



## Leader Link

**Lud Hohm**  
JVCS Board  
Chairman

WHY- defined by Webster says: reason, cause or purpose... example - Why did you do it?

I remember when my children were young they would ask "why" many times. Why? Because they wanted to know the reason, the cause or the purpose for having to do the chore I had asked them to perform.

I would like to ask you this question. Why? Why do you send your children to JVCS? Why do you give financially to JVCS? Why do you spend time praying for JVCS? Why do you volunteer your time for JVCS?

While you are thinking about these questions I would like to give you my reasons.

My children attended JVCS because I wanted them to be surrounded by positive Christian influences which included teachers, staff, students, curriculum and extra-curricular activities. I appreciated the strong emphasis of the Bible class as well as the Christian curriculum.

I give financially to JVCS because I believe the school is building the "Kingdom for Jesus Christ." Yes, my money goes into the general fund which pays salaries, electricity, gas, water, office and maintenance supplies, etc. But it is through giving to these general fund items that we help students grow in their desire to improve their walk as Christ Followers.

I really do enjoy praying for JVCS. Does prayer make a difference? Absolutely. If Jesus found it was necessary to pray for strength and for God's will to be done, it is just as important for me to pray that God's will be done at JVCS. Continued on page 4

## JVCS Lady Vikings Claim 281 Basketball Title, Boys Take 2nd

The Lady Vikings took home the 281 Conference Title with a victory over the Highmore-Harrold Pirates in the final round of action on Thursday, Jan. 21. Samantha Kleinsasser was named the tournament MVP. On the road to the championship game, the Lady Vikings were victorious over Wessington Springs and Woonsocket. Tim Nihart and Evelyn Ober are their coaches. "Our team had a great tournament. The girls have been working hard to improve every day so it was great to see them achieve one of their goals," shared Nihart.



**Lady Vikings - (Back)** Coach Evelyn Ober, Emma Smith, Hannah Kalb, Morgan Kleinsasser, Brooke Decker, Samantha Kleinsasser, Kristen Schouten, Tia Nihart, McKayla Kleinsasser, Coach Tim Nihart. (Middle) Rachel Fleek, Sarah Wedel, Charley Gross, Tara Nihart, & Jaclyn Loban. **Cheerleaders:** Katy Hines, Ariana Zuccaro, Kayla Tschetter, Allison Kruse, Jessica Hofer & Courtney Svennes.

The Viking men took 2nd place in the tournament with victories over Highmore-Harrold and Wolsey-Wessington before falling to the Hitchcock-Tulare Patriots in the championship game. The Vikings are coached by Terry Schouten and Mark Knight.

## Cheer Squad Peps Up the Crowd

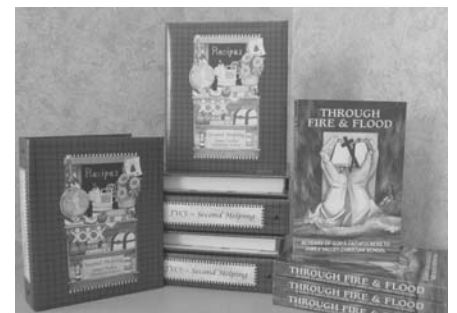
JVCS cheerleaders are working hard this year to bring the Viking crowd into the action while encouraging the players with chants and cheers. The cheerleaders have practiced hard, raised funds for new uniforms, and are now cheering at many of the home boys and girls basketball games as well as tournament games. They are coached by Laura Backhaus. Her experience as a cheerleader and coach at both the high school and college levels enhances her knowledge of the sport. Laura has been assisted by Deb Hofer who coached at JVCS several years ago. We are thankful to have cheerleaders back in action.



Allison Kruse commented, "Cheering has been a good experience. It is exciting to see how much we've grown and learned since most of us are first year cheerleaders. I think it's good that we are there helping the fans support the team more."

## JVCS Publications Available

JVCS has reprinted the popular *JVCS Second Helping* cookbook. The book includes over 800 recipes submitted by JVCS family, friends and alumni. This book makes an excellent gift for almost any occasion: birthdays, weddings, graduation, etc. It can be purchased at the school for \$20.00. Or, if you live at a distance, we would mail the book to you for \$25.00 which includes the shipping and handling fees.



Also available is *Through Fire & Flood - 50 Years of God's Faithfulness to James Valley Christian School* written by Janet Tschetter (Class of 1960). It is a record of the highlights of the school over the past 50 years and includes many pictures and quotes from superintendents, board members, staff members and alumni of the school. It can also be purchased at the school for \$20.00 or mailed to you for \$25.00.