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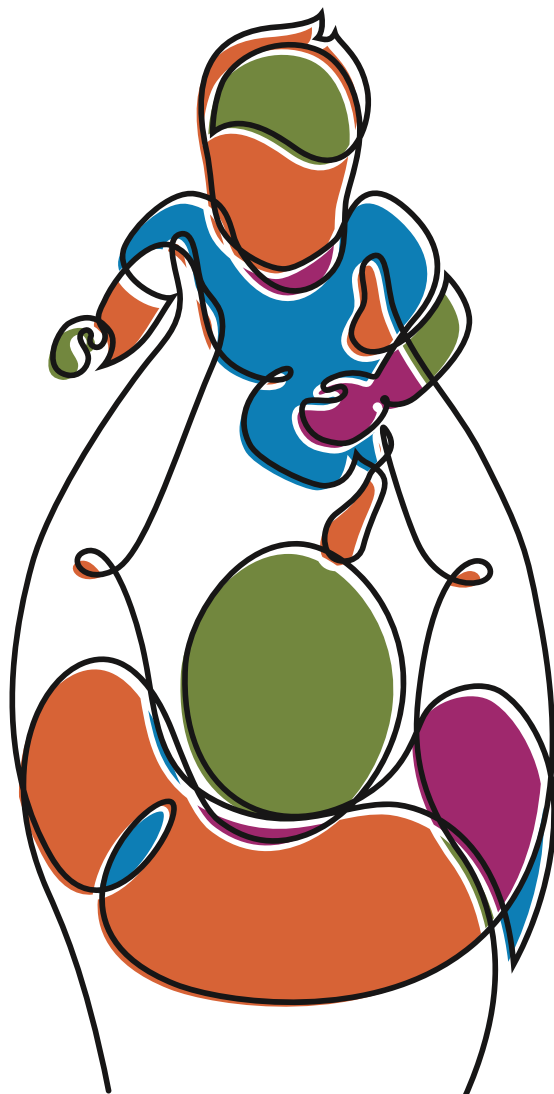
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Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry

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4	2	3	1	6	8	5	7	9
1	7	4	3	8	2	9	5	6
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Brandon Area Briefs
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Used eye glasses and hearing aids for the Brandon Lions Club may also be dropped off at the BAFP.

Early deadlines for BV Trader, BV Journal

There are early deadlines for the Dec. 26 Brandon Valley Trader and Dec. 27 Brandon Valley Journal. This

Thursday at noon is the deadline for the BV Trader and this Friday at noon is the deadline for the BV Journal.

The staff at Brandon Valley Media Group wish you and your family all the best this holiday season and look forward to serving you in the coming year.

Lynx sports on holiday break

Brandon Valley High's winter sports teams are in the midst of a short break in the action. The Lynx boys' basketball team heads to the Hoop City Classic at the Corn Palace in Mitchell for a 3 p.m. tip-off on Saturday, Dec. 30 against Thunder Bay, Wyo. The Lady Lynx hoops team plays at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21 at Tea Area and will also play in the Hoop City Classic on Dec. 30. They're scheduled to face Thunder Bay, Wyo. at 1:30 p.m. at the Corn Palace.

BV's Lady Lynx wrestlers will compete Friday, Dec. 29 at the Sioux Falls Lincoln-hosted Floyd Farrand Invite and the Lynx boys will wrestle Saturday, Dec. 30 at the Floyd Farrand.

Finally, BV's bowling teams return to the lanes at Eastway Bowl in Sioux Fall on Friday, Jan. 12 when they face the O'Gorman Knights at 3:30 p.m.

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.

MINNEHAHA COUNTY, SD ESTATE LAND AUCTION

Multi-Parcel Surveyed +/-146.91 Acre Land Auction – To be Offered as 2 Individual Parcels or as a Whole – Situated in Red Rock Township, Minnehaha County, SD – Located Near I-90, Valley Springs, Brandon & Garretson, SD – This is an Extremely Well Located Parcel of Land Inclusive of Productive Cropland and Some Attractive Locations That Could Potentially Provide Desirable Sites for Future Utilization of the 2 Remaining Minnehaha County, SD Rural Housing Eligibilities – Both Eligibilities Currently Assigned to Parcel 2

Due to the current Multi-Fractioned Ownerships in this land and subsequent to the death of Dr. Dean & Jeraldine "Jerry" Johnson, the beneficiaries have made the decision to offer the following parcel of land at public auction, with the auction to be held "ON SITE" at the Land – which is located from the Valley-Springs/Garretson, SD Exit #410 on I-90 – ½ mile south on Co.#105 (486th Ave.) to the NE corner of the property; from the Brandon, SD – 4 miles east on I-90 to the Valley-Springs/Garretson, SD Exit #410 on I-90, then ½ mile south on 486th Ave; or from Valley Springs, SD – 1 mile west on 262nd St. and 1 mile north on 486th Ave.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 28, 2023 • 10:00 AM

This auction presents an excellent opportunity to purchase a very well located parcel(s) of Red Rock Township, Minnehaha County, SD land. This farm has a very high percentage tillable and possesses some productive soils. If you are in the market for a parcel of land with many excellent amenities to add to a row crop farming operation, as an addition to your investment portfolio and/or a construction location for a new rural home(s), then make plans to inspect this property and be in attendance at this auction, or contact the auctioneers to make arrangements for absentee bidding.

This property will be Offered as **PARCEL #1 – The East +/-72.76 Acres with No Remaining Housing Eligibilities; PARCEL #2 – The West +/-74.15 Acres with 2 Remaining Housing Eligibilities or as PARCELS #1 & #2 Combined – The +/-146.91 Acre Unit with 2 Housing Eligibilities.** According to Minnehaha County Planning and Zoning PARCEL #2 has 2 remaining rural housing eligibilities, currently assigned with 1 to the NW¼ NW¼ and 1 to the NE¼ NW¼. According to FSA information this property has been identified as FSA Tract 10748 of Farm 6559 which has approx. 141.20 acres of Cropland with a total of 140.76 Crop Base Acres – comprised of an FSA 66.68 acre corn base with a 166 bu. PLC yield and a 74.08 acre soybean base with a 43 bu. PLC yield. According to county assessor's information this farm as a soil rating of a .786, similarly info. obtained from Surety Agri Data, Inc. indicates this land has an overall soil rating of 79.1. There is a parcel excluded from SE corner of Parcel #1 which is a housing site occupied by a member of the Johnson Family; additionally, there is a parcel excluded from the NW corner of Parcel #2 which is owned by East River Electric, that is planned to be the future site of the Valley Springs Electrical Substation. The 2022 RE taxes payable in 2023 on this property were \$3,850.08; additionally, the sellers will also pay all of the 2023 RE taxes due and payable in 2024. This is a very desirable parcel of land which has an extremely high percentage tillable, excellent

eye appeal with a gently rolling to rolling topography and has a convenient location near I-90, Valley Springs, Brandon & Garretson, SD and is a short commute to Sioux Falls, SD.

LEGAL DESC.: PARCEL #1 – The N ½ NE ¼ of Sec. 32, T. 102N., R. 47W., Except Tracts 1 & 2 of D & J Ranch Addition therein – containing +/-72.76 Acres; PARCEL #2 – The N ½ NW ¼, Except Lot 1 of Substation Addition therein, Sec. 32 T. 102N., R. 47W. -containing +/-74.15 Acres, all in (Red Rock Twp.), Minnehaha County, SD, containing a Combined Total of +/-146.91 Acres.

TERMS: Cash – A 10% non-refundable earnest money payment sale day on either individual parcel or the unit and the balance on or before February 15, 2024, subject to the existing farm lease, with full possession for the 2024 crop year. Marketable title will be conveyed with an owner's title insurance policy(s) provided with the cost divided 50-50 between the buyer and seller, additionally a title company closing fee, will be divided 50-50 between the buyer and seller. All of the 2023 RE taxes payable in 2024 will be paid by the sellers. This property is being sold in accordance with a recent survey as completed by Midwest Land Surveying, Inc., with the acres understood to be "more or less". The sellers do not warranty or guarantee that the existing fences lie on the on the true and correct boundary and new fencing, if any, will be the responsibility of the purchaser pursuant to SD law. FSA cropland, yields, bases & other information is estimated and is not guaranteed and are subject County Committee approval. Information provided herein is deemed to be correct but is not guaranteed. This property is sold in "AS IS" CONDITION and subject to any existing easements, restrictions, reservations or highways of record if any, as well as any or all Minnehaha County Zoning Ordinances. The RE licensees in this transaction are acting as agents for the seller. Sold subject to confirmation of the Receiver. To make arrangements for absentee bidding or other information contact the auctioneers.

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Thank you, Scott in Dell Rapids, SD.

Dear Scott,

Seeing a Jeep engine with low mileage fail when oil additive has not been used is not a surprise to us. The lack of ZDDP in the engine oil was likely the cause. ZDDP was removed from engine oil around the time diesel fuel had most sulfur removed. ZDDP protects high pressure areas such as the flat tap-ets of the Jeep cam. All oil change facilities should be offering the additive to you as a choice. A yearly check-up at a full-service shop is also a good way to get good advice. They can often advise you of recent changes.

Take care, the Motor Medics.

Dear Motor Medics,

I replaced the air conditioning compressor on my Dodge Caravan before the last winter and it worked great for the short time, I used it before winter and again this spring until the first really hot day. The system stopped working and started making a grinding noise just like before. The shop that fixed it installed a new drier and a new compressor and charged me for Freon and labor. Did they miss something, or did I get a bad part?

Thank you, Jennifer in Missouri.

Dear Jennifer,

It worries me when you say the system is grinding again. According to the list of replaced parts you gave it is possible that the failure could be due to the way it was repaired. Not to doubt the installation but when a compressor grinds it is usually coming apart internally and leaving metal shavings in the system which will plug passages in the condenser and expansion devices. If there was metal found in the system, any parts contaminated must be replaced. Just flushing the parts is not an option because of the small passages that can't be accessed. Partially plugged systems may work well on cooler days but will fail when high temps raise pressures. When the system is repaired this time ask about these parts and if they need to be replaced and why or why not. With the high cost a second opinion is not a bad idea either. You don't want this to happen again.

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If it's news you're after, we have reports on the early-morning explosion at Shangri-La and the latest from the Brandon City Council and Valley Springs City Commission meetings.

BVHS seniors got a "real-world" experience by going through the mock interview process with Brandon business leaders, and Brandon Valley Intermediate School crowned a new spelling bee champ.

As always, we'll bring you local columns on our opinion page and the weekly recaps from our Brandon Valley Lynx sports teams in action.

There's pictures of cute kids on Santa's lap, snapshots from the BVHS Madrigal Show and a whole lot more!

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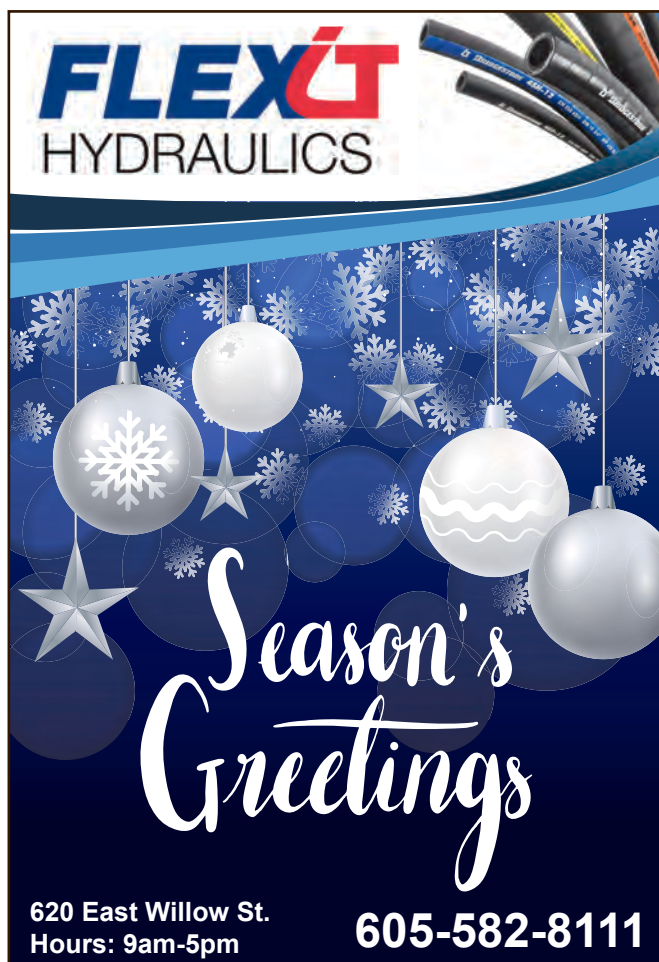


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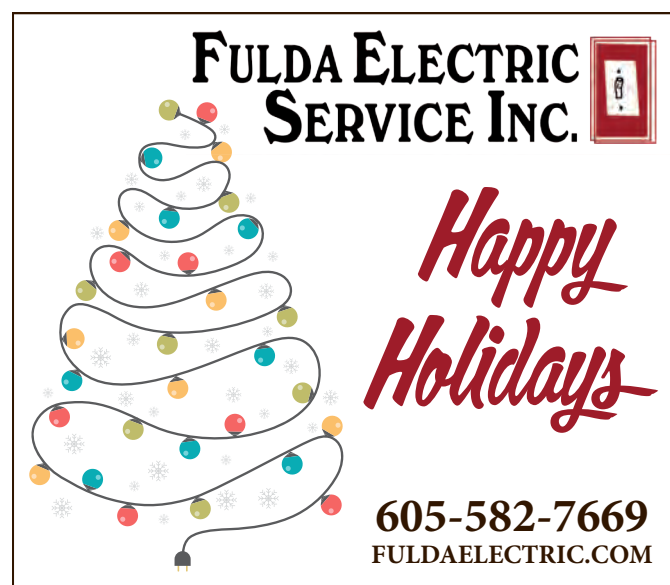


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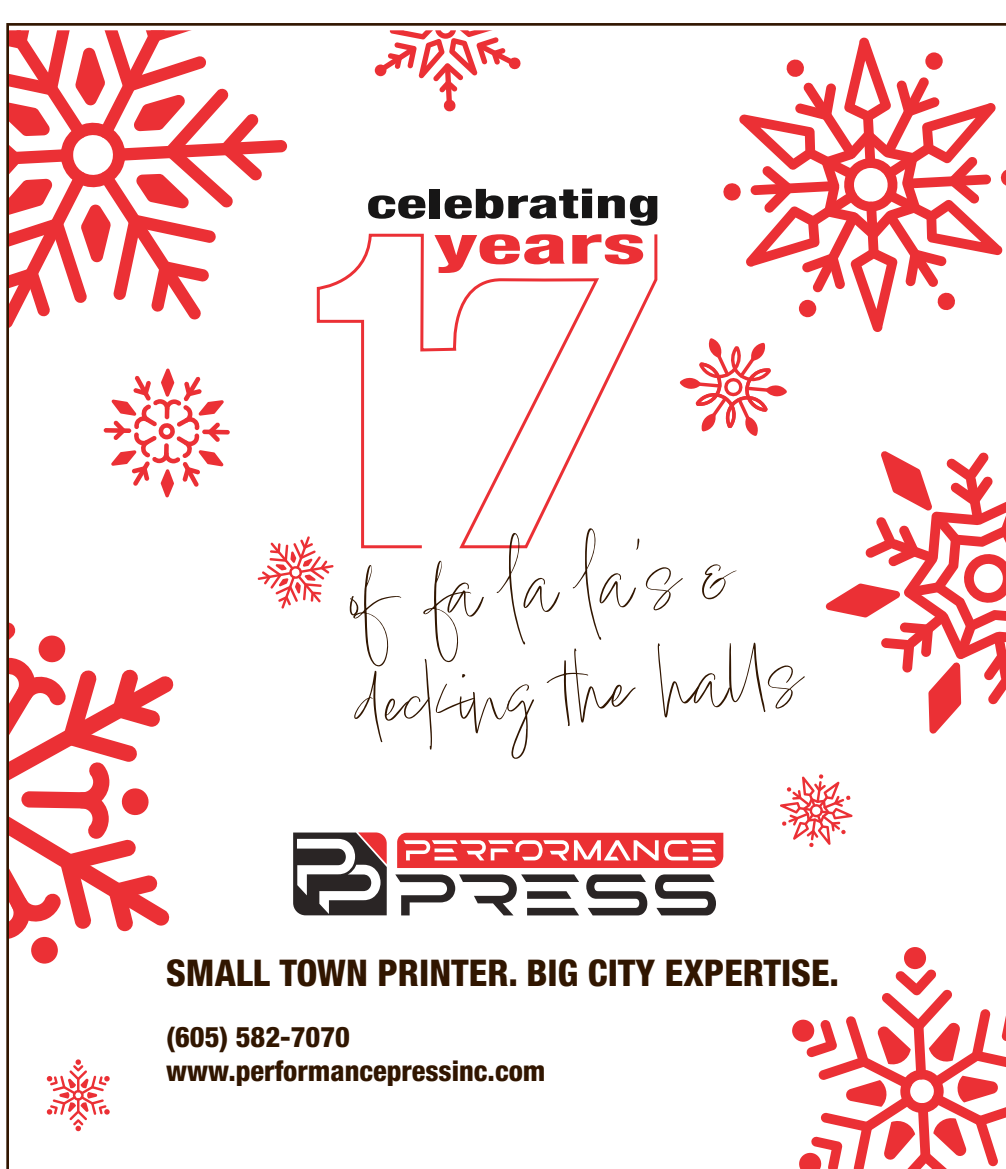
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8:00 pm – Candlelight Service
at Palisade Lutheran Church,
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6:00pm Christmas Eve
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CHRISTMAS DAY MASS
Monday, December 25 | 9:00am

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Local Christmas Services

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve Morning

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Sunday, December 24

All Candlelight Services

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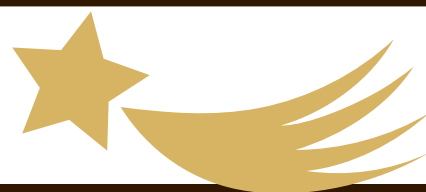
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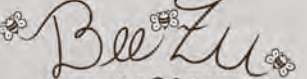
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Across

- Part of Batman's ensemble
- Barreled along
- Counterfeit tokens
- Hawkeye portrayer
- One for the road?
- Solitaire unit
- Tarzan, familiarly
- Barely manage (with "out")
- Name used in exclamations
- Firstborn
- Civil rights city in Alabama
- Invitation notation
- What little things mean?
- Sawed at an angle
- Way off yonder
- Advertising catchword
- Bluto's dream girl
- Do-it-yourself type
- Consumed with gusto
- Presque __, Maine, e.g.
- Hatcher or Garr
- Aretha's signature song
- Shopper stopper
- Not yet final, in law
- Roll with the punches
- American writer Plath
- Cyber-junk
- Parent's order
- Mary Higgins Clark, familiarly
- Throw angrily
- Ethereal glow
- Fall's opposite
- Things often passed
- Heartfelt
- Saxophonist's need

Down

- Some candle holders?
- Identical
- Finish a basement, in a way
- Noted twin
- Gem holder
- Minor stroke
- Old-style anesthetic
- One that brings in the bucks?
- Michelangelo, for one
- Something to speculate in
- Spur on
- Some square dancers
- Editor's override
- October's jewel
- Rock's Bon __
- Seller's profit margin

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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**

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- Detects a rat?
- Switch setting
- Blond hair, hot temper, etc.
- Tickled pink
- Carousel, e.g.
- Lasting introduction?
- Lucy's husband
- Slightly cracked
- It may be tempted

- Hand helpers
- Ernie on the links
- Job vacancies
- It's bagged in the supermarket
- Toodle-oo, in Turin
- Item beside an easy chair
- Unit of Time
- "Tomorrow" musical

- Oater assemblage
- Like some jackets
- Room meas.
- Kind of tide
- Oahu wreaths
- Let off steam
- Untainted
- Quickly, in memos
- Pet rock, once
- Get it wrong

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