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The next scheduled planning meeting for Brandon's annual Loyalty Day Parade are set for 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 26. Meetings are held at the Brandon VFW.

Toddler, Preschool Storytime sumes at **Brandon Library**

Toddler Storytime Preschool Storytime have returned to the Brandon Community Library. Toddler Storytime is held from 10-10:25 a.m. Tuesdays now through May 4. This program is for 2-year-olds and their caregiver.

Preschool Storytime is held from 10-10:30 a.m. Wednesdays now through May 10. This program is for ages 3-5. To learn more, call the Brandon Community Library at

605-582-2390. **Brandon Food Pantry** fundraiser is Friday

The Brandon Area Food Pantry's Fundraiser Dinner returns on Friday, April 28 at the Brandon Golf Course. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7.

To learn more, contact BFP executive director Linda Weber at (605) 582-7001.

April needs at the Brandon **Food Pantry**

This month's needs at the Brandon Food Pantry are cookies, small jars of peanut butter, jelly, jam, Suddenly Salads, brownie and cake mixes, small bags of flour, shampoo and Kleenex.

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 tact 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.

BLC hosts May 1 blood drive

Brandon Lutheran Church, 600 Holly Blvd., will host a blood drive from noon-6 p.m. Monday, May 1. To schedule an appointment to donate, visit redcrossblood.org.

BLC Food Truck Night is May 3

Brandon Lutheran Church will host its Kick Off To Summer Food Truck Extravaganza Food Truck Night from 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 3.

May 6 is Valley Springs city-wide clean-up day

This year's city-wide cleanup day in Valley Springs is set for Saturday, May 6. From 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Valley Springs residents may bring items to the City Maintenance Building, 308 Broadway Ave. Items that will not be accepted are tires, chemicals, hazardous wastes, garbage, yard waste, oil products, pesticides, electronics, batteries, paint products, concrete and mattresses.

To learn more, call City Hall at (605) 757-6555.

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.

Al-Anon meetings **Brandon**

Al-Anon meets from 7:30-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Brandon Lutheran Church, 600 E. Holly Blvd.

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Coming in tomorrow's Brandon Valley OULPMOLE

Brandon Valley Hockey Association doled out thousands of dollars to its very first winner of Chase the Ace! Find out who had the luck of the draw!

Now that the snowbanks have disappeared from local landscape, we've taken a look at the cost of winter's wrath.

Triple Z Angus went before Minnehaha County's Planning & Commission Zoning Monday evening, and Journal staff writer Tom A. Savage was there to report on the fate of their request to bump up from a Class D operation to a Class C operation.

Brandon's Planning & Zoning Commission also heard from the public on two controversial agenda items. Learn more about last week's meeting and the P&Z's action on the issues.

organization at An Brandon Valley High School is celebrating their cause this week. Find out what led to the start-up of Hope Squad

and what they're trying to accomplish.

Friday night dedicated to the BVHS Buddies, Best who stepped into the spotlight of their very own prom. Check out this special night, as Journal editor Jill Meier was there to capture the event in photos.

The weather has played havoc with the spring sports season, but some of the Lynx teams did get a game or match in last week. Learn more about which teams were in action and how they fared in their yet young spring seasons.

Racing fans learn more about Mark Dobmeier's recovery from his firey experience on the track.

And as always, there's a whole lot more. So, if you find yourself asking, "I wonder what's going on ...?" It's time to subscribe to the Brandon Valley Journal! Give us a call at 605-582-9999 to subscribe today so you, too, can be in the know.



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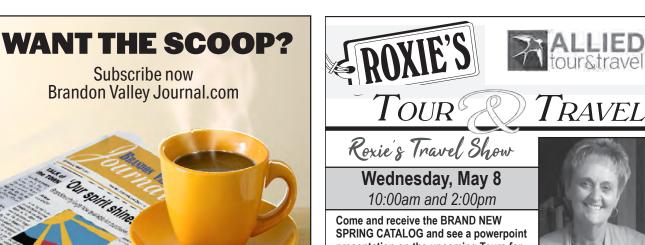
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Bernard in Enid Oklahoma

Dear Bernard,

We make plenty repairs to the 4-wheel drive systems on these trucks. there is a common problem that starts with a grinding then ends up with a failure. The system uses vacuum to engage and disengage a locking mechanism on the front hubs. When in the 2-wheel drive, the vacuum is applied and the hubs release. The system uses a small vacuum hose to do this that is activated electrically. That hose has a common fault which causes it to be rubbed through and when it does the system is only half engaged. This is like trying to put a transmission into gear without using the clutch. Eventually the gear grinding eats the teeth off the hubs. To repair it the hubs and the actuators need to be replaced and the vacuum line needs to be repaired and protected to prevent future issues. This is just one possible cause of trouble.

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Dear Motor Medics,

Dear Mark.

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I've had an ongoing issue with my 2008 Chevrolet Impala. The check engine light has been coming on and I've had it scanned several times and I got a code which says I have a failed thermostat. So here is the problem. I replaced the thermostat myself then had my local auto parts store who read the code clear it and now less than a week later the light is back on with the same code. I have good heat and the temp gauge reads in the normal range. Have you ever seen this before?

Mark in Manhattan Kansas

We have seen this, and one possibility is that the thermostat has failed a second time either due to a faulty part or there is

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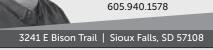
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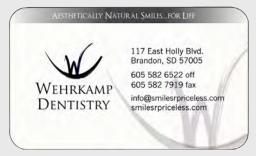














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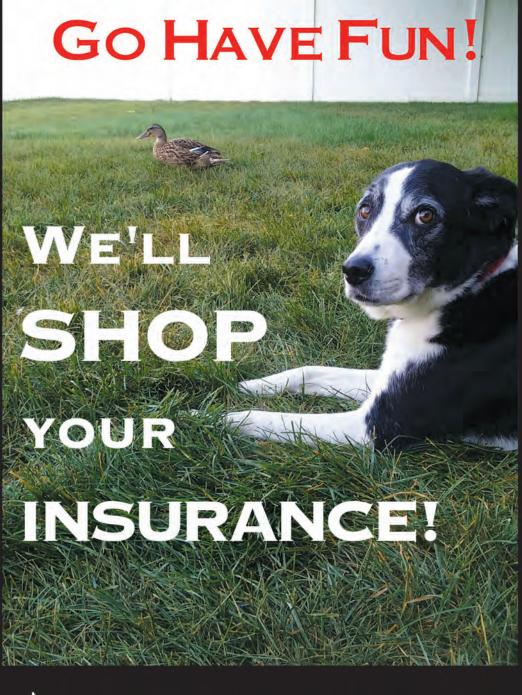
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