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Dear Motor Medics,

I have a 2001 Jeep Grand Cherokee with a 4.0 six-cylinder engine that failed. This is the first time I have ever had to replace an engine in a vehicle and with only 80,000 miles and a faithful maintenance history I am shocked that it failed. They told me the camshaft failed because I was not using an engine oil additive and that if I did not use one on the new engine every time that the engine warranty coverage would be void. Why have I never heard of using an additive before? I thought they were not needed for everyday use. The place that changes my oil is not where I go for bigger repairs and I have not had to see them for several years. Thank you, Scott in Dell Rapids, SD

Dear Scott,

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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. By 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 install 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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The results are in, and Brandon voters elected Harry Buck as its next mayor and reelected Barb Fish to represent Ward 1. Valley Springs also gains new leadership on the city commission with Rick Larsen prevailing in the two-way race. The *Journal* has the official counts from both elections.

Car-hoppers reared their 'ugly heads' recently, as they prowled neighborhoods looking for goods in unlocked vehicles and even the theft of a vehicle. Detective Lee Henning provides the details.

Volunteers are needed to help clean up the Split Rock Creek in an Earth Day project on Saturday.

A well-loved custodian at Brandon Valley Middle School makes the decision to retire next month. Find out more about Bob McNamara. A new food cart is now in Brandon on a weekly basis. Learn more about FadeAways and the unique items on the menu.

Brandon Valley High School students are funny people. And that's just the purpose behind a new club, the BVHS Stand-Up Comedy Club.

We have some cute photos of some cute kids taking in the fun of a long-time tradition in Valley Springs: the Community Club's annual Easter Egg Hunt.

As always, we've got the scoop on the weekly action of BV's track and field teams, boys' tennis and club baseball programs, plus a feature on a former Lynx making a statement for the USF Cougars' baseball team.

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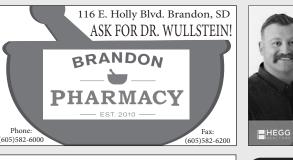
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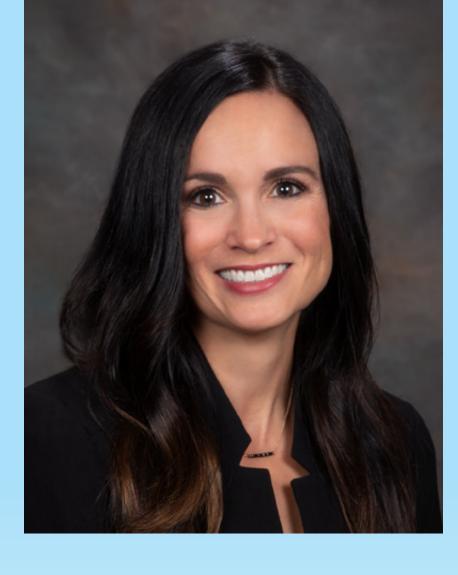
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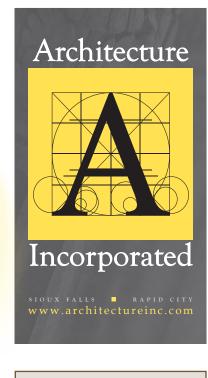
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