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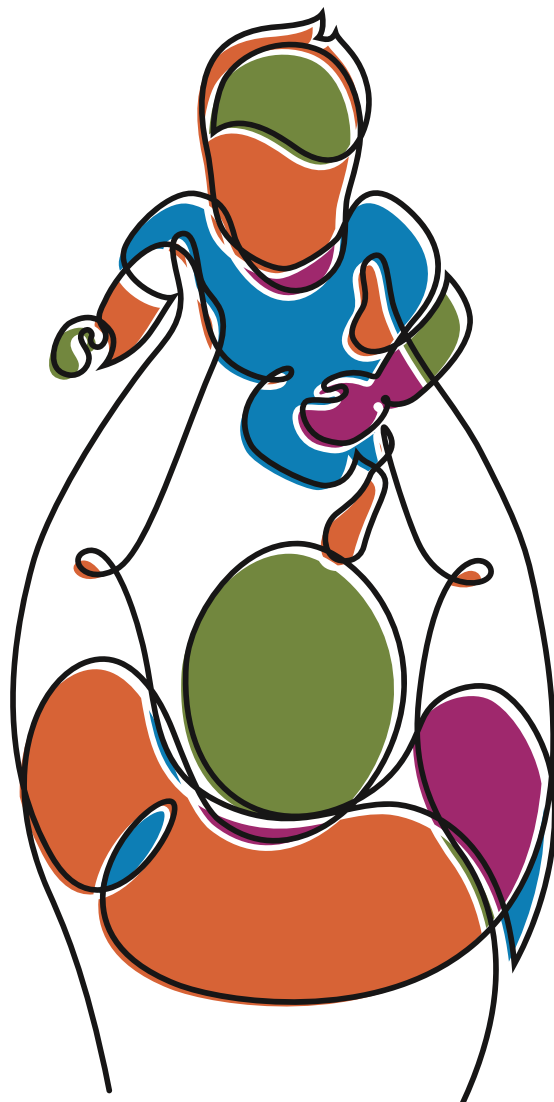
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Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry

Current needs at the Brandon Food Pantry are packets of instant mashed potatoes, cookies, pancake mix and syrup, cranberries, fried onions, laundry detergent (smaller bottles) and body wash.

To make appointments for 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 conduct food drives to contact the Pantry prior to dropping off donations.

Used eye glasses and hearing aids for the Brandon Lions Club may also be dropped off at the BAFP.

Holidazzle on tap for Dec. 2

Brandon Valley cheer and dance team boosters will host the 18th annual Holidazzle on Saturday, Dec. 2 at BV High School. Doors open at 6 a.m. and performances begin at 7 a.m.

Holidazzle is the largest competition for cheerleading and dance teams in the area.
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Dear Motor Medics,

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Thank you, Darlene in McCook Nebraska

Dear Darlene,

When you want to get the best resale value at the time of sale you should start at the time of purchase. Along the way keep all records of anything done to the car to show the care you have given it. A well cared for vehicle will bring more than a neglected one. Follow the severe service maintenance recommendations in the owner's manual and when things break, have them fixed. If you have done none of these things or just a few you can still get good value for your car. A clean car will usually bring more money faster than a dirty one and often people buy on impulse because of looks alone. A complete professional detail is usually in the \$200 range. Once it's clean and ready to sell, set your price. Selling it privately will usually bring in the most money. To get a good estimate of what you should ask, check the local papers and car lots for similar mileage and condition vehicles. This will give you a real world estimate for the location you are in as prices can vary between markets.

Take care, the Motor Medics

Dear Motor Medics,

How often should I replace the shocks and struts on my vehicles? Is there a time or mileage limit to follow and is that a rule or can they be checked? My current 5-year-old minivan has never had them replaced, has 110,000 miles, and I plan on keeping it another 3 years or so.

Thank you, Scott in Fort Morgan Colorado

Dear Scott,

Shocks and struts play a vital role in the ride comfort and safety of your vehicle keeping your tires in contact with the road and smoothing the ride. When they start to fail you may feel more bounce in the suspension or even feel the chassis bottom out over hard bumps. Usually before you feel the bounce braking distance and handling will be decreased. As they age the compressed gas/oil mixture that is used internally will begin to leak, first the gas which goes unseen and next the oil which can usually be detected leaking down the body of the units. Any sign of leakage or excessive bounce indicates that it is time for replacement. Mileage wise at about 50,000 miles or so they will start to lose performance. If you were to drive a vehicle with new units then drive yours, you would probably see a noticeable difference. This difference can mean shorter stopping times, better handling, and a smoother ride. For your vehicle with 110,000 miles and five years it is time for replacement.

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Coming in tomorrow's

BRANDON VALLEY
Journal



Brandon Valley Hockey Association broke ground last week on their forthcoming indoor rink and facilities. The *Journal* takes you to the ribbon

cutting and takes a look back at their journey to this exciting milestone for the Association.

Brandon Valley Superintendent Dr. Jarod Larson delivered his "State of the School District Address" at Monday's board meeting, and we've got the details from the presentation.

Although the rules aren't changing, reporter Isabella Savage's story on recycling will serve as a good reminder on the do's and don'ts.

Brandon Valley Fitness Center has set up shop in a new location, which allows them to expand their yoga programming. And, a

Brandon man has opened the doors to a home-based bicycle repair shop.

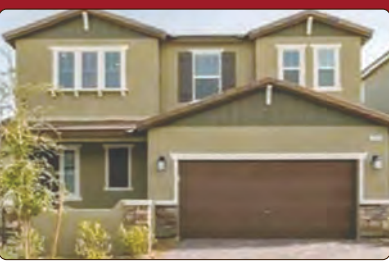
There's also a family connection in the Augustana Vikings football program and writer Tom A. Savage brings you that story.

There's a report on Shop Small Saturday in Brandon and plenty of photos from the Holiday Lights Parade.

And there's a whole lot more news, sports and features. So, if you find yourself asking, "I wonder what's going on ..." it's time to subscribe to the

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Brandon Area Briefs

dance program athletes. The day will feature All-Star Prep and All-Star Elite cheerleading and dance performances by teams, ensembles and soloists in Tiny Mini, Youth, Junior and Senior divisions.

MCAP to stage December show

The Mighty Corson Art Players will present Pat Cook's "Those Crazy Ladies in the House on the Corner" at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 15 and 16 and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 16 and 17 at the Corson Playhouse.

The play is the story of three geriatric sisters who are patients and all they want to do is sit at home and talk to one another – all at the same time. The hard part is convincing

the sisters they need a roomer. Doc Lomax has a new nurse – with a secret – that needs a place to live.

In no time, however, Nurse Jean has them planning parties, pulling Halloween pranks and wearing jogging suits while they race each other to the corner. But when the nephew shows up with a plan to sell the family house, complication arises, especially with Christmas just around the corner.

This heartwarming piece is loaded with wisecracks and one-liners that is sure to keep the laughter flowing.

For tickets, visit mightycorson.com.

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AWANA Club meets Wednesdays

AWANA meets each Wednesday at 6 p.m. at Brandon Valley Baptist Church, 400 N. Splitrock Blvd. AWANA is a weekly, non-denominational Christian club for children from 3-years-old through eighth grade. It is free to join and scholarships are available to cover the cost of books and uniforms. A free meal is served at 6 p.m., followed by AWANA at 6:30 p.m.

Free adult kickboxing classes offered

Circuit Fitness, 1124 E. Holly Blvd., is offering free kickboxing classes for adults every Saturday. Classes are 8-8:45 a.m. and participants are encouraged to bring water. To learn more, email [\[circuitSD.com\]\(http://circuitSD.com\).](mailto:info@</p></div><div data-bbox=)

Clear snow from fire hydrants

The Brandon and Valley Springs volunteer fire departments remind residents to help clear snow from fire hydrants near their home. Remove any snow and ice within a three-foot perimeter of the hydrant and clear a path from the hydrant to the street.

Monthly meetings at the Brandon VFW

Four military service-related organizations – Three Rivers VFW Post 4726, the VFW Auxiliary, the American Legion Post 318 and its Auxiliary Unit – all meet at the Brandon VFW, 321 S. Main St.

Brandon American Legion meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month. The

VFW Auxiliary meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. The VFW Post meetings start at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month, and the Legion Auxiliary meets the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.

Remember to shop deals on Second Saturdays

Shop local and get rewarded on Second Saturdays in Brandon. Organized by the Brandon Valley Area chamber of Commerce, this monthly event is another great reason to #BuyBrandon. For Second Saturday deals, visit brandon-valleychamber.com/second-saturdays.

City government and school board meetings

The Brandon City Council

conducts two meetings each month in the Commission Chambers at City Hall on Main Avenue, beginning at 6 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month. They also meet at 4 p.m. the Thursday prior to the Monday meeting for their briefing meeting.

The Valley Springs City Commission meets at 6 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the Valley Springs Legion Hall.

The Brandon Valley Board of Education meets the second and fourth Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the BV High School Community Room. The Board only meets once in July and December.

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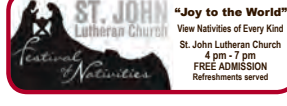
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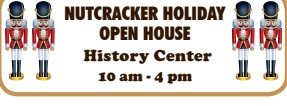
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NUTCRACKER HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2



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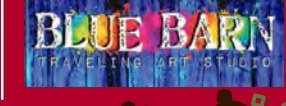
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History Center
10 am - 4 pm



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9. Tet observer

14. Orbital point

15. Albacore, e.g.

16. Tricky pool shot

17. Eddie Cochran hit (1958)

20. Person singing "Boola Boola" perhaps

21. What's what in Spain

22. Provides immunity

23. Butterhead, e.g.

25. Old hand

26. Dresser wood, perhaps

27. Presidential nickname

29. Collars

33. Place to park it at a pub?

36. Chairlift kin

37. It's a logical beginning

38. Cop show, once

42. I for Claudius

43. Ostentatious display of elegance

44. Classic name in insurance

45. Remuneration

47. Mornings, for short

48. Lifting device?

49. Dallas hoopster, briefly

51. Certain health spa, slangily

55. Thought the world of

59. Simile words

60. Average grade

61. Savvis Center team

64. Certain Japanese-American

65. With XY chromosomes

66. Bothers

67. Phillies slugger Jim

68. Once, once

69. Word with chair or street
- Down
1. Photographer Adams

2. Electrical energy unit

3. Let in

4. Dreamer's acronym

5. Sounded, as an hour

6. Private student

7. What Vanna may turn over

8. Far from shocking

9. Traffic signal color

10. Sockeye, e.g.

11. "The jig ____!"

12. "I'd hate to break up ____"

13. Well-known loch

18. Peers

19. Type of witness

24. Implement

27. Emulates a fence?

28. Folksinger Joan

30. Touch on

31. "Tres ____"

32. Former home run champ Sammy

33. Demonstrate

34. Ike's ex

35. Designer Cassini

36. Barbershop request

39. Globetrot

40. It may be picked up at a tavern

41. Thumb (through)

46. "8 Mile" rapper

48. Long-eared hound

50. Bandleader Shaw

51. Falls short

52. Legend in automobiles

53. Is offensive, in a way

54. Unkempt

55. "____ was in the beginning ..."

56. Short race

57. Soy-based soup

58. Igloo, essentially

62. Egypt and Syria, once (Abbr.)

63. Tell it like it isn't

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