



# Bishops' High School Old Students' Association

Senior Class Notes

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## Carol Singing By Joy O'Jon

The usual BHSOSA Christmas Carol Singing was held at the spacious home of Derry Harry in Lamaha Gardens on the night of December 14.

Alumni met around 7 o'clock. Many young alumni and many not-so-young ones also gathered to participate in the occasion. Ladies outnumbered gentlemen by far.

I found it very refreshing and heartening to speak with the young persons there. Quite friendly they were; willing to converse.

Light refreshment was served. Then we got down to the work of the evening, viz. to sing carols. And pleasant work it was!

Gillian Butts-Garnett was our choir-leader. How winsome and vivacious she was! We sang our favourites and listened to and then joined in with the singing of other carols.

We do get good all-round training at the Bishops' High School, don't we? It was a joy to listen to the singing and to join in myself. Mature voice, rich timbre!

Audience participation was good. When one way of singing a carol wasn't bringing out our best, another way was suggested and tried, with better result. There was much laughter and you know that laughter is a good medicine!

When a meal was served and the volume of the singing began to wane, we stopped singing altogether, and gave full attention to eating. Then we resumed singing.

As time progressed, persons began to leave. While goodbyes were said, and arrangements to get home were made, those serving food prepared parcels of goodies for persons to leave with.

Hearty congratulations to the organizers of that successful enjoyable BHSOSA Carol Singing, 2007!

It really ushered in Christmas Season feelings amongst our school alumni. In keeping with our school hymn, we were a "company of children .... Gathered in [God's] sight." And as we sang the carols, we were reminded that it is Christ that is "the reason for the season"!

See [bhsosa.org.gy](http://bhsosa.org.gy) for more photographs.



## Getting Out and About

The Christmas season was buoyed by the production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Joseph and His Technicolour Dream Coat" performed by Woodside Choir International and Friends at the National Cultural Centre in December 2007 and again in January 2008. Directed by BHS alumnus, Russell Lancaster, the play lifted spirits high. The action and the lilting voices showed what is possible with hard work mingled with fun.

Among the performers were members of the Senior Class—Magda Pollard, Elaine Murray and Jannice Simmons. Many other enjoyed the performances from the auditorium.

If you have not seen this production, do attend the next performance. You're in for a treat!

## Let's Celebrate

Feb 19 Elaine Murray  
Feb 27 Megan Anderson  
Mar 29 Magda Pollard  
Apr 4 Phyllis Thompson

Apr 7 Jeane Skeete  
Apr 8 Joyce Sinclair  
Apr 17 Jannice Simmons

## New Members

The Senior Class will be joined by the following persons during 2008:

May 23 Thelma Holder  
Jun 13 Florence Sukdeo  
Jul 10 Doreen Barrington

Please let us know of other alumnae who will celebrate their 70th birthday during 2008 so that they may be welcomed into the fold.

## Keeping the Brain Ticking

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- Source: Cambridge University

## Building the BHS Family Tree

The BHS Directories are a valuable resource. Flipping through the pages leads to an appreciation of the wealth of expertise among alumni. It also disclosed that there are several family connections across generations.

Please help us to record the family links across the generations. You may share information with Janice Jackson at 226-3619 or janj155@yahoo.com.

