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Brandon Area Briefs

Weekly Brandon Farmer's Market now in full swing

The weekly Brandon Farmer's Market sets up in the Lippert parking lot (915 N. Splitrock Blvd.) from 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. every Saturday now through October. The weekly vendor event also includes a variety of food trucks. To learn more, check out the Brandon Farmer's Market on Facebook or on their website, brandonfarmersmarket.com.

Begin summer at Brandon Library's Ocean in Motion and Beach Party

The 2023 Summer Reading Program "Stronger Together" kicks off at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3, at the Brandon Community Library. The Butterfly House and Aquarium will present their Ocean in Motion hands-on sea star exhibit sponsored by the Ed Polzine Library on Friday, June 2. The Butterfly House and Aquarium will present their Ocean in Motion hands-on sea star exhibit sponsored by the Ed Polzine Library on Friday, June 2. Additionally, the library will offer a beach-themed scavenger hunt, play with kinetic sand, make an ocean animal beaded necklace and more!

This event is designed for children ages 4-plus and their caregivers. Crafting activities will be available while supplies last.

To learn more, contact the Brandon Community Library at (605) 582-2390.

June 16 is next Legion BBQ in Valley Springs
Valley Springs American

Legion will be serving up its BBQ fundraiser from 5-7 p.m. Friday, June 16. Grilled hot dogs and hamburgers, barbeque sandwiches, calico beans, chips, coleslaw, and drinks are on the menu. A freewill donation will be accepted. All profits will be used to support remodeling costs.

'Salute to Veterans' is theme of 2023 Automania

Valley Springs will once again serve as the host site for Automania on Saturday, June 24. The theme of this year's show is "Salute to Veterans." Watch the *BV Trader* and *BV Journal* for further information.

Volunteer drivers sought to deliver meals in Brandon

Active Generations and the Meals on Wheels program is seeking volunteer drivers to deliver meals in Brandon Monday through Friday. The approximate delivery time is noo-1:15 p.m. Schedules may be flexible (i.e. weekly, bi-weekly, one time per month or substitute driver).

To learn more, call (605) 333-3305 or email slocke@activegen.org.

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Dear Motor Medics,
I have a 2004 GMC Yukon and I'm having a 4x4 problem. The system will work one time then not the next. When I take it to the shop it seems to be the time that it is working correctly. The problem it has is when I switch to 4x4 high the light just blinks then is stays in the 2wd position. Sometimes when I switch to low 4x4 then back to high it will work just fine until I put it back in the 2wd position.

Robert in Sheldon Iowa

Dear Jack,
Problems with systems that seem to always work when you have it in the shop are as big a pain for the mechanics as it is for you as the driver. The systems have computers that can often give codes which can help with the diagnostics, but they don't always indicate the exact cause and without the system actually failed at the moment it's being inspected makes it hard to diagnose and confirm repairs. The most often found issue we see when a 4x4 system in a GM truck of your model year fails like this is a failed shift motor or shift module. Both parts can be expensive so if you can get it to happen while at a shop so they can give a 100% accurate diagnosis it will go a long way to helping you save money and get it repaired right on the first visit.

Take care, the Motor Medics

Dear Motor Medics,
I m a long time Under the Hood listener and I want to thank you for the great advice you guys give. I have a problem with my headlights. I drive a 2007 Chevy Impala and when I'm driving my headlights sometimes just shut off by themselves. If I pull the headlight switch out, they stay off but switching to the high beams does work but only for about two minutes then they start to blink and fail too. I tried a switch that I installed myself and it did not help.

Steven in Lindsay Oklahoma

Dear Steven,
We have experienced headlight failure ourselves and it can be a scary thing. At least you have high beams so you can get off the road safely. This is actually becoming a common issue on this body style car. The headlight switches do fail quite often and your replacing of the switch may have been needed as well as the further repairs needed now. The switch connector needs to be checked during the installation of the switch. The pins in the connector tend to become burnt and fail due to high resistance and heat build-up. Make sure the pins are clean and in good shape and are not loose and replace any that are questionable. The pins can be found at a GM dealership parts department and the tool to install them at most auto parts stores. Also check your headlight socket connections.

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Dried, and teamed up with a Larchwood, Iowa family in Stensland by Bergie's. Learn more about each of the endeavors that can be found on shelves throughout South Dakota and beyond. It was a three-hour session for the Minnehaha County Commission last

week as they heard from opponents and proponents both regarding two planned carbon pipelines, eminent domain and setbacks. County correspondent Dave Baumeister brings the details of that discussion to you.

Brandon is home to yet another pageant queen, Miss Amazing. Learn more about the story behind Devin Deboer's recent crowning and her upcoming trip to the nationals in Chicago.

Kindness rocks are popping up like dandelions at Big Sioux Rec Area. Find out who's behind the goodwill endeavor.

Brandon Valley's track and field and club baseball teams both were in competition at their respective season-ending state meet/tournament. The Journal staff was on the

sidelines of both, and will bring you the stories on how they fared.

The Lady Lynx softball team punched their ticket to the state tournament by pulling off a narrow 1-0 win in the SoDak 16 game last week against Watertown.

Plus, we'll have plenty of photos from Monday's Memorial Day programs in both Brandon and Valley Springs and Brandon's Big Celebration at McHardy Park, a second-year endeavor of Celebration United Methodist Church.

And as always, there's a whole lot more. So, 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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