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■ Bob On Bingo

Bingo is a Great Christmas Present

I am worried that in some areas Bingo is dying. In many ways, that is why it is no longer fun. Going to some Bingo halls is like going to a funeral. I still don't know what the answer is. As I mentioned some time ago, the people who manage and work at large Bingo parlors are often hamstrung by rules and regulations that make it tough to have fun anymore.

An increasing number of halls now have fully automatic machines that pick a ball, bring it up, put it on camera and display the number on the tote board. The poor caller is limited to simply stating what the number is. I wonder if there are any places where the caller is a synthetic voice?

A lot of us will be going home for the holidays; others of us will have company come to visit. I have a suggestion. When the company comes in from out of town, take them to Bingo. And, if you are going out of town, find out on the Internet if there is Bingo in the city you are visiting. While you are there, take your hosts to Bingo in their own city.

It is our duty, as lovers of Bingo, to make sure that Bingo survives. In large halls where Bingo is as dull as a library, the point of no return may have been passed. When the game gets boring, fewer and fewer go; some large halls are closing down.

But, in many cities, Bingo is still surviving. However, it could die there. It is our job to make sure that Bingo—from Roswell, New Mexico, to Washington, Indiana and Key West, Florida—survives.

Remember my old saying: “You don't play Bingo to win. You play Bingo to have fun...to be able to be among friends, to yell at them and call them names and joke about the game.” Yes, Bingo has come a long way since it was called BEANO and was played in carnivals, first in Europe, then in the US.



Remember, it was only in the 1930s that Bingo, as we know it today, was first organized.

So, Bingo IS our Christmas present. It is a present that lasts all year. Make yourself a resolution that you are going to play more often and take friends along. Remember, it only takes one card to win. But, if we don't all decide to support our favorite game, it might not be around much longer in some areas.

Merry Christmas. Travel safely. And, for heaven's sake, play more Bingo!

Gaming News

U.S.A. According to a new report, American Indian Tribes took in about \$31-billion at their facilities in the latest counting year. That is an uptick of nearly four percent. One economist noted that, “while we saw slightly slower growth year over year for Indian gaming on a nationwide basis, it outpaced other casino gaming segments as well as the economy. Both are good signs.” To top it off, revenues from other areas of casino complexes—lodging, food, entertainment—saw very healthy gains.

New York. The Rivers Casino in Schenectady (about two-and-a-half hours north of New York City) has celebrated the \$50-million mark in jackpot payouts. The facility only opened its doors in February of last year. A press release notes that the \$50-million mark is a real milestone. The payout that pushed the total over that mark was a \$1,510 jackpot paid to a visitor from Vermont.

Macau. A large Asian development firm, listed with a Hong Kong address, has filed an agreement with Golden Sun Sky Entertainment in connection with a planned project in the coastal city of Sihanoukville. Media are reporting that the plans call for a nearly 6-million square foot gaming complex with a 1.3-million square foot casino. The complex could open in 16 months.

Tech News. One of the most popular video games produced in China has facial recognition software built in that some say may ease many of the concerns about young people having access to gambling. The so-called mobile app (application) is being introduced in gaming units for in-home situations. Many are watching the success of the experiment because of the expansion of off-casino gaming.

The U.K. A member of the British Royal Family who is famous for his ability to talk to young people has told a group of students that he is worried about possible addiction to video games. His statements came during a visit to a school in Sussex. At one point, the prince spoke to two young boys, telling them to be careful what videos they watched and to not get hooked on the ones that smacked of gambling.





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Bingo News

Bingo on the Ballot

When polls opened November 6 for nationwide voting, it wasn't just political representatives that were being determined. Some regions also had amendments on their ballots to change a whole range of local laws. Among them was Calhoun County, Alabama, which included an amendment making it illegal for Bingo halls to operate within 1,000 feet of a residential area. At press time, voting results were still being determined.

Starbucks Bingo

The Starbucks coffee company and coffeehouse chain introduced a special game for its Starbucks Rewards members in the form of an online Bingo game competition called Bonus Star Bingo. Through the game, players earn stars whenever they fill in spaces on virtual Bingo boards. Players fill spaces by visiting Starbucks outlets and completing challenges. Winners earn free food and drinks after accumulating enough stars.

Vote to Promote Bingo

Bingo was also on the ballot in Missouri, where a Constitutional Amendment was proposed to "remove language limiting Bingo game advertising that a court ruled unenforceable; and allow a member of a licensed organization conducting Bingo games to participate in the management of Bingo games after being a member of the organization for six months instead of the current two years." The goal of this pro-Bingo amendment was to give Bingo operations more freedom to advertise their games in more outlets and to make it easier for Bingo organizations to share management of operations with newer members.

Holiday Train in Minnesota

All aboard! The Canadian Pacific Holiday Train will stop in more than two-dozen Minnesota towns on its annual ride through the northern U.S., bringing live entertainment and Christmas cheer in exchange for donations to local food banks. The train will be in Minnesota from Dec. 5-14.

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By Guy Williams

Loud and Proud

Hi Guy,

I need to complain. If the rules say that you won't get paid if you don't yell loud enough to be heard, then you shouldn't be paid.

This player couldn't be heard on a Bingo and others yelled Bingo for her. The announcer had said at the start of the game that we should yell loudly and not act like a church mouse when we Bingo. Rules are rules. Either follow them or don't make announcements like that before the game. We all need to hear them yell it, not just the caller or the people sitting right next to her.

We continued to play on, then they stopped the game and paid the church mouse. We were not happy. It's plain and simple. Follow the rules that you say before the start of the game.

What do you think? — **Not a Church Mouse in Indianapolis**

Hi Not a Church Mouse,

I'm with you 100 percent on this one. Few things bug me more than being in a Bingo hall that claims to have rules and either doesn't enforce them or enforces them intermittently, making it seem like the rules only apply to some.

Your story is particularly interesting because you say the caller stated this rule at the start of the game. It's not like it was a policy printed on a sheet of paper and pasted to the wall in some obscure spot. If that was the case, the church mouse could have claimed that she was unaware of the rule. But as a public announcement made minutes before the infraction? I see no excuse.

I'm curious why players just went along with it. Didn't anyone object or call for the manager to voice a complaint? If not, then the caller may have assumed no one minded and did what he decided was the right thing to do.

To me it's like someone jaywalking and almost causing a car accident while a police officer looks on. If the officer does nothing, then there is no ticket issued and no crime. But if someone points it out to the officer and says it was illegal and dangerous, it's likely the officer will enforce the law and punish the jaywalker. — **Guy**

Hi Guy,

No joke...we had a woman show up to Bingo who brought a ferret with her. She was told that animals weren't permitted in the hall, and she said it was an emotional care pet and she had a letter from a doctor that said it was a requirement for her health.

The hall staff debated for a few minutes and finally said it was OK but that if the animal was disruptive she would have to leave. She agreed, the animal stayed in her lap all night (it was on a leash and there was also a carrier box) and there weren't any problems.

We actually found the whole thing pretty entertaining. — **Mike G., California**

Hi Mike,

The actual term is Emotional Support Animals (ESAs) which make the news mostly when a person shows up at an airport with an unusual animal like a bird, pig or some-such.

People who qualify for ESAs have verifiable psychological disabilities that substantially interfere with major life activities such as anxiety, depression or panic attacks. They are protected by U.S. disability law so long as they can provide documentation of the disability and need for the ESA.

My understanding, however, is that ESAs must be a "usual" animal type, like a dog or cat, at

least for exemptions like housing and transportation regulations, and would not include animals like reptiles and rodents.

It was certainly kind, though may not necessarily have been legally required, for hall staff to permit the ferret in. But it does sound like no one objected, and certainly gave players an interesting story to tell. — **Guy**

Hey guys! (And gals!) Write to: Guy's Turn c/o The Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, WA 98070, or email Guy directly at Tonder22@aol.com. Be sure to include your name and address (you may request that your name not be published), as typically Guy will not include anonymous letters in his columns.



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10th Hanukkah Ends

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22nd Full Moon ☽

24th Christmas Eve

25th Christmas Day

29th Last Quarter Moon ☾

31st New Year's Eve

Dear Dream Catcher

San Jose Cinderella

Dear Dream Catcher,

Recently I had a dream where I was a Cinderella-like character, although I've got to say there was no glamorous side to my dream, like the real Cinderella story. I mean, all I was doing was taking care of the flooring in a home while my siblings went about having fun and celebrating different events. I was busy washing the floor, vacuuming the rugs and cleaning the stairs that went up to a second floor of a house (not any home I recognized). Where was my fairy godmother in the dream? — **Terry B., San Jose, Ca.**

Dear Terry

Dreams that mirror popular fairytales or myths, but leave out the key elements that we are familiar with (like the arrival of a fairy godmother) usually mean that our unconscious wants us to focus on what the first half of the story emphasizes. In your dream that would have to do with not being recognized for the royalty or uniqueness that is your potential (which the fairy godmother in Cinderella reveals after the magical transformation). The important clue to your dream is the set of stairs that your character is cleaning. That the stairs are ascending indicates that after doing some unglamorous grunt work in your day-to-day

life, you're also preparing to rise up (move up the stairs) to a new set of opportunities. Most likely those revelations have to do with self-worth and returning to what it is you value most in life. First comes the preparatory work (facing how you might be holding yourself back in some way), then comes the celebration after the revelation—don't be late. — **Dream Catcher**

Dear Dream Catcher

This dream stayed with me for a solid week after I had it, and I hope you can shed some light on it. In the dream I am in my kitchen preparing some vegetables for a stew (I've never made a stew in my life, so that was unusual right away). In the middle of cutting up the carrots and the potatoes, my hand suddenly jumps up and begins to slice my index finger off of my hand. Instead of becoming alarmed my hand continues to cut off the other fingers on my hand. Finally I put all of my fingers in the cooking pot, along with the vegetables, and turn up the fire on my stove. Then I woke up. It was really awful. — **Sandy L., Charleston, SC**

Dear Sandy

As I've mentioned many times in this column, what are scary or gruesome scenarios to our everyday mind, are simply key images that our unconscious employs to tell a certain kind of story while we are dreaming during our sleep. Dreams that involve a person being cut up

or cooked are, surprisingly common, so don't feel like you are alone with your narrative. There are several clues in your dream that are important. The first one is that you are making a stew and the second is the use of a knife. Cutting implements in dreams indicate a certain kind of preciseness is ready to show up in the dreamer's life. We cut things away when we are done with them—releasing us from old bonds and situations. So a new situation is on the horizon as you leave an old one behind.

The stew indicates your desire to bring more variety into your life. Because stews combine many different ingredients, the dream is saying, "Enough of the same ole same ole, get out there and mix things up." That you cut up your own hand and put that into the stew personalizes the dream in a very strong way. The dream is getting very specific about bringing five new experiences into your life that will nourish you. (Five fingers and, again, the stew—as food and sustenance). Try to think of the dream in this way and not as if it were something from a horror film. I hope these suggestions have offered you a helping hand (sorry, I couldn't resist) in understanding your dream. — **Dream Catcher**

Send your dreams to The Dream Catcher to frederick.woodruff@outlook.com. Not all dreams are published.



by Frederick Woodruff
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Horoscopes for December 2018

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): I want to share a hot tip with you, and it's going to make things so much easier for you this month as Uranus moves back into your sign: Humor is the way forward for you in 2019. Consider these words from Ben Franklin: "Laughter is the shortest distance between two people." Ride light in the saddle and you'll go far toward your goals!
Lucky Days: 5 - 12
Lucky Numbers: 6 - 29

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21): Enough is enough; time to cut away the unnecessary and the weighty. You've tracked closely what's annoyed or held you back throughout the year, and the new moon on the 6th is a good time to jettison the garbage. You'll be surprised how quickly new opportunities arrive once you let go of negative attitudes (and people). Celebrate your new freedom.
Lucky Days: 5 - 13
Lucky Numbers: 34 - 55

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21): Mars in your career house is generating a heavy dose of glamour in your life. It's like you're being showered with glitter, and all of your sparkling is going to catch the eye of some new admirers. Use this magic to your advantage, especially during the new moon, on the 6th, when your house of relationship gets turned on full blast. Let your love light shine!
Lucky Days: 1 - 3
Lucky Numbers: 17 - 58

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22): We don't usually associate the holidays with frugality but you'll need to exercise restraint as the year closes down. See what sort of budgeting can occur between you and your mate or business partner. Saturn is making sure that all of your relationships remain pragmatic and clearheaded. Define clearly who owes or is responsible for what, and that will go far in improving your finances.
Lucky Days: 23 - 25
Lucky Numbers: 3 - 34

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): You're receiving direct transmissions from cupid this month. As the new moon on the 6th lights up your house of romance, see if you can relinquish your preference for control to allow your heart to carry you into a new adventure. This is the month when the lion joins everyone else at the jungle's watering hole, to mingle and maybe mate!

Lucky Days: 12 - 30
Lucky Numbers: 3 - 9

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): Your quick intellect and snappy sense of humor act like a magnet. And you're feeling particularly rambunctious as Venus illuminates your mind with some wild notions about the future this month. A classic warning though: Be careful what you wish for. Not only will you receive it, chances are it will turn your life upside down.
Lucky Days: 5 - 10
Lucky Numbers: 9 - 43

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): December finds you in a less than harmonious state of mind with finances going in and out of the black. Your love of luxury and beauty can put a dent in your checkbook, so finding ways to indulge yourself without over indulging is going to be your mission in the upcoming year. A financial planner can help show you the way.
Lucky Days: 6 - 14
Lucky Numbers: 44- 46

SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22): How to remain calm during this hectic time of year, especially with your highly intuitive nature picking up on everyone's vibes and moods? It's all about your relationships. Find people who compliment your quite, peaceful, mystical side. The new moon on the 6th can bring you a surprise in the financial department.
Lucky Days: 23 - 26
Lucky Numbers: 2 - 24

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC 21): Think about these words of wisdom from Mark Twain: "Everyone is a moon and has a dark side which he never shows to anybody." The new moon on the 6th shows you sides of yourself that are both revealing and shocking. But take heart, the more

you understand all of the facets to your life, the more sparkle you shine into the world. Don't be afraid of the dark.
Lucky Days: 22 - 30
Lucky Numbers: 5 - 50

CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN 20): To achieve the peace and security you crave, you'll need to need to apply your wisdom to a niggling family issue. Don't put it off. The new moon on the 6th, in your house of secrets, means a particularly powerful revelation is about to occur. Don't back down from what you sense to be true and best for all family members concerned.
Lucky Days: 17 - 29
Lucky Numbers: 43 - 48

AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19): The fiery planet Mars continues to highlight your money house all month. Finances could feel like they are on Mr. Toad's Wild Ride. Your mission is to find the middle point in the dance between credits and debits and then align with whatever sort of budget is going to impart harmony. Guidance or assistance arrives on the 6th during the new moon.
Lucky Days: 6 - 14
Lucky Numbers: 21 - 51

PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20): High-powered energy continues with Mars in your house of 'you.' This force finds you pushing forward, while shoving deadbeats off of your path. 2019 is all about career and this month plants some creative seeds regarding vocation. If you believe in wishes, make them during the new moon on the 6th. Very little will be denied you, but your fairy godmother needs to know your wish list.
Lucky Days: 8 - 25
Lucky Numbers: 34 - 57



Vacations For Vets

If you hope to take a vacation during the holiday season, the time to nail down the details is now. Slots fill up fast. You'll need hotel and plane or train reservations, unless you plan to drive.

If you search online, you'll find quite a few websites and companies that cater to veterans and their families. Sometimes it involves a much-reduced hotel rate or discounts to activities.

The best place to start, however, is with Veterans Holidays.

Veterans Holidays (www.veteransholidays.com) has picked out holiday vacation rental dates around Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and into next year. It has weeklong stays starting at \$349 and listings at more than 200,000 locations

around the world. All it takes to get started is to sign up with a free membership. Click on a date, destination and other filters such as rating, unit type and options. This is a great site with loads of photos and information on activities in the area, as well as directions from local airports.

If your budget is higher, Samoa, Argentina, Australia, Italy, Cyprus, Mexico and more are available, all with veteran discounts.

Each site comes with TripAdvisor ratings with reviews by others who have vacationed there, along with amenities and activities. Should your selection not be available when you want to go, alternate choices are at the bottom of the page. It also has last minute and Space-A vacations.

High Demand vacations are just that, and come with a higher price, but they're still discounted for veterans. The available dates might not be specifically at Thanksgiving and Christmas, but trips to Florida, Texas, and Williamsburg, Virginia can be enjoyable anytime, especially if you want warmer weather for the golf, tennis and hiking.

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a family that has been for generations. Dinner table conversations—especially during the holidays when family members came from far and wide to be together—were particularly lively when it came to the political issues of the day. It could get quite loud, but it was never nasty; everybody had a chance to state their beliefs and challenge one another on those beliefs. I doubted any minds were ever changed, but at least people listened, and I'm confident we were better citizens for it.

This current atmosphere of anger and intolerance really troubles me, especially because it has all gotten so divisive and public. Now it's even snuck into our Bingo halls.

Just tonight there was a big row at the start of Bingo after a woman who apparently complained to a Bingo buddy about some politician she hoped would be voted out, was overheard by another player at another table. That player basically called the woman ignorant and said she should keep quiet. The first woman got angry and replied with a few colorful words of her own. From that, the argument escalated until the two were standing facing each other and screaming insults. In the middle of a Bingo hall! On a Sunday!!

This went on for several minutes until the two were interrupted by the caller who told them to stop at once or they'd be thrown out. It worked, but the tension in the hall lingered for the rest of the afternoon.

And this was not an isolated occurrence. Just days earlier I was at a different Bingo when two "players" had words over some social issue that had both shouting and one pounding his open hand on the table. My friend turned to me and said, "Do you believe that? I saw almost the exact same thing happen the other day at a restaurant. It's a little scary."

You would like to think that Bingo is a place to go to have fun and get away from all the upsets of the day. Now it's getting to be another place where angry people yell at each other. Isn't there anyplace left where folks will keep their opinions to themselves? — **Barbara M., via email**

Dear Barbara:

No one needs me to tell them that political discourse has turned toxic—across the political spectrum. Rage seems to be the great motivator these days, and we have only ourselves to blame by following along blindly while the people in charge point fingers and tell us whom to hate.

These feuds have gotten incredibly public, with people screaming at each other on sidewalks, in restaurants, at traffic stops and, as you point out, even in Bingo halls. I'm just waiting for the first fistfight to break out at Sunday services. It's only a matter of time.

In the meantime, I think Bingo hall managers need to update their hall policies, stating, "There Shall Be No Political Debates on

the Premises." Once a few of these people are evicted, you can be sure there will be a marked change in behavior. — **Aunt Bingo**

Share your views! Write to Aunt Bingo c/o the Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, WA 98070, or email her at STENGL456@aol.com. Be sure to include your name and address (you can request that your name not be published).

Toxic Politics Poison Bingo

Dear Aunt Bingo:

Like most Americans, I understand that politics right now is very "divisive" (a word I had never heard until our most recent presidential election, and one that I think I hear every day now.)

In some ways I think it is a good thing because it is making people, including myself, really think about what they want this country to be and what kind of national leaders they feel should be representing us. But there has been a real down side to how angry so many people seem to be when it comes to politics and political opinion.

Although I am not particularly politically active, I come from



BINGO BUGLE MONTHLY CONTEST

The Bingo Bugle Monthly Sweepstakes!

WIN UP TO \$100 CASH

— Only one entry per bingo location per month —

Please fill out this entry form **COMPLETELY** and deposit at your local Bingo hall:

Name _____, Date _____

Phone Number (____) _____

Address _____

City _____, State _____, Zip _____

At what Bingo hall did you deposit the entry form: _____

The Bingo Bugle Sweepstakes drawings are open to everyone. You may submit a facsimile of this form if none are available to you. Random drawings are held each month. Odds of winning are determined by the total number of entries received. Please — only one entry per person, per bingo location, per month. Winners will be published in the Bingo Bugle.

All contest entries must be deposited in Bingo Bugle advertiser halls (eligible halls are listed in the advertiser listing on page 3).

Entries are limited to one entry per person, per bingo location, per month. (Example: If you visit 10 different bingo locations in one month and deposit your entry at each location, you can win up to \$100! If you visit one bingo hall per month, you can win up to \$25.) All entries must be filled out completely and include the name of the bingo location you visited. Entries that are not filled out properly, or that we cannot read due to illegible handwriting, or are considered a duplicate will be disqualified. We look forward to your entry(s) every month and appreciate your continued readership. Good Luck!

Winners of the monthly contest will be announced each month in the Bingo Bugle. We mail checks after the 20th of each month.

If you have not received payment after six weeks, please contact us at (651) 600-9019.

December Winners

- Jim Eddy.....\$25**, Little Canada Market Place Bingo
- Deloris Miller\$25**, Buffalo AL#270 Bingo
- Margaret Goodson...\$25**, Roseville Bingo Hall
- Bob Culhane.....\$25**, Treasure Island Bingo

PLEASE READ CONTEST RULES BEFORE DEPOSITING YOUR ENTRY. WE DON'T LIKE TO DISQUALIFY ENTRIES.

Monthly Winners to Date:

August: Mary Morris, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Tom Dalzell, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; David Tywinski, Treasure Island Bingo; Patricia Jackson, Pot O' Gold Bingo. **September:** Steven Arneson, Roseville Bingo Hall; Claudia Westphal, North St. Paul VFW; Mary Gustafson, Markan K of C; Phillip Brown, Mystic Lake Casino Bingo. **October:** Roberta Sumner, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Haley Koehnen, Pot O' Gold Bingo; Donna Bester, Marian KC Bingo; La Vaughn Osborn, Treasure Island Bingo. **November:** Joseph Korsten, Marian KC Bingo; Louise Seashore, Buffalo AL#270 Bingo; Chuck Weber, Treasure Island Bingo; Pat Erickson, North St. Paul VFW Bingo.

BIG BINGO PARTY

Sunday, December 9th
Village Sports Bar
Starts at 1pm - Get there Early to Get a Seat!

- * \$200 Payout Each Game
- * \$500 Bonanza
- * FREE Prizes
- * FREE Bingo Paper
- * \$300, \$600 or \$900 Coverall

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SAK'S

Mondays 6pm
Saturdays 2pm

VILLAGE SPORTS BAR

Wednesdays 6pm
Fridays 9:30pm

New!! Play Facebook Bingo to WIN \$100's of Dollars in Bingo Coupons!!

FREE to Everyone! Play Facebook BINGO!

How it works:

1. Stop by one of our Bingos the week of December 17th to December 22nd to pick up your CARD! *Bingo Starts January 1st!*
2. Like our Facebook Page
3. Check Facebook on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays for Numbers
4. Cover all the numbers and WIN!
5. FREE Bingo Coupons \$50 to \$200!!
6. Claim your prize at one of our Bingo's!! EASY & FUN!

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Jimmy's

Mondays 9am
Tuesdays 6pm
Thursdays 6pm

BAR

Thursdays 7pm

McCARRON'S

Mondays 6pm
Saturdays Noon

New Bingo Programs!!

- * 2nd Chance Bingo - Keep playing for \$75 more!
- * Pick a Prize - Pick from \$100 to \$400!
- * Win FREE Handheld Device Packages!
- * "Free B" Game - Winner takes it all!
- * Hot Ball \$200! - EVERY \$1 Game!
- * \$2000 Progressive Games!

LICENSE # 03111

MORNING BINGO

Monday's
9:00am
Jimmy's Food and Drink

NO ONE HAS BETTER
BINGO PROGRAMS!!

DISCO BINGO

9:30pm Friday Nights
VILLAGE SPORTS BAR

\$26 PACKAGES

\$100 PAYOUT A GAME
\$300 Disco Ball Game
\$1000 COVERALL
WIN FREE PRIZES!!

Little Canada Market Place BINGO HALL

2900 Rice Street • Little Canada • (651) 483-1203 • Check for all our specials on Facebook!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Just west of 35E on Rice Street at the Market Place Shopping Center! <small>*No other coupons or discounts at these sessions. Sponsored by Little Canada Rec Association #34510-001</small>						1* Customer Appreciation Bingo at 1:00- Free Lunch & Door Prizes! 1st, 2nd & 3rd Chance Coverall at 7:15
2 \$5 PACKS at 9:15	3* 2nd Chance Bingo at 7:15	4* 50% OFF at 10:30 a.m. & 7:15 Guaranteed \$500 Bonanza at 7:15	5* Crazy Coverall at 7:15	6 ALL PACKS \$5 All Sessions Free Admissions with a Toy Donation All Sessions	7 \$10 of Extras FREE in a \$35 machine or more at 10:30 a.m. & 7:15	8 \$5 PACKS at 9:15
9* Big Blowout Session at 7:15 and 9:15	10* Wild Double and Triple Bingo at 7:15	11* 50% OFF at 10:30 a.m. & 7:15 Guaranteed \$500 Bonanza at 7:15	12* All Games Pay \$125 at 7:15	13 ALL PACKS \$5 ALL SESSIONS	14 \$10 of Extras FREE in a \$35 machine or more at 10:30 a.m. & 7:15 2nd Chance Bingo at 10:30 a.m.	15 \$5 PACKS at 9:15
16* Stay and Play	17* 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Chance Coverall at 7:15	18* 50% OFF at 10:30 a.m. & 7:15 Guaranteed \$500 Bonanza at 7:15	19* Wild Double and Triple Bingo at 7:15	20 ALL PACKS \$5 ALL SESSIONS	21 \$10 of Extras FREE in a \$35 machine or more at 10:30 a.m. & 7:15	22 \$5 PACKS at 9:15
23* 50% OFF at 7:15 and 9:15 TV Gift Giveaway	24 CLOSED Have a happy holiday!	25 CLOSED Christmas Day and New Year's Day Have a happy holiday!	26* BIRTHDAY CASH TORNADO 6:30-7:15 Big Blowout Session at 7:15	27 ALL PACKS \$5 ALL SESSIONS	28 \$10 of Extras FREE in a \$35 machine or more at 10:30 a.m. & 7:15 1st, 2nd, 3rd Chance Coverall at 10:30 a.m.	29* 1st, 2nd & 3rd Chance Coverall at 7:15 \$5 Packs at 9:15
30 \$5 PACKS at 9:15	31* 50% off at 7:15					

BLOWOUT SESSION

We pay over \$3,900!

\$10 off Silver
\$15 off Gold
\$20 off Platinum

\$10 OFF 11 admissions all sessions on your birthday!

Crazy Coverall Bingo: Five Games Pay \$500 Each!

2nd Chance Bingo: Every Single and Double Game has Two Winners!

STAY & PLAY SPECIAL

Buy first session, receive second session FREE!

We now have Etabs and Linked Bingo!

Mon. 7:15
Tues. 10:30 AM & 7:15
Wed. 7:15
Thurs. 10:30 AM, 7:15 & 9:15
Fri. 10:30 AM, 7:15 & 9:15
Sat. 7:15 & 9:15
Sun 7:15 & 9:15

BINGO BUGLE WE

Bayport American Legion Post 491
263 N. 3rd St. 651-439-5463

- BAR BINGO -
Monday 7 p.m.
STILLWATER BOWL
5862 Omaha Ave. N., Stillwater
651-439-2444

Friday 7:15 p.m.
BAYPORT LEGION POST 491
263 N. 3rd St., Bayport
651-439-5463

Saturday 2 p.m.
THE BUNGALOW
1151 Rivercrest Rd., Lakeland
651-436-5005

Kelly (651) 491-8972 Lic.#00467

Treasure Island Bingo
1-800-222-7077

MATINEES
Monday - Saturday
Warmups 11:45 a.m.
Regular Session 12:30 p.m.

EVENING
Monday - Saturday
Warmups 6:45 p.m.
Regular Session 7:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON
Sunday
Warmups 3:15 p.m.
Regular Session 4 p.m.

Bingo sessions are subject to change pending inclement weather. For up-to-date bingo information, call the bingo hotline at: 1(888)777-5668, extention #2653

Mystic Lake Bingo
MATINEES
Monday - Friday
12:45 p.m. and 2:45 p.m. (Early Birds)
Saturday and Sunday
Early Birds 1:00 p.m.
Warmups 1:30 p.m.
Regular Session 2:30 p.m.

EVENING
Every day
Early Birds 7:00 p.m.
Warmups 7:30 p.m.
Regular Session 8:00 p.m.

For current bingo information and weather related inquiries, please call our bingo hotline at 952-496-7272

play BINGO!

Thursday — Early birds 6:30, regular session 7:15
Sunday — 2:00

Buffalo American Legion Post 270
304 10th Ave. S., Buffalo MN 55313
buffalo.legion@buffalolegion.com
(763) 682-2262
GCB License: 00917
Open Monday - Saturday 11 AM to 1 AM
Sunday 11 AM to midnight

SUNDAY

Buffalo American Legion (763) 682-2262
304 10th Ave. S., Buffalo
Matinee 2 PM*

Little Canada Market Place (651) 483-1203
2900 Rice St., Little Canada
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Marian KC Hall (952) 888-1492
1114 W. American Blvd.
Bloomington
Evening EB 6:30, Reg 7 PM

Pot O' Gold (651) 631-1318
Snelling Ave. & Cty. Rd. E
St. Paul
Matinee 2 PM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Roseville Bingo (651) 697-1090
2525 N. Snelling, Roseville
Matinee 1 & 3 PM*
Evening 7 & 9 PM

Late Night 11 PM

West St. Paul Bingo Palace (651) 450-9714
1675 S. Robert St., St. Paul
Matinee 2 PM*
Evening 7 PM

MONDAY

Little Canada Market Place (651) 483-1203
2900 Rice St., Little Canada
Evening 7:15 PM

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Bloomington
Evening EB 6:30, Reg 7 PM

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St. Paul
Early Session 10 AM*
Matinee Noon*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Roseville Bingo (651) 697-1090
2525 N. Snelling, Roseville
Matinee 1 & 3 PM*
Evening 7 & 9 PM

Stillwater Bowl (651) 439-2444
5862 Omaha Ave. N.
Stillwater
Evening 7 PM

West St. Paul Bingo Palace (651) 450-9714
1675 S. Robert St., St. Paul
Evening 7 PM

TUESDAY

Little Canada Market Place (651) 483-1203
2900 Rice St., Little Canada
Early Session 10:30 AM*
Evening 7:15 PM

Pot O' Gold (651) 631-1318
Snelling Ave. & Cty. Rd. E
St. Paul
Matinee 1:15 PM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Roseville Bingo (651) 697-1090
2525 N. Snelling, Roseville
Matinee 3 PM*
Evening 7 & 9 PM

West St. Paul Bingo Palace (651) 450-9714
1675 S. Robert St., St. Paul
Matinee 2 PM*
Evening 7 PM

WEDNESDAY

Little Canada Market Place (651) 483-1203
2900 Rice St., Little Canada
Evening 7:15 PM

Pot O' Gold (651) 631-1318
Snelling Ave. & Cty. Rd. E
St. Paul
Early Session 10 AM & 12 PM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Roseville Bingo (651) 697-1090
2525 N. Snelling, Roseville
Matinee 3 PM*
Evening 7 & 9 PM



ROSEVILLE BINGO HALL

Welcome to Roseville Bingo Hall! We always PAY!!! And we always PLAY!!!

2525 N. Snelling Ave. (1 block north of Rosedale) • 651-697-1090 • Look us up on Facebook!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Celebrate the New Year with a Bingo! New Years Eve — Prize Drawings, Extra Session at 11 PM! Closed Christmas Eve • Open Christmas at 7 & 9 PM</p>	<p>* No other coupons, points or birthdays</p>					<p>1 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM 'Star', 'Rose' or 'Max' 2 Free Sides</p>
<p>2 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM WINNERS SHIRT \$10 off each session with Roseville Winners Shirt!</p>	<p>3* 1, 3, 7, & 9 PM \$50 BUY-IN!</p>	<p>4* 3, 7, & 9 PM 50% OFF* At Admissions</p>	<p>5* 3, 7, & 9 PM 50% OFF* At Admissions</p>	<p>6 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM \$10 OFF Any Machine</p>	<p>7* 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM All Nighter! Buy 7 PM and 9 PM and get 11 PM FREE!</p>	<p>8 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM 'Star', 'Rose' or 'Max' 2 Free Sides</p>
<p>9 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM WINNERS SHIRT \$10 off each session with Roseville Winners Shirt!</p>	<p>10* 1, 3, 7, & 9 PM \$50 BUY-IN!</p>	<p>11* 3, 7, & 9 PM 50% OFF* At Admissions</p>	<p>12* 3, 7, & 9 PM 50% OFF* At Admissions</p>	<p>13 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM \$10 OFF Any Machine</p>	<p>14* 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM All Nighter! Buy 7 PM and 9 PM and get 11 PM FREE!</p>	<p>15 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM 'Star', 'Rose' or 'Max' 2 Free Sides</p>
<p>16* 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM MEGA MAX* Buy any 2 sessions together: 1 & 3, 7 & 9 or 9 & 11 and get \$40 OFF a Max each session</p>	<p>17* 1, 3, 7, & 9 PM \$50 BUY-IN!</p>	<p>18* 3, 7, & 9 PM 50% OFF* At Admissions</p>	<p>19* 3, 7, & 9 PM 50% OFF* At Admissions</p>	<p>20 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM \$10 OFF Any Machine</p>	<p>21* 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM All Nighter! Buy 7 PM and 9 PM and get 11 PM FREE!</p>	<p>22 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM 'Star', 'Rose' or 'Max' 2 Free Sides</p>
<p>23* 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM MEGA MAX*</p>	<p>24 CLOSED Christmas Eve</p>	<p>25 7, & 9 PM Christmas OPEN 7 & 9 PM Prize Drawings!</p>	<p>26 3, 7, & 9 PM Free Side with any Machine</p>	<p>27 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM \$10 OFF Any Machine</p>	<p>28* 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM All Nighter! Buy 7 PM and 9 PM and get 11 PM FREE!</p>	<p>29 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM 'Star', 'Rose' or 'Max' 2 Free Sides</p>
<p>30 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM Free Side with any Machine</p>	<p>31 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM New Year's Eve PRIZE DRAWINGS! Extra Session at 11 PM</p>					

We have more sessions than any other bingo hall!
Check us out — 30 sessions!

- Monday 1, 3, 7 & 9 p.m. c
- Tuesday 3, 7 & 9 p.m. c
- Wednesday 3, 7 & 9 p.m. c
- Thursday 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 p.m. c
- Friday 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 p.m. c
- Saturday 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 p.m. c
- Sunday 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 p.m. c

We Are Here

Midway Speedskating - 00070-007
Roseville Area Youth Hockey - 03191-03

WEEKLY PROGRAM

West St. Paul Bingo Palace
(651) 450-9714
1675 S. Robert St., St. Paul
Evening 7 PM

THURSDAY

Buffalo American Legion
(763) 682-2262
304 10th Ave. S., Buffalo
EB 6:30 PM
Evening 7:15 PM

Little Canada Market Place
(651) 483-1203
2900 Rice St., Little Canada
Early Session 10:30 AM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

North St. Paul VFW 1350
(651) 777-2855
2483 E. 7th Ave.
North St. Paul
Evening 7 PM

Pot O' Gold
(651) 631-1318
Snelling Ave. & Cty. Rd. E
St. Paul
Matinee Noon & 2 PM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Roseville Bingo
(651) 697-1090
2525 N. Snelling, Roseville
Matinee 1 & 3 PM*
Evening 7 & 9 PM
Late Nite 11 PM

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1675 S. Robert St., St. Paul
Matinee 2 PM*
Evening 7 PM

FRIDAY

Bayport Legion Post 491
(651) 491-2418
263 N. 3rd St., Bayport
Evening 7:15 PM

Little Canada Market Place
(651) 483-1203
2900 Rice St., Little Canada
Early Session 10:30 AM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Pot O' Gold
(651) 631-1318
Snelling Ave. & Cty. Rd. E
St. Paul
Matinee 2 PM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM
Late Nite 11:15 PM

Roseville Bingo
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2525 N. Snelling, Roseville
Matinee 1 & 3 PM*
Evening 7 & 9 PM
Late Nite 11 PM

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1675 S. Robert St., St. Paul
Evening 7 PM

SATURDAY

Little Canada Market Place
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2900 Rice St., Little Canada
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM

Marian KC Hall
(952) 888-1492
1114 W. American Blvd.
Bloomington
Matinee EB 12:00
Reg. 12:30 PM*

North St. Paul VFW 1350
(651) 777-2855
2483 E. 7th Ave. (upstairs)
North St. Paul
Matinee 1:30 PM*

Pot O' Gold
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Snelling Ave. & Cty. Rd. E
St. Paul
Matinee 2 PM*
Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PM
Late nite 11:15 PM

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Bloomington, MN 55420
Phone: (952) 888-1492

WINNER!
WCCO'S
BEST OF
MN!

Saturday
Matinee EB 12:00 PM
Reg. 12:30 PM
Sunday
7:00 PM
Monday
7:00 PM
Doors Open: 1 hour prior
Warmups: 30 mins. prior

Bar Bingo at 8 PM
Wednesdays

ACCESSIBLE

UP TO

\$2000

AND

\$1000

PROGRESSIVE
JACKPOTS

\$500

COVERALL

\$7 PACKS

FOOD

PULL TABS

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North St. Paul VFW

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— BINGO 7 PM —

Thursday —

\$1,000 PROGRESSIVE
GAME and
\$1,000 COVERALL

Bonanza \$500 Progressive

1 Lucky Buck Drawing for \$300
Every Tuesday at 7:30 PM

— BAR BINGO —

PROGRESSIVE
BAR BINGO

Saturdays, 1:30 PM (upstairs)

PROGRESSIVE
\$1,000 COVERALL

1 Lucky Buck Drawing for \$300
Every Saturday at 7:30 PM

Free Birthday Packages — Last Thursday of Every Birthday Month!

BINGO - PULLTABS - Upstairs & Downstairs in the Hall
MEAT RAFFLE Tues. & Fri., 5 PM; Sat. 1:30 PM
Concessions • Handicapped Accessible • ATM Available Upstairs

POT O' GOLD

BINGO HALL

3776 Connelly Avenue • Arden Hills, MN 55112 • 651-631-1724

EVERY EVENING: Jackpot Coverall Pays up to \$1,000 (\$600 guaranteed)

\$1,000 GUARANTEED BONANZA Christmas night!

We will be closed all sessions Christmas Eve, and afternoon session Christmas Day. Open all sessions New Years Eve & New Years Day.

pot-o-goldbingo.com * No other coupons or discounts at these sessions

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 GOLD +2 sides \$45 PLATINUM +2 sides \$65	3 Pick-A-Pot All Sessions Hot Ball Evening Sessions Full Boat	4* 50% OFF All Sessions Hot Ball	5 5X Points All Sessions Hot Ball \$500 at 7:15 Evening Sessions Full Boat	6 ALL SESSIONS 1 FREE Side with Silver, 2 FREE Sides with Gold or Platinum Package <i>Guaranteed Action!</i>	7 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL All-Nighter	8 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL Full Boat
9 GOLD +2 sides \$45 PLATINUM +2 sides \$65	10 Pick-A-Pot All Sessions Hot Ball Evening Sessions Full Boat	11* 50% OFF All Sessions Hot Ball	12 5X Points All Sessions Hot Ball \$500 at 7:15 Evening Sessions Full Boat	13 ALL SESSIONS 1 FREE Side with Silver, 2 FREE Sides with Gold or Platinum Package <i>Guaranteed Action!</i>	14 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL All-Nighter	15 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL Full Boat
16 Winners Circle!	17 Pick-A-Pot All Sessions Hot Ball Evening Sessions Full Boat	18* 50% OFF All Sessions Hot Ball BIRTHDAY PARTIES!	19 5X Points All Sessions Hot Ball \$500 at 7:15 Evening Sessions Full Boat	20 ALL SESSIONS 1 FREE Side with Silver, 2 FREE Sides with Gold or Platinum Package <i>Guaranteed Action!</i>	21 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL All-Nighter	22 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL Full Boat
23 Gold +2 sides \$45 Platinum +2 sides \$65	24 CLOSED ALL SESSIONS	25* CLOSED Afternoon Session 50% OFF All Sessions Hot Ball	26 5X Points All Sessions Hot Ball \$500 at 7:15 Evening Sessions Full Boat	27 ALL SESSIONS 1 FREE Side with Silver, 2 FREE Sides with Gold or Platinum Package <i>Guaranteed Action!</i>	28 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL All-Nighter	29 2 PM: TWO FREE SIDES with Gold or Platinum Evening Sessions: HOT BALL Full Boat
30 Gold +2 sides \$45 Platinum +2 sides \$65	31 Pick-A-Pot All Sessions Hot Ball Evening Sessions Full Boat					

Sponsored by Charitable Org: St. Katherine Ukrainian Church #31686

26 Low-Cost, High-Value Sessions Weekly!

Sunday 2:00, 7:15, 9:15

Monday 10 a.m., Noon, 7:15, 9:15

Tuesday 1:15, 7:15, 9:15

Wednesday 10 a.m., Noon, 7:15, 9:15

Thursday Noon, 2:00, 7:15, 9:15

Friday 2:00, 7:15, 9:15, 11:15

Saturday 2:00, 7:15, 9:15, 11:15

Daily Progressive Game (Bonanza) prizes available on our website

pot-o-goldbingo.com

Like us on Facebook!
[potogoldbingogardenhills](https://www.facebook.com/potogoldbingogardenhills)

BIRTHDAY BONUS!

Receive 1 free admission package every session on your special day.

All Sessions in December except Tuesdays:

\$10 Off Silver, \$15 Off Gold, \$20 Off Platinum Package

Full Boat Machine for \$50 (\$132 value)

ALL-NIGHTER

Buy 7:15 & 9:15 sessions, Play 11:15 session FREE!

Lucky Lotto News

Gambling on Robbery

A suspect in an Illinois bank theft of more than \$8,000 was apprehended after an unusual clue was left at the scene. According to an FBI affidavit, the robber approached a teller and handed over a plastic bag and handwritten note demanding money. The teller emptied her drawer into the plastic bag and the robber fled. When an FBI agent later reviewed surveillance video of the holdup, he spotted a piece of paper falling from the robber's pocket during the heist, court documents state. The agent later recovered the paper, which turned out to be a scratch-off lottery ticket. With help from the Illinois Lottery, the FBI was able to identify where the ticket was purchased. Surveillance video showed a person matching the robber's description making the lottery ticket transaction and then driving away. The vehicle was identified and eventually stopped by police, who pulled it over and arrested the driver, who according to the FBI admitted to the bank robbery.

Daily Play Pays Off After 50 Years

Michael Marks, 66, has been playing the lottery at the same convenience store every day since the 1960s. That persistence finally paid off when he won a \$10 million prize on a \$10,000 a Week for Life scratch-off ticket he bought while buying coffee at the Hartsdale,

New York, store. "The machine lit up and said big winner, see lottery agent," Marks said. "I asked the retailer for a pen, locked myself in the bathroom and signed the ticket." Marks opted to receive his prize in annual installments of \$520,000 a year every year for the rest of his life. That comes to \$349,336 a year after withholdings. "This really is amazing," Marks said. "I haven't given much thought to how I'll spend the money yet. Right now, I just plan to enjoy life."

Mom/Son Duo Win Big

A mother and son from the Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri, have won \$250,000 playing the lottery. Michael Baldwin of Eldon and his mom, Michelle Adams of Lake Ozark, pooled their money to buy Powerball tickets with Power Play. "My mom and I agreed whatever the number was, whatever we won—\$10, \$100, the jackpot—we would split it down the middle and put it all toward debt," Baldwin said. The two began checking their tickets the night of the drawing after Adams downloaded the Missouri Lottery App and scanned the tickets on her phone. "I heard this loud gasp, and it scared me," Baldwin recalled. That was the moment he said his mom read the message on her phone: "Congratulations! \$250,000 Winner." Their prize money will pay off Adams' house, and Baldwin will be able to pay off debt.

■ Bugle Cruise News

Announcing: The 2019 World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise

Are you up for a week of pampered ocean cruising, tropical sunshine, Caribbean adventure, a shot at \$100,000 in cash prizes, and more? Then the Bingo Bugle has the ideal vacation for you.

Setting sail November 9, 2019, from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the 31st Annual World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise will travel the southern Caribbean for eight fun-filled days and visit the beautiful ports of Grand Turk, La Romana, Curaçao and Aruba.

Between ports, you will join your fellow travelers for marathon Bingo and optional Sizzling Slots, Bingo Bugle Blackjack, and Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments—which together will be awarding more than \$100,000 in cash prizes. In addition to that, the top winner of the Bingo Tournament will be named Bingo Grand Champion and win free passage for two on the following year's Bingo Tournament Cruise.

The 2019 host ship is Carnival Cruise Line's Magic, a wonder of modern, pampered elegance that sets the stage for the spectacular World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise. Ship features include Carnival Waterworks, a miniature water park on the forward part of the upper decks; Seaside Theatre,

which shows movie favorites on a huge screen above the pool area; the Showtime Theatre, where you can enjoy a range of entertaining performances; the Hat Trick Casino, with all kinds of gaming while at sea; Cloud 9 Spa; the Beach Pool & Bar; the Cherry On Top candy shop; RedFrog Pub, Vibe Dance Club, Play It Again Piano Bar, Prime Steakhouse; Cucina Del Capitano Italian restaurant; a variety of buffets; the Spotlight Lounge, the location of Punchliner Comedy Club; and lots more.

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Fergus Falls, MN

VFW Post 612 Bar Bingo! Dec. 5, 7:00-8:00 p.m. 420 East Washington Ave., Fergus Falls. For info call (218) 739-2697.

Hutchinson, MN

Bingo! Dec. 9. All area senior citizens are invited to play community bingo at Ecumen Oaks & Pines! 25 cents per card, \$1 Coverall last game. Complimentary coffee and cookies. Bingo is held the second Sunday of each month from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the Ecumen Pines dining room, 1015 Century Ave., Hutchinson. For info contact Melanie Chalupsky at (320) 234-0868, or visit ecumenoaksandpines.org.

Minneapolis, MN

Holidazzle — now through Dec. 23. In downtown Minneapolis, Loring Park's annual holiday village pops up, selling pierogis, sausages, pretzels, beer, artisanal

gifts, and more in a huddle of steam and lights. Check out fireworks, movie nights, games, and illuminated art installations.

Maple Grove, MN

Breakfast or Lunch with Santa. Enjoy your visit with Santa and enjoy a light breakfast or lunch. Photo opportunity. Enhance the visit by playing games, face painting, bingo and more! 12951 Weaver Lake Rd., Maple Grove. For info call (763) 494-5985.

Minnetonka, MN

Bingo! Friday, Dec. 14, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Lenox Community Center Cafeteria. Everyone loves BINGO! So get your friends together and join us for a night of BINGO! Prizes galore! A snack and a pop are included in the fee. Minnetonka Community Education supports the educational, social and recreational needs of the community throughout the Minnetonka School District and surrounding communities.

Monticello, MN

Kids Christmas Bingo! Play Bingo for toys! 25 cents a game. Door prizes from local businesses! 800 East Broadway, Monticello. For info call (763) 486-8138.

New Ulm, MN

Bingo at the Community Center! Come play Bingo at the Community Center. Cards are \$1 each and cash prizes are awarded. Join your friends for an afternoon of fun and enjoy a cup of coffee while you play. Wednesdays starting at 1:30 p.m. at the Community Center, 600 N. German St., New Ulm. For info call (507) 354-3212.

Pipestone, MN

Come play BINGO at the Pipestone Senior Center every first Thursday of the month, Jan. to Dec. 2018. Only \$1 per card; or buy three cards and get the fourth one FREE. Enjoy a fun afternoon with friends. Afterwards, coffee and cookies will be served. Pipestone Senior Center, 217 S. Hiawatha Ave., Pipestone.

Round Lake, MN

Hallmark Holiday Bingo! Dec. 15 from 3:00-8:00 p.m. Grab a friend and join us for a Hallmark viewing party! Come comfy and ready to cry. Play BINGO and win prizes! Round Lake Vineyard and Winery, 30124 St. Hwy. 264, Round Lake. For info visit roundlakevineyards.com or call (507) 945-1100.

St. Peter, MN

New Year's Eve Bingo! Monday, Dec. 31 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Kick off your New Year's Eve celebration with Bingo! New games will include a champagne glass, bow tie, top hat, diamond and more! We'll have a number of new, fun prizes and surprises so make sure you join us AND invite your friends! Bingo is a fundraiser for the Ladies Auxiliary of the William R. Witty American Legion Post #37. 229 W Nassau St., Saint Peter.

Stillwater, MN

Knights of Columbus Bingo, Wednesdays from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at Solanus Casey Council Hall, 1910 S. Greeley St., Stillwater.

Walker, MN

Toy Bingo! The Boys and Girls Club of the Leech Lake Area will be holding an end of year TOY BINGO FUNDRAISER on Dec. 15 from 11:00-3:00 p.m. in the Rotary Room of the Walker Community Center. Participants may purchase bingo packets at the door for a chance to win toys for youth for holiday giving. There will also be door prize and raffle tickets which will include a big screen TV, PS-4 Gaming Console, drone for photography, and a home security system as well as an overnight stay at a Walker resort on beautiful Leech Lake. Door prizes will include gift baskets, dining certificates, and so much more! Lunch will be available for purchase at the event. To buy raffle tickets in advance (need not be present to win) and for further information call BGCLLA at (218) 335-8144.

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Mediation Can Help Resolve Caregiving Conflicts

Dear Savvy Senior,

Are there any services that you know of that help families resolve caregiving conflicts? My mother, who just turned 82, recently had a stroke, and to make matters worse, my two siblings and I have been perpetually arguing about how to handle her caregiving needs and finances. — **Bickering Siblings**

Dear Bickering,

It's not unusual when adult children disagree with each other regarding the care of an elder parent. If your siblings are willing, a good possible solution is to hire an "elder care mediator" who can help you work through your disagreements peacefully. Here's what you should know.

Elder Mediation

While mediators have been used for years to help divorcing couples sort out legal and financial disagreements and avoid

court battles, elder care mediation is a relatively new and specialized service designed to help families resolve disputes that are related to aging parents or other elderly relatives.

Family disagreements over an ill or elderly parent's caregiving needs, living arrangements, financial decisions and medical care are some of the many issues that an elder care mediator can help with. But don't confuse this with family or group therapy. Mediation is only about decision-making, not feelings and emotions.

The job of an elder mediator is to step in as a neutral third party to help ease family tensions, listen to everyone's concerns, hash out disagreements and misunderstandings, and help your family make decisions that are acceptable to everyone.

Good mediators can also assist your family in identifying experts such as estate-planners, geriatric care managers, or health care or financial professionals who can supply important information for family decision making.

Your family also needs to know that the mediation process is completely confidential and voluntary, and can take anywhere from a few hours to several meetings depending on the complexity of your issues. And if some family members live far away, a conference or video call can be used to bring everyone together.

If you're interested in hiring

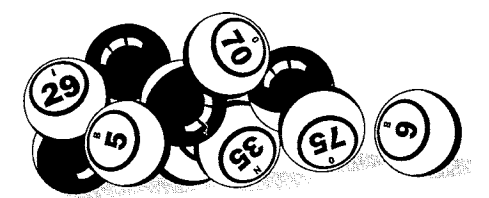
a private elder care mediator, you can expect to pay anywhere from \$100 to more than \$500 per hour depending on where you live and who you choose. Or, you may be able to get help through a nonprofit community mediation service which charges little to nothing.

Finding a Mediator

To locate an elder mediator, start by contacting your area aging agency (call 800-677-1116 to get your local number), which may be able to refer you to local resources, or search online at mediate.com. Another good option is the National Association for Community Mediation, which can help you search for free or low-cost community-based mediation programs in your area.

Unfortunately, there is currently no formal licensing or national credentialing required for elder mediators, so make sure the person you choose has extensive experience with elder issues that are similar to what your family is dealing with. Also, be sure you ask for references, and check them. Most elder mediators are attorneys, social workers, counselors or other professionals who are trained in mediation and conflict resolution.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of The Savvy Senior book.



Puzzle Solutions

Bugle Crossword

AMP	LATTE	DOTS					
RCA	COLORS	OHOK					
URN	ANEMIC	WIRY					
BIGWIGS	OFNOTE						
ABSORB	MARLA						
ROO	ANTENNAS						
SICK	MELD	XDOUT					
LOLL	BALSA	DATE					
ONAIR	TRON	JHOP					
BADKARMA	NPR						
EGRET	EITHER						
PICASA	BREYERS						
AROD	TELLIT	MAV					
SOLO	EROICA	ASP					
SNAG	DRAPE	NES					

Bugle Sudoku

3	8	5	4	9	2	7	1	6
1	7	9	8	5	6	4	3	2
2	6	4	7	3	1	5	9	8
9	5	1	2	8	4	3	6	7
6	4	3	5	7	9	8	2	1
7	2	8	6	1	3	9	5	4
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5	1	7	3	6	8	2	4	9
8	9	2	1	4	5	6	7	3

Jumblers

Jumbles: HOIST MONEY NEATLY RADISH
Answer: When he was arrested, the mime chose to — REMAIN SILENT



What Do the 'Suits' Do?

I received an interesting question from a blackjack player who wanted to know “what do all those people in suits do that work in the pit?”

Most of the time a blackjack player interacts with only one casino employee, namely the dealer, whose job is to ensure that the game is run by established procedures, and to provide customers with a pleasant gaming experience. And for the most part, blackjack dealers work hard and do a good job. But what about those folks who are standing behind the dealer in an area known as the “pit.” I’ll explain what they do, and how they help make your playing experience a pleasant one.

Dealers report to floor persons,

who are supervisors responsible for the operation of a group of tables within the pit. The number of tables that they supervisor varies depending upon the policy of each casino (I’ve seen a floor person supervise up to eight blackjack tables in the main pit, and as few as only one table in a high roller pit). The main responsibilities of the floor person are to ensure that each dealer is in compliance with house rules, government regulations, and game protection (i.e., cheating); to intervene and be the final arbiter if a dealer makes a mistake in either dealing cards or paying a winning wager; to be sure a table doesn’t run out of chips; to do the table accounting (count chips); and to rate players.

A floor person can be your ally when it comes to receiving comps. When you first sit down to play blackjack, you should place your Player’s Card in front of you. The dealer will either input your information into the casino’s player tracking system or set the card aside for the floor person to do so. The floor person will usually record the amount of your buy-in, and then periodically record how much they see you wager. When you are done playing, you should get the floor person’s attention and ask politely if you can have a comp (for the buffet, or restaurant, or show theater, etc.). Nowadays most casinos have strict rules that determine how much a floor person can give a player in comps (usually the computer

will calculate the amount based on your average wager, and duration of play). However, in many casinos, floor persons can still give discretionary comps to players. Just remember that a floor person usually will not give you a comp unless you ask for one...and when you do so, ask nicely.

If you establish a good rapport with a floor person who treats you well (i.e., rates your play liberally), ask for their business card and then reward them with a token of appreciation on their birthday or at Christmas. It’s the policy in most casinos that floor persons cannot accept cash from players, but they can accept gifts (as long as they are nominal, usually \$100 or less). Here are some suggestions on gifts: if your floor person is a golfer, a set of golf balls or gift certificate for a round of golf; a gift certificate to a local restaurant; or a gift certificate to a local spa. I think you get the picture.

Next up in the chain of command is the Pit Manager (sometimes called the Pit Boss). This manager is responsible for overseeing the operation of all the table games in a specific pit. He or she supervises the floor persons and the dealers in the pit. Their main responsibilities include supervising the floor persons and dealers to achieve an efficient operation. If a particular table hasn’t won what it should, upper level managers expect an answer from the Pit Boss. Nowadays,

the responsibility of a Pit Boss has been expanded to include spending more time with players (customer relations) to ensure that they are having a good time (i.e., to be less of a policeman and more like a good-will ambassador).

Pit Bosses report to Shift Managers, who are responsible for the overall operation of all the table games and personnel during a particular shift. Pit Bosses also report to the Casino Manager or V.P. of Casino Operations (who has the all responsibility for the table games and slots).

Other employees who are indirectly involved in table game operations are the surveillance employees. These folks monitor and record the activity that goes on at each table to be sure that proper procedures are being followed, that all employees are in compliance with gaming regulations, and they watch for any suspicious activity (i.e. cheating by either a player or dealer or both).

I hope I’ve given you a clear overview of the hierarchy of the “suits” that manage the table games in casinos. If you ever have an issue with any casino employee, I suggest that you take your complaint directly to the Casino Manager or V.P. of Casino Operations (you can call the casino to get their name, phone number, and email address).

Henry Tamburin is a blackjack and video poker expert. He hosts the site smartgaming.com.

At The Casinos...

Treasure Island Resort & Casino

NEW YEAR'S EVE BINGO!

Monday, Dec. 31, 7:30 p.m. with warm ups at 6:45 p.m. Three, two, one, FORD FUSION! Join us for a special New Year’s Eve bingo session and your chance to win a new car. All regular games will pay out \$1,000 with some jackpot payouts also increased. Plus, when you use your Island Passport Club card to purchase your entry pack, you’ll be given a drawing slip for a chance to win a Ford Fusion. Twelve-card paper packs are \$65 and 24-card electronic packs are \$70.

Jackpot Junction Casino

\$10,000 Flannel and Frost Bingo Special

All Day at the Bingo Hall! Doors open at 11:30 a.m., Warm Ups are at 1:30 p.m., Session at 2:00 p.m.

\$10,000 Flannel and Fleece Bingo Special

New Year’s Eve Special, Monday, Dec. 31. Doors open at 11:30 a.m., Warm Ups are at 1:30 p.m., Session at 2:00 p.m. Base packages \$3, Paper \$35 machine.

Please note that bingo will be closed Christmas Eve, Christmas day and New Year’s Eve night.

Black Bear Casino

NEW YEAR'S EVE! Dec. 31, 2018 and Jan. 1, 2019. Earn entries starting Dec. 26! Drawings from 5:00 p.m.-2:00 a.m. Five drawings and two hot seat drawings held each hour. 70 winners throughout the night! \$100,000 in cash prizes!

NOTE—Hot Seat Rules: Players Club members must have their Players Club Card in play during the hot seat drawings date and time. Guests must be present to win with valid photo ID and Players Club card prizes will be distributed at the chosen machine. Guests may win more than once.

Suncoast Casino — Nevada

\$30,000 NEW YEAR'S EVE BINGO EVENT at Suncoast Bingo Center in Las Vegas, NV. Offering eight action-packed sessions daily, the casino's 600-seat Bingo Center is guaranteed to impress any dedicated bingo enthusiast.

Monday, Dec. 31. \$70 Buy-in per player pays for all 22 games, each player receives one 9-on pack. \$15 for each additional 6-on pack, maximum 20 additional packs in electronic units.

Free dauber, champagne, party favors, hor d'oeuvres, stylus pen.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW! For reservations call (866) 636-7111.

What's New In Nevada

BIG 'WIN' FOR CELINE DION

Las Vegas number crunchers say that Celine Dion’s appearances in that city have totaled more than the revenues taken in by the blockbuster movie, Titanic. Dion has appeared at two Vegas venues and garnered over \$700-million in ticket sales. Compare that to the just under \$600-million taken in on Titanic ticket sales. By the way, her rendition of the movie’s big song, My Heart Will Go On, has sold more than 18-million copies.

RENO'S RANCHARRAH

Area-known chef Colin Smith, one of the owners of the Roundabout Grill at the Whitney Peak Hotel in Reno, has been named the

new consulting chef and food and beverage director of the Club at Rancharrah. That complex is a master-planned community, boasting more than 140 acres, being built on the south side of Reno. The facility is in the 30-thousand square foot former Harrah Mansion. It is set to open sometime next year.

LAS VEGAS BUFFET RE-OPENS

It used to be called the Dishes Buffet at the Treasure Island Casino in Las Vegas. Now, it’s been renovated and has re-opened as the Corner Market Buffet. The re-launch of the eatery was several months late, according to media

reports. The eating area has been greatly expanded; it now boasts about 13-thousand square feet of space. The menu has also been expanded.

WEST WENDOVER REMEMBERS HISTORY

The history of gaming in West Wendover, Nevada, is actually a short one. Gaming halls in the area are remembering that it only goes back to the legalization of gambling in Nevada in the early 1930s. At that time, a lone gas station just inside Nevada from the border with Utah was the “only game in town.” The expansion of the air base in Wendover, Utah, was a big shot in the arm.

Meanwhile, revenues at a variety of Wendover (Nevada) casinos continue to rise.

GOLDEN INKS DEAL WITH WILLIAM HILL

The company Golden Entertainment says it has entered into a long-term agreement with the William Hill Company. Hill is the biggest bookmaker in America. Hill already operates the race and sports book at the Nugget Hotel and Gambling Hall in Pahrump. Hill and Golden are already involved in contracts at The Stratosphere and both Arizona Charlie’s locations in Las Vegas.

Poker Talk



Short-Stacked Play is a Key to Tournament Success

By Jonathan Little

This hand from the final table of a live \$500-buy-in tournament illustrates some mistakes that many players make when playing short-stacked.

With blinds at 5,000-10,000 plus a 10,000 big blind ante (where a single player essentially antes for the entire table), everyone folded to the small blind. The small blind had 120,000 and was the shortest stack at the final table, but there were a few other players with between 15 and 20 big blinds. The big blind was a loose, aggressive player with 50 big blinds.

The small blind looked down at Jh 3d and decided to limp.

I strongly dislike this play. J-3 is a junky hand, and despite the excellent pot odds (5,000 to win 30,000), it is not strong enough to play. From out of position with a stack of 12 big blinds, you're likely to face aggression from the big blind, who is capable of forcing J-3 to immediately fold. Even if you get to see a cheap flop, you will usually flop nothing or a junky made hand that will have a difficult time confidently playing for all the money. There is merit in simply conserving your stack and waiting for a better spot to invest your chips.

The big blind checked his 10h 2c.

I am fine with this check, but if you think the small blind would probably raise with a strong hand, his limping range may be susceptible to being pushed around. If I had been the big blind, I would have made it 28,000 with the intention of folding if the small blind went all in.

The flop came Kh 6h 2s, giving the big blind bottom pair. The small blind bet 20,000 out of his 110,000 remaining stack.

Again, I strongly dislike this play. On a K-x-x flop in a limped pot, the big blind is likely to have either a pair or flush draw that is never folding, or queen high or a worse unpaired hand, which will almost surely fold to any bet. Most ace-high hands would have raised or gone all in preflop. For that reason, if you decide to bet the flop with J-3 as a low-equity bluff, you should make a small bet — say, for instance, 10,000. If you think your opponent will call a 10,000 bet every time, perhaps add a touch more, making it 13,000 or so.

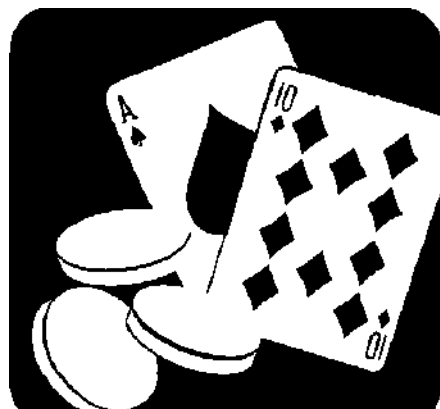
The big blind pushed all in, forcing the small blind to fold his J-3.

I'm fine with the all-in move. There are plenty of hands you want to protect against (Jh 3d has 30 percent equity), and if you happen to be behind, you have five outs to improve.

This may seem like an innocuous hand, but the small blind lost 25,000 more than he should have in this pot. Even if he had limped and then bet 13,000, he would have lost 7,000 less.

It is important that you study and master short-stacked poker if you want to have any chance of success in tournaments. Sometimes you simply have to make a disciplined fold.

Jonathan Little is a professional poker player and coach with more than \$6 million in live tournament earnings. He is also the author of numerous best-selling poker books, including his recent ebook, "The Main Event With Jonathan Little." For more information on Jonathan, check out JonathanLittlePoker.com, and follow him on Twitter: @JonathanLittle.



Minnesota CASINO Highlights

Treasure Island Resort & Casino

Live from the Island Events Center

Dec. 1 - Johnny Rivers (old time rock 'n' roll and blues), 8 PM

Dec. 14 - Tyler Henry - The Hollywood Medium, 8 pm

Dec. 23 - Home Free: A Country Christmas, 7 PM

Dec. 30 - Styx (classic rock), 8 PM

Dec. 31 - The Blues Brothers featuring Dan Aykroyd & Jim Belushi, 10:30 PM

Jan. 18 - Brett Young (country), 8 PM

Feb. 8 & 9 - Theresa Caputo Live! (psychic medium), 8 PM

April 13 - Little River Band, Player & Ambrosia (classic rock), 8 PM

April 27 - Bill Engvall (comedian), 8 PM

Call 1-800-222-7077 for Casino, or 1-800-745-3000 Ticketmaster.

Mystic Lake Casino Hotel

Live from the Mystic Showroom

Dec. 13 - The Tenors (Christmas Classics & Hits), 8 PM

Dec. 15 - Michael Bolton: The Symphony Sessions (greatest hits and holiday favorites), 8 PM

Dec. 25 - Cho Dong (classic 1960s Vietnamese Christmas hit), 8 PM

Jan. 13 - Human Nature: Jukebox — Ultimate Playlist Live!, 8 PM

Feb. 7-8 - The Price Is Right — Live!, 8 PM

Feb. 9 - The Price Is Right — Live!, 3 PM & 8 PM

Feb. 10 - The Price Is Right — Live!, 3 PM

Box office: 952-496-6563, 952-445-9000 for Casino information

Black Bear Casino

Live from the Otter Creek Events Center

Dec. 14 - Home Free: A Country Christmas, 7 PM

Jan. 25 - Gary Allan (country), 7 PM

Feb. 15 - Gretchen Wilson (country), 8 PM

March 29 - Rock the Otter II (Vince Neil, Great White, Slaughter), 7 PM

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Dec. 8 - Sawyer Brown (country), 7 PM

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Shooting Star Casino

Live from the Events Center

Nov. 9 - Gary Allan (country), 8 PM

Nov. 16 - Keith Secola (with special guest War Bonnet) FREE, 7 PM

Nov. 30 - Third Eye Blind (rock), 8 PM

Dec. 7 - REO Speedwagon (rock), 8 PM

Dec. 21 - Lee Greenwood (country), 8 PM

Jan. 18 - Christopher Cross, 8 PM

Feb. 8 - Locash (country/rock fusion), 8 PM

For ticket info, call 1-800-313-7469.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

BINGO

3	19	39	50	70
9	24	42	60	74
11	18	★	51	65
2	26	40	49	66
7	22	33	55	67

FLASHBOARD NUMBERS

B:	01	05	12	13	15
I:	19	20	23	27	28
N:	31	33	38	39	43
G:	51	52	57	58	59
O:	63	64	65	69	72

LUCKY LOTTO NUMBERS



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Sweet Potatoes or Yams?

by Angela Shelf Medearis

Sweet potatoes mirror the colors of autumn leaves. They can be incorporated into every meal, from sweet potato biscuits for breakfast, a side of sweet potato fries at lunch, or a roasted sweet potato for dinner with a smooth sweet potato custard for dessert.

Some people refer to sweet potatoes as “yams,” but this is a misnomer. A yam is a tuber cultivated in Africa that can grow up to seven feet long and weigh as much as 150 pounds.

African slaves were used to eating yams as a major staple of their diet. When they didn't find any yams in America, they used sweet potatoes as a substitute. Some Africans called sweet potatoes “nyamis,” the Fulani word for yam, and that is how American sweet potatoes became known in many areas as yams.

Sweet potatoes are high in dietary fiber, vitamins A, C and B-6, and serve as a great lower-carb alternative to regular potatoes. Sweet potatoes contain a wealth of orange-hued carotenoid pigments. Their ability to provide us with a key antioxidant like beta-carotene makes them a standout antioxidant food.

This slow-cooker recipe for Chicken Stew deliciously combines sweet potatoes, chicken and wild rice in a flavorful, creamy sauce.

1. Season the chicken on both sides with 1 tablespoon poultry seasoning, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon pepper. Heat oil and butter in a large skillet over medium-high. Add chicken and cook until well-browned, about 5 minutes. Turn chicken over and cook 2 minutes.

2. Transfer chicken to a 5- to 6-quart slow cooker. Add celery, onion and garlic to skillet. Cook, stirring often, until starting to soften, about 4 minutes. Add flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon black pepper to the skillet, and cook, stirring constantly, 1 minute. Add broth; bring to a boil, and cook, stirring constantly, until thickened, about 1 minute.

3. Transfer mixture to slow cooker. Add sweet potatoes, rice and the lemon pepper. Cover and cook on low until rice, chicken and vegetables are tender, about 3 hours. Stir in half-and-half. Turn heat to high and cook for 5 to 10 minutes. Place stew in individual serving bowls and sprinkle with the parsley and green onions, if desired. Serves 6.

Angela Shelf Medearis is an award-winning children's author, culinary historian and the author of seven cookbooks. Her new cookbook is The Kitchen Diva's Diabetic Cookbook. Her website is www.divapro.com. To see how-to videos, recipes and much, much more, like Angela Shelf Medearis, The Kitchen Diva! on Facebook. Recipes may not be reprinted without permission from Angela Shelf Medearis.

- 2 medium sized eggplants, peeled and cubed
- 2 tablespoons fresh ginger, peeled and chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, diced
- 1/2 cup soy sauce
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 cup cashews

Heat the sesame oil in a large wok or frying pan over a medium heat. Add the sweet potatoes and cook for at least 15 to 20 minutes. Cover with a lid, but stir frequently. When the sweet potatoes are almost done, add the peppers. Cook for at least 10 more minutes. Add the eggplant cubes, chopped ginger and diced garlic. Cook for 10 more minutes. Stir often. Add the soy sauce and water, stirring to incorporate. Garnish with the cashews. Top with more soy sauce, if desired.

Your comments and questions about cooking and entertaining will be addressed in this monthly column. Write to “Ask Annie” c/o Annie Ennis, 8312 SE 168th Trinity Place, The Villages, FL 32162. So Ask Annie. Don't forget you can E-mail me at aennis@thevillages.net. And let's get cooking.



by Annie E. Ennis

Get Cookin' with Eggplant

Dear Annie,

I have a dear friend who is always sharing the produce from her farm. Can you give me a recipe using eggplants, peppers, etc. Thank you. — **Holly from Nashville, Tennessee**

Dear Holly,

Good timing! I made an eggplant dinner last night for my son and myself. It was very good. We both enjoyed it. This recipe is for four servings (double the recipe if necessary). — **Annie**

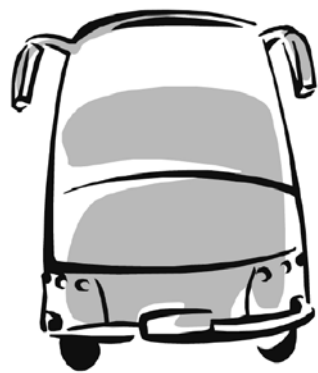
EGGPLANT STIR FRY

- 2-4 tablespoons sesame oil
- 4 sweet potatoes, scrubbed and cubed
- 4 red, yellow or orange peppers, diced



SLOW-COOKER CHICKEN STEW WITH SWEET POTATOES

- 6 boneless, skinless chicken thighs (about 1 3/4 pounds)
- 2 tablespoons poultry seasoning
- 1 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup chopped yellow onion
- 2 tablespoons chopped garlic (about 5 garlic cloves)
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 4 cups chicken broth
- 4 cups (3 medium) sweet potatoes cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1/2 cup uncooked wild rice
- 1 teaspoon lemon pepper
- 1 cup half-and-half
- 1/4 cup coarsely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 3 green onions, roots removed and discarded, white and green parts chopped



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						1 CHEAP SEATS MATINEE 12:30PM SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE EVENING 7:30PM
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9 NO MATINEE SESSION SECOND CHANCE EVENING 4PM	10 MATINEE 12:30PM HALF PRICE NIGHT EVENING 7:30PM	11 TWO FOR TUESDAY MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM	12 50+ WEDNESDAY MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM	13 MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM	14 MATINEE 12:30PM LUCKY 7s EVENING 7:30PM	15 CHEAP SEATS MATINEE 12:30PM SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE EVENING 7:30PM
16 NO MATINEE SESSION ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY SECOND CHANCE EVENING 4PM	17 MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM	18 TWO FOR TUESDAY MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM	19 50+ WEDNESDAY MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM	20 MATINEE 12:30 EVENING 7:30PM	21 MATINEE 12:30PM LUCKY 7s EVENING 7:30PM BINGO GONE WILD	22 CHEAP SEATS MATINEE 12:30PM SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE EVENING 7:30PM
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