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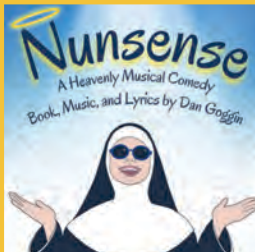
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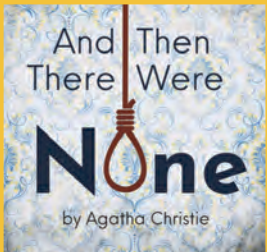
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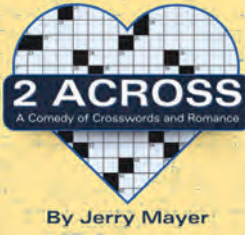
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The South Dakota Law Enforcement Torch Run steps off in Brandon at 8:30 a.m. Thursday from Brandon Elementary. The Torch Run will proceed to both the Middle School and High School, where students from all three buildings will cheer on the runners and Brandon Valley's Special Olympics student-athletes.

The Torch Run brings awareness and raises funds for Special Olympics and this weekend's 2024 Special Olympics South Dakota State Summer Games in Vermillion.

Valley Springs Elementary open house is Saturday

The public is invited to the Valley Springs Elementary Community Farewell Celebration from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, May 18. VSE patrons are invited to share their memories, enjoy hotdogs and root beer floats. There will also be bounce houses, music, beanbag games, a photo booth and school tours.

BV Schools topic of Sunday's Historical Society talk

The history of Brandon Valley Schools will be the topic of the Sunday, May 19 Brandon Historical Society talk. The event starts at 6 p.m. at the BVHS Community Room. It is free and open to the public.

Free senior fitness classes

Circuit Fitness, 1124 E. Holly Blvd., Brandon, offers free senior fitness 55-plus try-it classes from 8:30-9:15 a.m. the first week of every month. The low-impact classes are all about gaining strength, balance and agility. To learn more, email info@circuitSD.com.

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry are Dinty Moore beef stew, Suddenly Salad, pizza sauce, small boxes of Pop Tarts, brownie and cookie mixes, hard taco shells, microwave popcorn, Knorr noodles and rice, shampoo (no conditioner).

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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.

VS Legion stages BBQ fundraiser

The Valley Springs American Legion will serve its first barbecue fundraiser of the season from 5-7 p.m. Friday, May 24 at the Legion Hall. Proceeds will go to the Legion Hall remodeling fund and parking lot improvements.

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VS Legion gathering worn, tired flags

All worn and tired flags may be dropped off at the Valley Springs American Legion Hall. Legionnaires will properly dispose of these flags during a flag retirement ceremony at 10 a.m. Friday, June 14 on the eastside of Legion Community Park.

Register for MCAP summer kids camp

Registrations for the Mighty Corson Art Players summer kids camp are now being accepted. The camp, set for June 10-14, will take place at the Corson Playhouse. Throughout the week, campers will rehearse an original story, "A Night in the Woods," written by local playwright H.E. Dunkle. This fairytale-esque story follows Amber, a young girl lost in the magical

woods full of talking animals as an even wizard schemes to trap her in the forest forever. Discover the secret of this enchanted realm as Amber and her new friends challenge Horace the Heartless and escape from his curse.

The camp culminates with a production of "A Night in the Woods" Saturday afternoon, June 15.

The camp is for kids in grades K-6. The fee is \$65 per child, and slots are available for up to 20 participants per session. Morning sessions are 9-11:30 a.m. and the afternoon sessions run from 1-3:30 p.m. Registration closes May 27.

To learn more, email info@mightycorson.com.

Brandon Senior Citizens

The Brandon Senior Citizens meet at 12:30 p.m. every Thurs-

day 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 weekly, 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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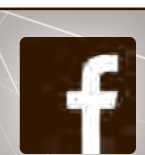
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2	8	3	6	9	1	5	4	7
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Dear Motor Medics,

I have several vehicles and only one driver in the house, me.13 vehicles in all plus another five ATVs,2 Jet Skies and 3 boats. I'm a collector, lover of vehicles, and maybe a number of other things but they all run well, and I enjoy having them around. My question is about batteries. It seems like I am always replacing batteries. I charge each one up using several chargers I have every couple months, but they seem to go dead every year or two. I use the small chargers at one amp and let them charge overnight. A few of the older cars seem to stay fully charged but the newer ones with computers are dead anywhere from three weeks to two months. What can I do to keep them charged longer.

David in Tyler Texas .

Dear David,

Dead batteries and keeping them from going dead have been a lifelong pursuit of vehicle owners since the beginning of vehicles. Vehicles with computers will draw more power even if they are shut down than a vehicle without a computer but they all will gradually go dead. Make sure that any charger you use is a battery maintainer, not a trickle charger. Trickle chargers will break down a battery if used too long causing overcharging and damage. Use a maintainer and leave it connected when the vehicle is not being used. They are usually less than \$40 each and keep batteries conditioned for many years

Take care, the Motor Medics.

Dear Motor Medics,

My questions are about oil changes. I recently had to replace the timing chains on my 2009 GMC Acadia, and I have a 2016 Chrysler Town And Country that has noisy lifters. My mechanic is telling me that my engines both have heavy sludge in them and that I should have changed the engine oil much more often which may have saved them. I only put five thousand miles or so on each one of the vehicles, so I change them both once a year. I don't think that changing the oil every three months is a smart idea with that low mileage.

Thank you, Reggie in Greenwood Indiana.

Dear Reggie,

Your mechanic is correct. The problem is the low miles and short trips on the engines, not that you are not changing the oil sooner. When you drive short trips, the oil does not reach a high enough temperature for a long enough period to burn off all the moisture in the oil which will turn to sludge and leave damaging deposits. Also, using a regular filter instead of an extended drain long life filter leaves a possibility of the cardboard in the filter breaking down and clogging the engine causing major damage. If you used a better filter and made sure that the engine was running until fully warm each time it is driven your changes may be ok. But as it stands, more frequent changes are what is needed.

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During hydrant flushing, it is not uncommon for residents to periodically experience discolored water, pressure change, and/or an increased chlorine odor. Homeowners are advised to exercise care in their laundry operations and to check the water for clarity before use.

Motorists also are advised to stay clear of the streams of water coming from the hydrants.

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BRANDON VALLEY Journal

Included in today's *Brandon Valley Trader* is our 2924 *Destination Brandon* community guide. We hope you will take time to page through it to learn more about the community that you call "home." Who knows, you may even spy a photo of yourself, too! Additional copies of the guide are available free of charge at the *Brandon Valley Journal* office, the Brandon Valley Area Chamber of Commerce and on local newsstands.

Curious about the people seeking election to a Minnehaha County office? This week's *Journal* introduces you to the candidates.

Congratulations to the Brandon Valley High School graduates! Check out the *Journal* for a recap of Sunday's commencement ceremonies in both words and photos.

The great outdoors served as the classroom for Brandon Valley fifth graders last week, as they learned more about native grasses in their natural habitat at Pasque Hill. Find out more about the effort Jeff and Kim Zimprich are doing in sharing the stories of the family farm's landscape.

Gina Sershen was named the 2024 Brandon Valley Teacher of the Year. Learn more about the fifth-grade science teacher and her story behind the honor.

Shoppers invaded Brandon for a three-day ritual of spring: The citywide rum-mages. Reporter Isabella Savage ventured out to a few of the sales to talk with both sellers and shoppers.

This week's *Journal* also brings you stories on some of our incredible athletes. For starters, Brandon Valley sophomore begins his journey to a potential future in professional hockey; a Northwestern College grad rises to the top of the school's strikeout record; and the Lady Lynx and Lynx boys' track and field teams made some big noise at the ESD Conference Championships on Saturday in Brookings.

Plus, there's a whole lot more. If you find yourself asking, "I wonder what's going on ..." it's time to subscribe to the *Brandon Valley Journal*! Give us a call at (605) 582-9999 to subscribe today so you, too, can be in the know.

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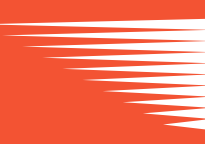
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1. Kind of marker

6. Hairy Himalayan

10. Follows a cookbook directive

14. San Antonio shrine

15. Present-day Persia

16. Important thing to a golfer

17. Cavorts

18. Monopoly moneymaker

20. "Didn't I tell you?"

21. Military melody

23. Tamed, as a bronco

24. Brief ending?

25. Like the last in a dash

26. Underdog supporter

30. Surrounded by

31. Well-read

36. Warm and friendly

37. Butter lump

38. "___ La Douce"

39. Football field

42. Some are honorary

44. Center ice, in hockey

46. Ham it up

50. Partner in peace

51. Zodiac twins

52. Ship's staff

53. Once around the track

56. When radio ad rates are highest

58. Taranto's locale

60. This, in Spain

61. Greek god of love

62. Tear down

63. Tree house

64. Tin can flaw

65. This might give you a flat
- Down

1. Utopia Planitia setting
2. Succulent houseplant
3. Ready for action
4. Mischievous sort
5. Gere and Roberts, e.g.
6. "Wow! I won!"
7. Chapters of history
8. Old mariner
9. Rorschach pattern
10. Radiant
11. Admiral Sir Francis
12. Follows another cookbook directive
13. Disbursed, as dollars
19. Examine
22. CEO's aide
24. Gave up
25. Irritated state

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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**

8							1	6
		1						
5	6		9				2	
							8	
1	2			5			6	
3			4		8	7		
		3		9	1			7
			7					
6								

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51							52					53	54	55
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60						61				62				
63						64				65				

26. Summoned the butler
27. Middle Eastern chieftain
28. Veni, Vidi, ___
29. Handwriting feature
32. Posh or snazzy
33. Guthrie of song
34. Some fed. agents
35. Soothe
37. Sulk
40. Pointless and silly
41. Said word for word
42. Fish story
43. Animosity
45. Least available
46. Humorous Nash
47. Chapter's companion
48. Sends out
49. Metal fastener
52. "Let's go!"
53. Fuji's flow
54. British brews
55. Nabors' role
57. Outrage
59. Palmer's peg

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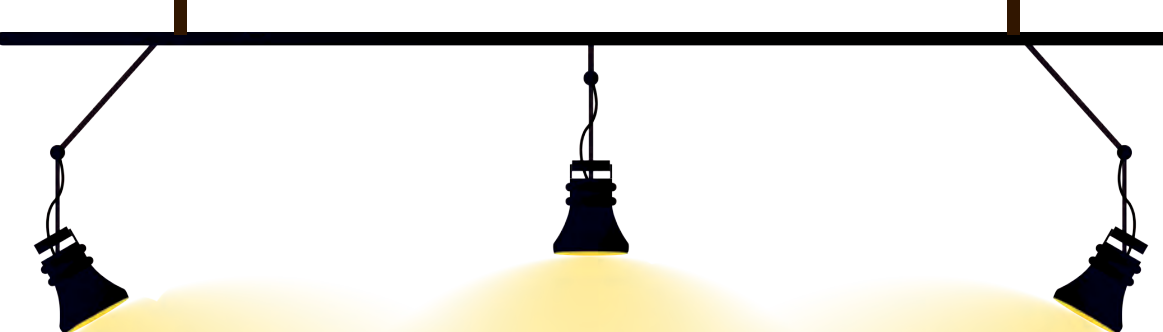


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