1985.



Pictured is the Grenada Center, which opened its doors in 1985.

1985-1995

Change was in the air at Holmes during the mid-80's to mid-90's. The most important change that occurred during this period was the addition of the Grenada Center and the Ridgeland Campus, and the growth of both campuses thereafter.

Advancement was reflected by the change of the college's name, from Holmes Junior College to Holmes Community College, on July 1, 1989. It was thought that the new name would better reflect the comprehensive and multifaceted mission of the progressive two-year college.

That same year, Dr. Starkey A. Morgan, Sr., became the seventh president of Holmes. He came to Holmes from Itawamba Community College, where he served various administrative positions.

Also during 1989, a \$500,000 scholarship fund was established by Alumnus Dr. Samuel O. Massey. The scholarship is awarded to Holmes students who planned to continue their education to become medical

professionals. During 1988, the Ridgeland Campus Scholars Bowl team was awarded top honors when they won the annual statewide Scholars Bowl competition.

The success continued into the 90's, in both academics and athletics. The Lady Bulldogs basketball team won the state championship and placed second in the Region XXIII championship in 1990-91. The team won the state championship again the following year, as well as the Region XXIII championship. The Regional championship win qualified them to compete in the National Junior College Athletic Association championship tournament, in which they placed 5th. In 1990, the first Miss Holmes



Dr. Starkey A .
Morgan, Sr.



1985-1995



Pictured is the 1990 Growl Staff. In the letterman jacket is Director of Communications Steve Diffey.

Community College Pageant was held. Laurie Reynolds was crowned Miss Holmes and represented the college the following July at the Miss Mississippi Pageant.

On Sept. 28, 1991, construction was completed on the Holmes Observatory for use in teaching astronomy. The observatory boasts a 14-inch Schmidt Casegrain telescope made by Celestron. The first light seen through the telescope was Saturn.

In 1993 a new men's dormitory was built. It was named for alumnus Kelly Gene Cook Sr., whose foundation offered the

college a \$500,000 grant during its "Lighting the Way" Campaign.

(left) April Dorsey was named Miss Holmes CC in 1991.

(right) Early '90's cheerleaders perform a stunt.



1995-2005

The 1995-2005 era in Holmes' history was no less dramatic in change than the first 70. It was the time period when the college truly started moving to advance technologically.

The Computer Technology Center was completed on the Goodman Campus in 1997, and through the Community College Network (CCN), students from all three campuses were now able to participate in one class simultaneously. This technology also allowed students to take classes from other community colleges without leaving their own campuses.

From 1995-2000, the number of computers used by students, faculty, and staff increased dramatically, and it was



Dr. Glenn Boyce

during these years that the Internet became an indispensable tool for both students and faculty. It was also during this time that the Ridgeland Campus added a media center to campus.

In 1995, the Lorraine



Pictured are the 1995 Holmes Ambassadors. On the front, far left is Heather Norris Roberts, who is now an LPN instructor at Holmes.

1995-2005

Student Center on the Goodman Campus was complete, and in 1999, the Goodman Campus bridge was built.

In 1997, Holmes returned to Kosciusko with the opening of the newly-built Attala Educational Center. Holmes vacated the previous Attala County facility in 1992, with a promise to return when the county's board of supervisors provided a facility. The Attala Educational Center offers an array of community, workforce, and academic classes, remaining flexible to meet the needs of the residents of Kosciusko and Attala County.

Holmes students continued to be recognized throughout the state and beyond. In 1996, the Bulldog football team won the north half and a trip to the State Championship. In 1997, the choral groups gave their international debut in Spain, performing in three cities. In 1998, Goodman students took home the Ken Wooten Scholars Bowl first place trophy.

At the end of this era, in 2005, Dr. Glenn Boyce was named the eighth president of Holmes. Under his leadership, Holmes was recognized nationally as one of the highest achieving community colleges in the country.



Pictured is Dr. Don Phillips and family during the dedication of the Donald E. Phillips Business Building in Goodman in 2004.

2005-2015

In the last 10 years, Holmes has yet to slow down in the way of progression and expansion. In 2006, the \$8.5 million D.P. "Pat" McGowan Workforce Training Center was opened on the Ridgeland Campus. This 50,000 square-foot training center was designed to meet the increasing demands for business and industry training. The center houses career-tech classrooms, workforce training classrooms/shops/areas, office space, the GED Center, and an auditorium.



Dr. Jim Haffey

The Grenada Center saw many changes in 2006 as well; the library was able to move to the Center's newest building, which was twice the size of the original. The library was dedicated to and named for former Grenada VP Jack Holmes in 2014.

In 2007, Holmes launched its own Internet portal, "My Doghouse," which was upgraded and renamed "My Holmes" in 2015. Student email accounts were implemented during this time, as well. The conservation law enforcement technology and the forensic science programs were also added to the Grenada Center course offerings in 2007.

In 2009, major renovation of the technology building in Ridgeland was completed with the building being transformed into a student center/bookstore and nursing classrooms. In 2015, the student union there was dedicated to and named for former Ridgeland VP Joe Adams. 2009 also saw the addition of a welcome center/security booth, a Dazzler practice facility and the creation of the electrical linemen program in Goodman, as well.

2010 brought even more growth and development; the Goodman Campus added a new softball field house, the bookstore/Lorance Student Center was renovated, and a new science building double the size of the last one was built in Ridgeland. Holmes also added a brand new maintenance staff building in Ridgeland, and added a new, large parking lot.

In 2012, Holmes earned bragging rights when, for the third year in a row, they took home the Phi Theta Kappa International top prize of Most Distinguished Chapter (a.k.a. Best Chapter in the World!).

The growth continued, and still does to this day. The Grenada Center

2005-2015



began utilizing a new \$8.5 million facility in 2013 which includes three biology labs, a computer lab, seven faculty offices, an audio-visual room and a large conference room. The facility was also built to house the new physical therapy assistant program.

Additionally, in 2014 Holmes received a \$1.6 million grant for the renovation of the Milwaukee Tool building in Kosciusko and subsequent move of the Attala Educational Center to that facility. Holmes officially opened the doors to the new 76,000 square-foot facility in November of 2015.

Student achievement steadily continued, as well; in 2013, the Goodman SkillsUSA chapter saw 33 students place in the state competition, allowing them the opportunity to go to nationals. The Ridgeland Campus also added interior design and critical care paramedic to the program offerings that year.

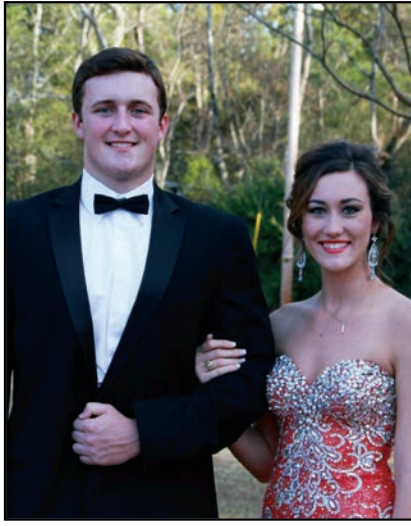
On Sept. 10, 2014, Holmes made history by appointing the youngest president in the Mississippi Community College system. At age 37, Dr. Jim Haffey became the 9th president of Holmes, replacing Dr. Boyce. Under Dr. Haffey, Holmes has reached quite a few milestones already. On June 24, 2015, Holmes celebrated the ribbon-cutting for the Yazoo County Economic Development and Educational Center in Yazoo City - a new location for Holmes classes. The new Attala Center then opened its doors in November, and just weeks later, Holmes officially announced that it had acquired the approximately 25,000 square-foot building that formerly housed Fitness Lady, as well as roughly four acres of prime I-55 Frontage Road access to expand the Ridgeland Campus territory. Built on a strong foundation, it has been an impressive 90 years so far, and the future continues to look bright.

Homecoming





90 Years Strong



Lane Spell & Goodman
Freshman Maid
Haley Pate



Timothy Wallace & Goodman
Freshman Maid
Nikki Merchant



Dalton Veazey & Goodman
Sophomore Maid
Sydney Coleman



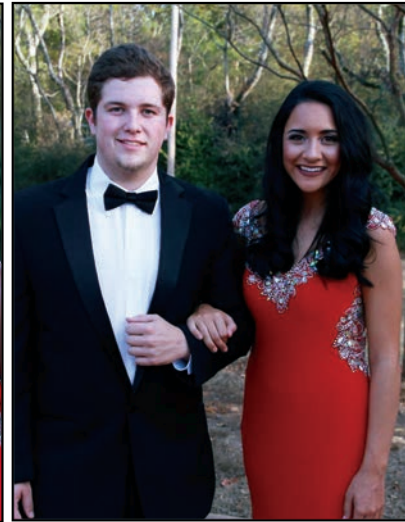
Justin Milner & Goodman
Sophomore Maid
Sara Grace Weaver



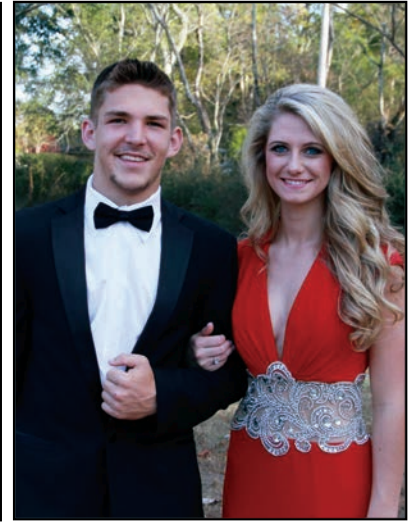
Gregory Miller & Ridgeland
Freshman Maid
Kindalin Blocker



Christian Gomez & Ridgeland
Freshman Maid
Tralsyia Dixon



Will Neihaus & Ridgeland
Sophomore Maid
Sena Hope



Shayne Hopkins & Ridgeland
Sophomore Maid
Avery Huff



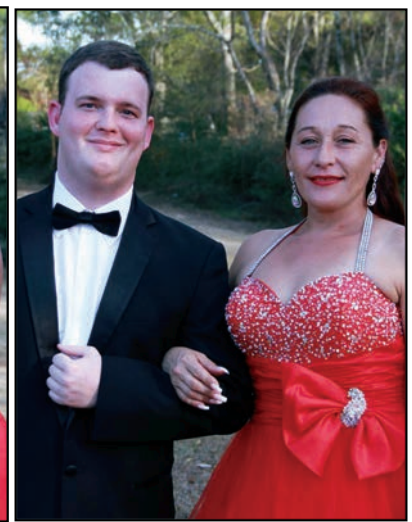
Grant Martin & Grenada
Freshman Maid
Hannah Waters



Brantley Shaw & Grenada
Freshman Maid
Catherine Lancaster



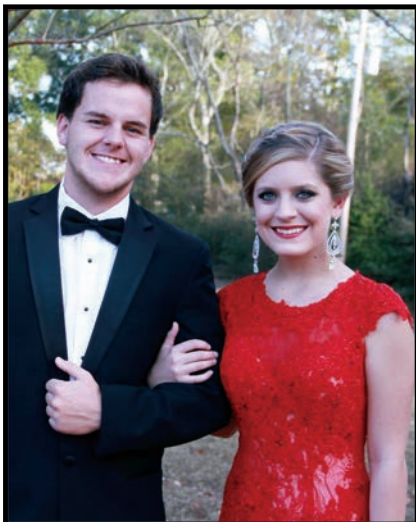
Zamyron Everett & Grenada
Sophomore Maid
Felicia Murray



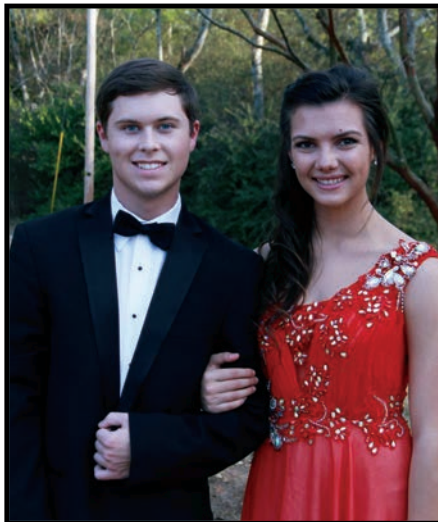
Colton Toler & Grenada
Sophomore Maid
Jennifer Tehan



**Arron Laborde escorting
2015 Homecoming Queen Brittany Dance**



**Fred Johnston & Goodman
Student Body Maid Kayla
Neal**



**Ryan Wiltshire & Ridgeland
Student Body Maid Mallory
Corley**



**Grenada Student Body
Maid Abby Vance & Dillon
Deweese**

The Band and Dazzlers



The Game



The Band



The Steel Band



Homecoming Festivities



Cheerleaders



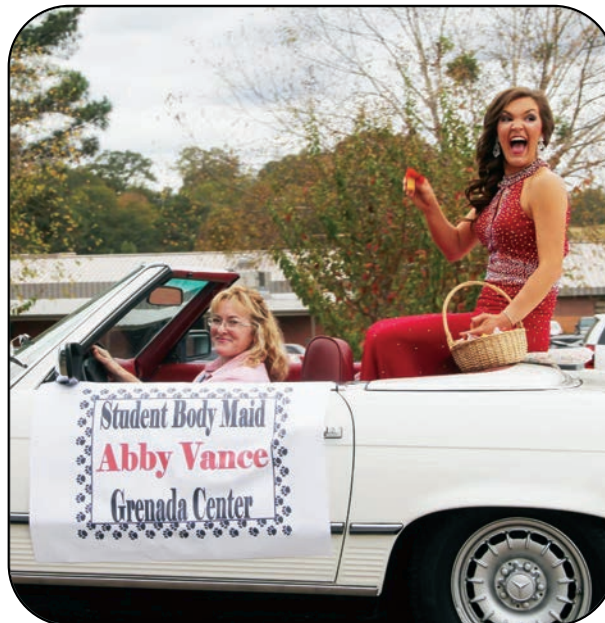
Homecoming Banners



The Pep Rally



The Game



Homecoming Parade

Connection! Performance



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2015 Distinguished Alumni



James William "Bill" Bailey, Dr. Jim Haffey, Calvin "Robby" Robertson, and James Edward Young.

Robertson attended Holmes on ACT scholarship, and said he had excellent teachers. Post graduation, he earned a B.S. in business from The University of Mississippi. Ever since his college days, he has never stopped serving in leadership roles. Robertson served as president of the Holmes County Chamber of Commerce in 1992. He also served as Justice Court Judge of Attala County from 1980-2003. While in this position, he was appointed to serve on the Mississippi Commission of Judicial Performance from 1990-2003. He presently serves on the Kosciusko-Attala Development Corporation.

Robertson, a 35-year veteran of the insurance industry, served as vice president then president of M&F Insurance Group, Inc., before their merger with Renasant Insurance, Inc. He has served as president of Renasant's southern region since that time.

He and his wife, Reba McLellan Robertson (class of '79), have one daughter, Lauren, and two grandsons, Rob and Rhett.

The 2015 Distinguished Service Award recipient, James William "Bill" Bailey (class of '63), is a native of Kosciusko. He stated, "My favorite memory of Holmes was the welcoming atmosphere I encountered. Everyone was extremely friendly, and they helped me out a lot. What I remember most is how neat it was to meet people from all different places. Holmes was not a big place, but it was a whole lot bigger than my high school with 12 in my graduating class!"

While at Holmes, Bailey was the starting center for the basketball team his freshman and sophomore year, and was voted "Most Popular" as a sophomore. Post graduation, he spent 25 years as a naval officer, retiring as Commander. He flew an F-4 jet, fighting as a naval flight officer, participated in two combat cruises, and spent six years as a POW in Vietnam. Bailey taught naval science courses at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from 1985-1989. Afterward, he served as assistant principal of a public high school for 17 years in Anderson, South Carolina, where he and his wife Suzy reside today. They have three children; James, Anne, and John, and five grandchildren; Asling, Katie, Danny, Anne, and Ava.

2015 Distinguished Service Award Recipient
Calvin "Robby" Robertson (class of '77) of Sallis is the president of Renasant Insurance, Inc. - Southern Region. "I'm honored by this recognition," he said. "I don't feel worthy, but I appreciate it."

2015 Distinguished Service Award Recipient
James Edward Young (class of '63) of Thomastown is the pastor of McAdams Baptist Church. Young said, "Holmes was such good experience for me. I went to the right place at the right time and met the right people. I was accustomed to a small school, but Holmes opened up a whole new world for me. I still remember one of my most influential instructors, a history teacher named Mr. Y.W. Sudduth. It was from him I first learned about the Islamic and Muslim cultures in class...little did I know I would be living and working among these people for 30 plus years of my life!"

After Holmes, Young earned his B.S. from Mississippi College and his master's in theology from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He has served as pastor of McAdams Baptist for 12 years, but prior to his current position, he was a missionary to Bangladesh for 34 years. His work included: church planting, sinking wells for drinking water, training LPNs and carpenters to use their skills in ministry, and making shoes for the needy.

Young and his wife, Guinevere Jenkins Young, also a '63 Holmes grad, reside in Sallis. They have two children; Jamie and Timothy, and five grandchildren; Adian, Asha, Zak, Caleb, and Connor.

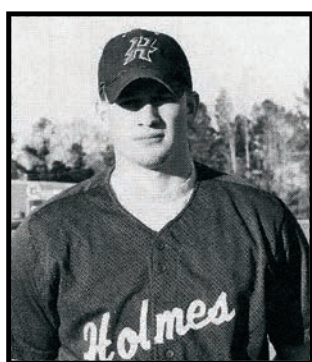
All three recipients were recognized during Holmes' Homecoming Celebration on Oct. 24.

2015 Sports Hall of Fame

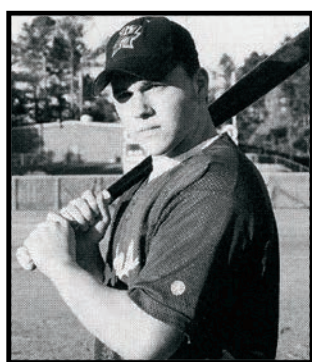


Pictured are the 2015 Sports Hall of Fame inductees. They are *(left to right)* Michael Avalon ('02), baseball; Stephen Waggener ('02), baseball; Jerrelyn Redmond Jackson ('86), basketball; Anne Porter representing her late husband Cadman Porter ('53), football; Tim Bell ('99), football; Hugh Shurden ('69), football; Randy Shields ('72), tennis, and Claude Gunter ('72), tennis.

The Sports Hall of Fame recognizes former coaches and athletes who made major contributions to athletics while attending Holmes. On April 23, 2015, Holmes held a banquet in the Frank Branch Coliseum on the Goodman Campus to celebrate the eight new members' inductions.



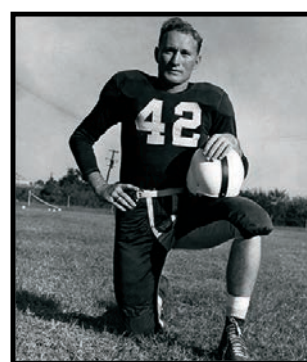
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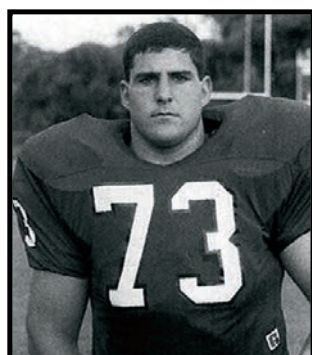
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Shurden



Shields



Gunter

Campus News

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90 Years Strong

Holmes president Dr. Jim Haffey successfully leads Holmes through 2015-2016



On Sept. 10, 2014, the Board of Trustees named Holmes County native Dr. Jim Haffey the 9th president of Holmes Community College. At the age of 37, he became one of the youngest to serve as president of a college in the state of Mississippi. Since being named president, he has been instrumental in the growth of the college. A few of the accolades include the celebration of Holmes' 90th anniversary, the opening of the new location in Yazoo City, the opening of the new Attala Center in Kosciusko, and the purchase of the former Fitness Lady - as well as prime I-55 highway access - to expand the Ridgeland Campus territory.

A 1997 Holmes graduate, Dr. Haffey earned three degrees from Mississippi State University and worked as a lobbyist for the Mississippi Manufacturers Association before returning to his alma mater. Prior to his position as president, he served a number of positions, including business instructor, workforce development coordinator, WIA director, director of financial aid, and vice president of the Grenada Center.

He is an active member of the community, as well as an outdoor enthusiast and avid golfer. Dr. Haffey and his wife, Rae Anne, a pharmacist at Howell and Heggie Drug Co., have two children; Hayley and Hudson.

"As we celebrate our 90th anniversary, it really is amazing to reflect on all the students and employees who share a connection to our school," Dr. Haffey said. "I have watched the college grow and get stronger almost every year since 1995. I think we have matured and learned from the challenges we have faced over the years and stand poised as the best community college in Mississippi to work and learn."





Holmes opens doors to new Attala Center and Yazoo County location

On Thursday, Nov. 29, Holmes held a ribbon-cutting and open house for The Attala Center located on West Jefferson Street in Kosciusko. The new facility replaced the former Holmes Attala Center on Highway 12 near Baptist Medical Center. The ribbon-cutting was well-attended by Holmes representatives, Attala County Board of Supervisors, elected county officials, Kosciusko Mayor Jimmy Cockroft, Kosciusko Board of Alderman, as well as other VIPs, including Rep. Jason White; Chris Richardson, a field rep from U.S. Sen. Thad Cochran's office; Steve Russell, executive director of the North Central Planning and Development District; Randall Lewis and his team from J&H Architects; Paul Jackson and Son Contractors and others.

Nancy McRight, director of The Attala Center, expressed her sincere gratitude for everyone that had a part in making the dream of opening the new center a reality. The 70,000 square-foot facility offers academic and workforce training courses, as well as community workshops. "This center is going to provide limitless opportunities for our community," McRight said. Most notably for her role directing The Attala Center, McRight was recently named one of the Women of Attala 2015 by the Star-Herald. She has also been named Director of the Year in Adult Education in Mississippi three times.

Following an address by McRight and comments from Holmes President Dr. Jim Haffey, the ribbon was officially cut and guests were invited to enjoy an open house of the facility and refreshments.





On Wednesday, June 24, representatives from the Yazoo County Economic Development Council, the Yazoo County Board of Supervisors, the Delta Council, and Holmes - as well as other Yazoo County supporters - gathered for the ribbon-cutting of the Yazoo County Economic Development and Educational Center in Yazoo City which became the newest location for Holmes classes beginning August 2015.

Located at 637 East 15th St. in Yazoo City, the facility provides space for Yazoo County Economic Development officers' offices in addition to the classroom space. The Center offers academic, community and workforce training classes.

"I cannot express how excited we are about pairing with Holmes," said Whitney Wood, director at Yazoo County Economic Development District. "Holmes has always been a part of our community, and anytime I've called on them to help with something, they show up."

Prior to the ribbon-cutting event at the new site, Dr. Jim Haffey, president of Holmes, served as guest speaker for the Yazoo County Rotary and Lion's Club joint meeting.

"I've always had a special place in my heart for Yazoo County," Dr. Haffey said. "Holmes has had a strong presence and positive relationship in Yazoo County for a number of years, so partnering with Yazoo County Economic Development Council and the Yazoo County Board of Supervisors to make Yazoo City Holmes' newest location just made sense. After substantial research, we realized that this county has the most potential for growth out of our nine-district counties. We feel like this community wants us here, and we want to be here. From the high school dropout who needs to get a GED to the student who will go on to become a chemical engineer, we work to serve everyone and don't want to leave anyone behind.

"We won't put the brakes on where we see the potential for growth. If we grow too large for this building we're starting in, we'll find more space. If the community requests a type of class we're not yet offering here, and it is something that will prove to be even fairly sustainable, we will make it happen. The sky's the limit."

Holmes buys Fitness Lady in Ridgeland

In November 2015, Holmes acquired the approximately 25,000-square-foot building that formerly housed Fitness Lady, as well as roughly four acres of prime I-55 Road access, to expand the territory of the Ridgeland Campus.

Located at 331 Sunny Brook Road, Fitness Lady was one of the largest women's health clubs in the nation, and once renovated, the state-of-the-art facility will provide much-needed space for multiple purposes. The building will provide a fitness and recreation center for students and employees from all campuses, space for offices, as well as a site for additional community outreach initiatives to benefit local citizens and students.

Future plans may include adding a hospitality management program in Ridgeland, and this expansion provides means to make that possible. The additional acreage will also allow for an increased presence for the college along the I-55 corridor.

"We are pleased to be able to enhance the overall student experience at Holmes Community College," said President Dr. Jim Haffey. "Our college has been the fastest growing community college over the last 10 years, and the success of the Ridgeland Campus and Madison County has fueled that growth. We plan to use the facility to change the health and lives of thousands of students in the Holmes district."

The project started in 2014, and culminated with the closing on Nov. 17. The acquisition was made possible by the Madison County Board of Supervisors in a vote to increase support to the college.

"We appreciate the support that county leaders have given to us that allows us to improve and expand our facilities in this manner," said Vice President Dr. Don Burnham. "Our desire is that these facilities be used to educate and train the workforce so that Madison County continues to experience an increasing standard of living for all of its citizens."



Magnolia GOLD

comes to Holmes

Holmes Community College partnered with the Mississippi Army National Guard to offer a new military science program called Magnolia GOLD. The "GOLD" stands for Guard Officer Leadership Development.

During the fall of 2015, students had the opportunity to take a course called Foundations of Officership on the Goodman Campus. In the spring of 2016, the program extended to the Ridgeland Campus, and a second course, Foundations of Leadership, was offered.

Magnolia GOLD courses are open to all students with no prerequisites necessary. The coursework introduces students to the personal challenges and competencies that are critical for effective leadership. Students learn how the personal development of life skills such as cultural understanding, goal setting, time management, mental/physical resiliency, and stress management relate to leadership, officership, and the Army profession.

"I am very excited about this program," said SFC Timothy Harper, instructor of the program. "This course provides great leadership opportunities, and the projects are designed to enhance the students' ability to plan and execute difficult tasks."

This program lends itself to students interested in becoming National Guard officers, whether they choose Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) or Officer Candidate School (OCS). Although there are additional opportunities for those already in the National Guard, there is absolutely no military obligation required to take the Magnolia GOLD courses.

SFC Harper, a native of Rankin County, who has worked with the

Marines and the National Guard for 20 years, brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the program."

"I have been impressed with how motivated and dedicated the first cohort of students have been since day one," SFC Harper said. "The skills learned and experiences gained will benefit all students, whether they plan to go into a career in education, health care, business or any other field."



Holmes voted Best College, Best Place to Work & Myricks voted Best Teacher

Holmes was awarded Best College, Best Place to Work, and instructor Katrina Myricks was named Best Teacher in the 2015 Clarion Ledger Best of the Best contest. Holmes was also a finalist for Best Customer Service. The contest, which has been called Mississippi's Official People's Choice Awards, began on July 25 and ended on Sept. 1.

"These awards are a reflection of our Holmes family: our students, staff, alumni, and friends," Holmes President Dr. Jim Haffey said. "We truly are a 'community' college, and it is very touching to have a state-wide readership vote us as the best out of so many well-deserving colleges and businesses in Mississippi. Holmes has always been a part of my life. I know I've always felt like it is the best place to attend and work, and I thought maybe I was a little biased, but apparently many other great Mississippians feel the same way. I am very proud that Katrina was recognized as well, for her decades of work educating and inspiring our students and others"

Myricks, named Best Teacher, is a business and office technology instructor and Phi Beta Lambda business society advisor on the Ridgeland Campus. She has taught at Holmes for 24 years, and in that time, has made quite an impact on her students. In 2006, she was named Community College Business Educator of the Year by the Mississippi Business Education Association. Myricks attended the Holmes Goodman Campus on a basketball scholarship before earning her bachelor's from Delta State University and her master's from Mississippi State University. She has also completed additional graduate studies at Jackson State University.

"I think one of the highest honors an instructor can receive is to be recognized by his/her students for the job he/she does," Myricks said. "I consider it an honor to walk into my classroom and help students achieve their dreams of a college education and being successful in the world we live in. Just knowing that I have helped a student in his/her educational journey is truly reward enough."

Ridgeland Campus Vice President Dr. Don Burnham also expressed his delight in learning Holmes was named the "best" in three categories.

"This selection is a testimony about each of our employees who make Holmes the special place that it is. Whether it is instruction for students or maintaining clean facilities, our people are truly the best at what they do."



(left to right) Ridgeland Campus Vice President Dr. Don Burnham presents the "Best Instructor" certificate to business instructor Katrina Myricks.



Grenada Center dedicates building to Dr. Phillips



(left to right) Dr. Lindy McCain, executive director of the Holmes Development Foundation and President Dr. Jim Haffey present Dr. Phillips and his wife, Sue, with a

There was no shortage of people present to wish the honoree well during the dedication ceremony for Donald E. Phillips Hall held at the Grenada Center Nov. 6.

As the crowd gathered, Grenada Center Vice President Michelle Burney joked, "This building has been called the new building, the East building, and the building across from the ITC Building. We are now very glad to have an official name for it."

President of Holmes Dr. Jim Haffey addressed the crowd next, stating that "Dr.

Phillips is a champion of education and a tireless fund raiser for the schools he has loved for decades. The success of the Holmes Foundation lies at his feet."

Dr. Phillips, a native of Gore Springs, is a 1952 graduate of Holmes. He played baseball and basketball, both teams winning a state championship title during his years on the squads, and was voted Mr. Holmes Junior College. Upon completing his degree from Mississippi College, he returned to Holmes for four years as an accounting instructor and a men's basketball coach.

Dr. Phillips has been the president of the Holmes Foundation for 25 years. During his tenure, more than \$12 million has been raised for the college's Capital Campaign, Chapel on the Hill, and the Cook Foundation fund. In fact, he's helped generate more than \$100 million for his alma maters - Holmes and Mississippi College - as well as other Mississippi non-profit organizations. Dr. Phillips was inducted into the Holmes Sports Hall of Fame in 2011, named Holmes Alumnus of the Year in 1978, and received the Holmes Distinguished Service Award in 2010.

"It is a true privilege to receive this honor," Dr. Phillips said. "Holmes holds a dear place in my heart."



Grenada receives \$85,000 in donations



Pictured are (front row, left to right) Clara Hankins, Bonnie Hankins, Al Hankins, Dr. Jim Haffey, (back row, left to right) Lee Hankins, Jerry Pegg, Dr. Don Phillips and Jack Holmes.

In November of 2015, Grenada received two large donations: one in the amount of \$10,000 from Advanced Distributor Products (ADP), and one in the amount of \$75,000 from the Hankins family.

As a long-time supporter of Holmes, ADP has made many important gifts to help fund the college's workforce training efforts. Donations such as these are used in areas such as instructional supplies, technology, student scholarships, faculty development, and recruitment. ADP supplies over 500 HVAC distributors at more than 3000 points of distribution throughout North America and is the #1 producer of residential evaporator coils in the USA.

Owners of Hankins Lumber, Al and Lee, made the \$75,000 donation in honor

of their father, Albert Burton Hankins, Sr., who devoted his life to the pine industry. Hankins Lumber Company of Grenada has been in the pine business for over 65 years. The donation will benefit the Forestry Technology program at the Grenada Center.

Holmes offers Business Management Tech

Holmes began offering a new Business Management Technology program in Goodman, Grenada and Ridgeland in the fall of 2015. The program is one of the college's Business and Office Technology (BOT) concentrations offered through the Career/Technical Education (CTE) Department. Through this program, students have the opportunity to earn a Technical certificate after completing the first year, as well as the option to earn an Advanced Technical certificate or an Associate of Applied Science degree.

"We've worked hard to incorporate more project-based and hands-on learning because we believe that those techniques will help give students the skills needed to compete in today's job market," said BOT Department Chair NaTunya Johnson.

Cheerleaders place 7th in nation

The Holmes cheerleaders placed 7th in the Open Coed Division at the Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) College Cheerleading National Championship held Jan. 15-17 in Disney World.

The team is coached by Heather Jones. Team members include: Crystal Aquirre, Cheyenne Bennett, Brandon Bryant, Teron Burrough, Kaylie Carpenter, DeAvalon Edwards, Thad Hicks, Nicole Lawrence, Elizabeth Lowery, Katherine Middleton, Justin Milner, Marquell Sanders, Kaitlyn Sloan, Lane Spell, Raven Stegall, Taylor Sullivan, Dalton Veazey, Pheron Webb, and Christina White. Michael Edmonds serves as Bully.



Student Honor



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Ridgeland



Alexis Gaytan of Ridgeland and Mallory Corley of Pelahatchie are Mr. and Miss Holmes for the Ridgeland Campus.

Alexis, son of Hermimia Gaytan, is a graduate of Ridgeland High School. Not only is he a midfielder for the Bulldog soccer team, he is also a volunteer with the Ridgeland High soccer team. After graduating from Holmes, Alexis plans to attend a four-year university and become an athletic trainer.

Mallory, daughter of Miles and Jaimee Corley, was home-schooled in her hometown of Pelahatchie. A business marketing major, she is an Ambassador, a Soccer Sidekick, and president of Phi Theta Kappa. Mallory was Student Body Maid, and has been on the President's and Dean's lists. She enjoys riding horses, babysitting and tutoring elementary and high school students. A member of Central Independent Baptist Church in Pearl, Mallory also owns a business with a health/wellness company called Arbonne International and works for Electro-Mech, Inc. Upon graduation, she will pursue a bachelor's followed by a master's degree in Integrated Marketing Communications at the University of Mississippi.

Ryan Wiltshire of Coila and Hannah Waters of Duck Hill are Mr. and Miss Holmes for the Grenada Campus

Ryan is the son of Richie and Shari Wiltshire. A graduate of Carroll Academy, he is a business major who is an Ambassador, vice president of the Student Government Association, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a member of the Baptist Student Union and a work-study student. Off campus, Ryan is a regular blood donor, a volunteer at a local soup kitchen and a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church. In his spare time, he loves to run. Upon graduating from Holmes, Ryan plans to attend Delta State University.

Hannah is the daughter of Rodney and Beverly Waters. A graduate of Grenada High School, she is an Ambassador, secretary for the Student Government Association, a member of the Baptist Student Union, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. Hannah is an occupational therapy major who plans to continue her studies in the field at the University of Mississippi Medical Center upon graduation from Holmes. She attends Emmanuel Baptist church, is a work-study student in the front office at the Grenada Center, and in her spare time, enjoys babysitting and hanging out with friends.

Grenada



Mr. & Miss Holm

Goodman



William Dean of Madison and Mabry Dye of Carthage are Mr. and Miss Holmes for the Goodman Campus.

William, son of William Kenneth and Lucille Barrentine Dean, is a graduate of Germantown High School in Madison. A biological engineering major, he plans to pursue a bachelor of science in biological engineering from Mississippi State University following graduation from Holmes. William is a member of the Holmes-Towne Players drama club (as an actor), the MOSAIC Club (as a tutor), and Baptist Student Union. Off campus, he is a member of St. Paul Church of God in Christ, located in Lexington, where he serves as a drummer, Junior Trustee, Junior Deacon and choir member. William's hobbies include music and basketball.

Mabry is the daughter of Mark and Romana Dye of Carthage. A home-school graduate, she is currently a civil/environmental engineering major. Mabry is a member of chorale, Coachmen singers, and is a work-study student for Student Housing. She is also employed with Malco Theater in Madison and is a member of First Presbyterian Church in Kosciusko. In her free time, Mabry enjoys bicycling, running 5Ks, and swimming. Upon graduation from Holmes, she plans to attend Mississippi State University and enroll in their civil engineering co-op program.

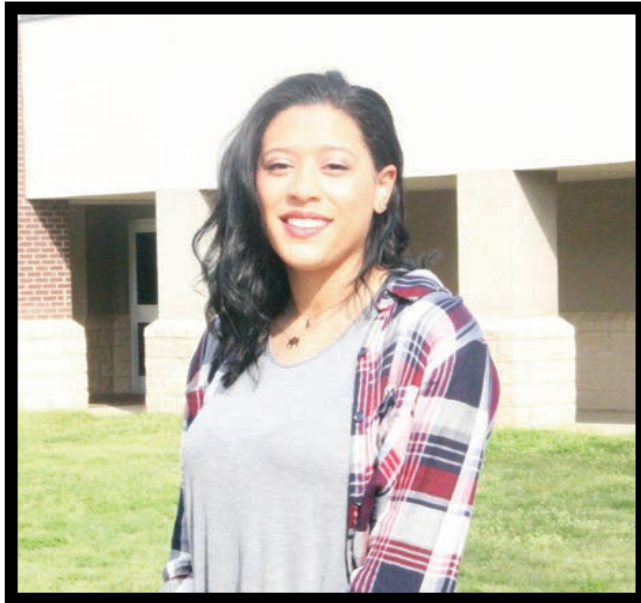


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Rakiam Allen of Jackson is a construction engineering technology major with a 3.94 GPA. He is a President's List scholar, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a student mentor for engineering students, a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity, and a member of Mount Nebo Baptist Church. On top of being a full-time student, Rakiam works full-time as a drafter for Home Depot, part-time as a drafter and designer for Neel-Schaffer, Inc., and serves with the U.S. Air Force Guard. He plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and major in construction engineering. Upon graduation from USM, he will attend Jackson State University and pursue a master's in civil engineering, all the while continuing to serve his state and country in the U.S. Air Force Guard.



Dominique Butler of Brandon is a pre-physical therapy major with a 3.17 GPA. She is a President's List scholar, a Dean's List scholar, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, and captain of the Lady Bulldogs soccer team. Dominique volunteers with first through fifth graders at Word of Life Church, and teaches swimming lessons for children ages 4-10. She was a member of the North State All-Star Soccer Team, and received the Women's Soccer Leadership Award, as well. Dominique plans to attend Northwestern State University in Louisiana and then pursue a career in sports medicine practicing physical therapy.



Joshua Dilmore of Clinton is a English major with a 3.74 GPA. He is editor of The Growl student newspaper, president of iCreate Creative Arts Club, a President's List scholar, and a writing center tutor. He was a part of the Phi Theta Kappa Arts Showcase, as well. Joshua also works as a bookseller at Barnes and Nobles, Inc. After Holmes, he plans to attend Mississippi College and earn a bachelor of arts in English. After he obtains his B.A., he would like to teach elementary or secondary classes while he works toward his master's of education at The University of Mississippi. Ultimately, he would like to earn his PhD in education from Delta State University. He has a passion for teaching and helping others; one of the reasons he enjoys working in the writing center. After earning his master's he would love to return to Holmes and teach as an English instructor. Joshua says that Holmes has been such a blessing to him, and he would like to pay it forward to future students.

Hall of Fame

Alexis Gaytan of Ridgeland is an athletic training major with a 3.13 GPA. He is the current Mr. Holmes for the Ridgeland Campus, and was chosen as a Class Favorite his freshman year. Alexis has been able to attend Holmes on a full soccer scholarship, and serves as the team chaplain for the Bulldogs soccer team. He also received the Bulldog Award and the Mississippi Athletic All-State Award. After finishing his degree at Holmes, Alexis plans to attend a four-year university, most likely Delta State University.



Jaylon George of Jackson is a sports management major with a 3.84 GPA. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a President's List scholar, and a member of the Bulldogs soccer team. Jaylon had the opportunity to play in the MACJC All-Star Game, and was named a NSCAA Scholar All-American. Upon graduation from Holmes, he plans to continue to major in sports management at a four-year university (he is currently undecided on which one). After obtaining his bachelor's, Jaylon intends to pursue a career as a sport's agent or sport's franchise executive.



Christopher Henry of Jackson is an industrial engineering management technology major with a 3.48 GPA. He is a Dean's List scholar who received his one-year technical certificate in 2015, and will earn his associate degree in May 2016. After graduation Christopher plans to go to a four-year university and earn his bachelor's degree in industrial engineering management technology.



Ridgeland



Amina Jatoi of Ridgeland is a pre-med major with a 3.51 GPA. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, and was named All-Mississippi Second Team for the honor society as a sophomore. Amina participated with Make a Wish foundation, volunteers at MADCAAP, works with youth at her church, and is employed with The Children's Academy in the after-school program. After graduating from Holmes, she plans to obtain her undergraduate degree in business management from The University of Southern Mississippi.



Joshua King of Brandon is a business major with a 3.50 GPA. He is a President's List scholar, a Dean's List scholar, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a baseball coach and an active member of Pine Lake Baptist Church. Joshua is also a member of the Baptist Student Union, and participates in quite a bit of volunteer work. Upon graduation from Holmes, he plans to attend Mississippi State University and pursue a degree in business with an emphasis in entrepreneurship.



Katelyn Murphy of Brandon is an elementary education major with a 4.0 GPA. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and was nominated to be an officer for the honor society. Katelyn is a member of the Langford Volunteer Fire Department, a church nursery volunteer, and is active in her church's college ministry. She also worked as a babysitter and as a tutor, doubling the number of students she tutored from her freshman to sophomore year. After finishing her degree at Holmes, Katelyn will attend Mississippi State University and earn her degree in elementary education. Eventually, she also plans to earn a master's in the field.

Hall of Fame

Rene Saenz, Jr., of Horn Lake, is a construction engineering technology major with a 3.56 GPA. He is a President's List scholar, a Dean's List scholar, and a member of the Bulldogs soccer team. Rene was nominated for Soccer Scholar All-American, and received an award for Playmaker of the Year during the annual soccer banquet. Upon graduation from Holmes, he plans to transfer to The University of Southern Mississippi to continue his education.



Evelyn Spencer of Canton is a construction engineering technology major with a 3.92 GPA. She is a President's List scholar, a Dean's List scholar, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, and a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity. After finishing her degree at Holmes, Evelyn hopes to attend The University of Southern Mississippi to earn her bachelor's degree in construction engineering. She would like to become a valuable asset to the field of construction engineering, starting as a project manager with hopes of becoming a contractor in residential home building.



Ridgeland



Taylor Paige Adcock of Sallis is a pre-pharmacy major with a 4.0 GPA. She was awarded the 2015-2016 HEADWAE award, she is an officer for the Goodman chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, and was named to the Phi Theta Kappa All-Mississippi Academic Team, First Team. Taylor is also an Ambassador and a member of HolmesPlus and the Baptist Student Union. She has been a President's List scholar during her two years as a Holmes student, and received the ACT Scholarship both years, as well. Taylor worked at Longhorn's Restaurant, as a pharmacy technician at Howell & Heggie Drugstore, and as a work-study student for the chemistry department. She has also served as a health fair volunteer for the past two years.



Kristin Renee Alexander of Vaughan is a sociology/social work major with a 4.00 GPA. She is vice president for the Goodman chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, was named to the Phi Theta Kappa All-Mississippi Academic Team, and is an active member of MOSAIC. In fact, through MOSAIC, Kristin initiated and created a Student Unity Mural Project. She is also a Methodist Youth Fellowship leader, and a member of the Pastor Parish Relations Committee at Ellison United Methodist Church. In her spare time, Kristin enjoys painting, gardening, and cooking. Upon graduation from Holmes, her goal is to earn master's in counseling from Delta State University and work to develop new therapies for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.



Caitlyn Cheyenne Bennett of Mortin is a psychology major with a 3.70 GPA. She is a Holmes Bulldog cheerleader, an Ambassador, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a President's List scholar, and an ACT Scholarship recipient. Cheyenne was named a Scholar Athlete her freshman and sophomore year for cheerleading, and the squad won fifth place at Nationals her freshman year and seventh place her sophomore year. She has helped out with the Pink-O-Ween breast cancer walk at Holmes, and has also volunteered at Blair E. Batson Children's Hospital and at the Natchez Trace Festival.

Hall of Fame

Charlotte Ann Rowena

McBride of Kosciusko is a pre-pharmacy major with a 3.77 GPA. She is a Board of Trustees' Academic Scholarship recipient, a HolmesPlus Scholar, an executive officer for Phi Theta Kappa, a Worship Band vocalist for the Baptist Student Union, Honors in Action Chair, and a first chair clarinet player for the Holmes Community College band. Charlotte also serves as a desk clerk for the Attala County Library, as head of medical records for the scanning department at Baptist Medical Center - Attala, and plays in the First Baptist Church of Winona's Christmas Orchestra.



Anna Kathryn McCrory of Kosciusko is a pre-nursing major with a 4.00 GPA. She is a regional officer for Phi Theta Kappa, a President's List scholar, a GEICO Creativity Scholarship recipient, a Growth Leader for the Baptist Student Union, a Holmes Connection! show choir member, and a Holmes concert chorale member. Anna organized and contributed to a rock-a-thon to raise money for missions, and is active in her church where she serves as a D-Now (Disciple Now) Leader. She also provides special music for various church services and has provided the music for a revival at a local church. Anna often babysits for several families in the area.



Terrell Lane Wynne of Pickens is a speech pathology major with a 4.00 GPA. She is an Ambassador, a member of the Leadership Team for the Baptist Student Union, a member of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and a President's List scholar. As a freshman, Terrell was a part of Street Reach, which is a ministry of small inner city churches in Memphis, Tennessee. She is also a babysitter.



Goodman



Kayla Dees of Grenada is a physical therapist assistant technology major with a 3.42 GPA. She is a President's List scholar, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a member of the Baptist Student Union, a Sophomore Class Favorite, and a former financial aid work study student. Kayla volunteers with the Grenada Soup Kitchen, and the Grenada Food Pantry, the Grenada Boys' & Girls' Club. She is an active member of Enon Baptist Church, where she is part of the choir and praise band and serves as a missionary both in state and in Honduras and Haiti.



Shelby Ferguson of Winona is a physical therapist assistant technology major with a 3.47 GPA. She is a President's List scholar, a Dean's List scholar, secretary for Phi Theta Kappa, a leader for Baptist Student Union, and a Sophomore Class Favorite. Shelby is a volunteer with the Grenada Soup Kitchen and an active member of North Winona Baptist Church, where she serves as a vacation bible school (VBS) volunteer, a youth activities leader, and a member of the singing team. She is also a missionary in the states and has been on four mission trips to Guatemala and Honduras.



Etta Katherine Jennings of Grenada is an elementary education major with a 4.00 GPA. She is a President's List scholar, president of Grenada's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, a Phi Theta Kappa All-Mississippi Academic Team member, and a member of the Baptist Student Union. Etta Katherine also volunteers with the Grenada Soup Kitchen and the Grenada Boys' & Girls' Club and is an active member of First Baptist Church. Her hobbies include fishing, hunting, and gardening. Upon graduating from Holmes, Etta Katherine plans to attend Delta State University where she will pursue a bachelor's and master's degree before becoming a teacher.

Hall of Fame

Rehana Sajjad of Grenada is a physical therapist assistant technology major with a 3.64 GPA. She is a President's List scholar, a Dean's List scholar, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa, where she has served as president and treasurer. Rehana is work-study student, a volunteer with Grenada Food Pantry and a volunteer with Grenada Downtown Jubilee.



Joseph "Ryan" Wiltshire of Coila is an accounting major with a 3.78 GPA. He is the current Mr. Holmes for the Grenada Campus, a President's List scholar, a Dean's List scholar, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, a member of the 2015 Homecoming Court, vice president of the Student Government Association, an Ambassador, and a work-study student both for Holmes e-Learning and The University of Mississippi. Ryan is also a volunteer with the North Carrollton Soup Kitchen.



Grenada



Simone Lewis
Freshman Favorite



Kaitlyn Meadows
Freshman Favorite



Tiffany Strain
Freshman Favorite



Elise Fullwood
Sophomore Favorite



Cayla Lloyd
Sophomore Favorite



Caitlyn Mizelle
Sophomore Favorite

Who's Who



Ashley Whitley
Freshman Favorite



Katie Rose Anthony
Sophomore Favorite



Dominique Butler
Sophomore Favorite



Leroy Sullivan
Sophomore Favorite



Jordan Thomsen
Sophomore Favorite



Dejah Watkins
Sophomore Favorite

Ridgeland



Haley Pate
Freshman Favorite



Crystal Quinn
Freshman Favorite



Kelli Ray
Freshman Favorite



Christina White
Freshman Favorite



Kaitlyn Wright
Freshman Favorite



Brittany Dance
Sophomore Favorite



Anna Dufresne
Sophomore Favorite

Who's Who



Mitchell Shaw
Freshman Favorite



Lane Spell
Freshman Favorite



Raven Stegall
Freshman Favorite



Anna Claire Littlejohn
Sophomore Favorite



Kayla Neal
Sophomore Favorite



Wontavius Rimpson
Sophomore Favorite

Goodman



Freshman Class Favorites for Grenada include:(left to right) Iyonna Collins, Kaitlyn Legge, Taylor King, Chelsea Wright, Sara Taylor Goss, and Ashley Hatch. Not pictured: Nikita Smith.

Who's Who



Sophomore Class Favorites for Grenada include:(left to right) Shelby Ferguson, Taylor Vance, Jennifer Tehan, Chase Alldread, Felicia Murray, Alex Gillespie, and Kayla Dees.

Grenada

2016 PTK All-Mississippi



Mallory Corley of Pelahatchie, who was named All-Mississippi Academic Team, Second Team, is president of the Ridgeland Campus Phi Theta Kappa chapter. She is also the current Miss Holmes for the Ridgeland Campus, an Ambassador, and was Student Body Maid for Homecoming 2015. She plans to receive a degree in marketing in May 2016 and attend the University of Mississippi in the fall, majoring in Integrated Marketing Communications. After completing her bachelor's, Corley plans to pursue a master's degree and find a job with a large corporation in a big city. She also dreams of one day opening an orphanage for girls who have fallen victim to sex trafficking. Corley volunteers with Hope Hollow, Horses for Handicap and RideAbility. She also currently owns her own business with Arbonne International, a health and wellness company. Corley babysits regularly and helps with the work on her family's farm, feeding and caring for animals. She is also a competitive barrel racer and has won a Champion Buckle in Girls' Bullriding.



Amina Jatoi of Ridgeland, who was named All-Mississippi Academic Team, Second Team, is originally from Pakistan. In 2001, she moved to Canada and stayed until 2014, obtaining a paralegal diploma from Seneca College there. She is enrolled in the Management Program at Holmes, planning to receive an A.A. degree in management in May of 2016. Amina's passion for meeting new people and helping others led her to choose a career that provides her with such opportunities. She hopes to earn a master's in Human Resources and become an outstanding and ethical HR director in a respected and well-known corporate firm. Amina loves to travel and speaks four language. In her spare time, she volunteers at the Magnolia Islamic Center where she performs various tasks including working with children and assisting with Mississippi Blood Services mobile blood drives.



Taylor Adcock, who was named All-Mississippi Academic Team, First Team, is the daughter of Jeremy and Beth Adcock. A graduate of Central Holmes Christian School, she is an Ambassador and a member of HolmesPlus and the Baptist Student Union. She is also the executive officer of college projects for the Goodman Campus chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and was the recipient of the Order of the Golden Key at the Mississippi-Louisiana Regional Convention. Taylor was honored as the 2015-2016 HEADWAE student recipient, and following graduation from Holmes, plans to attend The University of Mississippi and eventually earn a Doctorate of Pharmacy.

Phi Academic Team

Kristin Alexander of Vaughan, who was named All-Mississippi Academic Team, Second Team, is a social work/sociology major. She is vice president of the Kappa Alpha chapter of Phi Theta Kappa and a member of Mosaic. Off campus, Kristin enjoys painting, gardening, and cooking. She has two children, Holden and Aimee Katherine, and is a member of Ellison United Methodist Church. After Holmes, Kristin plans to earn a master's in counseling from Delta State University and work to develop new therapies for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). She says that she is humbled and excited to have been chosen for this honor.



Etta Jennings of Grenada, who was named All-Mississippi Academic Team, Second Team, is the daughter of Thomas and Melanie Jennings. She is an elementary education major who serves as president of the Grenada Phi Theta Kappa chapter. She was recently recognized with the Phi Theta Kappa Order of the Golden Key, she has been on the President's List every semester since 2014, is a Dean's ACT Scholarship recipient, and a member of the Hall of Fame. Etta is also a member of the Baptist Student Union. Her hobbies include fishing, hunting, gardening, volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club, volunteering at the Soup Kitchen, singing in the First Baptist Church Choir, and leading a girls' accountability group at church. Upon graduation, she plans to attend Delta State University where she will eventually pursue a master's and become a teacher. As a teacher, she wants to inspire, encourage and give every child the best opportunity for a successful life.



Abby Vance of Grenada, who was named All-Mississippi Academic Team, Second Team, is an elementary education major. She loves being with children, and showing them the love of Jesus. Abby says that she also loves playing sports and hanging out with her parents. She also says she has been self-diagnosed with Only Child Syndrome. Abby was named Student Body Maid for the Grenada Center during Homecoming 2015.



Phi Theta Kappa shines at Nationals, Regionals

During the weekend of April 16-18, 2015, Holmes Community College sent 24 students and advisers to the 97th Annual Phi Theta Kappa International Nerd Nation Convention at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas. Grammy-winning musician John Legend opened the event in the first general session, sharing his creative process and performing three songs. In addition to Legend, Dr. Michio Kaku served as a featured speaker. Dr. Kaku is a futurist, a theoretical physicist and best-selling author whose goal is to complete Albert Einstein's dream of a "theory of everything," to derive an equation that will summarize all the physical laws of the universe.



The Kappa Alpha Chapter from the Goodman Campus brought home four awards during the Hallmark Awards Gala. The awards included: Beta Alpha Continued Excellence Award (given to a chapter receiving a Distinguished Chapter Award for three straight years); Top 100 Chapter; Distinguished Honors in Action Project Award, and Distinguished College Project Award.



Pictured at the Hallmark Awards Gala on April 17, 2015, are members, officers and advisers from all three Holmes Phi Theta Kappa chapters with (center) Holmes President Dr. Jim Haffey.



Adviser Will Alexander and Taylor Adcock, PTK Regionals '16.



Mallory Corley, Nathaly Espinoza, Jake Hinkle, Jesye May, Adviser Blair Booker Elise Fullwood, and Adviser Erin Renfroe, PTK Regionals '16.



Adviser Amber Harrison and Etta Katherine Jennings, PTK Regionals '16.



Anna McCrory, Adviser Jason Kelly, Director of Goodman Campus Andy Wood, Adviser Billy Wilson, and Taylor Adcock, PTK Regionals '16.

Each of the Holmes Phi Theta chapters fared well at the Mississippi-Louisiana Regional Convention at Mississippi State University Feb. 26-28.

Awards for Goodman included: Theme Award No. 7, first place; College Project, seventh place; Honors in Action, third place; Most Distinguished Chapter Award, runner-up; Five Star Chapter; Regional Historian; Horizon Award for Adviser, Billy Wilson and Jason Kelly; MEME Geico Scholar Finalist, Anna McCrory; Order of the Golden Key, Taylor Adcock, and All-Mississippi Academic Team, Taylor Adcock (First Team) and Kristin Alexander (Second Team).

Awards for Grenada included: College Project, ninth place; Five Star Chapter; Order of the Golden Key, Etta Katherine Jennings, and All-Mississippi Academic Team, Etta Katherine Jennings and Abby Vance (Second Team).

SkillsUSA shine at state competition

The SkillsUSA chapters from all three Holmes Community College campuses successfully competed in the annual state competition hosted by the Mississippi Department of Education March 1-2 at the Jackson Convention Center. The first place winners will be traveling to Louisville, Kentucky, June 20-24. The Ridgeland Campus awards included: first place in First Aid, Barbara Washington; first in Job Interview, Cameron Brown; first in Quiz Bowl, Crystel Sayles, Jeny Gore, Courtney York, Carmen McKey and Mandi Edwards; second in Medical Terminology, Breanna Wilson; third in Related Technical Math, Haley Greer, and third in Extemporaneous Speaking, Lindsey Impastato. Goodman Campus awards included: first place in Nail Care, Denishia Riley; first in Medical Terminology, Skyla Watkins; second in Collision Repair, Alex McKibben; second in Cosmetology, Molly Senior; second in Aesthetics, Linsay Austin-Marrelli; second in Job Skills Demo Open, Sara Grace Weaver; second in Job Interview, Donald Winters, and second in Prepared Speech, Nicholas Robinson. Grenada Campus winners included: second place in HVAC, Kyle Easley; third in HVAC, Jeremy Graves; third in Quiz Bowl, Angela Stowers, Tina Melton, Hope Golliday, Jennifer Henry, and Alicyn Shaw; third in Medical Terminology, Stephanie Ferguson, and third in Technical Drafting, Jonathan Bell.



Pictured are Ridgeland winners (*front, left to right*) Haley Greer, Carmen McKey, Crystel Sayles, Mandi Edwards, (*back, left to right*) Jeny Gore, Cameron Brown, Barbara Washington, Breanna Wilson, Lindsey Impastato, and Courtney York.



Pictured are Grenada winners (*front, left to right*) Angela Stowers, Tina Melton, Hope Golliday, Stephanie Ferguson, (*back, left to right*) Jeremy Graves, Alicyn Shaw, Jonathan Bell, Jennifer Henry and Kyle Easley.



Pictured are Goodman winners (*front, left to right*) Molly Senior, Denishia Riley, Linsay Austin-Marrelli, (*back, left to right*) Alex McKibben, Skyla Watkins, and Nicholas Robinson.



Pictured are Goodman winners (*left to right*) Sara Grace Weaver and Donald Winter.



Pictured are all those who competed, as well as advisers, from the Grenada Campus.



Pictured are all those who competed, as well as advisers, from the Goodman Campus.



Pictured are all those who competed, as well as advisers, from the Ridgeland Campus.



Pictured is the inaugural Ridgeland Campus Surgical Technology class, Class of 2015, with (center) instructor **Shea Coleman**, prior to their Pinning Ceremony on June 26.



The Ridgeland Campus Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) Class of 2015 take a photo with instructors (far left) **Dr. LaKesia Sutton** and (far right) Heather Roberts before their Pinning Ceremony on June 19.



The 2015 Ridgeland Campus Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Class poses for a photo with (far left) instructor **Tiffany Cox**, (back row, second from right) instructor **Barbara Puryear**, and (far right) instructor **Alice Austin** prior to their Pinning Ceremony on May 13.



The 2015 Goodman Campus LPN Class poses for a photo with instructors (left) **Christi Blair** and (right) **Sherri Comfort** prior to their Pinning Ceremony on May 14.



Pictured is the 2015 Grenada Center LPN Class moments after their Pinning Ceremony on June 26.



The 2015 Grenada Center ADN Class poses for a photo prior to their Pinning Ceremony on May 13.



(left) The Holmes Community College **Class of 2015** listens to the commencement speaker on May 15, in Frank Branch Coliseum. (right) **Autumn Lewis** and **Maya Lewis** are all smiles prior to graduation.



Congratulations Class of 2015

On May 15, 2015, Holmes Community College graduated the Class of 2015 in the Coliseum on the Goodman Campus. Students from the Ridgeland Campus, Goodman Campus, and Grenada Center joined as one to receive their degrees and celebrate their success. Local TV personality Howard Ballou, longtime anchor for WLBT News, delivered the commencement address. The spring and summer of 2015 also included pinning ceremonies for the nursing programs, surgical technology programs, and graduation for the Electrical Lineman program.



(above) President Dr. Jim Haffey *(center)* poses for a photo with the eight valedictorians and one salutatorian during the 2015 commencement ceremony. They were *(left to right)* Hali Wszolek, Lily Fran McCrory, Kolbe Alsobrooks, Taylor Howard, Amy Curtis, Brooke Pullen, Grace Anna Dorris, Jennifer Rule, and Shanequa Alexander.



(left) Commencement speaker Howard Ballou addresses the Class of 2015 on May 15.

Faculty & Staff



f Honors

A photograph of a woman with short brown hair, seen from the side and back. She is wearing a light blue short-sleeved shirt with a vibrant pattern of yellow and white hibiscus flowers and green leaves. A bright pink lei is draped around her neck. A person's hands are visible on the left, adjusting the lei. The background is a blurred indoor setting with two maroon and white crests hanging on a wall. The crests contain text including 'HONORARY', 'HAWAIIAN', and '2002'.

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Graham Named Humanities Teacher of the Year



Gwen Graham, an English instructor at the Grenada Center, was named Holmes Community College's 2015 Humanities Teacher of the Year. As part of her award, Graham presented "Ancient Literature and Life's Enduring Questions" on Nov. 19 in the Keeton Room of the Industrial Technology Building at the Grenada Center. Graham's presentation focused on "The Epic of Gilgamesh," the earliest recorded literature, and how the ancient texts are as relevant today as they were thousands of years ago.

"From the beginning, man has searched for answers to give his life meaning and purpose," Graham said. "A deep-seated need in the heart of every man is the desire for connection to his world, to other humans, and to a higher power. The ancient texts serve as guides to find the answers to the deepest questions that haunt the souls of man."

In addition to her lecture, Graham also spoke on the importance of keeping the humanities alive.

"The humanities are under attack as we place greater

emphasis on technology and skills; however we will make a mistake if we ever lose sight of the importance of the humanities as a means to understanding who we are, what brings life meaning, and how we can achieve fulfillment," Graham said.

Graham embraces the idea that there is no place like home or like Holmes. A longtime member of the Holmes family, Graham has worked for the college for nearly 20 years; first as a librarian, and then as an English instructor as soon as a position opened. During her time at Holmes, Graham has taught pre-core English, English Composition I and II, World Literature, and Creative Writing.

Graham holds a B.A. in English from Delta State University and a M.A. in English from Mississippi State University, where she served as a teaching assistant as a graduate student.

For 26 years, she has shared her joy and enthusiasm of literature in higher education.

Prior to her employment at Holmes, Graham taught at Delta State University, State Technical Institute at Memphis (now Southwest Tennessee Community College), and also in the Dallas, Texas community college system. She has always known that teaching, and specifically teaching English, is her calling in life.

"I have known since the ninth grade that I wanted to become an English teacher," Graham said. "I love every minute of it, and love interacting with my students."

When Graham is not teaching, she enjoys bridge, participating in her two book clubs, and spending time with family. She and her husband Chip, whom is employed by Bayer CropScience, have two children; Scott Graham and Wendy Woods.

Graham is vice president of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, president of Grenada Higher Education Association, past president of Mississippi Community College Creative Writing Association, and women's ministry director of Friendship Baptist Church.

Graham was recognized by the Mississippi Humanities Council at the 2016 Public Humanities Awards Reception at the Old Capitol Museum in Jackson in February 2016.



Lamplighters



**Ridgeland Campus
Instructor
Donna Ahlrich**

**Grenada Center
Instructor
Norman Faulkner**

**Goodman Campus
Instructor
Will Alexander**

The Lamplighters Program began in 1990 as a way for the Academic Deans Association to honor excellence in teaching. This year's honorees included instructors Donna Ahlrich from the Ridgeland Campus, Will Alexander from the Goodman Campus, and Norman Clark Faulkner from the Grenada Center.

Ahlrich, who currently teaches mathematics, was the HEADWAE recipient in 2012. She is currently the MADE treasurer, an aerobics and cycling instructor, and the Ridgeland Campus Healthy@Holmes leader.

Alexander, who currently teaches in the Engineering Technology Department, has been at Holmes for 10 years. He serves as the district-wide Phi Theta Kappa director, the Goodman Campus SkillsUSA advisor, and the Engineering Technology Club advisor.

Faulkner, who is a welding and cutting technology instructor, is currently in his third year at Holmes. Prior to working at Holmes, he worked as a freight car mechanic/welder for the Canadian National Railroad, and before that, owned his own business selling and repairing outdoor power equipment in Grenada for 12 years.

HEADWAE



**Goodman Campus
Student**

Taylor Adcock

**President
of Holmes
Dr. Jim Haffey**

**Ridgeland Campus
Instructor**

Dr. Stacey Coulter

Each year, the Mississippi Legislature hosts the Higher Education Appreciation Day - Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) banquet to recognize and honor the academically-talented faculty members and students of Mississippi's higher education institutions who have made outstanding contributions in promoting academic excellence. The 29th HEADWAE banquet was held on Feb. 2, 2016.

Honorees from Holmes Community College included Dr. Stacey Coulter, an English instructor from the Ridgeland Campus, and Taylor Adcock, a 4.0 pre-pharmacy student on the Goodman Campus. Dr. Coulter was named Holmes Humanities Teacher of the Year in 2014. In addition to teaching, she also runs the Writing Center in Ridgeland.

Adcock is the College Projects Head for Phi Theta Kappa, a HolmesPlus scholar, an Ambassador, a work-study, a tutor, and a member of BSU. Upon graduation from Holmes, she plans to earn a Doctor of Pharmacy from The University of Mississippi.



Dr. Don Burnham, vice president of the Ridgeland Campus, received the Phi Theta Kappa Distinguished College Administrator Award during NerdNation, PTK's annual convention held this year in National Harbor, Maryland (near Washington, D.C.), April 7-9. The award is given to those at postsecondary institutions with an active PTK chapter who have demonstrated a strong level of support for the honor society. Dr. Burnham, who has served in his current role as vice president for five years, has been a part of the Holmes' family since 2003. Prior to his current position, he served as a business administration instructor, Grenada evening programs director, director of admissions, and director of recruiting. Dr. Burnham has been an integral part of the Ridgeland Campus PTK.



Jessica Brown, an English instructor on the Goodman Campus, was the recipient of the prestigious Ovid Vickers Award for Excellence in Teaching. This award is given to an English instructor who has demonstrated excellence in the classroom. She was honored at the Two-Year College English Association of Mississippi (TYCAM) Annual Conference titled, "Fifty Shades of English: Creativity and Innovation in the English Classroom" held at the Eagle Ridge Conference Center in Raymond on Sept. 18. A native of Vicksburg, Brown has taught at Holmes since 2006. Over the tenure of her career at Holmes, she has taught developmental English classes, English Composition I and II, and British Literature. In 2013, Brown was named the Humanities Teacher of the Year for Holmes.



Matt Surrell, a native of Winona and the director of business services at Holmes, was selected as a 2015 Outstanding Business Officer (OBO) Award winner for Region VI by the Community College Business Officers (CCBO) organization. This award is given to business officers who have made outstanding contributions to business and financial management in higher education. Surrell was recognized during the awards banquet at the 33rd Annual CCBO International Conference held in Las Vegas, Nevada, Sept. 19-22. CCBO is widely recognized as the premier community college association. Surrell, who works from the Goodman Campus of Holmes, has served as director of business services for five years. Prior to his position at Holmes, he worked as an assurance/audit senior associate for HORNE, LLP, in Grenada for seven years following a one-year internship with the company.

Faculty/Staff Spotlights

Chief Christopher Dill, became the new chief of police for Holmes Community College in 2015. Boasting 22 years of law-enforcement experience, Chief Dill began his career in 1993 with the Clinton Police Department.. In 1996, he also took on the role of a D.A.R.E. instructor in the Clinton Public School system. A year later, he was promote to sergeant of a patrol shift, and in 2004, was promoted to lieutenant. In 2005, he graduated from the FBI National Academy and in 2009, became an evidence custodian and head of Reserve Officer Program.



Blair Booker, the Ridgeland Campus' branch librarian, received the 2015 Mississippi Library Association (MLA) Past President's Award. The award is given to an outstanding professional librarian who is an active member of MLA. Booker has been a member since moving to Mississippi in 2007. She has served on various committees with the organization, and serves as MLA treasurer. Prior to becoming branch librarian, she served as an assistant librarian at Holmes from 2008-2014, and before Holmes, worked for the Mississippi Library Commission.



Dr. Troy Milliken, chemistry instructor on the Ridgeland Campus, made his mark in the world of science after serving as one of several contributors to an online chemistry textbook titled simply, "Chemistry." It was published in 2015 by OpenStax College. "Chemistry" is designed specifically for two-semester general chemistry courses. Dr. Milliken has taught Organic and General Chemistry at Holmes for a little over two years. Prior to working at Holmes, he taught the same courses at Jackson State University for eight and a half years. He not only holds a PhD in polymer chemistry, but also a master of divinity degree.





Campus Life



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TOP TRENDING



David Bowie: 1992-2016

Movies



- 1.) Star Wars The Force Awakens
- 2.) Mad Max
- 3.) The Hunger Games : The Mocking Jay Part 2
- 4.) Straight Outta Compton
- 5.) The Martian

Fashion Statements



Students showing off their Holmes attire on campus



5 Top Trending News

- 1.) Same sex marriage is legalized
- 2.) Donald Trump runs for President
- 3.) Pope Francis visits the U.S
- 4.) Cuba opens it's doors for American tourist
- 5.) Scientist discover water on Mars



*People gather in front of The White House for historical supreme court ruling of the legalization of same sex marriage.
-June 26, 2015*



In the spring of 2015, all three campuses of Holmes Community College held their annual Spring Fling events, giving students, faculty, and staff a chance to enjoy the beautiful weather and fellowship with one another.

On April 15, the Grenada Center held their Spring Fling, complete with a mechanical bull, crawfish, burgers, volleyball, raffles, and games.

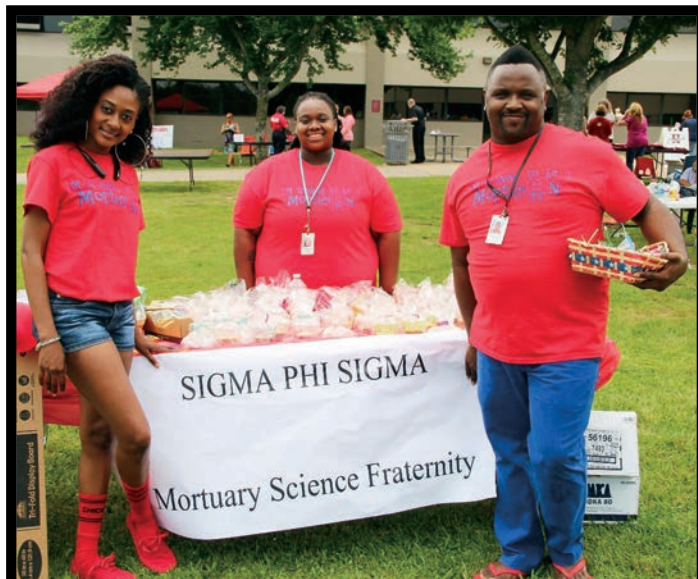
The Ridgeland Campus Spring Fling, held April 22, included burgers, volleyball, tug-o-war, corn-hole tournaments, karaoke, trivia and live music.

On the same day, the Goodman Campus celebrated with crawfish, mud volleyball, jumpies, music, raffles, and prizes.





SPRING FLING 2015



The fall of 2015 was a time of fun and fellowship on every Holmes campus.

Music and the smell of Backyard Burger filled the air during the Ridgeland Campus Fall Fest on Oct. 14. Students sold t-shirts, sold sweets, held a cake walk, provided carnival games and raised money for breast cancer. Live music was provided by the Creative Arts Club. Following Fall Fest, everyone walked down to the soccer field to watch the Bulldogs Men's Soccer Team take on Hinds CC.

Held on Nov. 12, there was no shortage of music, dancing, and fun at the Grenada Center Fall Fest either. Everyone enjoyed delicious barbecue, fellowship, games, and fun on a gorgeous afternoon. Organizations held bake sales, cake walks, sold homemade goodies and students also enjoyed an inflatable obstacle course and a trampoline jumper.





Fall Fest 2015



Connection!

The high-energy Connection! show choir group had another successful season, performing in all of Holmes' nine counties and beyond. Directed by Michael Yates, the enthusiastic group performs music from all genres in exciting performances complete with an amazing light show.



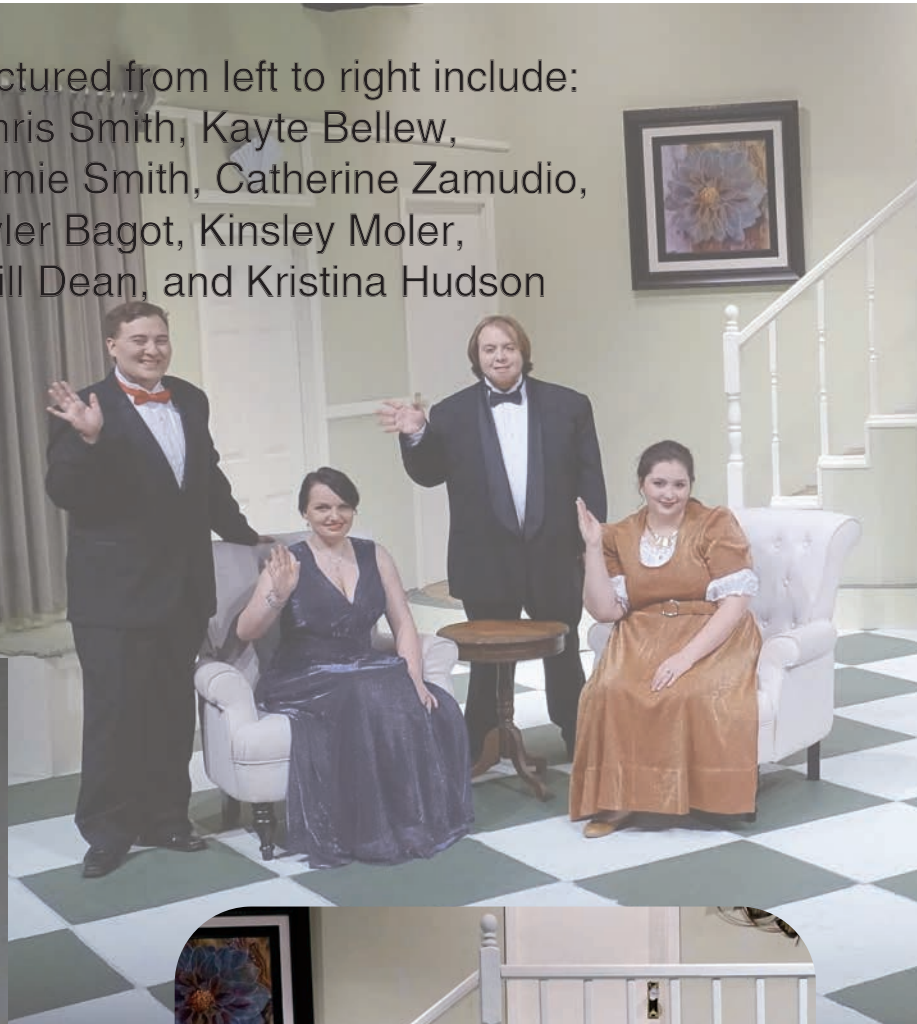


Holme-Towne Players present

RUMORS



Pictured from left to right include:
Chris Smith, Kayte Bellew,
Jamie Smith, Catherine Zamudio,
Tyler Bagot, Kinsley Moler,
Will Dean, and Kristina Hudson



Tyler Bagot eavesdropping in on Kinsley Moler's and Kayte Bellew's conversation in the top left. Below are Tyler Bagot, Jamie Smith Chris Smith, and Will Dean with Kayte Bellew in the background. Catherine Zamudio, Kayte Bellew, and Kinsley Mole are pictured to the left.



**The Holmes Community College Holme-Towne Players
presented "Rumors," a comedy by Neil Simon,
March 24-27, 2015, in the Montgomery Fine Arts Center
on the Goodman Campus. The production
was directed by James Schroeder.**



Will Dean and Kristina Hudson carrying on a conversation to the left. Above is Chris Smith as the officer chatting with Jamie Smith.

Holme-Towne Players
present

Bucket Filling Children's Drama



This Play Won Runner Up!



THE HOLMES COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOLME-TOWNE PLAYERS DRAMA CLUB WAS NAMED 1ST RUNNER UP IN THE COMMUNITY THEATRE/COLLEGE DIVISION AT THE 2016 MISSISSIPPI THEATRE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL THEATRE FOR YOUTH FESTIVAL HELD JAN 15. AT THE MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY RILEY CENTER IN MERIDIAN. THE CLUB COMPETED AGAINST EIGHT OTHER GROUPS. PICTURED ABOVE ARE (FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT) KATE BELIEW, OLIVIA CARTER, LIZZY MCLEMORE, BRITTANY FARRELL, TARA FORTENBERRY, (BACK, LEFT TO RIGHT) GREYSON DYE, WILL DEAN, COURVOISIER JACKSON, DREW NUNLEY, AND WONTAVIUS RIMPSON.





(left) Bully, Pamela Fells, Kerri Edwards, and Tonya Lawrence show their "80's Ladies" spirit!
(right) Suzanne Lawshe, Amy Whittington, and Allison DeWeese are ready to "Save the Tatas!" during Pink-O-Ween 2015.



(left) Jennifer Brunson, Amy Eubanks, Pam Moore and Heather Wood cheer for the pink!
(right) The five lil piggies (Terrell Hammett, Brandy Culpepper, Dana Nichols, Kala Moody, and Pam Sills) and the Big Bad Wolf (Matt Surrell) get in full character.



(left) Bully cheers Joshua Guest and Josh Neagle as they finish their first lap of the Pink-O-Ween 5K.
(right) Dr. Jim Haffey, Sue Ellen Stubbs, and Stephanie Blue won third, first, and second place, respectively, in the Chili Cook-off following Pink-O-Ween.

2015 Pink-O-Ween

Breast Cancer Awareness 5K

On Friday, Oct. 30, Holmes celebrated Halloween and raised money and awareness for a great cause all in one day with the Second Annual Pink-O-Ween Breast Cancer 5K, sponsored by Healthy@Holmes. Faculty and staff showed up dressed in pink-themed costumes with creative signs to show their support.

Each participant also purchased a t-shirt and collected donations prior to the walk to go to the Susan G. Komen foundation. Following the 5K, a chili cook-off was held, and everyone enjoyed chili, hamburgers, and other treats on the football field.



(above) "Pat's Bats" show off their costumes that won first place. Pictured are (front, left to right) Sawyer Mooney the Dog, Angela Crain, Bronwyn Martin, (back, left to right) Heather Mooney, Sandra Hultz, Mark Galtelli, Yancy Brewer, Michael Pawlik, Lena Lopez, and Rachel Deer.



(left) Hilliary O'Briant, Steve Diffey, Mary Margaret Turner, and Chloe the Dog show off their "Save a Rack" team spirit.

There is no place like Christmas at Holmes



Ridgeland students sit cozy by the fireplace while drinking hot coco.



Santa visits the Goodman campus and reads Christmas stories to children.



Grenada students toast marshmallows and make smores.

Holmes Community College holds its annual 2015-16 Concert choir "Carols of Christmas"



Pictured is the 2015-2016 Chorale. They are *(front row, left to right)* Shyla Curry, Gabrielle Saffold, Ashlee Kate Blackwell, Anna McCrory, Faith Floyd Tamara Peeples, Kelli Ray, Mabry dye, Sara McCafferty, Kristiana Allen, Jessika Turner, Brittnee Kirk, *(second row, left to right)* Chelsea Miller, Amber Gilmore, Valerie Mooney, Christin Hill, Marie Moore, Alizeyah Kern, Deanna Jones, Markita McNeal, Charnita Herrod, Taylor Cade, *(third row, left to right)* Riley Baker, Christina Moses, Collin Different, Greyson Dye, Will Sekul, Marcus Quinn, Rajheem Jamison, Stephen Thompson, Trekiya Brown, Bianca Ball. *(back row, left to right)* Nikki Merchant, Steven Evans, Timothy Wallace, Stegan Smith, Ladarian Bradford, Matthew Dubourg, Aureius Myers, Jason Howard, and Kieren Gibson.



Holmes students prepare for the City of Ridgeland Christmas Parade



Goodman students warm up by the fire pit

Parade of Beauties Spring 2016



Pictured above are the Top Ten - Haley Pate, Tiffany Strain, Audrey Cartwright, Shelby Mansfield, Anna Dufresne, Jade Dalton, Tesslyn Steptoe, Nikki Merchant, Ashlee Blackwell and Kelli Ray



Pictured at the top left is Jade Dalton being crowned as Most Beautiful, below is 2015 Most Beautiful, Hannah Blanton posing with the 2016 Most Beautiful Jade Dalton. Pictured in the middle is Most Photogenic, Shelby Mansfield. Pictured at the top right is Jade Dalton being congratulated by Tesslyn Steptoe, and below is Tesslyn Steptoe

Parade of Beauties Spring 2016

Pictured to the right
are this year's
Parade of Beauties
Top Five - Shelby
Mansfield, Anna
Dufresne, Jade
Dalton, Tesslyn
Steptoe and Nikki
Merchant.



Jade Dalton being
crowned Most
Beautiful above by
2015 Most Beautiful,
Hannah Blanton, and
Jade Dalton is also
pictured to the right.



Womanless Beauty Pageant



The Holmes cheerleaders sponsored the 2016 Womanless Beauty Pageant on Feb. 29 in McDaniel Auditorium in Goodman. Proceeds benefited cancer research. Pictured are the Top Five, with (center) Most Beautiful "Queenie Weenie" (baseball player Luke Lambert).





Clubs & Organization



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90 Years Strong

Marching Band



Members of the Holmes Marching Band include: Kyle Alderman, Taylor Cade, Sam Cain, Perry Clemons, Brittany Dance, Collin Different, Madeline Hall, Jason Howard, Chris Jackson, Madison Marberry, Charlotte McBride, Zachary Moore, Brittany Muirhead, Kiersten Overstreet, Amberlie Riley, Erica Rockett, Will Sekul, Jonathan Sprayberry, Ashley Tallent, Kristen Truss, Henry Young, Bailee Barrett, Butch Bigbee, Ashleigh Blakely, Edwona Burt, Maya Caradine, Cade Colletta, Shanice Cook, Chadwick Crimm, Hanna Dallas, Steven Ray Evans, Jada Harris, Cassyetta Hughes, Mallory Hunt, Samantha Jenkins, LaQuisha Johnson, Megan Kloysuntia, Michael Maddox, Denzel Mallett, Brette McDaniel, Dillan McHarris, Stephen McNabb, Kylie Midgett, Chelsea Miller, Alexandria Moore, Austin Moudy, Jacob Dillion Nance, Caitlyn Neyman, Victoria Stubbs, Branden Webster, Renee Wilkerson, Addie Mae Winters and Hunter Woods.



James Bailey
Band Director



Jeffrey Brown
Assistant Band
Director

Drum Major



**Addie
Mae
Winters**

Color Guard



(front row, left to right) Kathy Stubbs, Megan Kloysuntia, Ashleigh Blakely, (middle row, left to right) Brittany Dance, Jada Harris, Cassyetta Hughes, Ashley Tallent, (back row, left to right) Taylor Cade, Victoria O'Banner, Brittany Muirhead, Madeline Hall, and Jaylyn Smith.

Side-Line Percussion



(left to right) Denzil Bigbee, Madison Marberry, Hannah Dallas, and Parker Stewart.

Brass Line



(left to right) Kyle Alderman, Collin Different, Cade Colletta, Bailee Barrett, Mallory Hunt, Chad Crimm, Steven Evans, Alexandria Moore, Dillion Nance, Jason Howard, Will Sekul, David Ochoa, and LaQuisha Johnson.

Drum Line



(left to right) Zachary Moore, Dillan McHarris, Henry Young, Gabrielle Saffold, Chris Jackson, Sam Cain, Michael Maddox, Erica Rockett, and Denzel Mallett.

Woodwind Line



(left to right) Shanice Cook, Kiersten Overstreet, Maya Caradine, Renee Wilkerson, Branden Webster, Kristen Truss, Charlotte McBride, Perry Clemons, Cheyenne Outlaw, Amberlie Riley, Chelsea Miller, Brette McDaniel, and Stephen McNabb.

Band Managers



(left to right) Kylie Midyett, Hunter Woods, Joanne Pohlig, Austin Moudy, Samantha Jenkins, and Johnathan Sprayberry.

Steel Band



(front row, left to right) Kyle Alderman, Collin Different, Dillan McHarris, Kiersten Overstreet, Addie Winters, Maya Caradine, Erica Rockett, Branden Webster, Taylor Cade, *(back row, left to right)* Parker Stewart, Zach Moore, Mallory Hunt, Will Sekul, Perry Clemons, Chris Jackson, Madison Marberry, Steven Evans, Chad Crimm, and Jonathan Sprayberry.

Indoor Drumline



(front row, left to right) Maddy Hall, Taylor Cade, Jaylyn Smith, Ashleigh Blakely, Addie Mae Winters, *(second row, left to right)* Kiersten Overstreet, Sam Cain, Dillan McHarris, Collin Different, Perry Clemons, Bailee Barrett, Joanne Pohlig, *(third row, left to right)* Maya Caradine, Gabby Saffold, Erica Rockett, Chelsea Miller, Will Sekul, Chad Crimm, Jason Howard, Samantha Jenkins, Sierra Miller, LaQuisha Johnson, *(back row, left to right)* Butch Bigbee, Johnell Hartley, Charles Burroughs, Mallory Hunt, Zach Moore, Johnathan Sprayberry, Manwal Stewart, and Brittany Muirhead.

Jazz Band



(left to right) Jason Howard, Collin Different, Chad Crimm, Taylor Cade, Stephen McNabb, Dillion Nance, Will Sekul, and *(in back)* Dillan McHarris.

Connection!



(front row, left to right) Anna McCrory, Faith Floyd, (kneeling, left to right) Aureius Myers, Rajheem Jamison, (back row, left to right) Ashlee Kate Blackwell, Timothy Wallace Christina Moses, Nikki Merchant, Valerie Mooney, Jason Howard, and Amber Gilmore.

Coachmen singers



(front row, left to right) Greyson Dye, Jason Howard, Marcus Quinn, Stephen Thompson, (seated, left to right) Faith Floyd, Britnee Kirk, Deanna Jones, Olivia Tanner, Maya Caradine, (standing, left to right) Markita McNeal, Ashlee Kate Blackwell, Trekiya Brown, Alizeyah Kern, Kristiana Allen, Matthew Dubourg, D'Asia McNeal, Sara McCafferty, Will Sekul, Kieren Gibson, Gabrielle Saffold, Aureius Myers, and Riley Baker. Not pictured: Joel Hill (adviser/instructor).

Voices of Praise



(front row, left to right) Stephen Thompson, D'Asia McNeal, Olivia Tanner, LaQuisha Johnson, Charnita Herrod, *(middle row, left to right)* Urbaneisha Cross, Marcus Quinn (director), Jaylyn Smith, Gabrielle Saffold, Erica Rockett, Rosalyne Davis (advisor), *(back row, left to right)* Kieren Gibson, Shanice Cook, Henry Young, Jr., (musician), Shadesha Harris, and Maya Caradine.

Goodman SkillsUSA



(front row, left to right) Mandy Burrell, Sierra St. Clair, Kearia Jones, Catisha Jones, Marshae Allen, Samantha Cotton, Donald Winters III, Vanessa Ramirez, Kayla Narmour, Jenna Parker, Ashley Hughes, *(second row, left to right)* Tammy Caldwell (adviser), Sarah Sepugh, Kaitlin Fowler, Skyla Watkins, Mary Beth Lee, Samantha Hibner, Kevin Brown, Linsay Austin-Marrelli, Kensey Moler, Erica Stewart-Latiker, *(third row, left to right)* Amanda Davis, Whitney Wilson, Kally Kirk, Blake Holly, Sara Grace Weaver, Anthony Anderson, Anna Dufresne, Mary Senior, Denishia Riley, Susan Rone, *(fourth row, left to row)* Will Alexander (adviser), Noah Mincy, Amber Brown, Precious Kern, Tambanique Quinn, Hunter Woods, Jobe Grayson, Christy Allen, *(fifth row, left to right)* Tony Martin, Alex McKibben, Jeffrey Cotten, Taylor Woodfin, James Cobb, *(sixth row, left to right)* Tyquane Felton, Royderic Weatherall, Donald Winters Jr., Derrick Rainey , Justin Langford, and Ben Lewis (adviser).

Holme-Towne Players



(front, left to right) William Dean, Courvoisier Jackson, Deborah Tolbert, Tara Fortenberry, Lashaundra Hardy, *(middle, left to right)* Drew Nunley, Kayte Beliew, Mark'Xavious Ross, Ali Coker, Wontavious Rimpson, *(back, left to right)* Jim Schroeder (advisor), Greyson Dye, James Ambrose, Chloe Clark, Brittany Farrell, and Lizzy McLemore.

Goodman Ambassadors



(front, left to right) Wontavious Rimpson, Keely Herbert, Ellen Ford, Mackenzie McCleskey, Miranda Birchfield, Anna Claire Mooney, Brittany Dance, Taylor Adcock, Nicholas Robertson, Maya Davis, John Eric Burrell, *(back, left to right)* Nikki Merchant, Cheyenne Bennett, Katherine Middleton, Sydney Coleman, Kelli Rae, Terrell Wynne, Kayla Neal, Madison Allyn Marshall, Haley Blain and Griffin Turner. Advisor *(not pictured)* Leslie Spell.

HolmesPlus



(front, left to right) Charlotte McBride, Tyler Hines Taylor Adcock, *(back, left to right)* Brittany Farrell, John Rainwater, Josh Pacillo, Griffin Turner, Lane Spell, Chadwick Crimm, Jared Potter, David Ochoa, Mallory Hunt, and Bailee Barrett.

Goodman SGA



(front, left to right) Kelli Ray, Kayla Neal, Keely Herbert, Ashley Blackwell, Courtney Fox, *(back, left to right)* Wontavius Rimpson, Haley Pate, Michael Edmonds, Lane Spell, Timothy Wallace, and Nikki Merchant. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Tina Boyette.

Goodman PTK



(front row, left to right) Anna Littlejohn, Nicole Moffett, Anna McCrory, Ashlee Kate Blackwell, Valerie Mooney, Alaina Dismukes, *(second row, left to right)* Kristin Alexander, Owen Taylor, Keona Williams, Kayla Neal, Terrell Wynne, Brittany Dance, Charlie McBride, Maddie Hall, *(third row, left to right)* Taylor Adcock, Alex Sizemore, Mackenzie McCleskey, Caitlyn Bennett, *(back row, left to right)* Jason Kelly (advisor), Tavon Wright, Corey Warren, Nick Robertson, Gerald Glass, De'Angelo Richardson, and Will Alexander (advisor).

Goodman SPNO



Members of Goodman SPNO include Marshae Allen, Amber Brown, Teondra Carten, Sierra St. Clair, Samantha Cotten, Amanda Davis, Keaira Fondren, Kaitlin Fowler, Samantha Hibner, Blake Holly, Catisha Jones, Keaira Jones, Kiara Jorden, Precious Kern, Kally Kirk, Maribeth Lee, Noah Mincy, Tambanique Quinn, Sequoia Roby, Sarah Sepaugh, Megan Taylor, Rhoshada Walls, Skyla Watkins, LaToria Williams, Tomasinia Willis, and Trenace Wingard. *(not pictured)* Advisor Tammy Caldwell

Cosmetology



(front, left to right) Denishia Riley, Kayla Narmour, Erika Stewart-Latiker, Lauren Bouchillon, Samantha Erving, **(middle, left to right)** Kinsey Moler, Evelise Ross, Jenna Parker, Vanessa Ramirez, Lindsay Austin-Marrelli, Molly Senior, **(back, left to right)** Tynesha Benford, Shari Perkins, Ashley Hughes, Anna Dufresne, Susan Rone and McShelle Williams. **(not pictured)** Advisor Christie Allen

Electrical Linemen



(front row, left to right) Instructor Clarence McBride, Brister Dupont, Will Walker, Mitch Mansfield, Cody Ingram, Taylor Hollowell, Neil Murphy, Skye Little, Zac White, James Arnett, Landon Marter, Ryan Moyer, Orlando Hill, Tyler Keefer, and Instructor Lamar Dumas.

Mosaic



Members of Mosaic include: Trekiya Brown, Jazmen Callahan, Ali Coker, Urbaneisha Cross, Shyla Curry, William Dean, Talia Flowers, Hope Freeny, Jamie B. Holley, Courvoisier Jackson, Gabrielle Jones, Katrina Kimbrough, Grace Manning, Najwa Miles, Valerie Mooney, Brenda Orduna Arvizu, D'Angelo Richardson, Wontavius Rimpson, Nicholas Robertson, Mark 'Xavious Ross, Lugene Scott, and Mercedes Taylor. Advisors: Angela Boyd, Tess Crenshaw, and Linda Alexander Jones.

FCA



BSU



Members of Goodman BSU include: Taylor Adcock, Savanna Bell, Torey Daniels, William Dean, Alaina Dismukes, Matthew Dubourg, Anna Dufresne, Seven Edwards, Ellen Ford, Anna Garza, Ethan Hunt, Charlie McBride, Anna McCrory, Nikki Merchant, Nicole Moffett, Valerie Mooney, Jared Potter, Kelli Ray, Michah Redd, Nick Robertson, Dylan Shaw, Matthew Thorton, Griffin Turner, Corey Warren, Kassidy Winstead, Terrell Wynne, and Tamara Walbert (director).

Football Spirit Team



Pictured are members of the inaugural Spirit Team. They are: *(left to right)* Carla Whitten, Kayla Neal, Lexis Frith, Mercedes Taylor, Khadjah Cobbins, Brenda Orduna Arvizu, Subrina Weatherby, Talia Flowers, Katrina Kimbrough, Jazmen Callahan, and Karen Ray (advisor). Trainer: *(not pictured)* Autumn Lewis.

Grenada PTK



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Amber Harrison, Laura Trusty, Kayleen Fly, Tameiah Mitchell, Kendra Umfleet, Kjirsten Whitsell, *(back, left to right)* Heather Wood (advisor), Abby Rae Vance, Erin Beck, Emily Brown, Etta Kathryn Jennings, Taylor Vance, Alexandra Perry, Bonnie Jones, Jennifer Tehan, Kaleb Baker, Chase Alldread, Ryan Wiltshire, Shelby Ferguson, Kayla Dees, Sierra Alldread, Rehana Sajjad. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Chanda Sykes.

Grenada Ambassadors



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Chelsea Wright, Kaleb Baker, Anna Catherine Lancaster, Hannah Waters, Chase Alldread, Felicia Murray, *(back, left to right)* Mary Loren Minga, Nartdivious Miers, Ryan Wiltshire, and Taylor Vance. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Bronwyn Robertson.

Grenada SGA



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Hannah Waters, Taylor Vance, Jennifer Tehan, Samantha Lane, *(back, left to right)* Logan Conner, Ryan Wiltshire, Chelsea Wright, Kaitlyn Legge, and Kourtney Lewis. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Bronwyn Robertson.

Grenada SkillsUSA



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Amber King, Hope Golliday, Kayla Nichols *(middle, left to right)* Alicyn Shaw, Tina Melton, Stephanie Ferguson, and *(back row)* Jessica Elliot (advisor), Lisa Wilbourn (advisor), and Jennifer Henry.

Grenada ADN



Members include: Bethany Bennett, Michelle Borgognoni, Frenesha Calcote, Brenda Chandler, Ray Coyle, Erica Goldman, Lena Gross, Christina Hoss, Lindsey Hughes, Jayme Lusk, Heather Nail, Angela Powell, Clarissa Tillman, Deidra Trotter, Amanda Bonner, Kasee Burton, Desiree Carroll, Jessica Clark, Jamilah Ellis, Amber Nicole Garrard, Holly Havens, Derreon Johnson, Laura Beth Kolb, Jessica Parker, Camelia Peacock, Lynne Pollan, Jordan Pratt, Jennifer Rinaldi, Kristen Roland, Joseph Salley, Kimberly Schweigart, Phillip Swanson, Rebecca Wammack, Kayla Wamock, Megan Wilson, Alicia Wood, Brittani Burrell, Taylor Carson, Joanna Chamblee, Ashley Chomes, Marla Davis, Alison Dean, Kayla Dickerson, Joana Franks, Lori Gregg, Lethea Jackson, Alexis Lee, Stephen Locke, Rebecca Moore, Cesley Ross, Camile Smith, Loria Tillis, Stephanie Walker, Leigh Bland, Melissa Campbell, Mercedes Edwards, Lyndsey Flynn, Cannon Fountain, Lindsey Hill, Kristy Ingram, Rosemarie Jaggai, Marquis Jones, Sarah Morris, Kia Nash, Ramona Ross, Jessica Shelton, Joshua Simmons, Brandon Smith, Matthew Trussell, Casey Vaughan, Courtney Wilburn, Jamie Williams, Troy Armstrong, Quentoria Burdette, Latasha Carothers, Gal Duplessis, Robyn Harbin, Klandra Le, Nacandreas Mitchell, Keyonna Redmond, Misty Cain, and Lashonda Hayes. **Instructors:** Arletha Coffey, Lisa Davis, Amanda Jones, and Cherrie Winter.

Grenada SPNO



Members include: Hannah Adams, Janie Arbuckle, Amber Aven, Rachel Brewer, Laura Fonseca, Shannon Foster, Carley Hamby, Kelli Hardy, Dustie Hood, Krista Hopkins, Zoranna Jones, Amber King, Mckenzie King, Jearica McBride, Melanie Mitchell, Kayla Nichols, Kelsie Owens, Jessica Pendleton, Amanda Rowland, Christina Shirley, Kari Skeen, Tiffany Smith, Tiffany Tillman, Brittany Wallace, and Erin Wheeler. **Instructors:** Carolyn Case and Janice Avery.

Grenada BSU



Members include: Kaleb Baker, Renisha Cardine, Iyonna Coltons, Jamila Conley, Logan Conner, Sheila Cook, Kayla Dees, Zamyron Everett, Shelby Ferguson, Alex Gillespie Letacia Golliday, Etta Jennings, Bonnie Jones, Kourtney Lewis, Emily Lumkin, Samantha Lane, R. Miller, Pam Moore, Felicia Murray, Elizabeth Parks, Alexandra Perry, Naomi Prescott, Betty Spencer, Colt Tabor, Jennifer Tehan, Kjirsten Whitsell, Ryan Wiltshire, and Joelle Young. Advisors: Jeremy Richey and Jennie Pegg.

Grenada Surgical Tech



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Stephanie Ferguson, Tina Melton, Tiffany Booker, Desandra Williams, Hope Golliday, *(back, left to right)* Cassidy Neal, Hannah Mitchell, Jennifer Henry, and Jessica Elliot (advisor).

Ridgeland Ambassadors



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Miah Watkins, Elise Fullwood, Mauriuna Jackson, Simone Lewis, Kindalin Blocker, Sena Hope, Caitlyn Mizelle, *(back, left to right)* Elizabeth Palmer, Kaitlyn Meadows, John Eaves, Holly Cobb, Mallory Corley, and Avery Huff. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Amanda Lindsey.

Ridgeland PTK



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Myia McGinty, Jordan Pettit, Elise Fullwood (vp of hallmarks), Jake Hinkle (vp of college project), Mallory Corley (president), Jessie May (vp of outreach), Nathaly Espinoza (secretary), Melinda Harris, Soma De, Regina Smith, *(back, left to right)* Morgan Daniels, Jacey Jernigan, Caitlyn Mizelle, John Eaves, Gloria Salters, James Gerache, Kyle Foster, Carles Walker, Jonita Cooper, Darlene Smith, Jada Collins, and Lindsey Crutcher.

Ridgeland SGA



Pictured are (front, left to right) Fatima Bracamonte, Cayla Lloyd, Katie Rose Anthony, Elise Fullwood (president), Kaitlyn Meadows, Avery Huff (secretary), Brittany Howard (treasurer), (back, left to right) Jalon Robinson (vice president), and Destany Bouldin. Advisor (not pictured): Amanda Lindsey.

Ridgeland SkillsUSA



Natural Science Club



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Jeyde Fitzgerald, Lonicia Lacy, Shae Walter, Avery Huff, Anna Williams *(second, left to right)* Katie Rose Anthony, Mary Geter (president), Beth Riddell, *(third, left to right)* Haleigh Fortenberry, McKenzie Conner, Oliver Cole, Walker Johns, *(back, left to right)* Greg Wilson (advisor), and instructors Joe David White, Santosh Parakkal.

Criminal Justice Society



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* K'Brittany Stokes, Alexandria Brown, Darrion Mitchell, Katey Switcher, Jimmy Houston (advisor), *(back row)* Kela Mills, Felicia Williams, W.K. Wilson, and Osha Campbell.

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Pictured are *(left to right)* Steve Deaton (advisor), Julie Gibbons, Joshua Gibbons, Daja Hoard, Joshua Dilmore (president), and Arnetra Pleas (advisor).

Hals



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Rachel Munoz, Brittany Roberson, Lexie Cole, Nicole Lewallen, Alyse Nichols, Alexis Bridges, Kristen Polk, *(back, left to right)* Blake Kirtley, Andrew Taylor, Addie Reeves, Keegan Ellzey, and Jaylon George. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Darleen Dozier.

Sigma Pi Sigma



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Brooke Rigsby, Lisa Edwards, Kenneth Aasand, Louis Merritt, Kristen Redmond, Gregory Miller, Karron Ross, Olivia S. Taylor, Matthew Lawrence Strickland, Schwarma Gerber, Kesheda Barnes, Jairus Jackson, Montonia Butler, Cristy Perkins, *(back, left to right)* Kyle Pugh, Gregory Shaffer, Sr., Terry Morris, Joshua Bingham, James White, Toni Coleman, Viki Avery, Stephanie Stiff, and Kindalin Blocker. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Dr. Thomas Garrett.

Social Science Club



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Keiosha Williams, LaShonda Williams, Rachel Shelton, Nathaly Espinoza, Chynna Courtney, Makeaba Latiker (advisor), *(back, left to right)* DaQuan Benton, Katie Rose Anthony, Anna Williams, Makenzie Walker, Breanna Rawls, Ashley Wicker, and Jacarie Bowling.

Ridgeland Growl Staff



Pictured are *(left to right)* Mason McAdory, Santia Williams, Angel Cooper, Savannah Campbell, and Joshua Dilmore (editor). Advisor *(not pictured)*: Mary Margaret Turner.

Goodman Growl Staff



Pictured are *(left to right)* Stephfon Robinson and Miranda Birchfield. Advisor *(not pictured)*: Mary Margaret Turner.

Ridgeland ADN Freshmen



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Allison Lindsey, Elliot Williams, Bailey Weems, Ashley Prewitt, Adrienne Devine, Crystal Griffing, Taylor Ford, Alison Bodmer, Kayla Patterson, Zainab Ahmed, Valerie Cooper, Jessica Reeves, Rian Hall, Jennifer Roberts, Ricky Webster, Summer Desper, Allison Balliet, Nicci Watson, *(back, left to right)* Seth Nash, Conner Ozbourn, Logan LeBlanc, Morgan McCloskey, Andrea Goodwin, Rachel McFarland, Theresa Wells, Sarah Stevenson, Morgan Louise Solari, Caitlin Cox, Caleb Morales, Max Othello, Michael Henrikson, Zach Parker, and Janelle Johnson.

Ridgeland ADN Sophomores



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Perry Landis, Jessica May, Kimberly Loings, Juanita McDonald, Brianna Foster, Justin Bowser, Constance Sanders, Tara Melton, Adrienne Dunbar, Hilary Winters, Allison Eads, Madison Harkins, Keyera Ammons, Jennifer Cook, Chasity McCree, Ashley McCree, Jo Clay, *(back, left to right)* Christopher Day, Janet Ricks, Shamiar Williams, Marty Moss, Juanita Ewing, J.D. West, Kiswana Gamble, Clifton Strong, Liz Carpenter, Misti Cowart, Emily Lum, Jeronica Burrage, Antoinette Walker, and Maurice McDonald.

Ridgeland SPNO



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Amaris Robertson, Jennifer Gore, Amanda Edwards, Courtney York, Leah Antici, Carmen McKey, Lindsey Impastato, Cameron Brown, Samantha Waugh, Shante Davis, Yolanda Funchess, Montoya Minor, Sharmeshia Manuel, *(back, left to right)* Shaniqua Thompson, BreeAnna Wilson, Stacie Davis, Crystal Sayeer, Haley Greer, Abby Hammons, Anna Grace Robinson, Carmaron Thompson, and Brooke Maier. Advisors *(not pictured)*: Heather Roberts and Lakesia Sutton.

Surgical Technology



Pictured are *(front, left to right)* Roshunda Griffin, Renee Martin, Matthew Smith, Rachel Tompkins, Alisha Bell, Instructor Shea Coleman, *(back, left to right)* Lashunda Davis, Agnes Nierva, Willie Mayes, Jessie Woodruff, and Victoria Deel.

Holmes students give back to their communities

Holmes Community College encourages its students to focus on more than just excelling academically. While doing well in the classroom is of course extremely important, the faculty and staff inspire students to grow into well-rounded individuals who give back to the communities in which they live. Some of the ways Holmes students and staff have given back include: raising money for breast cancer, collecting Christmas gifts for residents of Sunnybrook Children's Home, visiting and reading to children at Blair E. Batson's Children's Hospital, volunteering at the Mississippi Blues Marathon, collecting Christmas gifts for residents of The Madison Place, volunteering at the Ridgeland Trunk or Treat event, helping at local animal shelters, hosting/participating in soccer tournaments to raise money for cancer, among many other things.





Athletics





90 Years Strong





Bulldogs end season with a bang

The Holmes Community College Bulldogs put up over 600 yards of offense on the Northeast Mississippi Community College Tigers on Oct. 24, Homecoming 2015, and picked up an impressive 56-20 win to end the 2015 season.

With the win, the Bulldogs finished the season 4-5 overall and 3-3 in the North Division.

Holmes quarterback Dejerric Bryant of Mize was named the MACJC Offensive Player of the Week for his play against Northeast. Bryant passed for three touchdowns and ran in another in Holmes' win. His longest touchdown pass was 70 yards to Dre Massey.

Six Bulldogs were named to the MACJC All-State Team for 2015, and one was named First Team All-Region.

Holmes had five first team selections and one second team selection. First Team All-State selections included Dre Massey, Trip Janssen, Josiah Coatney, Jamar Smith, and Sean Harper. Brandon Poore was named Second Team All-

State.

Massey was named All-Region. A running back, he finished the season with 452 rushing yards on 59 carries and three touchdowns. He also caught 21 passes for 548 yards and six touchdowns. Janssen and Poore were second-year players along the offensive front.

Defensively, Smith, who played linebacker, led the Bulldogs in tackles with 59 including three sacks and six tackles for loss. Coatney, who played along the defensive line, had 46 tackles including three sacks, 8.5 tackles for loss, and one interception return for a touchdown along with two blocked kicks. Harper, who played cornerback, had 38 tackles with two sacks, three tackles for loss, and two interceptions.

Honorable mention selections included: Montez Hairston, OL; Aquindus Henson, RB; Dejerric Bryant, QB; D.J. Montgomery, WR; Theron Hodges, DL; Willie Cooper, DL; Buddy Benson, LB, and Qmond Woods, DB.





Holmes decided to make their Sept. 17 non-division contest with East Central Community College a Military Appreciation Game so that they could honor past and current military men and women.

Veterans and active service men and women were recognized during halftime and were admitted free to the game. Proceeds from the game were used to help endow the Milton Olive Scholarship through the Holmes Foundation. Olive, who lived in Holmes County, was the first African American to receive a Medal of Honor in the Vietnam War.



Bulldog Football



Tyler Barnes



A'Darius Benson



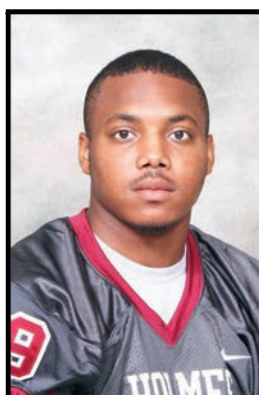
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T.J. Beverly



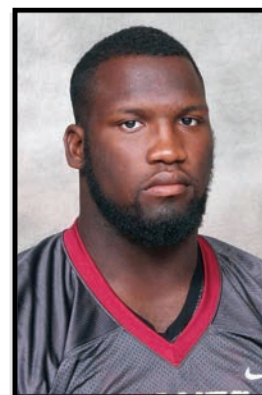
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Reggie Carter



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Josiah Coatney



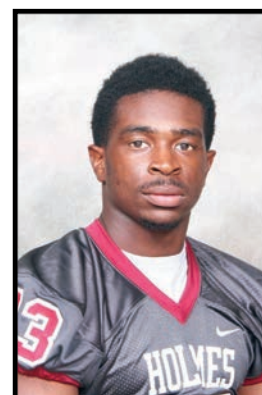
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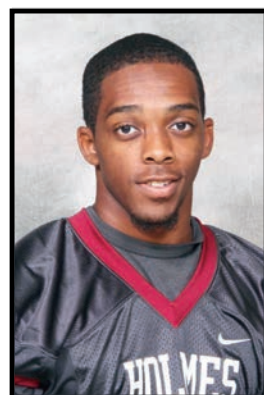
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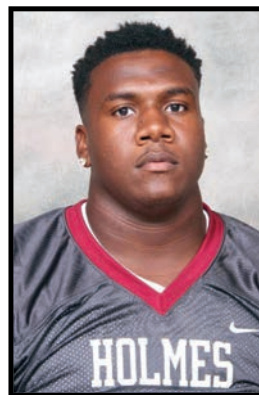
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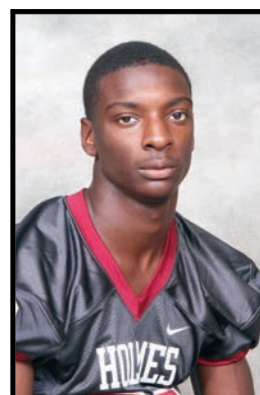
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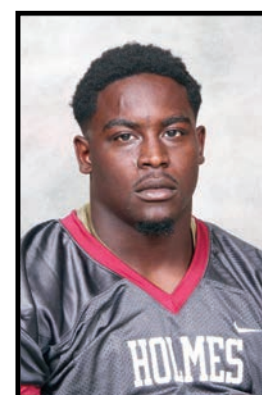
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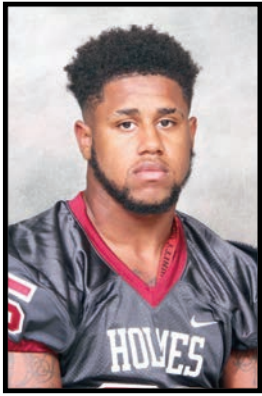
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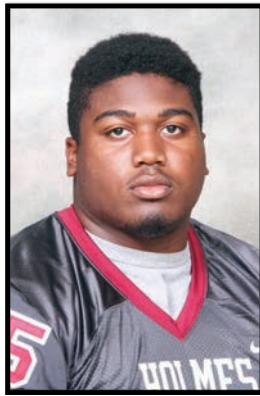
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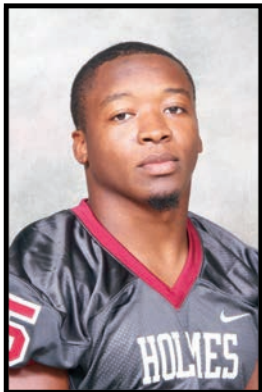
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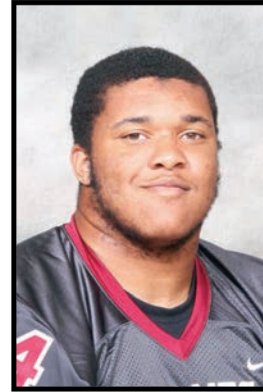
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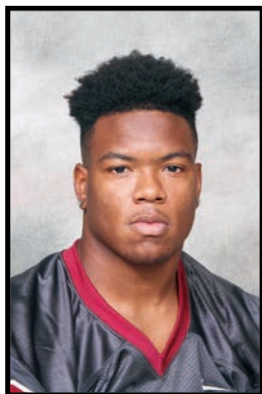
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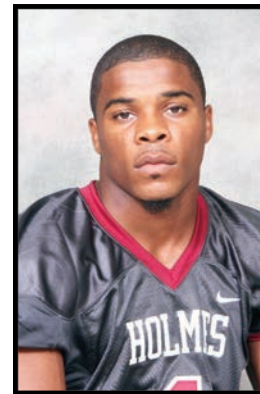
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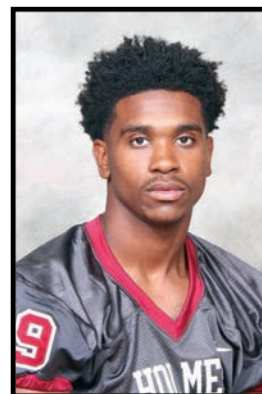
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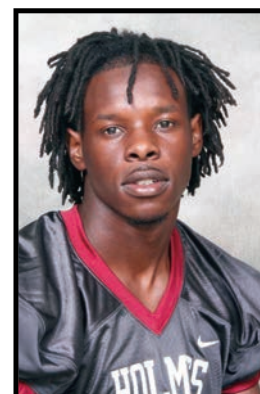
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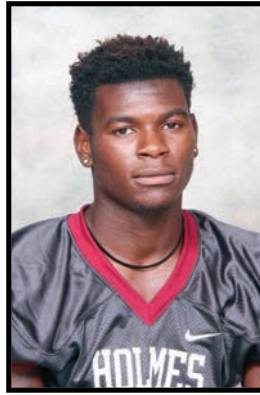


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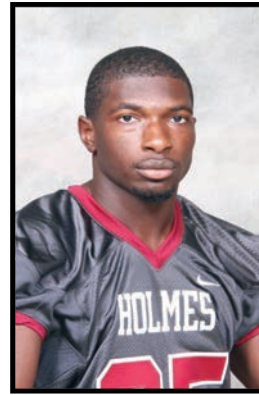
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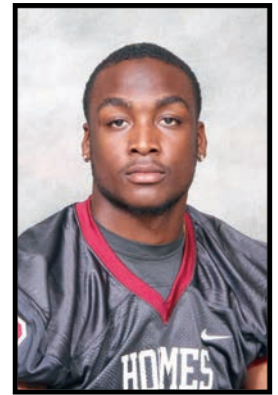
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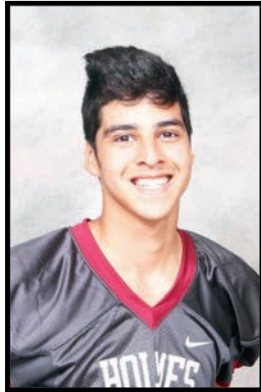
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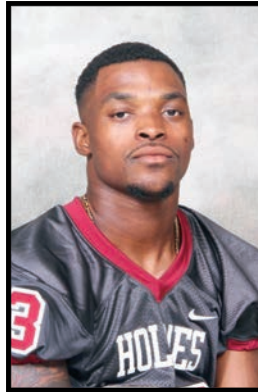
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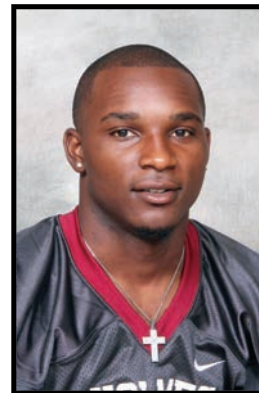
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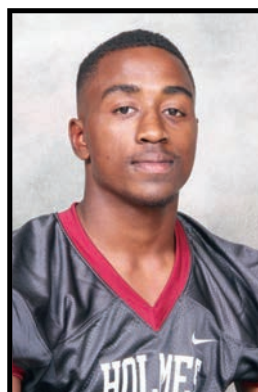
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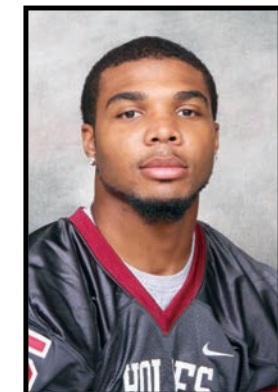
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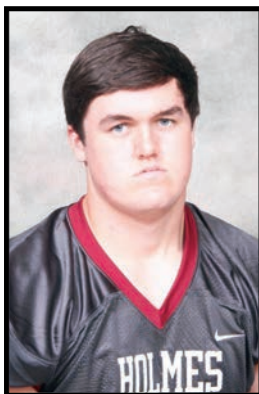
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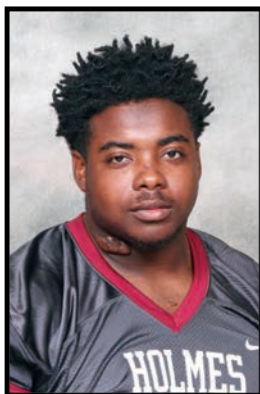
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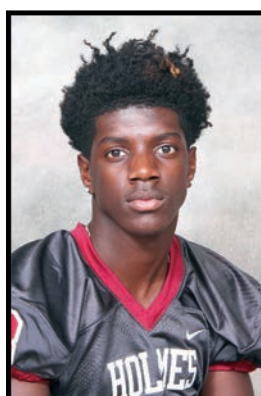
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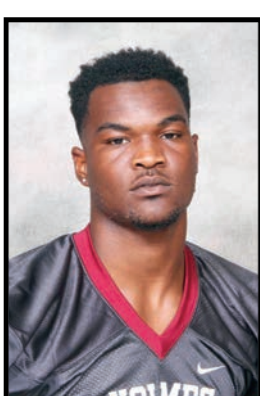
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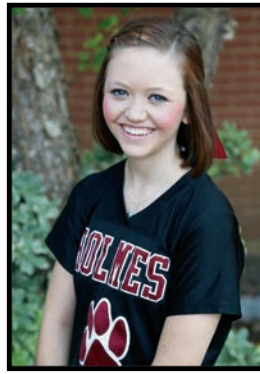


Coaching Staff: (left to right) Defensive Assistant Coach David Overstreet, Offensive Assistant Coach Terence Lott, Defensive Assistant Coach Kyle Pope, Offensive Coordinator Tim Stowers, Head Coach Jeff Koonz, Defensive Coordinator Dustin Landry, Offensive Assistant Coach Raymond Gross, Offensive Assistant Coach Matt Wannebo, and Defensive Assistant Coach Chris Shelling.

Cheerleaders



Crystal Aguirre



Cheyenne Bennett



Brandon Bryant



Teron Burrough



Kaylie Carpenter



Michael Edmonds



Deavalon Edwards



Thad Hicks



Elizabeth Lowery



Katherine Middleton



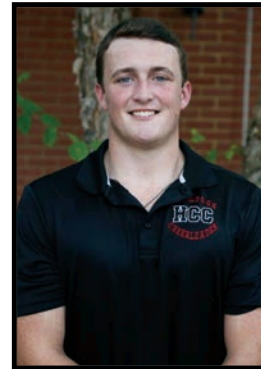
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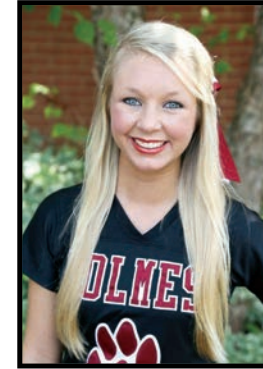
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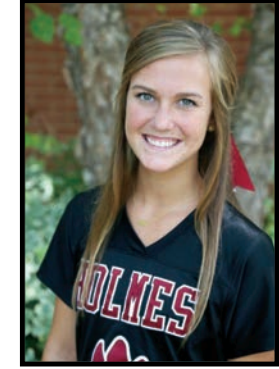
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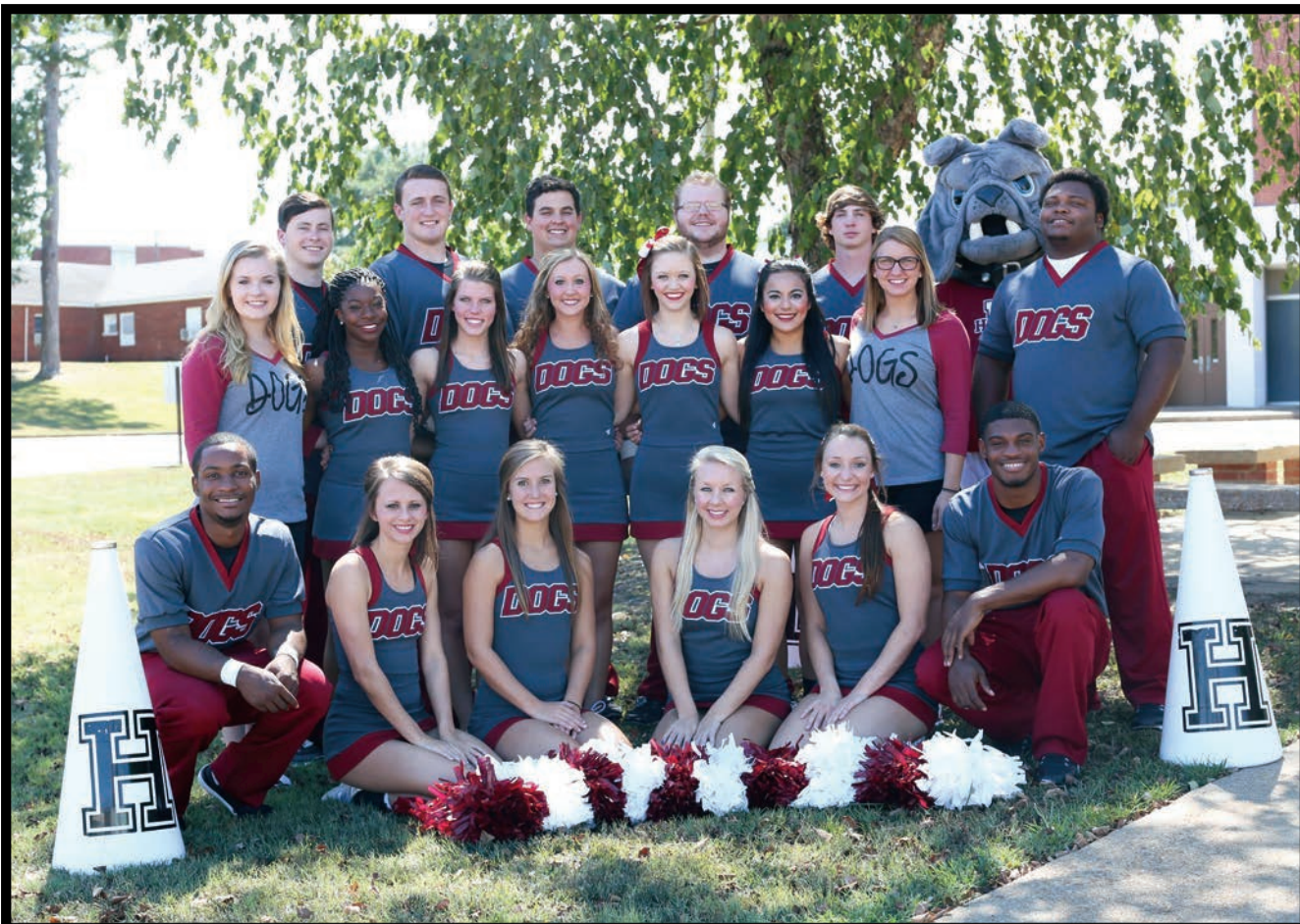
Nicole Lawrence
Manager



Christina White
Manager



Cheer Coach
Heather Jones



Dazzlers



Pictured are (front, left to right) Kaitlyn Wright, Keely Herbert, Anna Littlejohn, (back, left to right) Kellie Ray, Kayla Neal, Jessica Grace, Kayla Collum, and Haley Pate.



Pictured are (left to right) Dazzler Managers Amber Brown, Sarah Grace Weaver, Crystal Quinn, and Rachel Smith.



**Dazzler Coach
Tina Boyette**



Lady Bulldog Soccer team has successful season

The Holmes Community College Lady Bulldog soccer team ended the 2015 season with a 8-7-1 overall record, and a 4-4-1 conference record.

Lady Bulldog freshman Kylee Laird of Florence was named MACJC Player of the Week in October of 2015. In matches against Gulf Coast and Co-Lin, Laird had 11 shots, seven shots on goal, and three goals. Laird had a hat-trick against Co-Lin in the Lady Bulldogs' 4-1 win.

In December, the team held their annual banquet and team awards were as follows: Most Improved Player, Daija Bostic; Bulldog Award, Kaitlyn Bryant; Defensive Player of the Year, Samantha Abrams; Attacking Player of the Year, Kylee Laird; Leadership Award, Dominique Butler, and MVP,

Emily Murray. Laird and Murray were also named All-State.

For the Third Annual MACJC All-Star game sponsored by Holmes, Mississippi Sports Medicine, and JucoWeekly, Holmes was represented on the North Division team by Lady Bulldogs Dominique Butler, Byankuh Shelby, and Logan Yeatman.

On the academic front, ten members of the Lady Bulldogs were named to the Dean's and President's lists following the 2015 semester. Kaylee Butts, Mary Katherine Campbell, Catherine Petro, and Kaitlyn Bryant were named to the President's List, while Caitlyn Couch, Jessica Orcutt, Kylee Laird, Jaci Murphy, Sydney Green, and Samantha Abrams were named to the Dean's List.





Samantha Abrams



Daija Bostic



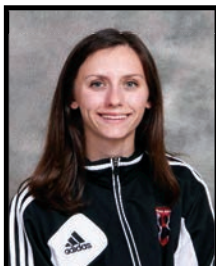
Kaitlyn Bryant



Dominique Butler



Kaylee Butts



Mary Katherine Campbell



Robin Crowson



Danielle Dillon



Allison Echols



Sydney Green



Kate Hill



Alexandra Howard



Madison Ingram



Kylee Laird



Jessie May



Jaci Murphy



Emily Murray



Jessica Orcutt



Rachel Orcutt



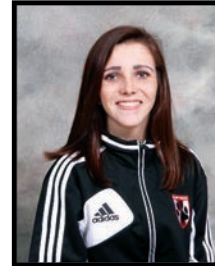
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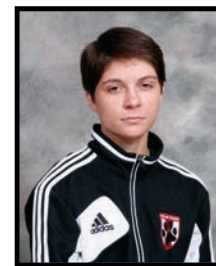
Micaela Robinson



Byankuh Shelby



Lori Stephenson



Ashley Whitley



Logan Yeatman



Caitlyn Couch
Manager



Indra Murillo
Manager



Dejah Watkins
Manager



Wesley Noble
Assistant Coach



Zach Villarrubia
Goalkeeper Coach



James "Gledhy" Gledhill
Head Coach



Men's soccer team wraps up another good season

The Holmes Community College men's soccer team finished the 2015 season with a record of 6-9 overall and 2-6 in the North Division.

In October, Mississippi Sports Medicine and JucoWeekly teamed up to present the Third Annual MACJC Men's and Women's All-Star Soccer Game for 2015 at the Ridgeland Campus. In the men's match, Holmes Bulldog Juan Flores had two goals for the North Division team. Along with Flores, Hunter Barras and Alexis Alonso-Gaytan suited up for the North while Geovanni Garcia and Jaylon George played for the South Division.

Seven members of the men's soccer team were named to the academic honor roll following the fall of 2015 semester. Luis Hernandez, Cody Kirtley, Timothy Nations, Jesus Rink, and Jaylon George were named to the President's List, while Oscar Olguin and Bradley Smith were named to the Dean's List.

Two members of the team were named NSCAA

Scholar All-Americans following the fall semester, as well. Jaylon George, a sophomore from Murrah High School, and Rene Saenz, a sophomore from Lake Cormorant, were two of 22 awarded this year from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. George held a 3.84 cumulative GPA while Saenz had a 3.56 GPA.

In November of 2015, Head Men's Soccer Coach Matt Convertino held the annual end of the season banquet for the team, and awards given were as follows: Cesar Resendiz, Playmaker Award; Rene Saenz, Playmaker Award; Austin Scott, MVP; Timothy Nations, Most Improved Player; Jesus Lara, Sportsmanship Award; Juan Flores, Golden Boot Award, and Alexis Alonso-Gaytan, Bulldog Leadership Award. Flores and Alonso-Gaytan were also recognized for being named to the NJCAA All-Region Team. Alonso-Gaytan was named MACJC All-State, as well.





Alexis Alonzo-Gaytan



Hunter Barras



Matt Bergeron



Jason Colburn



Juan Flores



Geovanni Garcia



Jaylon George



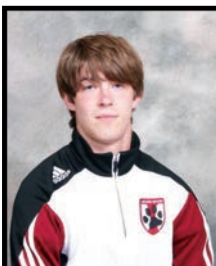
Marco Harrison, Jr.



Muhammad Hassan



Luis Hernandez



Cody Kirtley



Jesus Lara



Tyler McGee



Jon Mark Michael



Joshua Munsey



Timothy Nations



Oscar Olguin



Joseph Patterson



Cesar Resendiz



Jesus Renk



Rene Saenz



Austin Scott



Bradley Smith



Jordan Thomsen



Ousmane Coulibaly
Assistant Coach



Matt Covertino
Head Coach



Lady Bulldogs bring in post-season honors

The Lady Bulldogs' season came to a close on March 4 after falling 64-54 to the Copiah-Lincoln Community College Lady Wolves in the semi-finals of the NJCAA Region XXIII Tournament at Mississippi College.

The team ended the season at 18-8 overall.

The Lady Bulldogs jumped out to a 4-0 lead early in the contest before the Lady Wolves got a 5-4 lead. Holmes then went back up later 6-5 on a bucket from Cortrice Golden. Co-Lin then went back up 9-8 before a three-pointer by Golden put the Lady Bulldogs up 11-9. Co-Lin hit a shot at the buzzer at the end of the first period to go up 16-15. Later in the game, Aja Williams hit two free throws with 7:05 to play in the game to cut the lead to five points at 50-45 before Co-Lin pulled away at the end to win by 10 points, 64-54. Golden lead the Lady Bulldogs with 15 points while Minyone Hill had 14 and Williams had nine. Kawaii

Perry had 10 rebounds while Golden added nine and Williams had seven.

Holmes shot 39.3 percent from the floor, 22.2 percent from the three point line and 61.5 percent from the free-throw line. The Lady Bulldogs committed 16 turnovers and Co-Lin had 13.

Five members of the Lady Bulldogs received post-season honors from the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges and from Region XXIII. Sophomore guard Aja Williams has been named First Team All-State and named a MACJC All-Star. Sophomore guard Minyone Hill and forward Tiffany Jones have been named Second Team All-State and MACJC All-Stars. Sophomore guard Kawaii Perry was named to the Region XXIII All-Tournament Team. Sophomore forward/center Cortrice Golden has been named a MACJC All-Star alternate.





Lorissa Baker



Lauren Brooks



Destiny Cyprian



Cortrice Golden



Qu'Sheba Henderson



Minyone Hill



Tiffany Jones



Laricka Morgan



Kawaii Perry



Carvarcier Sanders



Akia Washington



Aja Williams



Jamilah Andrews
Head Coach



LaTaryl Williams
Assistant Coach



Men's basketball players & coach receive post-season honors

Three members of the men's basketball team, as well as the head coach, received post-season honors from both the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior College and from Region XXIII.

Holmes Community College Head Basketball Coach Jason Flanigan has been named the Coach of the Year for the second year in a row.

Sophomore guard Daryl Macon has been named First Team All-State and named the Region XXIII Player of the Year for the second time in two years. Macon was also named to the Region XXIII All-Tournament Team for the second year in a row. He will now be considered for a NJCAA All-American honor.

Sophomore guard D'Angelo Richardson has been named Second Team All-State and MACJC All-Star and sophomore forward Cedric Harper has been named Second Team All-State and MACJC All-Star.

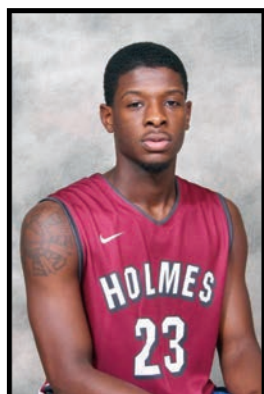
The Bulldogs ended the season at 18-7. The season came to an end after the Bulldogs fell to the Northeast Mississippi Community College Tigers on March 3 at home in the quarterfinals of the NJCAA Region XXIII Tournament, 88-81.

Holmes jumped out to a 9-3 lead in the first two minutes of the game before the Tigers mounted a comeback to tie the game at nine with 16:55 to play in the first half. Holmes then went up 17-12 minutes later on a three-pointer from Daryl Macon before the Tigers retook the lead at 18-17 with 14:34 to play in the first half. Macon then led the Bulldogs to another lead of 24-19 with 12:04 to play before Northeast started getting back into the game and tied the game at 27 with 8:52 to play. The Tigers held a 38-27 lead with four minutes left in the half. Northeast led 45-37 at halftime.

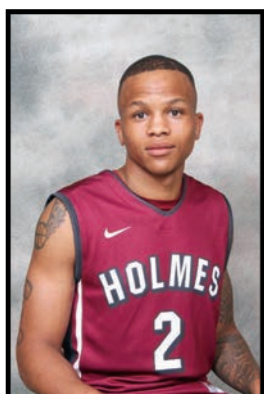
The Bulldogs then went on run to start the second half and tied the game at 52 on a two-point bucket from Denmark Weatherall with 15:10 to play in the game. A bucket made by Macon with 8:20 to play put Holmes up 66-62. Northeast then tied the game at 69 with 5:18 to play and the team battled back and forth until there was 1:32 left when Northeast took the lead for good and led by 10. Macon hit the final bucket of the game; a three from the left corner.

Macon finished the game with 31 points while Harper had 19 points. Cedric Harper brought in eight rebounds. As a team, the Bulldogs shot 46.4 percent from the floor, 33.3 percent from three-point range and 77.4 percent from the free throw line.

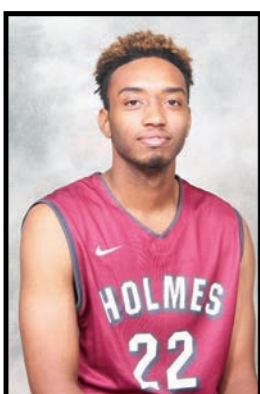




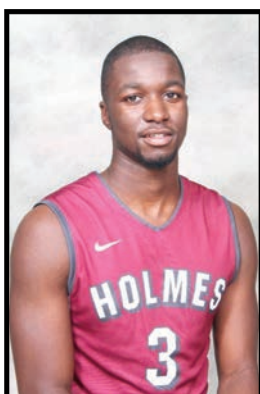
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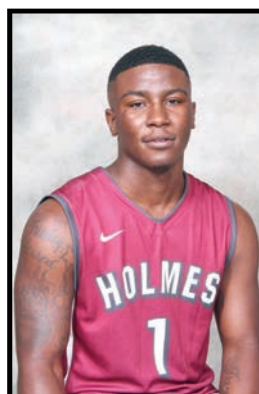
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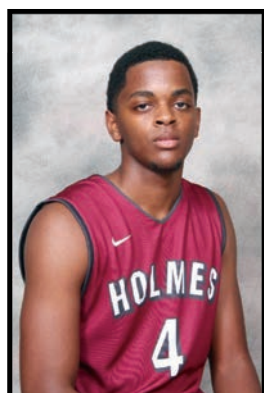
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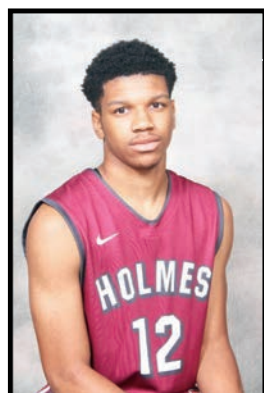
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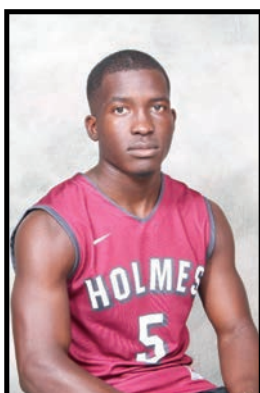
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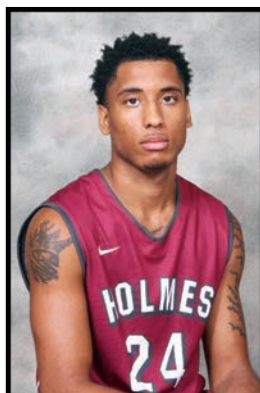
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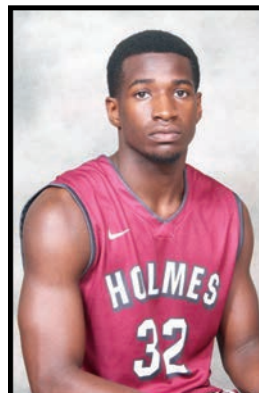
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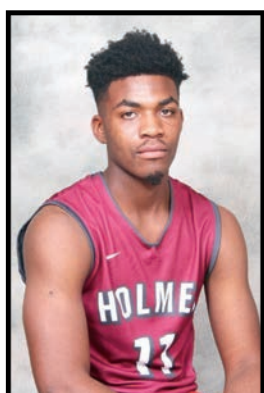
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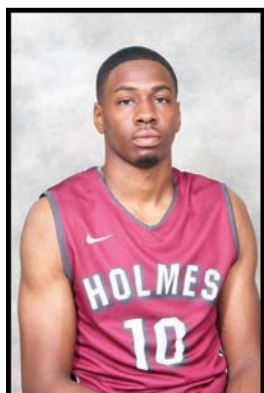
R.J. Scott



Dietrich Taylor



Demarkis Weatherall



Xavier Williams



Jerrell Jackson
Manager



Jalen Riley
Manager



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Manager



Jason Flanigan
Head Coach



Jason Harrison
Assistant Coach

Not pictured: Jemarco Lipsey, Manager



Lady Bulldog Softball

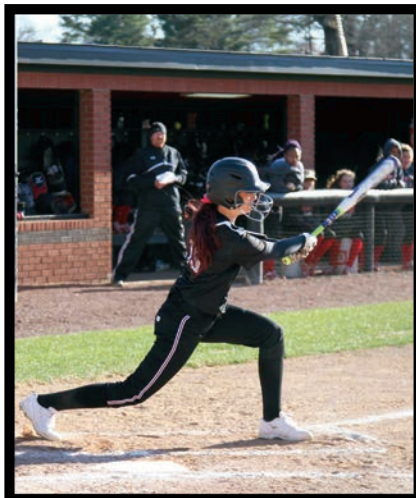
Lady Bulldogs welcome back 10 returning players for 2015-2016

The Holmes Community College Lady Bulldog softball team had 10 returning players this school year. Last year's team made it to the first round of the MACJC playoffs. They were: Rachel Bond, outfielder, Tylertown; Caitlin McLain, catcher, Columbus; Reagan Aldridge, pitcher/infielder, Tupelo; Blair Little, pitcher/infielder, Lake Charles, La.; Hayden Grantham, outfielder, Grenada; Darrien Dykes, outfielder, Tylertown; Anna Garza, infielder, Horn Lake; Abby Stafford, catcher, Tupelo; Kassey Ard, pitcher, Montpelier, La., and Reagan Walker, catcher, Cleveland.

Newcomers included: Regan Huckaby, outfielder, Pontotoc; Kaitlin Jones, catcher/infielder, Stewart; Kaleia Lillis, outfielder, Pascagoula; Micah Redd, pitcher/outfielder,

Brookhaven; Bayle Bryant, outfielder, Sherman; Brooke Famer, infielder, West; Whitney Walker, infielder, Mendenhall; Karley Poindexter, pitcher, Mangham, La.; Torey Daniels, infielder, Vicksburg; Tara Grantham, infielder, Grenada, and Kayla Gilmore, infielder, Natchez.

Fifteen members of the Lady Bulldog softball team were named to the President's or Dean's lists following the fall of 2015 semester. Micah Redd, Hayden Grantham, Whitney Walker, Kayla Gilmore, Shelby Hoover, Kaleia Lillis, and Kaitlyn Jones were named to the President's List while Reagan Walker, Tara Grantham, Anna Garza, Karley Poindexter, Bayle Bryant, Reagan Aldridge, Rachel Bond and Torey Daniels were named to the Dean's List.





Reagan Aldridge



Kassey Ard



Rachel Bond



Bayle Bryant



Torey Daniels



Darrien Dykes



Brooke Farmer



Anna Garza



Kayla Gilmore



Hayden Grantham



Tara Grantham



Regan Huckaby



Kaitlin Jones



Kaleia Lillis



Blair Little



Caitlin McLain



Karley Poindexter



Micah Redd



Abby Stafford



Reagan Walker



Whitney Walker



Courtland Crutchfield
Manager



Shelby Hoover
Manager



Ethan Hunt
Manager



Mandy Clark-Walker
Assistant Coach



Ricky Casey
Head Coach



Bulldog baseball returns six players to 2015-16 team

The Holmes Community College Bulldog baseball team has six returning players from last year's team. Returning players include: Jarvis Griffith, outfielder, Taylorsville; Carr McMorris, right-handed pitcher/outfielder, Taylorsville; Cody Greer, right-handed pitcher, Water Valley; Geoffrey King, infielder, Southaven; Michael Harrison, right-handed pitcher, Magee, and Tyler Hines, catcher, Morton.

Newcomers include: Chase Allen, right-handed pitcher, Florence; Jalyn Baker, infielder, Clinton; Tyrance Carr, infielder, Clinton; Shelby Craddock, right-handed pitcher, Grenada; Dylan Creel, infielder/right-handed pitcher, Clinton; Sloan Dieter, right-handed pitcher/DH, Lake Charles, La.; Ben Hudson, right-handed pitcher, Brandon; Corbin Jamerson, outfielder, Clinton; Luke Lambert, outfielder, Gonzales, La.; Powell McCaleb, catcher, Yazoo City; Nick McCrory, right-handed pitcher, Morton; Colin Merritt, infielder, Fort Worth, Texas; Drew Pankratz, catcher/infielder, Taylorsville; Scott Shearer, left-handed pitcher, Independence; Christian Smith, outfielder, Carriere; Ryan Stickler,

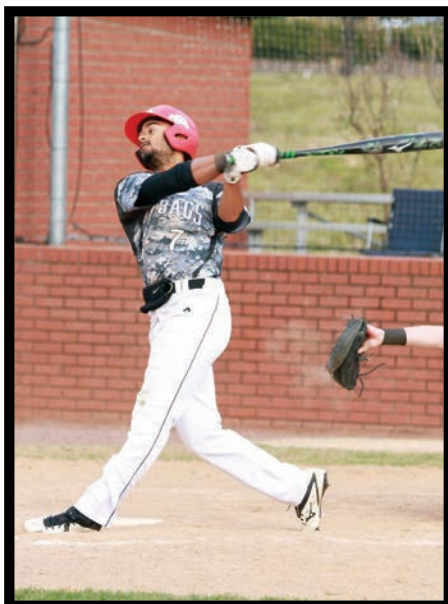
infielder, Madison; Peyton Sullivan, right-handed pitcher, Mize, and Brodie Threet, catcher Kosciusko.

Nine of the players received preseason honors from the National Junior College Athletic Association.

On the Top Returning Pitchers list, the Bulldogs had Michael Harrison and Cody Greer. Harrison finished last season at 3-3. He went 24 2/3 innings with 30 strikeouts. Greer finished 2-4 in 43 1/3 innings with 23 strikeouts.

On the Top Returning Position Players list, the Bulldogs had Tyler Hines, Jarvis Griffith, Geoffrey King, and Carr McMorris. Last season, Hines batted .321, Griffith batted .234, McMorris batted .308, and King batted .326.

Finally, on the Top Incoming Freshman list, the Bulldogs had Chase Allen, Dylan Creel, and Scott Shearer.





Chase Allen



Jalyn Baker



Tyrance Carr



Shelby Craddock



Dylan Creel



Sloan Dieter



Cody Greer



Jarvis Griffith



Michael Harrison



Tyler Hines



Ben Hudson



Justin Hutton



Will Hyche



Corbin Jamison



Geoffery King



Luke Lambert



Powell McCaleb



Nick McCrory



Carr McMorris



Colin Merritt



Drew Pankratz



Scott Shearer



Christian Smith



Ryan Sticker



Peyton Sullivan



Brodie Threet



Kenny Dupont
Head Coach



Ryan Beggs
Assistant Coach

Bulldog men's and women's tennis teams begin another exciting season

The Holmes Community College Bulldog men's and women's tennis teams began another exciting season in 2016.

Under Coach Greg LeVert, the men's team opened the season with a 7-2 team win at home over the Northeast Mississippi Community College Tigers. In singles play, Owen Taylor, Nick Robertson, Corey Warren, Matthew Philley, and Matthew Dubourg each picked up wins.

Taylor won 7-5, 6-2; Robertson won 6-3, 6-1; Warren won 6-3, 6-0; Philley won 6-2, 7-6 (3-7), 10-5, and Dubourg won 6-3, 6-7 (6-8), 10-5. In doubles, Taylor and Robertson and Warren and Phillip each won.

Although the Lady Bulldogs fell to the Lady Tigers in the season opener, Allie Furdge and Kaylan Cooper did win 8-1, and in an alternate singles match, Brittany Graham won 8-4.





Savanna Bell



Oddysey Brewer



Emanuel Brooks



Kaylan Cooper



Matthew Dubourg



Allie Furdge



Brittany Graham



Fred Johnston



Brenda Orduna-Arvizu



Matthew Philley



Ashleigh Pope



Nick Robertson



Owen Taylor



Matthew Thornton



Corey Warren



Myisha Thurman
Manager



A'lexus Williams
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Greg LeVert
Head Coach

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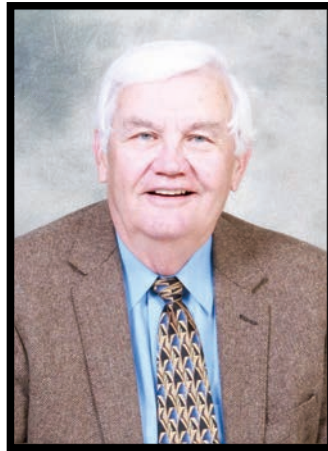
Robert Bailey



Glen Beard, Jr.



Doris H. Belk



Harvey Black



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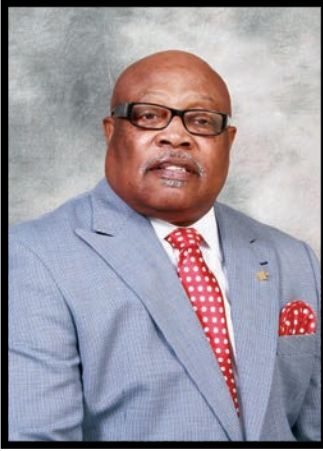


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Opening Session '15



(left to right) Tonya Lawrence, dean of the Ridgeland Campus, Dr. Don Burnham, vice president of Ridgeland Campus, and Amy Whittington, director of career tech, stop for a photo.



(left to right) Director of the Goodman Campus Andy Wood and Director of Admissions Joshua Guest show off their Hawaiian shirts at Opening Session 2015.

On August 10, 2015, Holmes held a tropical-themed Opening Session for faculty and staff on all three campuses in the coliseum on the Goodman Campus. Administrators, faculty, and staff gathered together to celebrate Holmes' 90th anniversary and prepare for the year ahead. Afterward, everyone enjoyed a cookout in the Grove.

(right, left to right) Gail Muse Beggs congratulates Mary Haralson for her great customer service for Holmes!



(left) Mary Brantley was recognized for 30 years of service with Holmes.

(right, left to right) Recognized for 25 years of service are Dr. Myra Harville, Linda McCollum, and Katrina Myricks.



(left, left to right) Holmes 20-year vets include Bill Grace, Jenny Jones, Patsy Rogers, Sherrie Cheek, and Andy Wood.



Pictured are Holmes employees recognized for 15 years of service with the college. They are *(left to right)* Gale Sheppard, Jay Cheatham, Joy Kellum, Christi Blair, Angela Tanner, Mike Blankenship, and David Malone.



Pictured are Holmes employees recognized for 10 years. They are *(front row, left to right)* Matt Convertino, Carla Ross, Heather Mooney, Pamela Sills, Alice Austin, Mandy Burrell, Tabetha Dave, Lily Austin, Cynthia Abel, *(back row, left to right)* Donna Ahlrich, Tonya Lawrence, Kay Kelly, Jerry Harris, Earline Smith, Jason Flanigan, Sonny Sparks, and Will Alexander.



Pictured are new Holmes employees. They are *(front row, left to right)* Shalon Farris, Nettie Coggin, Madeline Brewer, Ana Davenport, Katrena Harris, Bethany Miller, Julie Tipton, Patricia Nell Ray, Jennifer Brunson, Tammy Caldwell, SFC Timothy Harper, *(back row, left to right)* Jerry Irving, Dustin Landry, Anthony Daniels, Nathan Hutchinson, Rhonda Eichler- Johnson, Scott Pitts, Andy Pearson, Amber Harrison, and Reagan Dilmore.

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Lee Aldridge
William Alexander
Christie Allen
Diane Allgood
Quartreice Anderson



Jamilah Andrews
Lisa Anglin
Sonja Arnett
Alice Austin
Lily Austin
Janice Avery



James Bailey
Craig Baker
Kevin Baker
Martez Baldwin
Angela Balias
Donna Banks



Caroline Barton
Johnny "Bit" Belk
Jacqueline Bell
Cheri Bergeron
Buster Beuche
Rachel Bickerstaff



Laura Bigbee
Angie Blain
Cham Blain
Christi Blair
Mike Blankenship
Kelli Blaylock



Daniel Blount
Stephanie Blue
Blair Booker
Angela Boyd
Tina Boyette
Lynn Boykin





Elaine Boyle
Ruby Brady
Mary Brantley
Yancy Brewer
Cindy Bridges



Jeffery Brown
Jessica Brown
Julie Brown
Ashley Broyles
Jennifer Brunson



Jodie Burchfield
Michelle Burney
Don Burnham
Miranda Burns
Angie Burrell



Judy Burrell
Mandy Burrell
Tammie Burrell
John Byars
Laura Canard



What is your fondest memory you've made at Holmes?

My fondest memories include meeting lots of good, funny and interesting students as well as coworkers.

Name: James Marion
Hometown: Houston, MS
Campus: Goodman
Position: Math Instructor
of years at Holmes: Five

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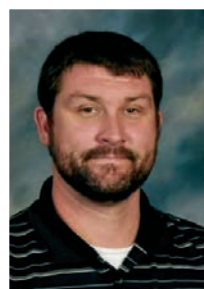
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Vanessa Cavett
Carrie Chaney



John Cheatham
Sherrie Cheek
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Martha Cofer
Arletha Coffey
Shea Coleman



Debbie Collins
Sherri Comfort
Mitch Costilow
Jeffrey Cotten
Stacy Coulter
Fran Cox



Kathryn Cox
Tiffany Cox
Angela Crain
Tess Crenshaw
Brandy Culpepper
Michelle Dancy



Becky Daniels
Kristin Daniels
Ana Davenport
Dave Davis
Lisa Davis
Steve Deaton



Rachel Deer
Stephanie Diffey
Steve Diffey
Reagan Dilmore
Darleen Dozier
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Amy Eubanks
Terry Fancher



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Pamela Fells
Justin Ferguson
James Floyd
Mark Galtelli



Thomas Garrett
Tina Garrett
Antoine Gates
Bill Grace
Wendy Grace



Gwen Graham
Raymond Gross
Joshua Guest
Jim Haffey
Jackie Hale



What would you like to see happen in the future at Holmes?

In the future, I would like to see Holmes build off current practices while implementing new ideas to attract new students, whether traditional or non-traditional, so that we can be the best community college in the state for people to attend.

Name: Bronwyn Robertson

Hometown: West, MS

Campus: Grenada

Position: Recruiter/Student Activities Coordinator

of years at Holmes: 11

Faculty & Staff

J.R. Hall
Jimmie Hall
Diane Harman
Bobbie Harris
Jerry Harris
Katrena Harris



Robert Harris
Amber Harrison
Roxanne Harrison
Debbie Harville
Myra Harville
Judy Hemphill



Tracy Herring
LaWanda Herron
David Hill
Joel Hill
Jack Holmes
Brooke Hood



Bobbie Horne
Tommy Hutchinson
Andrea Jackson
Susie Jackson
Natunya Johnson
Amanda Jones



David Jones
Heather Jones
Jenny Jones
Luke Jones
Patty Jones
Andrew Kelly



Jason Kelly
Meg King
Craig Kirkendall
Jeff Koonz
Patrick Lampkin
Justin Langford





Makeaba Latiker
Tonya Lawrence
Geewei Lee
Jessica Lepard
Kevin Lepard



Wesley Lepard
Ben Lewis
Keshia Lewis Williams
Trent Little
David Lollar



Lina Lopez
Gwen Lordeon
James Marion
Bronwyn Martin
Lindy McCain



Marshall McCain
Kristy McClain
Linda McCollum
Cynthia McCoy
John McCoy



What event made you most proud to be a part of the Holmes' family?

Our Arts and Letters Series has made me proud to be a Holmes faculty member and a member of the English & Foreign Languages Dept. The quality and diversity of our speakers and performers have been a truly enriching experience for our students and staff.

Name: Steve Deaton

Hometown: Decatur, MS

Campus: Ridgeland

Position: English instructor, English & Foreign Language Department Chair

of years at Holmes: 18

Faculty & Staff

Casey McDaniel
Tony McDaniel
Laura McMahon
Nancy McRight
Brenda Melton
Ginger Meriwether



Angela Miles
Bethany Miller
Troy Milliken
Mike Misita
Dewey Montgomery
Heather Mooney



Pam Moore
Sarah Moore
William Moorer
Larry Morgan
Janet Mullennix
Julie Muse



Gail Muse-Beggs
Katrina Myricks
Jeff Newsom
Dana Nichols
Jesse Nichols
Kathy Nipper



Frances Nix
Hilliary O'Briant
Santosh Parakkal
David Parker
Victor Parker
Diann Parker-Barr



Nancy Parkerson
Michael Pawlik
Andy Pearson
Wyndy Peebles
Jennie Pegg
Sissy Pierce





Scott Pitts
Arnetra Pleas
Mary Leigh Poole
Derrick Rainey
Karen Ray



Patricia Nell Ray
Slade Redwine
Erin Renfroe
Robert Riley
Brian Risher



Bronwyn Robertson
Patsy Rogers
Carla Ross
Jon Rost
Mark Rummage



Earline Russell-Smith
Kim Sandifer
Dean Savage
James Schroeder
Rosemary Self



What is your favorite thing about working at Holmes?

I enjoy the flexibility of being able to teach college-level classes in Yazoo City.

Name: Carrie Chaney

Hometown: Yazoo City

Campus: Yazoo

Position: Adjunct English Teacher

of years at Holmes: Two

Faculty & Staff

Christopher Shelling
Gale Sheppard
Jim Shirley
Pamela Sills
Ceressa Sims
Deshannon Smith



Jearlean Smith
Jennifer Smith
Judy Smith
Sonny Sparks
Joanna Spell
Joseph Spell



Leslie Spell
Elizabeth Spooner
Tish Stewart
Yoshika Stingley
Tim Stowers
Sue Ellen Stubbs



Matt Surrell
Lakesia Sutton
Chanda Sykes
Angela Tanner
James Thompson
Joan Tierce



Julie Tipton
Tommy Trussell
Mariette Turner
Mary Margaret Turner
John Vanhorn
Barin von Foregger



Cindy Vreeland
Amanda Walker
Xiaoying Wang
Matthew Wannabo
Ann Weaver
Larry Webster





Joe David White
Amy Whittington
Lisa Wilbourn
Lataryl Williams
Greg Wilson



Jay Wilson
Cherrie Winter
Amy Wolgamott
Andy Wood
Heather Wood



Jonathan Wright
Michael Yates



When have you been the proudest of a student while working at Holmes?

That is tough as there are so many success stories, but probably when a young lady got her GED, enrolled in Holmes, and on the same day joined the Mississippi National Guard to serve our great nation.

Name: Nancy McRight

Hometown: Greenville, MS

Campus: Kosciusko (The Attala Center)

Position: Director, The Attala Center

of years at Holmes: 13



(above) Pictured are Bulldog football coaches Matt Wannebo, Dustin Landry, Raymond Gross, Head Coach Jeff Koonz, and Tim Stowers.

(above) Pictured are Rusty Thoms, Justin Ferguson, and Jimmie Hall prior to the golf tournament..

Ridgeland Campus Ambassadors Mallory Corley, Kaitlyn Meadows, John Eaves, Elise Fullwood, Simone Lewis, and Caitlyn Mizelle assist with the annual golf tournament.



2015 Foundation Golf Classic

On June 11, 2015, Holmes Community College held its Annual Foundation Golf Classic at Deerfield Country Club in Madison. All proceeds from the golf tournament went to the Holmes Development Foundation, Inc., which uses funds to support scholarships, provide for instructional equipment, library resources, and other activities to enhance Holmes' programs.



(above) The Dell Computer Team included Maurice Stinson, President of Holmes Dr. Jim Haffey, Steven Tiller, and Grenada Center Director of Career Tech Larry Webster.

Students





90 Years Strong

Freshmen

Jonathan Aaron
Evan Abney
Chelsea Adams
William Alexander
Abriana Allen
Anika Allen



Kevin Allen
Marshae Allen
Ebony Alston
Kaylyn Arnold
Derrick Babb
Kayla Baker



Matara Balford
Preston Banks
Chelsea Barrow
Brooke Beard
Britni Belk
Keiona Bell



Savanna Bell
Austin Bennett
Jaquise Bland
Melody Boone
Jamriel Bowdry
Briana Bowles



Chasity Boykin
Brandon Brazzle
Ashley Bright
Tranondus Brock
Doretha Brooks
Hunter Brooks



Karl Browder
Keshana Brown
Michael Brown
Sheray Brown
Howard Buchanan
Nicholas Bundy





Devontae Burks
Jailon Burton
Jalissa Caldwell
Jazmen Callahan



Darnell Campbell
Shakeeria Campbell
Madison Chambers
La'Tanya Chatmon



Demetriuse Claiborne
Dustin Cockrell
Jason Colburn
Dylan Cole



Jamila Conley
Elijah Crawford
Corinne Crowder
Sidney Crump



Why did you decide to go to Holmes?

I decided to go to Holmes for many reasons. My parents told me I had to help pay for college so going on scholarship was the best way to do that. Many of my friends had already been to Holmes and highly recommended the school!

Name: Mary Helen McGee
Hometown: Jackson
Campus: Ridgeland
Classification: Freshman
Major: Pre-Nursing

Freshmen

Shequille Cunningham
Phyllis Curry
Angela Davis
Justin Dawson
Dokota Dearing
Steven Defreese



Ronnie Dickard
Hunter Dickson
Matthew Dubourg
Payton Earley
Micheal Edmonds
Seven Edwards



Taquanna Edwards
Ladarius Erving
Jasmine Eskridge
Dainarria Evans
Kala Exum
Steven Franklin



Dujuann Freeman
Casey Galvan
Laura Gaskin
Clandra Gill
Elysia Gilley
Andrea Goodwin



Sara Goss
Rosha Goston
Brittany Graham
Nathan Gray
Seketha Greer
Daniel Haley



Martavious Hallman
Frederick Harris
Ebony Hervey
Tyler Hinds
Kaleigh Holliman
Chasity Holman





Lester Holman
Julia Hood
Dorothy Hooker
Tristin Hoover



David Houge
Marlaner Hubbard
Quintell Huff
Preshine Hunt



Allison Ivy
Jonathan Jackson
Felisa Jefferson
Jasmine Jenkins



Cortez Jennings
Emily C. Johnston
Joseph Jones
La'Tija Jones



Mendy Jones
Rodriquez Jones
Taira Judge
Angela Keel



Ashley Kellum
Autumn King
Cameron King
Keturah Kitchens

Freshmen

Tanesheia Knight
James Kyles
Kendrick Kyles
Brooklyn Lambert
Dustin Langlely
Mary Larabee



Cathy Lee
Kaitlyn Legge
Rodneshia Leigh
Ashley Lester
Mckhala Lewis
Simone Lewis



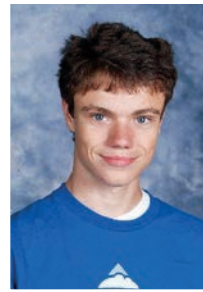
Jaila Liddell
Rotanda Liddell
Shyann Logan
Keitlyn Lott
Darion Love
Elizabeth Lowery



Blake Magee
Tamiko Marion
Jeffery Marshall
Willie Marshall
Kadejah Martin
Lauren Martin



Debrico Matthews
Jhayla Maxie
David McBride
Jateria McCarty
James McCullough
Brittany McCullum



Barton McGee
Jessica McLean
Derrica McMurtery
Javis McNair
Kyle McNeer
Nikki Merchant





Cody Miller
Kela Mills
Deondra Moore
Tierra Moore



Octavia Morrow
Christina Moses
Dakota Mullen
Elisabeth Munday



Meondralique Murray
Aundretta Myles
Kymesha Nance
Tessica Nash



Payton Neal
Mary Claire Neill
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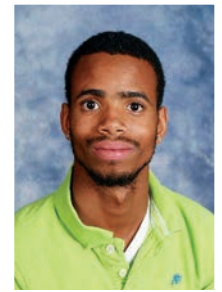
Why did you choose to attend Holmes?

I chose Holmes Community College because it is close to home and I really love my family. Also, before coming here I heard very good things about the campus, and now that I'm here, I do love the campus and the instructors.

Name: Nartavious Miers
Hometown: Duck Hill, MS
Campus: Grenada
Classification: Freshman
Major: Pre-Law

Freshmen

Paige Olah
Courtney Overton
Nile Owusu
Paula Page
Yernita Parham
Traveon Parker



Timothy Parks
Dorsett Pate
Hari Patel
Joseph Patterson
Alexandria Phillips
Santanna Potts



Tyler Price
Cornelius Pryor
Wilson Purser
Alphonzo Randle
Robert Reeves
Angela Richardson



Hannah Ritchie
Shunta Rivers
Victoria Rivers
Arica Robinson
Jonathan Robinson
Bradley Rodgers



Tripp Rogers
Raeneshia Roundtree
James Russell
Bailey Salvo
Harley Sexton
Cherice Sims



Dakota Smith
Joylyn Smith
Kayle Smith
Kelly Smith
Randall Smith
Schelerria Smith





Aaliyah Spearman
William Spell
Sierra St. Clair
Bryson Stewart



Henrietta Stewart
Taylor Sullivan
Colt Tabor
Ethan Talkington



Labreia Tate
Vernon Thomas
David Thompson
Jonathan Thompson



Stephen Thompson
Matthew Thornton
Frances Tidwell
Tony Tillman



Mary Timbs
Shique Tisdale
Demeria Travis
Cole Turner



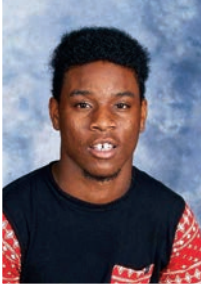
Taylor Vance
Lekedria Vaughan
Adam Vold
Derrick Wade

Freshmen





Jeppy Ward
Chip Wells
Hunter Westling
Chassity Whaley
Christina White



Kierra White
Alisha Whitten
Columbus Wilkerson
Allie Wilkinson
Jamarcus Williams



Michael Williams
Molly Williams
Samonica Williams
Gaige Willing
Tomasinia Willis



Wanda Wilson
Nikki Wiltshire
Lafletcher Windham
Tameka Winters
Dementray Woods



Nakia Young



Holmes Grenada Campus opens Physical Therapist Assistant Program



Pictured (above) is the first cohort for the Holmes Community College Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA) Program on the Grenada Campus. They are (front row, left to right) Raven Boatman of Grenada, Shaquira Gayden of Winona, Mandy McCluskey of Carrollton, Heather Crouch of Winona, Kayla Dees of Grenada, Alaina Vance of Kilmichael, Leianne Tindall of Eupora, (back row, left to right) Jamie Gant of Winona, Katey Beth Harbin of Grenada, Hope Williams of Holcomb, Anna Grace Turner of Banner, Shelby Ferguson of Winona, Rehana Sajjad of Grenada and Mykel Hawes of Eupora.

(right) On Feb. 24, the PTA class visited the state's Capitol for the Mississippi Physical Therapy Association (MPTA) Legislative Day. The students had the opportunity to meet district legislators, mingle with members of the MPTA, tour the Capitol and visit with other PTA and PT students. Pictured are the Grenada Campus PTA students with (front, far left) Grenada Career Technical Director Larry Webster, (front, far right) Holmes President Dr. Jim Haffey, (second row, far left) PTA instructor Andy Pearson, Vice President of Career Technical Education Sherrie Cheek, and (second row, far right) PTA Program Director Meg King.

Holmes Community College launched the Physical Therapist Assistant program on the Grenada Campus during the 2015-16 school year. The mission of the program: to improve the quality of life in the community by implementing a quality education program to educate knowledgeable and marketable physical therapist assistants. The PTA program will prepare graduate to assist physical therapists in various health care settings.

The first cohort of 14 students selected for the two-year program began in January 2016. Housed in the recently-dedicated Donald E. Phillips Hall, the program has a curriculum that includes a distribution of both general education and PTA courses to maximize the intellectual, psychosocial and cultural development of each student. Emphasis is placed on the process of learning and critical thinking in order to produce graduates who are responsible and accountable for their own actions and continued learning.

"We have a great group of students in our first PTA class," said Meg King, director of the PTA program at Holmes. "Each student has so much potential to really impact the lives of patients in Mississippi. We are excited to be part of their transformation to becoming physical therapist assistants, and we are proud to have them as part of the Holmes family."

A new cohort of students will begin at the start of each year. The program is extremely competitive; a maximum of 15 students will be selected each year.



Alumna Ariel Wolfe wins Holmes' 90th birthday giveaway prize



As part of Holmes celebrating its 90th birthday, the college held a social media contest with fantastic giveaway prizes. Ridgeland Campus alumna Ariel V. Wolfe of Jackson, an elementary education graduate who is now a student at Jackson State University, was the lucky winner of a Yeti 45 cooler adorned with the Holmes logo. All she had to do to win this coveted prize was share Holmes' 90th birthday celebration video on Facebook or Twitter.

"I couldn't believe I actually won!" Wolfe said. "I never usually win anything, but when I was scrolling through Holmes' Facebook page and saw the contest, I decided to give it a shot. I didn't know it was Holmes' birthday until I watched the video. I'm proud to be a Holmes graduate, and I encourage current students to never give up; you can do anything if you put your mind to it and believe in yourself."

The social media contest, which lasted Nov. 2-13, reached a total of 11,720 people, with 418 people sharing the post to user timelines. There were 215 plays of the video via Vimeo, which is an outstanding reach for one week of promotion, and the Twitter performance for the week of the contest was Holmes' highest media Tweet ever at 954 impressions. It was

also the most successful Facebook campaign Holmes has had yet, with the highest number of likes, shares, reach and engagement. Needless to say, the Holmes community enjoyed taking part in the celebratory contest.

In just 90 short years, more than 20,000 alumni have received an education and/or trained for the workforce at Holmes. The college has grown from an agricultural high school/junior college in Goodman to a multi-campus institution that offers the Associate of Arts degree, the Associate of Applied Science degree, technical and career certificates, and workforce training. Holmes now offers more than 50 academic majors, approximately 30 professional programs, over 50 extracurricular activities, 10 athletic sport, and a variety of student support services.

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District-wide voter registration nets 230 students

Holmes held voter registration drives on all three of the main campuses during the month of September, encouraging students to vote in the Nov. 3 elections. The voter drives, coordinated by the History and Political Science Department, yielded a total of 230 students registering to vote; 133 from the Ridgeland Campus, 55 from Grenada, and 42 from Goodman.

"We held the drive on Sept. 17-18 in Ridgeland," said Kay Kelly, history and political science instructor. "We decided on Sept. 17 because that's Constitution Day. The idea here was to couple the celebration of our longstanding constitution, the very document that gives us the right to vote, with a drive to get students registered to exercise that right."

At the Grenada Center, student activities coordinator Bronwyn Robertson said her Student Government Association (SGA) was a tremendous help in coordinating the drive, and even took the registration forms to the local circuit court as a group.

Caroline Barton, history instructor, commented that, "This year's voter registration drive resulted in a much larger number of completed registrations than in the past several years. Mr. Kelly and I appreciate the great response from the Goodman students."

In addition to Kay Kelly, Bronwyn Robertson, and Caroline Barton, the registration drive committee included History and Political Science Department Chair Laura Canard, Ridgeland history instructor J.R. Hall, Goodman history instructor Jason Kelly, Grenada history and political science instructor Mark Rummage, and Grenada history instructor Jay Wilson. Student leaders in various organizations including Ambassadors, SGA, and Phi Theta Kappa assisted, as well.

"We are all very blessed to live in a country that affords all adults the opportunity to vote," said Holmes President Dr. Jim Haffey. "Regardless of your position or party affiliation, the most important thing is that you are knowledgeable of the issues, and fulfill your civic duty to vote."



(left to right) Goodman PTK officer Anna McCrory and history instructor Caroline Barton register students to vote on their way into the cafeteria during the voter registration drive.



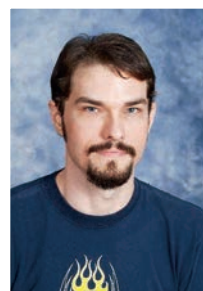
Holmes Bulldogs:



Past - Present

Sophomores

Henry Adams
Brandon Alexander
Ashleey Barnes
Detella Barron
Grenada Beck
Jonathan Bell



Nicholas Bell
Majuan Berry
Lauren Bouchillon
De'maurus Brown
Grekiya Brown
Miranda Burchfield



Teron Burrough
Teondra Carter
Tanginika Coats
Stephano Coffey
Cherquita Conner
Shelia Cook



Jonita Cooper
Mallory Corley
Charnell Cosey-
Patrick
Samantha Cotton
Lymical Craig
Antonio Creamer



Brittany Dance
Amanda Davis
Devondra Davis
Shatina Dean
William Dean
Joshua Dilmore



Anna Dufresne
Mabry Dye
Greyson Dys
Otae'ana Ellis
Juliya Erving
Christopher Espin-Cuevas





Tamaz Felton
Rex Ford
Kaitlin Fowler
Allison Frock



Taylor Frye
Alexandria Furdge
Patty Galvan
Ashlone Glaspie



Shelby Greene
Antonio Griffin
Mallory Haire
Mark Halderman



Carrie Hansford
Jada Harris
Anna Hathcock
Samantha Hibner



How do you think being a Holmes Bulldog will impact your future?

Being a Holmes student has helped me develop, not only as a person, but also as an asset to society. Holmes has great services, such as The Trek Center and Mosaic, that help students find their desired career and university.

Name: Charles Lee Burroughs

Hometown: Kosciusko

Campus: Goodman

Classification: Sophomore

Major: Criminal Justice

Sophomores

Thad Hicks
Jamie Holley
Blake Holly
David Holmes
Kenyatia House
Ben Hudson



Lashunda Hudson
Jaylen Hughes
Keywonzola Hughes
Ahmad Jackson
Tamara Jackson
Kody Jacobs



Ronlyn Jarrell
Katherine Jenkins
Meagan Jennings
Deanna Johnson
Shania Johnson
Erica Jones



Kiara Jorden
Puckett Jurney
Kally Kirk
Kali Laster
Robert Lienhart
Ashley Lovell



Kevin Lowell
Brandon Lyle Landry
Madison Allyn Marshall
Bryan Masters
Kory McCool
Madison McCraw



James McGee
Ashley McSwain
Whitney Melton
Colby Miggins
Cor'Jerris Miller
Justin Milner





Matassa Mitchell
Tyresha Mosley
April Myers
Sam Ortiz



Shivani Patel
Jessica Pendleton
Tanzania Powell
Marcus Quinn



Pheonecia Ratliff
Kristen Redmond
Wontavius Rimpson
Deannua Rinker



Kyoshi Robinson
Kenneth Rosamond
Shernyce Russell
Courtney Simmons



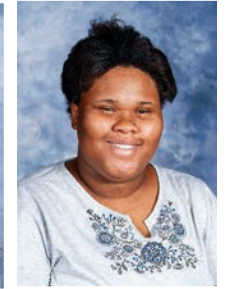
Why did you decide to go to Holmes?

I chose Holmes because I realized within minutes of walking in the door that I would not be treated as a number on a computer screen and that the faculty and staff truly cared about you. I wanted to be a part of that family atmosphere and I knew that I would receive a better education here at Holmes than I would anywhere else.

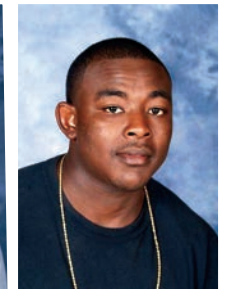
Name: Taylor Vance
Hometown: Grenada
Campus: Grenada
Classification: Sophomore
Major: English

Sophomores

Henry Simmons
Kari Skeen
Xavier Smith
Erika Steele
Tesslyn Steptoe
Are'Anna Stevens



Franklin Stinson
Leroy Sullivan
Brandalyn Sutton
Tatyanna Tardy
Megan Taylor
Wilson Teague



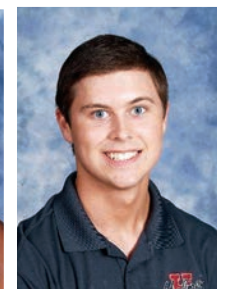
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Brodie Threet
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Ty'eбony Tyler



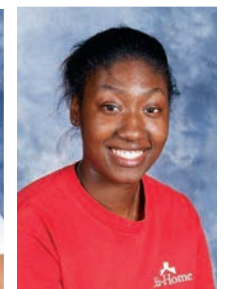
Kendra Umfleet
Makenzie Walker
William Walker
Alexis Watkins
Skyla Watkins
Ralph Watson



Schronda Webster
Shelbie Wilker
Ashley Williams
Bailey Williams
Latoria Williams
Ryan Wiltshire

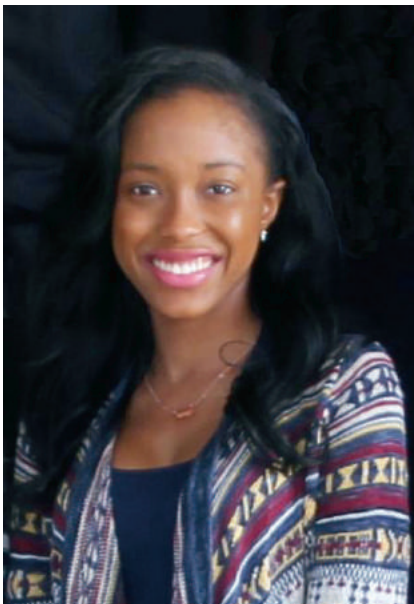


Kumari Wojcik
Jennifer Wortham
Briana Wright
Terrell Wynne
Courtney York
Alisha Young





Annie Young
James Young



What is your favorite thing about Holmes?

Holmes Community College is like a second family to me. The teachers in my major really care about my performance and help me to maintain my grades. I have met friends here at Holmes that will last a lifetime and memories that will never be forgotten.

Name: Elise Fullwood

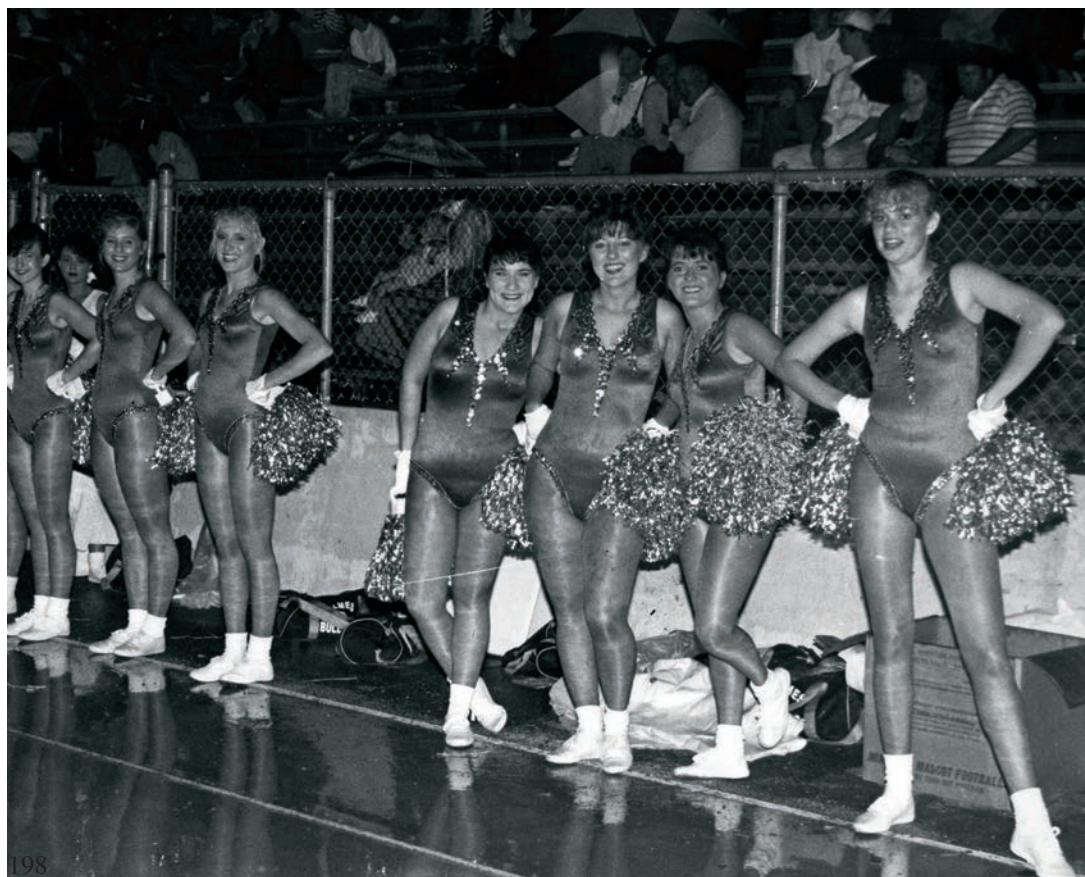
Hometown: Madison

Campus: Ridgeland

Classification: Sophomore

Major: Business Administration

Holmes Bulldogs:



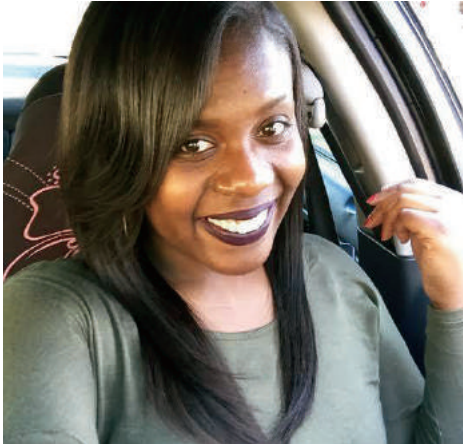
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Horizons Yearbook Staff



"My favorite experience at Holmes was 2015 Fall Festival. I really enjoyed the good times with some of my fellow classmates, the weather, food, and games." -Santia Williams, Ridgeland Campus



"My favorite memory from my time spent here at Holmes Community College would be receiving my letter saying I was accepted into Phi Theta Kappa. I had worked hard, and it finally paid off." -Payton Earley, Ridgeland Campus

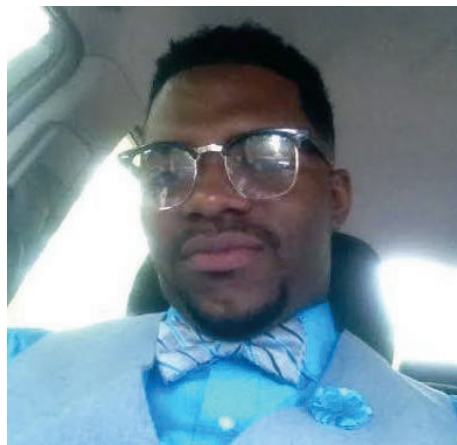


"My favorite memory is when I became an Ambassador. I got to experience what it is like to give tours to elementary all the way up to high school students. I also got the opportunity to travel with the Ambassadors doing parades, judging various events as well as being present for the opening of the Attala Center. I am very proud to have been not only an Ambassador, but also a Holme-Towne Player, Student Government Association member, yearbook staff member, and Growl newspaper staff member all while maintaining a 3.16 GPA." -Wontavius Rimpson, Goodman Campus



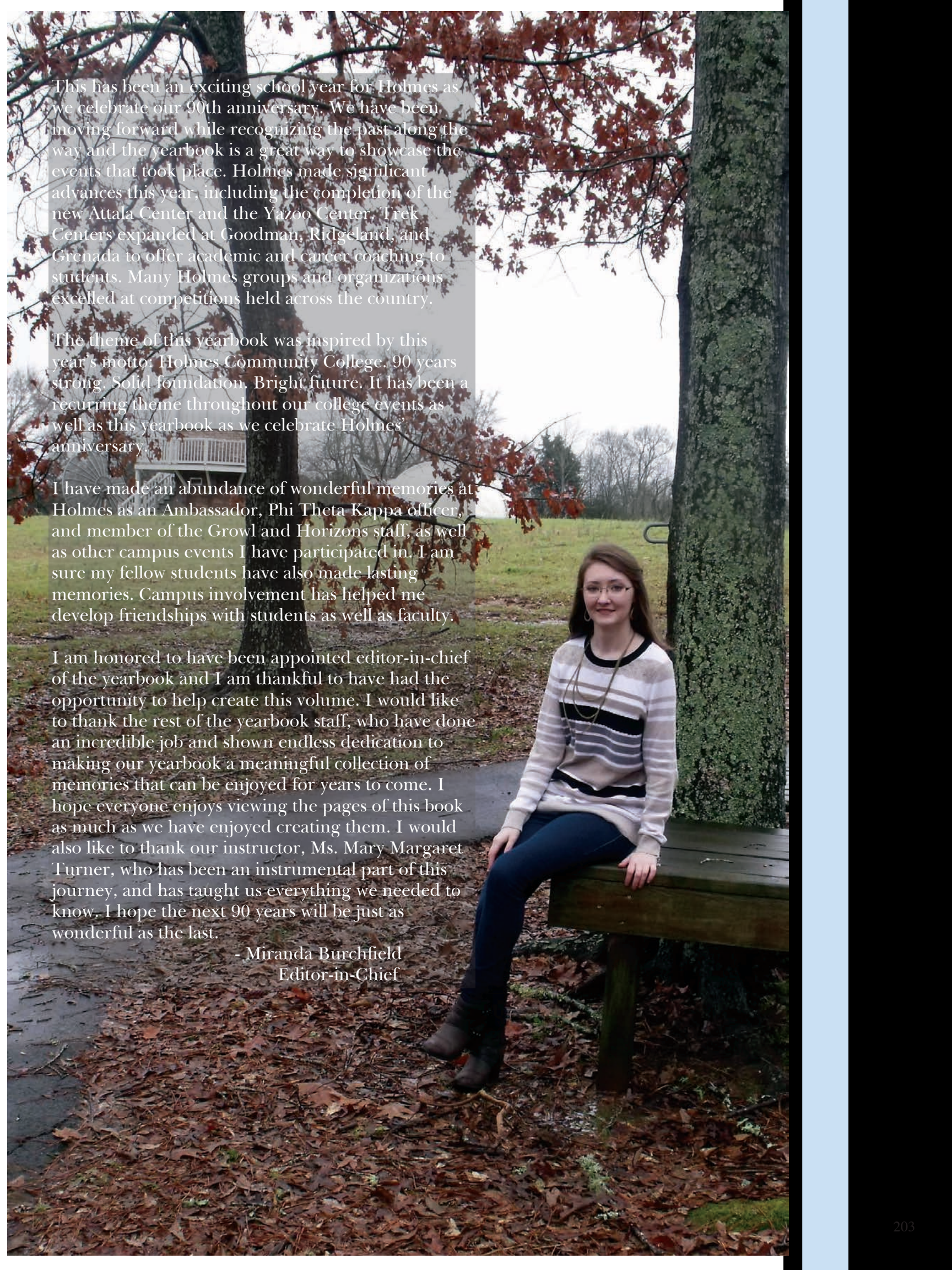
"The best part of my Holmes experience has been the relationships I've made with my teachers and friends. Before coming to Holmes I was nervous that I wouldn't like it as much as a four-year university, but in the end I had the pleasure of having wonderful teachers and friends that will carry with me as I transfer to Mississippi State!" -Nathaly Espinoza, Ridgeland Campus

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"My journey at Holmes has been one of the most life-changing experiences so far. My proudest achievements are: being accepted into the Funeral Service Technology program, making the Dean's List, winning the M.A.D.E scholarship, and being voted Mr. Holmes for the Ridgeland Campus in 2015. Although my journey has come to an end, it doesn't stop here. I plan to open my own business to cater to families doing one of the most difficult times they could ever experience. I would like to acknowledge Mrs. Bickerstaff, Mrs. Renfro, Mrs. Anglin, Dr. Garrett, and Mr. Jones for helping me succeed in becoming the business man I am today. Thanks Holmes for everything!!" -Marvin Miller, Ridgeland Campus



This has been an exciting school year for Holmes as we celebrate our 90th anniversary. We have been moving forward while recognizing the past along the way and the yearbook is a great way to showcase the events that took place. Holmes made significant advances this year, including the completion of the new Attala Center and the Yazoo Center. Trek Centers expanded at Goodman, Ridgeland, and Grenada to offer academic and career coaching to students. Many Holmes groups and organizations excelled at competitions held across the country.

The theme of this yearbook was inspired by this year's motto: Holmes Community College. 90 years strong. Solid foundation. Bright future. It has been a recurring theme throughout our college events as well as this yearbook as we celebrate Holmes' anniversary.

I have made an abundance of wonderful memories at Holmes as an Ambassador, Phi Theta Kappa officer, and member of the Growl and Horizons staff, as well as other campus events I have participated in. I am sure my fellow students have also made lasting memories. Campus involvement has helped me develop friendships with students as well as faculty.

I am honored to have been appointed editor-in-chief of the yearbook and I am thankful to have had the opportunity to help create this volume. I would like to thank the rest of the yearbook staff, who have done an incredible job and shown endless dedication to making our yearbook a meaningful collection of memories that can be enjoyed for years to come. I hope everyone enjoys viewing the pages of this book as much as we have enjoyed creating them. I would also like to thank our instructor, Ms. Mary Margaret Turner, who has been an instrumental part of this journey, and has taught us everything we needed to know. I hope the next 90 years will be just as wonderful as the last.

- Miranda Burchfield
Editor-in-Chief

Receptions

Linda McCollum



A book-signing reception was held for Linda Stone McCollum to celebrate the release of her second cookbook on Friday, Dec. 4, in Adcock Library. McCollum works in the admission office on the Holmes Ridgeland Campus; a position she has held for 25 years. During the reception, she sold and signed copies of "More Southern Comfort Volume II: The Rest of the Best Recipes" while also providing samples from some of her delicious recipes included in the book.

Jackie Watkins



On Friday, Feb. 19, a reception was held in Adcock Library in honor of Jackie Watkins, administrative assistant/inventory specialist on the Ridgeland Campus. Watkins will retire this year, and faculty and staff on the Ridgeland Campus wanted to let her know how much she is appreciated and will be missed. Watkins is also an award-winning quiltmaker, so the reception gave her an opportunity to display her quilts, as well. Quilts made by Watkins were also featured in the Mississippi Arts Commission Folk Art Apprenticeship Gallery November-December 2015.

Dedication

Roxanne Chisolm

"Roxanne has been vital to the college's procurement process and inventory control over the last 23 years," said Sonny Sparks, vice president of financial services. "She is recognized throughout the state as a leader in her field and her presence in that department will be greatly missed."

Chisolm said, "Henry B. McClellan called me when I was in the hospital having my son in 1993 and offered me a position replacing Terrell Hammett as the director of purchasing assistant. I gladly accepted and told him I would see him after my maternity leave. I have worked under three presidents and three purchasing directors. I've been the director for a while and have worked with many wonderful



people. Over this time, I have seen a lot of changes; some good, some were questionable, but I enjoyed every day and felt truly honored to work here. I have maintained friendships with a lot of people that have retired and thanks to social media, I'm sure I will continue to keep in touch with all of my HCC friends. It will be hard to leave my assistant, my friend, my sister, Gloria Benson. She has saved me in more ways than one from losing my mind during the crazy days and has stepped up to cover for me so many times. She is truly an asset to Holmes and my heart will be with her always. My time here is truly one of my many blessings. I cannot say it has always been a blessing to hear, "What kind of mood is she in today?" or "Should I throw in my hat before I enter?" but I dearly loved my job. Telling someone "no" is not fun, but keeping this institution legal is something I take great pride in. Bill Pope with the State Auditor's Office once referred to me as "the benchmark to the community college asset process." I've been awarded Purchasing Director of the Year and Property Officer of the Year along with many other recognitions so I know I did something right. Now I'm hearing, "Why are you leaving?" and "You are not old enough to retire." Well, the great retirement system we are in is allowing me to leave and spend more time with my mother, children, and grandchildren. The changes in my life will be extreme, but I am up for the challenge and accept it with open arms. This is not a sad time for me. This is a new path that I am taking with great strides. God be with you all.

Dedication

Patsy Rogers



"I didn't know where to start, so I tried to come up with one word that best describes Patsy Rogers: pillar," said Joshua Guest, director of admissions. "A pillar is strong and supportive. A pillar provides structure and protection. A pillar is firm and upright. A pillar is always there. I couldn't think of a better way to describe Patsy Rogers. She is strong and supportive. She is firm and without reproach, yet nurturing to all who visit her office. She is extremely dependable. She is integral to the department. I definitely wish her the best as she enters the next chapter of her life."

Rogers said, "I came to Holmes Agricultural High School/Holmes Junior College in 1960 and graduated in 1963. I never dreamed that one day I would be an employee; God truly works in mysterious ways. Holmes has always

been a family-oriented institution. Most of the students that come to my office are very nervous about starting a new chapter in their lives, and I would tell them, 'Holmes is a home away from home.'

Henry B. McClellan hired me in June 1995. I started in the Transcript Office, and my next move was into Admissions, where I have remained until this day. After 22 years, which I've enjoyed very much, my time has come to retire. I'm looking forward to spending time with my family and friends. My son, Rodney, is a manager with AT&T. My daughter, Christy, is a rural postal carrier with the U.S. Postal Service. Both are Holmes graduates. I also have four beautiful grandchildren. Ashton attended Holmes in Ridgeland as freshman and is now a junior at Mississippi State University. Austin will be attending Holmes in the fall. Jordan is a freshman at Central Holmes Christian School, and Landon a freshman at Lewisburg High School in Olive Branch.

In December 2009, after 42 years of marriage, my husband, Frank (the love of my life) passed away from pancreatic cancer. This was the greatest devastation that has ever happened in my life, but God gets us through every tribulation that we face. During this time, my Holmes family was such a great support, and I don't think I could have made it through without them.

I'm an active member of First Baptist Church in Lexington where I volunteer at the nursing home every Sunday morning and lead the singing for these lovely people. They are such a blessing to me. I'm planning on spending more time with them, in my yard, and at the ballpark. I've met many wonderful friends at Holmes, and I'm going to miss everyone; especially the students. Thanks for my wonderful years at Holmes; love to you all."

Dedication

Sue Ellen Stubbs

"Sue Ellen has often told me that she loved her job and considered herself luck to work here," said Dr. Fran Cox, vice president for academic programs. "Life is so funny; we were the lucky ones to have the opportunity to work with her. She challenged us every day to continue to work on projects that would enable the students to be more successful at Holmes. Sue Ellen is the



epitome of 'All Holmes - All the Time.' No problem/issue was ever too big or too small. Every student and co-worker got the best service every time."

Stubbs said, "I started my time at Holmes when I was a freshman at Holmes Agricultural High School in 1963 and was part of the final graduating HAHS Class of 1966. I rode to school every day from my hometown of Pickens in a bus driven by none other than T. Stubbs. I returned to graduate from Holmes Junior College in 1968, and T. and I married the following summer. For the next several years we raised three children and lots of crops and cattle. In 1986, I returned and began my professional career at Holmes working for the academic dean at that time who was Mr. Richard Newton. The Grenada and Ridgeland campuses were just getting started, and we worked through many years of sustained growth. Mr. Newton retired 12 years later, and Mr. Luther Boggan took his place. We had moved from one computer system to another, and at the end of Mr. Boggan's five years, we were ready to move into yet another, larger web-based computer system. Dr. Fran Cox came in 2004 to replace Mr. Boggan, and I started my final journey at Holmes. The new data system was up and running, and Holmes had not looked back. For myself, I've loved the growth, the students, the veterans, and especially the people here. I am more grateful for the wonderful opportunity I've had to work with so many caring individuals. The three deans I've worked for have been outstanding (all math teachers) and academics at Holmes has prospered under them. T. and I now have six grandchildren, and we look forward to more time with our family. I have truly loved my job at Holmes - I guess so - it's been the best one of all!

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