

# Quisqueya Eagles Newsletter

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The Most Excellent Way

"QCS was the best time of my life" was emphatically proclaimed by many at the QCS Alumni Reunion (for classes from the 1980's) in Orlando Florida last weekend. Alumnus after alumnus testified to the strong, positive influence QCS had on their lives. Alumni from the 1980's gathered in Orlando, FL to reconnect with each other, renewing friendships, reminiscing, and seeing how QCS is moving forward.



One highlight was visiting with Bob Wagler, the first Principal at QCS. He told of how QCS started in 1974 year with 33 students and ended that first year with close to 70 students. He testified to the Lord's goodness in being able to buy such a fine campus with very little financial resources, and he encouraged everyone to live for the Lord.

QCS boasts an impressive alumni. At the reunion there were pastors, physicians, nurses, professors, accountants, flight attendants, businessmen, teachers, counselors, dads and moms, and more. And this fine group has agreed to serve as mentors to our present QCS students as they transition to life out of Haiti, as they enter the work force, or go to college.

I was impressed with the alumni and their stories, and I'm very pleased and privileged to play a part in helping shape the life stories for current students. One day, they will get together and reminisce about QCS, and we will hear from some that "QCS was the best time of my life!"



## Do you know . . .

Times are changing, especially in the area of technology our children are using today. It is a lot different from when I was a child. Every home did not have a television compared to today when each family member has their own. The major form of entertainment used to be reading, playing games with the kids on the street or riding our bikes around the block. There was no internet back then and therefore no home computers. From cell phones to video games, ipods to laptops – always being connected to the Internet and to our friends, our kids are being transformed into a technological generation. The parents are left behind due to the intimidation of these new gadgets.

When I went to the library and brought books back home, my parents would check if the books were appropriate. With my own children, when they watched television, my wife or I would watch the program with them if we were not sure of the content. Our computer was in our dining room and therefore, always within sight.

Today I find that many parents do not deal with the technology of the day. At the parent teacher conferences one parent complained of the number of hours their children were on the computer doing school work. Children will access technology. But remember they will need supervision with the technology as they did with other areas of their life. It will demand your time. Do you know where your child is going with technology? I never had as much correspondence with my daughter until my wife became a part of *Facebook*. I know of the friends she keeps and the activities she does with her family. It is an open book in my face.

Where has your child been on the internet? Become familiar with the way to check the history on your/their computer. This will tell you exactly which sites have been visited. If the history is wiped clean after each use, you will know your child has gone to sites that would not please his/her parents. Join *Facebook*.

Although technology offers many benefits in communication, educational resources, entertainment, self expression, etc it is the parent's role to balance all with common sense. Rules need to be set. Supervision is a must. Know where your child is going, not only in the physical sense but also with technology.

Do you know where your child has been?

## Introducing . . . Denny Day



My name is Denny Day. I was born and grew up in Dallas, Texas raised in a family of nine children (eight boys and one girl). My athletic ventures came easier than academics so I pursued many sports throughout middle and high school years. Experiencing success in baseball opened opportunities otherwise not available, leading me on a journey through college then a three year cycle through Europe.

God combined by love and skills in sports with a deep longing to know and experience Him in a real and relevant manner. At age 13, after years of influence from my parent's upbringing I began to understand in a child like way that I was a sinner separated from God and in need of a redeemer who would save me from myself. That need was fulfilled by one act of history when God sent Jesus to die so that I might live now and eternally. I realized then that Jesus died and arose for me so that I might have a relationship with my Creator God. I believed and placed a child like faith in Jesus' love expressed that day in history. As I grew I began to further understand what that love meant in my life. He brought two loves together to serve Him; the abilities, gifts, talents and my love for Him.

Later, He gave me a third love, my wife, Susie. Together we have worked with children and youth for over 20 years and have parented four children, three who attend QCS. We moved to Haiti in 1998 to help with a ministry founded by her parents called the Fellowship House in Petionville. After two years in Haiti, I jumped into teaching at QCS full time while continuing my responsibilities at the Fellowship House. I have taught middle and high school Bible, PE, coached sports and participated in a wide variety of school activities. My love for God has been expressed in my love for my wife, my kids, students and teaching here at QCS. It has been a wonderful and fulfilling privilege to be entrusted with coming along side of you, the parents, in the education of your children.

## School Calendar

### March 27 – April 3 – Read-a-Thon !!!

April 10 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> inclusive	- Easter Break – no school
April 20 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup>	- week of the senior class trip - week of the Stanford Testing – gr 3 - 11
April 24 <sup>th</sup> May 1 <sup>st</sup>	- progress reports go home - Agriculture and Labor Day - no school
May 18 <sup>th</sup>	- Flag Day - no school
May 26 <sup>th</sup> May 27 <sup>th</sup> May 25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> May 27 <sup>th</sup>	- grade 8 promotion - Grade 6 Step-up - high school exams – noon dismissal - last day of school - non-uniform day
May 30 <sup>th</sup>	- Graduation at 4 PM

Those who attended the seminar this past

Wednesday were once again reminded of their task as parent. It was good to get encouragement and reminders of our task as parents. There was a

handout given at the meeting. If you were not there but would like to have a copy, please obtain yours from the front office.



The following is a part of the hand out.

### Good Parents

- Encourage their children and build their self-esteem
- Communicate their love
- Create a positive home atmosphere that includes laughter
- Nurture spiritual values
- Show consistent balanced discipline
- Make their children proud of them
- Model a good marriage
- Create community – extended family, church, neighborhood
- Give children the feeling that they are safe and emotionally secure
- Speed quality time with them
- Teach financial values and skills
- Give children responsibilities
- Good parents are passionate about teaching values and integrity

*Love does not demand its own way. Love is not irritable, and it keeps no record of when it has been wronged.*

# "RUN THE RACE AND READ!"

Elementary Read-A-Thon begins  
**TODAY!**

- 📖 Be sure to sponsor an elementary student to read!
- 📖 Be sure to encourage an elementary student to read!
- 📖 Be sure to read, read, read & read some more, but remember to record your minutes!!

Did anyone see the Parade of Nations today? WOW! We at QCS come from many different nations!

In addition to reading, our elementary students are being challenged to get sponsor pledges for their reading. This is an effort to raise money for the community service projects of Ti Malice. For more information or to get a sponsorship form, please ask your child's teacher or go to the front office. For more information about Ti Malice go to

[www.timalice.net](http://www.timalice.net)

or

[www.centretimalice.blogspot.com](http://www.centretimalice.blogspot.com)

