



## Michael Robinson (1976)

### *COMMUNITY SERVICE*

Michael Robinson settled in Bramalea following his families emigration to Canada from Trinidad and Tobago in 1967. His parents instilled a high value to always try and help others, when possible

Michael was actively involved in the sports programs and was a proud member of many varsity teams including Track & Field, Volleyball and Soccer, at Bramalea. He represented his classmates on both the Student's Council and the Boys

Athletic Association during those years. In 1976 Michael was honoured by his teammates when selected as co-captain of the first varsity soccer team. Quite an accomplishment considering one of his teammates was an Olympian and the other a representative on the national youth team.

In the community, Michael also found time to involve himself in other projects. He served a term as the president of the Leo Club (Junior Lions).. In mid 2000 when fellow BSS alumni Ruth Spibey organized a group to plan the school's 40th reunion, Michael quickly joined the team. Within weeks Michael proposed that the group be formalized by incorporating as a non-profit charitable organization to create a long term legacy of alumni giving back to their school and community. Michael took the task of developing critical documents for the newly formed Bramalea Secondary School Alumni Association. These included writing the organization's first business plan, its constitution and bylaws as well as developing the charter for the charitable trust. In his limited spare time Michael also manages the association's Internet website. as well as coaching of two competitive children's; soccer teams.

Michael continues to reside in Brampton. He is self employed in a technology based business but is considering a career change to spend more time on community work.