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# Ask the Motor Medics®

Automotive Advice from The Under the Hood® Show

Dear Motor Medics,

I recently witnessed a vehicle fire on the highway. As I passed by in the far lane, I could not even tell what kind of car it was because it was so intense. Even in the far lane I could feel the heat of the fire. When I first saw the smoke, I must have been about two miles away but saw no flames. As I got closer, I started to see the fire bellowing from the car and by the time I passed as I said I could not even tell what kind of car it was. All this occurred in the period of less than two minutes. I was amazed how fast the fire spread. Are vehicle fires common and what should I do if my vehicle ever catches fire?

David in Montrose Colorado

Dear David,

First and foremost don't panic. Think safety first, pull over and stop as fast as you can, as you witnessed vehicle fires spread extremely fast. Get the passengers out and move to safety. If there is smoke coming from a closed compartment do not open it. The fresh air can cause a fast flare up. The many different materials in a vehicle will emit gasses when burning that can quickly overcome you so even if all you see is smoke stay away from it. If you try to recover objects from the vehicle you could be harmed. Call the authorities and stay far away.

Take care, The Motor Medics

Dear Motor Medics,

I'm getting ready for a trip across country and would like to get the best mileage possible. I will be traveling about 6000 miles round trip so even one or two miles per gallon would make a noticeable difference in cost. Is there one thing I can do that will save me fuel that does not cost more than the fuel I will save by doing it? I have not done anything to my vehicle other than oil changes and air filter and I now have about 40,000 miles on the van. I used to get about 28mpg when new and now get about 24.

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Dear Melanie,

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Take care, The Motor Medics

# Coming in tomorrow's BRANDON VALLEY Journal



This week, the Brandon Valley Journal introduces you to Brandon's Ward 1 city council candidates, incumbent Barb Fish, and challenger, Courtney Sneller. There's also a report on the race for the lone Valley Springs City Commission chair between Rick Larsen and Todd Versteeg.

The Brandon Valley Board of Education met Monday night, and Journal writer Tom Savage brings you the details of the second go-around on bids for the planned addition to the high school.

College baseball is coming to First National Bank Stadium. Find out the story behind the University of Sioux Falls' move to Brandon this season.

Brandon Valley High School students had the opportunity to explore college and career opportunities on Monday in conjunction with parent-teacher conferences. Journal editor Jill Meier was there to capture the event in both words and photos.

The Lady Lynx wrapped up their 2021-22 season at the Class AA State Tournament in Rapid City, and the Journal brings you the details in a four-page spread.

Another business has opened its doors in Brandon. Learn more about what led to Small Engine Doc's move from Viborg to Brandon.

Finally, a BVHS cheerleader is gearing up for the 2022 racing season at Huset's Speedway. Find out the motivation behind Gracyn Masur's desire to be in the driver's seat.

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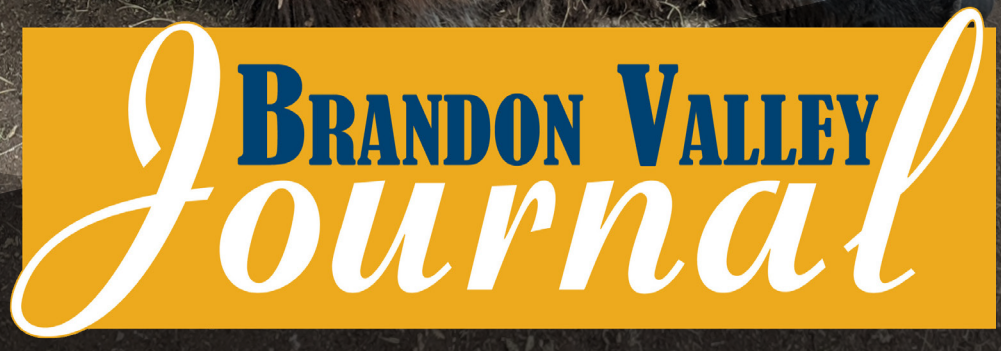


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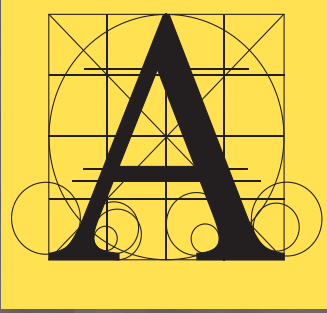
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