

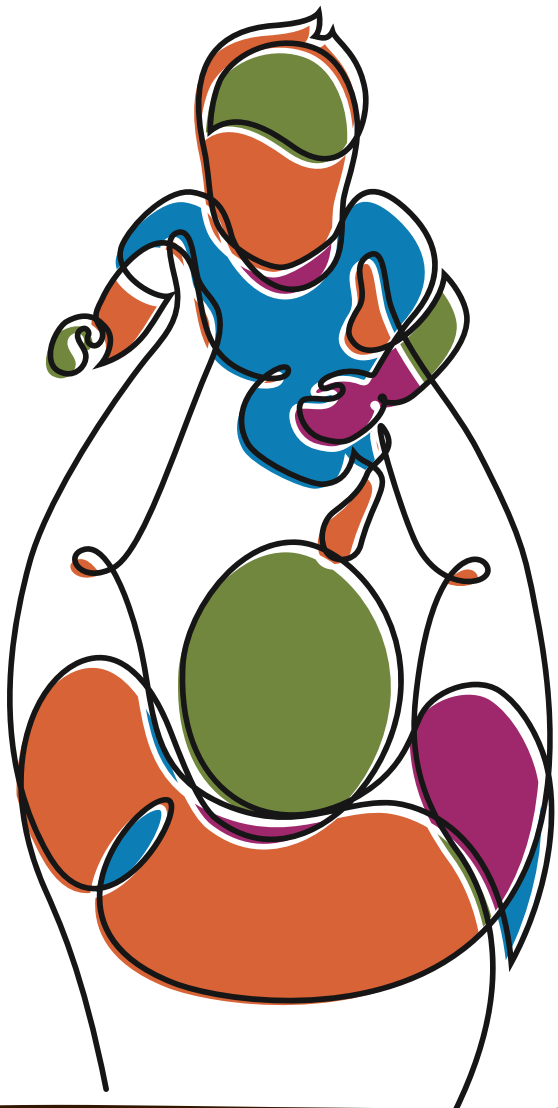
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Beck to give talk on The Civil War
Brandon resident Kari Beck will be giving a presentation on "The Civil War: Artillery and Cavalry" at the Valley Springs American Legion at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 17. The event is free and open to the public.

Veterans Benefits seminar is Saturday
Brandon VFW Post 4726 is hosting a free Veterans Benefits Seminar from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, March 16 at the Post home. The event is for all veterans and spouses. Speakers will include Veterans Service Officer to explain and provide answers to the Veterans claim process, eligibility and the application process, to include the Veterans Evaluation Services. Also speaking is a representative from Veterans Benefits Administration, who will present on the rating and evaluation process the VA uses to assign ratings. The seminar wraps up with options to Tri Care for Life benefits at age 65 and above in relation to Medicare.

Bethany Meadows Chili Cookoff is March 23
The chili cookoff is returning to Bethany Meadows this year, and it's on tap for Saturday, March 23. There will be a variety of soups and chilis to taste test from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. All proceeds will benefit local fire departments. To register or learn more, call (605) 582-8622.

Tickets on sale for BV Athletic Hall of Fame
Tickets for the 2024 Brandon Valley Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet on Saturday, March 23 at Holiday Inn Express in Brandon are available by calling the high school office at (605) 582-3211. Tickets are \$25 per person. Social hour begins at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. and the program at 7:30 p.m. This year's inductees are Nick Bentele, Chase Douglas, Lindsey (Johnson) Block, Steve Thu, and the 1990 State Championship football team. The event is sponsored by the BV Athletic Booster Club.

Free senior fitness classes
Circuit Fitness, 1124 E. Holly Blvd., Brandon, is offering free senior fitness 55-plus try-it classes from 8:30-9:15 a.m. Monday-Thursday, March 4-7. The low-impact classes are all about gaining strength, balance and agility.

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MCAP spring show is April 19-21, 26-28

Mighty Corson Art Players will present their spring show, [title of show] at 7:30 p.m. April 19-20 and 26-27 and at 2:30 p.m. April 21 and 28 at the Corson Theatre.

[title of the show] follows Hunter and Jeff and their friends on their journey through the gauntlet of creative self-expression. In the span of 90 minutes, they write and perform their show at a new musical theatre festival and learn lessons about themselves as people, friends and artists.

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– and to the joy of collaboration.

The 90-minute show, which does not have an intermission, contains instances of mature language and themes.

For tickets, visit mightycorson.com/boxoffice.

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry are ketchup, pizza sauce, boxed Jello and puddings, brownie mixes, toothpaste and shampoo (not conditioner).

To make appointments for pickups or donations, call 582-7001. The BAFP is open from 4-6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

BAFP executive director Linda Weber asks groups that conduct food drives to contact

the Pantry prior to dropping off donations.

Used eye glasses and hearing aids for the Brandon Lions Club may also be dropped off at the BAFP.

Brandon Senior Citizens

The Brandon Senior Citizens meet at 12:30 p.m. every Thursday at the VFW for Bingo, cards socializing and coffee. All seniors are welcome.

Al-Anon meetings in Brandon

Al-Anon meets from 7:30-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Brandon Lutheran Church, 600 E. Holly Blvd.

AWANA Club meets Wednesdays

AWANA meets each Wednesday at 6 p.m. at Brandon Valley Baptist Church, 400 N. Splitrock Blvd. AWANA is a week-

ly, non-denominational Christian club for children from 3-years-old through eighth grade. It is free to join and scholarships are available to cover the cost of books and uniforms. A free meal is served at 6 p.m., followed by AWANA at 6:30 p.m.

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Thank you, David in Lansing, Michigan.

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A Brandon husband and father officially became a U.S. citizen Friday morning, and the *Journal* was there for the milestone moment.

Speaking of weather, some property owners in Brandon may be adding or deleting flood insurance from their portfolio. Find out what's dictating the change.

The Lady Lynx battled their way through the quarter- and semi-finals for a meeting with the O'Gorman Knights in the AA finals Saturday evening. The *Journal* brings you the highlights in both words and photos.

Plus, we've got a report on the Lynx boys' basketball team, who takes aim at winning a AA title this weekend, and stories on a former BV runner who's setting school records and the signings of two BVHS student-athletes who have signed with Dakota State University.

A Brandon horse trainer garnered "Trainer of the Year" honors. Learn more about the man who has a way with horses.

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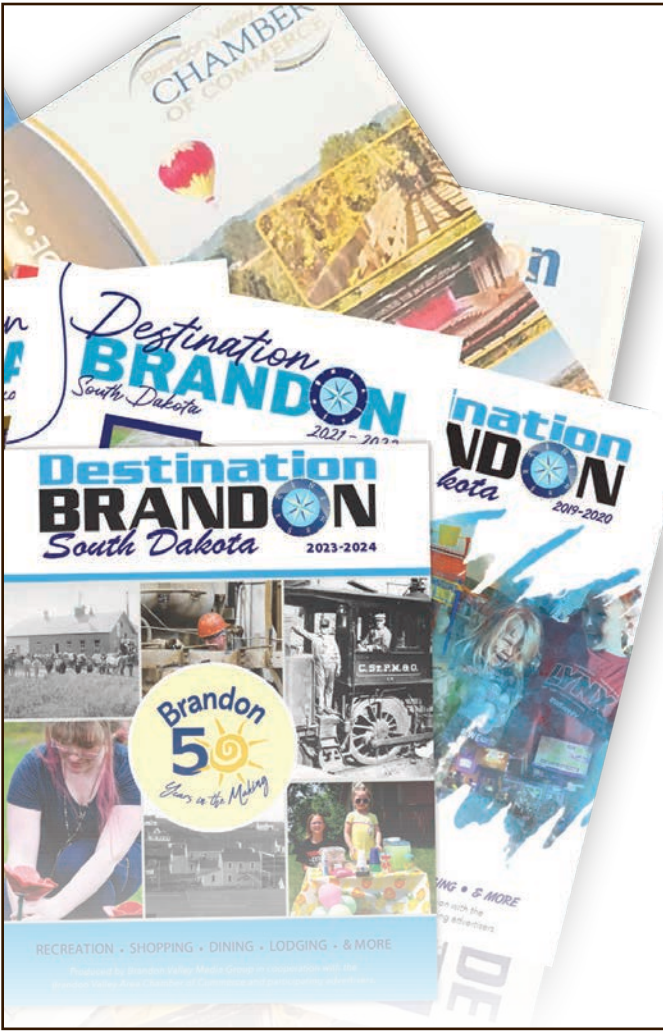
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1. Bulgarian, e.g.

5. Camp sacks?

9. Musical symbols

14. Actor Rob

15. Stratford’s river

16. “Two Women” Oscar winner

17. “Rubáiyát” poet

18. Indonesian island

19. Art support

20. Post-WWII aid program

23. In __ and ...

24. German article

25. Corrida cheer

28. Kind of whale

31. Not so sharp

33. Rug feature

36. Part of many an exec compensation package

38. Verve

40. Sgt., for one

41. Crime bosses

42. One-liner expert

47. Match division

48. Acquisition at a parlor

49. Tiny bits

51. Retirement org.

52. Doze

54. Happenings

58. Half a day

61. Dress cut

64. Rural structure

65. Not a pretty fruit

66. One bounced by a bouncer

67. Sills solo

68. __ phone

69. It can precede the first word of 20-, 36-, 42- and 58-Across

70. Film unit

71. Scots Gaelic

- Down
1. Replay feature, for short

2. Miller’s salesman

3. Hip

4. Greeting card entries

5. Musical set at the Kit Kat Club

6. Like Bush’s office

7. Car payment

8. Shoot from hiding

9. Make big bucks

10. Car buyer’s need

11. Hesitant sounds

12. Agent’s amount

13. NBC weekend revue

21. General Arnold et al.

22. Italian resort

25. Hodgepodes

26. Sierra __

27. Young’s accounting partner

29. Columnist Barrett

30. 14th century year

32. Inc., in London

33. Small salamanders

34. Smith might be one

35. Fettucine, for one

37. Early cartoon clown

39. Court divider

43. “Finding Forrester” actor

44. Cheer

45. Endless

46. Sitarist Shankar

50. Entrap using wiles

53. Prohibit

55. River to the Gulf of Guinea

56. Spills the beans

57. Dimple creator

58. Auth. unknown

59. Colt carrier

60. Pennsylvania port

61. Rock blaster?

62. Golfer’s concern

63. Lodge

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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. Digits cannot repeat within the same row, column or box. **Solution on page 2**

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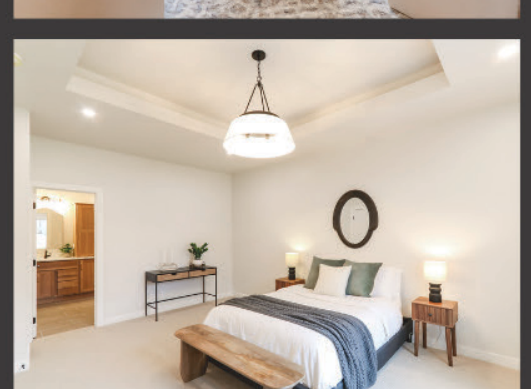


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