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Valley Springs Elementary was in jeopardy of "losing" their third-grade class. Find out how VSE parents and school administration compromised to keep these kids in Valley Springs.

Two Brandon Valley High School alums are now leading Brandon Valley Middle School as the principal and vice principal. Journal editor Jill Meier sat down with Dr. Amanda Nelson and Adam Rothenberger to talk about their new roles.

A Tea mother and her daughter were at the Mall of America when a shooting broke out last week. Find out more about the harrowing experience.

Brandon Bucks will make a return just in time for the Christmas holidays. You'll learn more about the rejuvenated program and the ongoing message of why it's important to "Buy Brandon."

Two forthcoming businesses will be opening their doors in the coming months. Find out the status of The Gruff and Northwest Tire.

The Sioux Empire Fair offers a little something for everyone, and Tom A. Savage took some time out to talk with some local 4-H exhibitors.

A pair of Brandon teens are competing in the world of junior roller derby. Find out what attracts these two girls to this fast-paced, somewhat dangerous sport.

And if you haven't noticed, it's been years since a Lynx football player donned a No. 59 jersey. We've got a fun story on just that.

Speaking of football ... 63 Lynx football moms attended the first ever "Football Moms Night" and the Journal was there for all of the fun and learning.

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Brandon Area Briefx

BLC Brandon Lutheran Church,

600 E. Holly Blvd., will host a pillow cleaning service from 9 a.m, -3 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 31. Prices range from \$16-21, depending on size and thread count. Pillows may be dropped off at the church ahead of that date and picked up later.

Aug. 11 blood drive at BLC Brandon Lutheran Church will serve as the host site for a Red Cross Blood Drive from 12-6 pm. Thursday, Aug. 11. To register, visit redcrossblood.org.

Brandon Pool closes Aug. 19 for season

The Brandon Pool will close for the season on Friday, Aug. 19. Until then, hours of operation are as follows: Daily open swim is 1-4:50 p.m. and 6:30-8:50 p.m. Family swim time is from 5-6:20 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Lap swim is from 5-5:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and water aerobics is offered from 5:45-6:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Ben Clare ice cream social

Ben Clare United Methodist Church, 26762 Ben Clare Ave., Valley Springs, will host its annual ice cream social from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20. A free will donation will be taken. There will also be a bouncy house for the kids.

Pillow cleaning Aug. 31 at Brandon fall rummages are Aug 26-27

Online registrations are being taken for the 13th annual Brandon Fall Rummages, which will be held Friday, Aug. 26 and Saturday, Aug.

Registrations are due by Friday, Aug. 19. To register, visit brandonrummages.com.

Brandon Area Prayer Breakfast is Aug. 19

The 14th annual Brandon Area Prayer Breakfast is Friday, Aug. 19 at Brandon Valley High School., Hosted by the Brandon Valley Ministerial Association, a light breakfast will be served at 6:30 a.m. in the commons and the program begins at 7 a.m. in the Performing Arts

This year's featured speaker is Tom Henderson of Restoration Generation. Henderson is the author of Heart Not Hype and a graduate of the University of Sioux Falls and Sioux Falls Seminary. He has been working fulltime in ministry for more than 20 years. He utilizes humor, stories and scripture and his own journey to deliver a live-changing message of hope and encouragement for

To learn more about his ministry, visit resgen.org.

Tickets for the Prayer Breakfast are \$10 each or \$75 for event sponsorship. All students 18 and under attend free, thanks to sponsorships. For tickets, contact Paul VanDeBerg (605) 594-8250,



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Automotive Advice from The Under the Hood® Show

Dear Motor Medics,

I own a 2005 Chevrolet Impala that I bought used in March of 2006 with 8,000 miles. The vehicle now has 182,000 miles so it does not sit still very often. I have been having problems with the speedometer and other instrument cluster gauges not working correctly. Sometimes the speedometer will stick on 60 and not drop down until I shut off and restart the car. Is this a common problem with this type of vehicle and if so, how do I fix it?

Doug in Minneapolis

Dear Doug,

We have repaired several of these, but many are still ticking with well over 200,000 miles on them. A general repair shop should be able to diagnose the issue and if they find that it is within the speedometer, they can replace the unit with a rebuilt unit that is available from most auto parts stores. The units come pre-programed for easy installation. When they order the unit, it can take a couple of weeks or so as they need to send your vehicle information like mileage and identification number to the manufacturer of the unit so that they can enter it into the replacement. Once it arrives your shop can install the unit and they will have you sign a mileage affidavit stating that the mileage you gave them to enter the replacement was correct. They will then box up the old unit and send it back as a core.

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Dear Motor Medics,

Dear Janet.

I have a 2005 Dodge Caravan SE that we bought used and it was not equipped with power windows, door locks, or power sliding doors. We would really like to add these features and keyless entry. Can this be done for a reasonable price and where do we go to get it done?

Power features have become standard on vehicles or at least it seems that

way. More and more vehicles, especially ones that are used for hauling the

Janet in Madison, Wisconsin

family like a van seem to almost always have full power in them. It is a rarity for one to come into our shop that does not

have at least power windows and locks, but they are out there. The cost of the accessories will be dependent on the shop

and I have not seen anyone who makes an aftermarket unit for those but there may be out there. Power sliders can be very

difficult to work on and I have fought with my share. Check around with local vehicle accessory shops that install cruise

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John Ball, Professor, SDSU Extension Forestry Specialist & SD Department of Ag Forest Health Specialist will be present to discuss Emerald Ash Borer and answer any questions.

Devin Coughlin, Park Superintendent from the City of Brandon will be present to discuss the cities plans for removal of boulevard trees and answer any questions.







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Current lawn watering restrictions

The city of Brandon is in stage 1 (green) of lawn watering restrictions. The even/odd schedules allow users with even-numbered addresses to water on even-number calendar dates; users with odd-numbered address are allowed to water on odd-numbered calendar dates.

Water restriction stages and other updates are posted on the city website and Facebook pages.

August needs at the BAFP

August needs at the Brandon Area Food Pantry are pizza crust mix, canned peaches, canned mixed vegetables. Pop-Tarts (8 count), Jell-O, egg noodles, body wash and tooth paste. Pantry clients must be vaccinated and wear a mask to shop the

Pantry. If not vaccinated, clients will receive items that have been pre-bagged by BAFP volunteers. To make appointments for either 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 con-

duct food drives to contact the Pantry prior to dropping off Used eye glasses and hearing aids for the Brandon Lions Club

City text notification systems available in Brandon, Valley **Springs**

To stay abreast of city-related notifications, both the cities of Brandon and Valley Springs have text messaging services available to residents.

Brandon residents can sign up by texting "Brandon" to 33222 for notification of water conservation and snow alerts, water main breaks, street closures, etc. For pool notifications, text "Brandonpool" to 33222.

Residents in Valley Springs can stay abreast of emergencies, water shut downs, snow removal, etc. by texting "alerts" to (605) 250-3221.

Brandon Transit available to all

may also be dropped off at the BAFP.

Brandon Transit is a public transportation service that is available to all. Services are provided from approximately 7:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Brandon Transit provides rides to medical and dental appointments, therapy, clinics, hospitals, nursing homes, assisted living centers, nutrition sites, governmental offices, day care, preschool, employment, shopping areas, and grocery stores. The fee is \$2 per ride or \$4 round trip.

To schedule a ride, contact Brandon Transit at least one day in advance at 582-3553 between 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

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.

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