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VS Legion Soup Supper is Oct. 8

Valley Springs American Legion will serve up a soup supper from 5-6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 at the Legion Hall. On the menu is chili, bean and ham and Lory's chicken pot pie soups, corn bread muffins, chips hot dogs and drinks.

Walker to talk on role of civics, news in nation's history

As the U.S. celebrates its 250th anniversary, the Brandon Historical Society is hosting a presentation that looks at the role civics and the news played in the nation's history. That includes the separation of powers among the branches of government and that system of checks

and balances; civic responsibilities; and how to find trusted sources of news and information. Carson Walker, CEO of South Dakota News Watch, will lead this interactive presentation at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Performing Arts Center at Brandon Valley High School, 301 S. Splitrock Blvd. The program is free and open to the public.

Beck to present at next Military History Night

Kari Beck will give the Sunday, Oct. 18 presentation at the Valley Springs Military History Night beginning at 6:30 p.m. Her presentation will be on the 1st Minnesota Regiment at Gettysburg.

The program is free and open to the public.

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry are microwave popcorn, taco seasoning, bottles of juice, Rice-a-Roni, jelly/jam, BBQ sauce, canned carrots, vegetable and vegetable beef soups, deodorant, shampoo (only) and laundry detergent (56 ounces).

To make appointments for pickups or donations, call 582-7001. The BAFP is open from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Used eye glasses and hearing aids for the Brandon Lions Club may be dropped off at the BAFP, at Jones Family Eye Care and Lewis in Brandon.

BVACC, BV Journal schedule candidate forums

The Brandon Valley Area Chamber of Commerce and Brandon Valley Journal are once again teaming up on two upcoming candidate forums. The first is for candidates for Brandon's Ward 1 and 3 races. It is set for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 8 in the Brandon City Council Chambers. The second is for District 2 candidates from 9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 11 at Sioux Valley Energy in Brandon.

Written questions from the public may be submitted prior to each candidate forum. Email questions by Wednesday, Oct. 7 to editor@bvjournal.info.

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Karen in Livonia Michigan

Dear Karen,

Having the fuel system cleaned regularly will keep your mileage at its best. It is also like cleaning your teeth. You brush twice a day to help maintain them but you need to see the dentist for regular cleanings. You can pour the can in the tank every so often but you need a regular cleaning professionally on a regular basis.

Take care, the Motor Medics

Dear Motor Medics,

I am a regular listener to the show and have a family of eight and we all drive. Do eight cars qualify for fleet repair discounts? Our vehicles range from a 1997 Grand Prix to a 2014 Impala. None are in warrantee and with so many cars and kids in college we need to be as economical as possible. We are strong subscribers to your call guy Chris Carter's "wait until it's broke to fix it" policy. We are having a problem on three of our cars that we think has been caused by the same thing, daughter number three. The rear defrosters do not work any longer. This has been caused by the wire being knocked off somehow on all three of the cars while she was using them. We've passed them down the line as someone new has started to drive. The wires are knocked off where the tab attaches to the glass on both ends. We have tried glue but it won't stick well and the defrosters don't work that way. Can you give us some advice short of replacing the glass?

Doug in Chicago

Dear Doug,

We can help. There is a product available at most parts stores to glue the tab back on the glass. It is conductive glass glue that is a permanent fix if you follow the directions well. Regular glue will not hold and can get very hot due to the poor connection.

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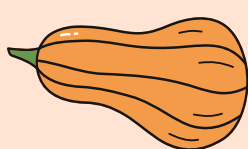
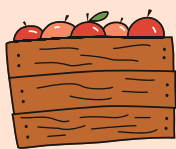
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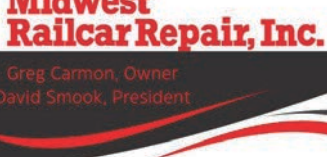
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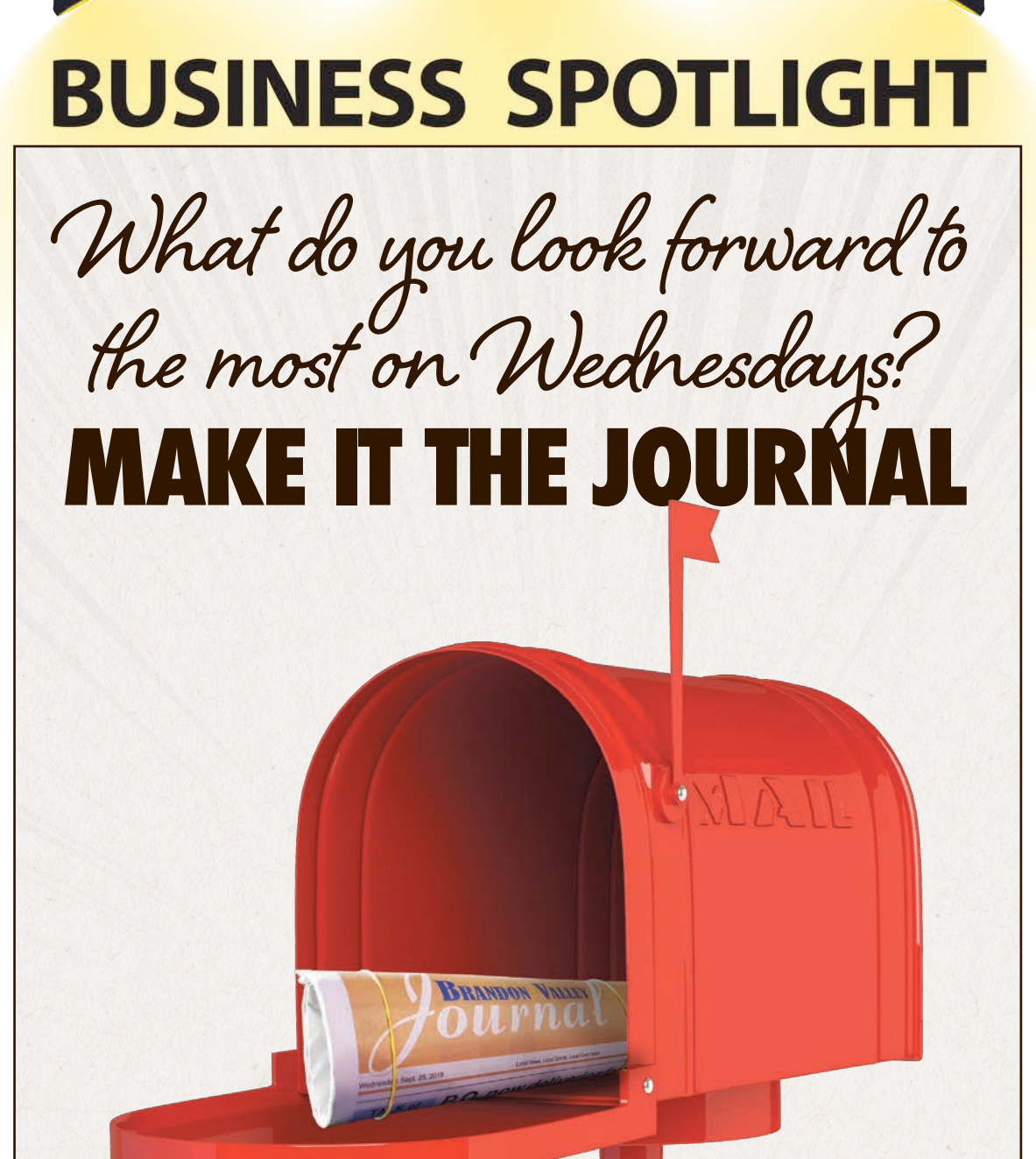
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- A \$50 certificate will be paid to one winner with all the correct picks. In case of a tie, the tie-breaker will determine the winner by the flip of a coin.
- Decisions of the judges will be final and all entries become the property of the Brandon Valley Trader/Journal.
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Safe charging means making smart choices every time you plug in. Everyday charging habits can help prevent lithium-ion battery fires.

The way you charge your lithium-ion battery devices can make a difference in helping prevent home fires.

It comes down to using simple habits each time you plug in.

USE THE CORD AND CHARGER THAT CAME WITH YOUR DEVICE OR ONE APPROVED BY THE MANUFACTURER. Using the wrong charger can damage the battery and increase the risk of fire.

CHARGE DEVICES ON A TABLE, DESK, OR OTHER HARD, FLAT SURFACE. Do not charge them on beds, couches, or under pillows. Devices and chargers produce heat during normal charging. Soft surfaces can trap heat and block airflow, which can cause the battery to overheat.

STOP USING YOUR DEVICE IF IT FEELS VERY HOT, STARTS TO SWELL, IS SMOKING, OR HAS A STRANGE SMELL. These are warning signs that the battery may be damaged or failing.

UNPLUG YOUR DEVICE WHEN IT IS FULLY CHARGED. Do not leave it plugged in longer than needed. Leaving a device plugged in too long can increase heat and stress on the battery.

CHARGE LARGER ITEMS LIKE E-BIKES, SCOOTERS, AND POWER TOOLS OUTSIDE AND AWAY FROM EXITS. These batteries are larger and store more energy. If they fail, fires can grow quickly and spread.

WHEN ON A PLANE, KEEP YOUR DEVICE WHERE YOU CAN SEE IT WHILE CHARGING. Do not charge devices in overhead compartments. Do not charge e-cigarettes or vapes on a plane. If a battery overheats or fails, it is important for the flight crew to respond quickly.



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