

The Vineyard Press

Vineyard Christian Middle School

February 18, 2009

Special points of interest:

- The month of February is more than half over...tuition is now \$445 per student if it hasn't been paid yet for February.
- Basketball Tournament Season is underway: Girls play tomorrow, 2/19 and boys play 2/20. Don't forget about the All Star Tournament on Saturday evening, 2/21. See the attached flyers! Go Warriors!
- The Honor Roll breakfast and the Principal's List lunch at In and Out Burger is scheduled for Thursday, February 26th. Congratulations to our 3.5 GPA and above and 4.0 students! Permission Slip is attached.
- Graduation 2009 is just around the corner and we need to begin planning for the special occasion. 7th grade traditionally hosts the reception after the ceremony on Sunday, June 7th. A meeting is scheduled for March 5th, at 2:45pm in Room 4. A 7th grade family representative is asked to attend.
- The countdown has begun, and the Washington D.C. trip is quickly approaching. Details of the trip will be discussed at the mandatory Parent/Chaperone meeting on March 5th at 6:30PM in Room 4. At least one parent from each family is required to attend.

Valentine's Day was a special one with new friends at Ashley Place

Valentine's Day was especially special this year as we celebrated with our new friends at Ashley Place. Residents were excited to have Vineyard visit, as the sea of smiles dressed in red, white and pink certainly brightened up the recreational room. Arriving with a van load of beautifully decorated cookies and with hand-made Valentine's Day cards in hand, the students confidently introduced themselves and mingled with the crowd. The residents of Ashley Place were delighted to

also receive a box of chocolates. But perhaps most touching was the sharing of gifts of another kind. Students prepared and performed a very en-



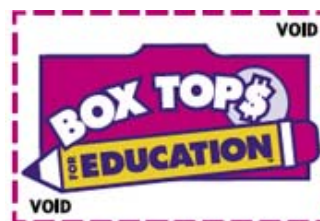
tertaining array of songs and tributes to the day of love. Mrs. Diane Prince returned to Vineyard to help organize a few songs; she also treated the crowd to her own special rendition of "It had to be you." A number of our students (and staff) took to the dance floor, pro-

viding more entertainment for the crowd. Piano and guitar solos, poetry and sing-a-longs were enjoyed by the seniors, who showed their appreciation by asking Vineyard to return again soon.

It was a very special day indeed, as students learned much about themselves while sharing with others. Valentine's Day was just the perfect way to share God's love.



Keep Clipping and Collecting your BoxTops for Education...and turn them into the School Office before February 20th. Don't forget to put them in a plastic bag with your name, grade and the number of boxtops in the bag. This is your opportunity to be a top collector in your class and earn an ice cream party!



ATTENTION 8TH GRADE CRAB FEED COMMITTEE MEMBERS...PLEASE BE AT THE WRAP-UP MEETING ON THURSDAY, FEB. 19 AT 6:00PM AT THE LODI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CONFERENCE ROOM. BRING YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS. THANK YOU!

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Thank you...Thank you...Thank you!!! Thank you to all who helped with the St. Valentine's Day celebration at Ashley Place last Friday afternoon. Your cookies were beautiful, not to mention delicious! They were abundant in numbers; the residents will enjoy them for weeks to come. We could not have had such a wonderful afternoon if it weren't for you volunteering to drive us to our destination. And it most definitely would not have been the same if you were not present to "party" with us and our new found friends. We all very much enjoy this day and hope that you did too...enough to join us again next year!



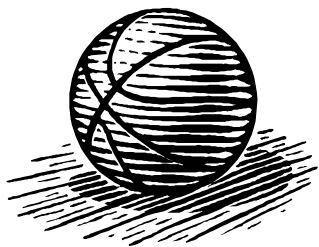
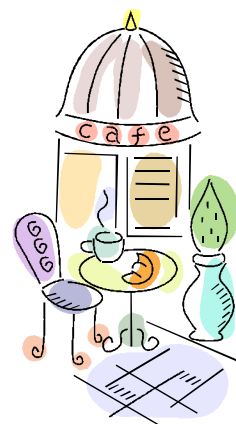
Warrior Window Café Menu for next week...

Menu for Monday, February 23rd.....

OLD SCHOOL MENU

Debit cards are available in increments of \$10.00.

Please make your check payable to VCMS and note the name and grade of the student.



A Word from the Athletic Department...

CONGRATULATIONS!!! Sami Stallings, Taylor Barajas, Joey Caffese, and Zach Johnson for being selected to the SJCCAL All-Star Game this Saturday night, February 21st. Girl's Game starts at 6:00PM and boys at 7:00PM. Both games will be played at Century Christian School. Gate fee of \$3.00 goes to the Toni Bolthouse Student Athlete Scholarship Fund. It's Tournament Time with the Girl's Basketball Tournament this **Thursday**, February 19th with the first game scheduled to begin at 9:15AM, at Stockton Christian School. The Boy's Tournament is **Friday**, February 20th with the first game at 9:15AM, Lodi Academy (SDA). All players are asked to check with coaches regarding requirements, times, logistics, etc. We have attached tournament schedules for your convenience...and we encourage everyone to come out and cheer on your VCMS Warriors!

Softball season is just around the corner, so be sure to watch for sign-ups. Sport Contracts are due by first practice, Sport Fees of \$65.00 are due by first game. Student players must be in good standing academically in order to be considered as a player. Thanks to coaches Mike Stallings and Jim Haislip in advance for their time



Chocolate, maple and glazed CONGRATULATIONS are in order for the large number of students who earned Honor Roll status for the Second Quarter at VCMS.



Those scholars whose GPA is a 3.5 to 4.0 will celebrate at an Honor Roll Breakfast held in their honor. Students

will look forward to donuts, juice and milk on Thursday, February 26th at morning recess!

Principal's List students will dine with Mrs. Hale at In & Out Burger that same afternoon!

ATTENTION:

7th grade families are asked

to attend a meeting to begin planning for the

8th grade

Class of 2009

Graduation. The meeting will be March 5 at 6:30PM.

It's a Rick's Pizza Night opportunity to raise important funds for the VCMS Athletic Dept. Please plan to meet and eat pizza at Rick's on



Monday, March 9th. Earn \$\$\$ for the VCMS VCBC Warriors!

The FREE Rice Challenge!

The 6th grade Class of VCMS is taking the Free Rice challenge!

At freerice.com students can log on to test their vocabulary skills. For each correct word, 20 grains of rice is donated to the United Nations World Food Program. As a Yahoo Search Award Winner for 2007, this website is changing lives.

Are you smarter than a VCMS 6th grader?

Take the challenge!

"What if just knowing what a word meant could help feed hungry people around the world? Well, at FreeRice it does . . . the totals have grown exponentially."

The Washington Post

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PLAYED, COACHED, DROVE, SUPERVISED, CHEERED, PRAYED AND SUPPORTED THE 2009 VCMS BASKETBALL PROGRAM. WE ALL CERTAINLY HAD A GREAT TIME WATCHING OUR STUDENTS RISE TO THE CHALLENGE. GIRLS AND BOYS WERE EXAMPLES OF WHAT CHRISTIAN ATHLETES LOOKS LIKE...AND WE ARE ALL VERY PROUD AND HONORED TO BE A PART OF A GREAT PROGRAM. THANKS AGAIN TO ALL! SEE YOU ALL AT THE TOURNAMENTS THIS THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. GO WARRIORS!

\$SCRIP is defined as any substitute for currency which is not legal tender. It is a token worth a value, a gift certificate or a voucher for goods received in exchange. The word is Scrip without a "t". Script is something entirely different and should not be confused with the word meaning coupon or coin.

Please know we are asking you to purchase SCRIP in order to support the enrichment of your children. Look for your order form to be attached to this Vineyard Press. Thank you!

Whatever you do, do it in the Lord!

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Are you handy with a hammer? Do you love to drive your truck? Have a spare minute or two to devote to your child's school? Not good with paperwork, but you're a "give me a tool box and I'll show you my stuff" kinda guy (or gal!). Well, do we have the "job" for you!!!

Consider being the VCMS Jack or Jill of all trades...no real experience necessary. You just need a heart for the school and a cell number we can call. We provide the parts, you simply facilitate the works. The job of "Facilities Manager" is yours for the asking...and we ask you to think about it. Call Mrs. Hale with your ???.

ATTENTION ALL VCMS FAMILIES...

WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP!

YOUR ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED TO HELP IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS,
IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILD.

NOON DUTY SUPERVISION- FROM 12:10 TO 12:50 DAILY (CALL SUSAN EVANS OR MRS. HALE)

PARKING LOT DUTY- 7:45AM TO 8:00AM Monday, Tuesday & Thursday -
2:20PM TO 3:00PM
(CALL MRS. HALE)

IF YOU CAN HELP EVEN ONE DAY A WEEK ON A REGULAR BASIS, IT
WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED!

Your Scrip Order Form is Attached!

Every order, large or small, will help enrich the education of your child.

Please consider supporting the VCMS Scrip program!

We are all anxiously awaiting the final numbers of profit associated with the 5th annual Crab Feed. If you have any final receipts or expenses, they must be submitted ASAP...or not be considered reimbursable! Thank you again to all who made this event such a great success! Look for the "Thank You" ad in the Lodi News Sentinel, and be sure to thank your friends and family for their support. If you need an official thank you note written to a business donor, please call Nora Rowland with the information. Once again, thanks for making this the best Crab Feed yet! Washington, D.C. Here We Come!!!



With all of this wet weather, there is going to be an over abundance of "spring clean-up" once the warm weather arrives. We are going to need your help with a campus beautification day. Please consider being a chairman of this event, to include a BBQ, a parking lot/used book sale, and whatever else you have up your creative sleeve. Let Mrs. Hale know if you would like to plan this type of event.