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Your Lucky Color

By N.L. Preston

"These things I warmly wish for you: Someone to love, some work to do; A bit o' sun, a bit o' cheer; And a guardian angel always near."

— Irish blessing

very year when March rolls around, my husband goes *into his annual tirade* regarding the wearing of orange, not green, for St. Patrick's Day on March 17th. Why he fixates on this is beyond me, but nonetheless, he tells friends and strangers alike the meaning of the colors. As for family, they have been warned that it's wear orange or go naked because his ancestors are Irish Protestant; the Irish Catholics wear green. If you're neither, then the choice is yours unless you belong to our family; then, as he tells our family if they object, "Naked, it is." When I was teaching 5th grade, I always explained the correct origin of St. Patrick's Day as honoring Saint Patrick, a Christian missionary who became the patron saint of Ireland. Wearing green is indicative of the Irish flag, its nickname as the Emerald Isle, and the green shamrock. For most celebrants who are of legal age though, March 17th is just an excuse to drink green beer and dress up like leprechauns; and pinch those who aren't dressed appropriately. For any of my hapless students who forgot to dress appropriately on March 17th, I kept a stack of green and orange stickers on my desk-which I applied to their forehead or cheek. They loved the facial tattoos as they called them and it saved them from going home black and blue from the pinches of their show no mercy classmates.

affect us and have an influence on the nervous system? According to researchers, colors reflect our mood, and have an effect on our memory and state of mind because of their vibrations. Yes, colors vibrate and that amazes me. Here's a list of what some colors indicate: Whitehealing, calming; Red- excitement; Green- relaxation; Orangeenergy. That makes sense to me on St. Pat's Day when my husband turns red in the face (gets excited) and starts explaining why he is wearing orange (he's full of energy and enthusiasm on this topic) when he sees others wearing green (who are more relaxed than usual due to the green beer). As for me, I believe in the power of green because it's the color of money, woo hoo! On the other hand, when I'm playing bingo I favor wearing red. In Asian countries, no other color is believed to have as much power as red does to bring good luck. The irony of this is that when I looked up lucky colors for my December birth sign, Sagittarius, guess what I found. Sagittarius is the sign which energizes Jupiter the planet of luck, money, and growth and that the wearing of orange colors will increase these as well as improve my attitude to abundance, money, and opportunities! In other words, my wearing orange will bring me joy, fun, happiness, and more luck! Knowing that will make my husband happy; at least on March 17th. Until next month may Lady Luck blow you kisses as you dance out the door with dollar



'Saturday Night Fever— The Musical' at Mystic Lake April 22 & 23

he Seventies are staying alive with Saturday Night Fever – The Musical coming to the Mystic Showroom Friday, April 22, and Saturday, April 23, at 8 p.m. nightly.

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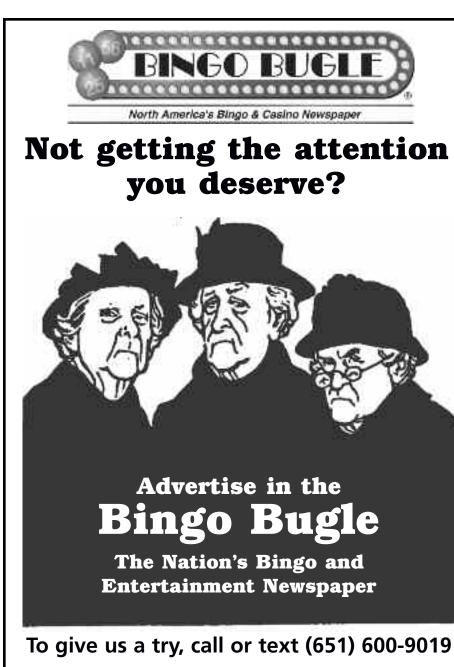
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Bingo Bugle Minnesota Edition P.O. Box 17297 St. Paul, MN 55117 email: bingomnnp@aol.com www.bingobuglemn.com Anyway, regardless of your preference for green or orange, did you know that all colors



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BOB KING Let's Keep it Simple, Please

I know that a lot of Bingo halls use a wide variety of games in order to make the session more exciting. But, I think that things have gotten out of hand. Recently I played Bingo at a hall where every game seemed to have a strange pattern you had to cover to win.

What ever happened to NOR-MAL Bingo...you know, five numbers in a row, horizontal, vertical, diagonal. Or DOUBLE Bingo. Or TRIPLE Bingo.

Now, if you are a regular at one of these halls that uses complex patterns, you might eventually get the hang of it. If you are playing an electronic machine it doesn't matter. But, speaking as a PAPER PLAYER. this is ridiculous!

At this particular hall, not only were the patterns strange and foreign to me, some games allowed you to Bingo one of several ways. Now, even though I am so dyslexic that I can only play a single 6-on card, I kept wondering if I actually had a Bingo and didn't know about it.

Additionally, this was a hall with a mumbling caller; once I

was playing the wrong game because I did not hear the announcement. Before the regular session the hall had six "Early Bird" games. All were DOUBLE Bingo. At least I THOUGHT they were all the same. Somebody in management decided that the final game should be the letter "X" for the win. Assuming I had won, because I had a DOUBLE Bingo, I shouted "BINGO!!" I was told by the runner that I had NOT won. It was an "X" in that game. Why? Why the exception?

I really think that Bingo halls need to realize that not everyone is a "regular." Secondly, not every player is playing a machine. And, maybe most importantly, some of those playing are there for the first time. This is especially critical in big cities, such as Vegas.

I really wasted my money at the session. Many times I was not sure what was going on. It was a combination of silly, hardto-understand games, hard-tounderstand callers, strange game order and a lack of sensitivity to the needs of people who had never played there before.

Let's end on a positive note. My special congratulations to a woman who is a caller at one of the smaller halls in Las Vegas. She actually said: "50 numbers or FEWER." Can you believe it? After 15 years of pleading in this column to stop saying "less" and start saying "fewer," some sweet woman complied. If I could remember her name, I'd send her flowers.







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Bingo News

Bingo Studies

It could be years before a Bingo parlor opens near Shabbona, Illinois, but the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Indian tribe has moved one step closer to doing so. The U.S. Department of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs held a public forum in January at the Kishwaukee College Conference Center in Malta, the first step in crafting an environmental impact study and an impact statement on the tribe's plans to bring Class II gaming to the area. Residents and other stakeholders had the opportunity to speak at the meeting. Federal representatives will use the information to gauge what benefits or distress the gaming, primarily Bingo, will have on Shabbona and the region. The environmental impact study, which the tribe pays for, could take up to two years to complete.

Anything for Bingo

Morgan City, Louisiana, police have charged a woman with child desertion after police found her three children, ages 10, 6 and 1, at home alone. Police were called to the home to investigate a barking dog. The officers arrived and heard what sounded like a small child or baby crying inside. They tried the door and it was not secure, even though the temperature was in the 40s. The officers then entered the home because of the circumstances, and found the three children alone. The officers were told the mother was out playing Bingo. While they were speaking to the children, she arrived home. Police say she left the children home alone for more than an hour.



Senior Fundraiser

Karaoke Bingo returned to the Kent Parks Deli and Café in February. The popular fundraiser offered lunch patrons the opportunity to contribute any amount to help defray costs of the Kent, Washington, Senior Activity Center lunch program. A \$5 entry fee included lunch, karaoke group sing-alongs and Bingo games. Gift card Bingo prizes, valued from \$25 to \$150, were provided by the Talbot Center for Rehabilitation and Healthcare.

Caller on The Voice

Bingo caller Brooklynne Richards made it through to the first round of the British version of the TV talent show, The Voice. She was delighted when judges Boy George and Ricky Wilson turned their chairs for her on the BBC-1 show, after she sang Cry to Me by Solomon Burke. She chose the song because it's from her favorite film, Dirty Dancing. Boy George of Culture Club was keen to coach Richards, but she went for Wilson of The Kaiser Chiefs. "I feel bad for George; he really wanted me and seemed quite upset," said Richards, who calls Bingo numbers as Sun Valley Amusements in Kings Heath, England. "But I had set my heart on Ricky before I went in."



Jessica was a Lucky #54 Bonanza win-

ner for \$1,000 and an Anniversary winner for \$30 every Sunday at Roseville Bingo Hall.

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by Frederick Woodruff

Horoscopes for March 2016

ARIES: Mar. 21-Apr. 20: Springtime triggers a blast of enthusiasm that allows you to power through just about any obstacle in your path. But there's a catch—you'll need to revisit some of your earlier skill sets to secure a lasting momentum. In other words knowledge that you'd forgotten about is waiting to assist you once again with your new plans and goals. Lucky Days: 16-29 Lucky Numbers: 44-58

TAURUS: Apr. 21-May 21:

There's no greater force in nature than the motivated bull! And what's more motivating than love? This is an excellent time for passionate romantic encounters your fierce magnetism will help attract someone that just might be a soul mate. Remember, the libido is the key instinct that keeps the melody of the universe humming. Start tuning your orchestra. Lucky Days: 7-16 Lucky Numbers: 21-54

GEMINI: May 22-June 21: Your ruler Mercury's relationship to the planet Pluto adds depth and intensity to your thinking and communications. March is an excellent month to state what you need at work to feel satisfied and well compensated. Remember, sometimes the right questions are more important than the answers questions get people moving and thinking. Guide their way. Lucky Days: 3-7 Lucky Numbers: **39-48**

CANCER: June 22-July 22:

Relationships are like mirrors. What you expect from others is directly related to the expectations you place upon yourself. But this month you're challenged to define what is yours and what is your partner's. These are crucial distinctions. Use the rejuvenating force of the New Moon on the 8th to bring a fresh way of seeing to all of your relationships. Making this a win-win for everybody. Lucky Days: 8-24 Lucky Numbers: 24-34 Lucky Days: 3-19 Lucky Numbers: 25-60

VIRGO: Aug. 24-Sept. 23: The fiery planet Mars activates the home front with a disruptive blast that might shake a few skeletons from the closet. Not to worry though, you're an excellent editor when it comes to clearing away the dross. The New Moon on the 8th brings you a blast of chutzpah that will startle you and everyone in the family—as you put everything back into working order. Lucky Days: 12-29 Lucky Numbers: 8-39

LIBRA: Sept. 24-Oct. 23: The New Moon on the 8th shines a light on the dichotomies between doing for yourself and doing for others. Your need for solitude must be honored now, you've a lot riding on it. Time management is the key. Give yourself what you need for your creative projects and then set up time for social obligations. You'll be much happier structuring your world this way. **Lucky Days: 14-20 Lucky Numbers: 4-56**

SCORPIO: Oct. 24-Nov. 22:

Wow, when you set your mind to something the only thing stopping you is—oddly—your mood. This means you need to choose carefully what, exactly, you want to invest your time and passion into. Then worry and anxiety wane as the sheer power of joy becomes your motivation—and guide. Follow your bliss! Lucky Days: 8-27 Lucky Numbers 17-65

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 23-Dec. 21: If you feel as though you've lost your way this month it's time to pause and reconnect to the core beliefs and philosophies that have inspired you in the past. Centaurs need a spiritual connection to feel part and parcel of a larger plan or blueprint. Some call this God's Will, other's the way of Nature or the Tao. Regardless the name, the key is to remember your alignment and then all will be well. Lucky Days: 19-21 Lucky Numbers: 19-43

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22-Jan. 20:

Mars enters your house of dreams and suddenly your attention is focused on the realm of the unconscious. Where do ideas come from? How do impulses first begin to stir before becoming actions? These are the questions you will focus on as you slow down, settle and let your nocturnal life show you a new direction. Your keyword for March is meditation. Lucky Days: 3-23 Lucky Numbers: 18-55

AQUARIUS: Jan. 21-Feb. 19:

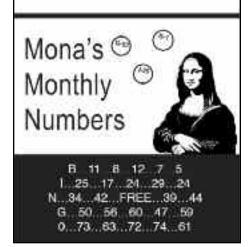
Destiny has taken the wheel and delivered you to a series of events that might feel beyond your control. And, well, that's the point. It's time to stop and ponder this question: Where does your will end and the universe's begin? Find a spiritual or philosophical system that can help you settle with these questions. It's going to take some time to discover the answers you seek. Be ready to commit. Lucky Days: 23-29 Lucky Numbers: 10-58

PISCES: Feb. 20-Mar. 20: The New Moon on the 8th forces you to take a stand for yourself in ways that challenge your easygoing nature. Become pro-active in making your case. This means putting



MARCH'S LUCKY FLASHBOARD NUMBERS

B: 1, 6, 7, 12, 14 I: 18, 21, 24, 28, 29 N: 32, 33, 36, 44 G: 47, 51, 54, 55, 60 O: 65, 68, 71, 74, 75



on hold your tendency to accommodate everyone else first. Gather together all the facts and data you need to make your case. It's time to nip this situation in the bud. Lucky Days: 8-15 Lucky Numbers: 46-59



walked to an open window while I found myself at the same window, but he was nowhere to be seen. Looking out, I saw a beautiful valley with shades of green, a nearby mountain and a vivid blue sky. Then, I woke up. — **Charles N., Henderson, Nevada**

Dear Charles,

Buildings reflect the dreamer, and so do people whom you do not know. The building stands alone and so does the man in the building. His white face with no facial features reflects purity, but no personality. All of these symbols reflect you. The scenery you see are your wishes for a more "colorful" life. Are you a recent widower or have you suffered a loss of a loved one? If so, my condolences. If not, please step out of your comfort zone and learn something new or go somewhere you have not been to before and be friendly to others, it will brighten up your insular world. Please keep in touch. —Dream Lady

the water. A friendly dog came up and licked my face and I was so frightened, I shot him. I felt deep remorse in my dream. This dream deeply upset me because I have dogs and cats and would never hurt them, or any living animal or person. I don't want this kind of dream again. How do I stop it? — Nelson M., Las Vegas, Nevada

Dear Nelson

LEO: July 23-Aug. 23: Death is Nature's way of making way for her latest creations. This isn't a morbid meditation, but a crucial fact that brings freedom to those who dare to release attachments to the past. This month requires that you muster the same kind of courage that an astronaut faces on her very first journey. Welcome to the joy of new spaces.

Colorful and Reflective Dreams

Dear Dream Lady,

I dreamed (in color) that I was outside and looking at two huge buildings standing all alone with nothing around them. I was outside the buildings and I saw a man on an upper floor dressed in white, but with no facial features. I approached about 15 feet, but we did not converse. He then

Dear Dream Lady,

Maybe it is the news I watch, but I dreamed I was sitting near a lake holding a machine gun and feeling frightened that a large monster was going to leap out of

Dear Neison,

Yes, it is the news you watch. You are having a "reflective" dream which I see a lot of depending on how much a person watches TV news. I believe watching TV news causes an unusual amount of fear and mistrust of others. The dog is a good sign-he symbolizes the loving part of you. Shut off your TV (or only watch 30 to 60 minutes of "bad" news), play music you enjoy and/or read magazines or books that bring you contentment. The upsetting dream will not return because it has nothing bad to reflect. I wish you peace. —Dream Lady

Mail your dreams to Dream Lady at P.O. Box 414, Entiat, WA 98822. Send a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope because not all dreams are published.



By Guy Williams

Max cards — Playing it Cool

Hi Guy,

As an older gentleman, the winter weather this year really made driving the car to get out to Bingo a problem for me. One night it would be too icy, then too snowy, then we'd get freezing rain that would flood everything...it got to the point where I was thinking I would have to stop playing Bingo until springtime.

On one of these nasty nights I was flipping through an old copy of the Bingo Bugle and noticed an ad for casino bus trips. The buses had several pickup spots for riders and went to casino games that I rarely go to. (I usually stick with local charity games.) You got your choice of matinee or evening games and the trip included the bus ride and Bingo fees. I decided to try it.

The ride didn't seem to take long and there was a good-sized group on the bus, but it wasn't crowded. (They were pretty noisy, though!) The casino was really nice and the Bingo room was great. I had a lot of fun and was so happy to be playing Bingo again after weeks away.

I have been on two more bus trips since the first time and I have to say that it is an enjoyable and relaxing choice when you want someone else to do the driving. I won't do it all the time—I still like playing Bingo in the community—but it's nice to have in my back pocket when I don't want to be behind the wheel. —Mark L., New York, via email

Hi Mark,

Good call! This winter has been a nightmare for so many of us. I, for one, lost count of the number of events I passed up because I didn't want to brave the miserable weather and iffy road conditions.

Thank heavens there are bus companies out there that put together all kinds of excursions shopping trips, wine tours, gaming trips—that let us sit back and relax while the professionals do the driving.

I hope on your next casino trip you get out of the Bingo room and try some of the other gaming the casino offers. Then again, you probably already have. **—Guy**

Hi Guy,

I went on a family trip to Las Vegas, which of course meant we went to some of the casinos to do a little gambling.

My wife and I like to play Bingo occasionally, but had never tried playing in a casino Bingo room, so we decided it was time to give it a try. At the cashier, the man asked if we were playing paper or digital. Our eyes widened; neither of us had ever played electronic Bingo before. We decided to try it, and the man asked how many cards we wanted to play. My wife smiled and asked what the maximum was. Without blinking an eye, the man said 2,000 cards.

We were floored. A single person willing to shell out the money could play 2,000 cards!? We tried to act cool, but I think our cover was blown when we opted to only play 20 cards. *—J.R., Colorado, via email*

Hi J.R.,

Staggering, isn't it? Here we are popping a couple aspirin before Bingo so we don't come down with tennis elbow daubing a pair of 9-on sheets at the local Elks lodge, while folks into electronic Bingo are playing thousands of cards with a simple push of the button. What temptation! -Guy

Write to: Guy's Turn c/o The Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, Washington 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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Veterans Charities Need Our Support

Now that the holidays have come and gone, it's time to think about how we'll handle the new year and that includes what charities ages. Now I'm asking you to consider regular monthly giving. Each \$15 you donate will get one box of goodies mailed to a service member.

The boxes are loaded with snacks, flash drives, toiletries, iPods, books, games, socks, comic books, T-shirts, hats, DVDs and players, batteries, puzzles...and sometimes even the keys to a new vehicle waiting when the service member gets home. If you check the photos and thank you letters at the website, you'll see just how appreciated those boxes can be for service members far from home.



1. GEOGRAPHY: Which U.S. state lies east of Indiana?

2. MYTHOLOGY: In Roman mythology, Neptune is the equivalent of which Greek god?

3. COMICS: In what year did detective Dick Tracy make his debut in a comic strip?

4. HISTORY: How many presidents have served more than two terms of office?



we'll support.

The big thing, as always, is to avoid the scammers. Unfortunately, when it comes to supporting veterans and activeduty endeavors, the scammers are out in full force, either pocketing the cash or misdirecting it.

Here are two sites to investigate to make sure you don't give money to a scam operation: Charity Navigator (<u>www.charity-</u> <u>navigator.org</u>) and GuideStar (www.guidestar.org).

One of the best and most worthwhile for-military charities I know of is Operation Gratitude (<u>www.operationgratitude.com</u>). I've written about it before, coaxing you to send a few dollars when it's trying to hit a big goal, such as their next 100,000 packAt the OpGrat website you can choose to send a check, sign up for monthly giving or even have it taken out on your credit card. It's up to you.

If you absolutely can't give money, can you write letters? Each box that's sent out includes a few letters, written by schoolkids, retired military, families...everybody pitches in. Check the website (look under the Volunteer dropdown menu) for hints about the content of letters and where/how to send them. 5. MOVIES: What was the first Pixar film to receive a PG rating?

6. LITERATURE: Who wrote the children's book Black Beauty?

7. CHEMISTRY: What is the Periodic Table symbol for the element iron?

8. AD SLOGANS: What 1960s and '70s aftershave warned consumers to "be careful how you use it"?

9. LANGUAGE: What is a ewer?

10. MEDICAL: What part of the body does Bell's palsy affect?

(Answers on page 11)

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Benefits for Veterans

Dear Savvy Senior,

I would like to find out what kinds of veterans benefits are available to older vets and their spouses? My dad served four years in the Army during the Korean War, and I'm curious to see if there are any VA benefits that he or my mom may qualify for. What can you tell me? — **Searching Son**

Dear Searching,

That's a great question. There are actually millions of older veterans and their families who don't take advantage of the VA benefits they're entitled to because they either don't know they exist or they don't think they would qualify for them. Here's what you and your parents should know.

Underused Benefits

While the VA provides a wide range of commonly known benefits and services for its veterans—like health care, education support through the GI Bill and home loans—they also provide a bevy of lesser-known benefits that were specifically created to help senior veterans and their family members, as well as their survivors.

To be eligible, however, your parent's income and assets in most cases will need to be below certain limits, and your dad's discharge from the military must have been under conditions other than dishonorable. Here's a breakdown of four benefits that are often overlooked by older vets and their families.

Veterans Pension: This is available to limited-income veterans that are age 65 and older or are totally disabled, who served at least 90 days of active military service with at least one day of service during a period of war (stateside or overseas). To be eligible, your parent's assets will generally need to be under \$80,000 not counting their house and vehicle, and their annual "countable income" must be under \$15,493 or \$11,830 for a single veteran. Countable income includes earnings, disability and retirement payments, interest and dividends, and net income from business or farming, minus medical expenses if they exceed at least 5 percent of their total income.

Death Pension: This is available to low-income surviving spouses and dependents of wartime veterans whose death was not related to military service. To receive this benefit, a surviving spouse's annual income must be under \$7,933, or under \$9,696 if she is housebound (minus medical expenses), with cash assets under \$80,000.

Aid and Attendance: This little known benefit can help elderly veterans and their spouses pay for inhome care, an assisted living facility or nursing home care. It pays up to \$1,949 per month, in addition to the monthly pension benefits. To qualify, the veteran must be 65 or older (or permanently disabled), have served during wartime and meet certain financial and medical requirements.

To qualify medically, one of your parents would need assistance with basic everyday living tasks like eating, bathing, dressing or going to the bathroom. Being blind or in a nursing home or assisted living facility for mental incapacity also qualifies.

And to qualify financially, your parent's annual income as a couple (minus medical and long-term care expenses) cannot exceed \$23,396; \$19,736 for a single veteran; or \$12,681 for a surviving spouse. And their assets must be less that \$80,000, excluding their home and car. **Burial Benefits:** Regardless of income and assets, this benefit provides all veterans, spouses and dependents a free burial at a national cemetery and a free grave marker. Unfortunately, funeral or cremation costs are not covered. However, some veterans may qualify for a \$300 funeral allowance and \$300 for a plot if they choose to be buried in a private cemetery. To learn more see <u>www.cem.va.gov</u>.

VA Resources

A good place to learn about all types of veterans benefits is at the online at

www.ebenefits.va.gov or www.vba.va.gov. Or contact your regional VA office or local veterans service organization, where you can get personalized help and assistance in filing claims. See www.va.gov/statedva.htm for contact information or call the VA benefits helpline at 800-827-1000.

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

BINGO BUGLE MONTHLY CONTEST



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 MONTH PER PERSON. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY INCLUDING HALL NAME AND DATE COMPLETED. ENTRIES THAT ARE NOT PROPER-LY FILLED OUT AND DUPLICATE ENTRIES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

Monthly Winners to Date:

August: Larry Mahler, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; Shalissa McCurry, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Ronal Simons, Mystic Lake Bingo; Donna Murphy, Roseville Bingo Hall. September: Tim Rudolph, Marian KC Bingo; Jo Anne Nieman, Roseville Bingo Hall: Darlene Adams. Treasure Island Bingo; Garold McDonald, Carousel Bingo Hall. October: Jennifer Page, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; Sandra Rogers, Saints Bingo Hall; Patrick Bohan, Pot O' Gold Bingo Hall; Carol Woodward, Little Canada Market Place Bingo Hall. November: La Vaughn Osborn, Treasure Island Casino Bingo; Christy Yakel, Pot O' Gold Bingo Hall; Connie Hanson, Saints Bingo Hall; Dotty Schmidt, West St. Paul Bingo Palace. **December**: Arlene Toonen, Marian K of C, Bloominton; Billy Jack Crow, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; Laura Bonar, Mystic Lake Bingo; Tippi Parkhurst, Treasure Island Casino Bingo. January 2016: Mary Kinzel, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Barbara Lawry, Pot O' Gold Bingo Hall; Lillian Yamamoto, Saints Bingo; Joellen Switala, Roseville Bingo Hall. February: Clara Miller, Mystic Lake Casino Bingo; Mabel Tessmer, Roseville Bingo Hall; John Cota, Saints Bingo Hall; Nancy Willing, Little Canada Market Place Bingo.

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.

March Winners

Anita Schoeller\$2	5 , North St. Paul VFW
Gary Henning\$2	5, West St. Paul Bingo Palace
Bette Moe\$2	5 , Marian K of C, Bloomington
Jeanne Sershon\$2	5 , Treasure Island Casino Bingo

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Bingo Trip Gone Bad

Dear Aunt Bingo,

If being addicted to Bingo is wrong, then I don't want to be right!

I arrived home from Bingo with a smile on my face because I yelled out "Bingo!" on the last game, a coverall, for \$250. I turned on the TV and quickly lost my smile to breaking news of another terrorist attack. On behalf of all Bingo players, our thoughts and prayers are with all the victims of these terrible actions.

Has there ever been a missionary who has gone to a war-torn country like Syria or into a cave that is occupied by these terrorists who only think about dying and killing as many people as possible, and introduce them to Bingo? If not, don't you think it's time to share the good news there is a game called Bingo!

Aunt Bingo, we need to use your platform and say: "Put down your weapons and pick up your daubers!"— Johnny A., Azusa, California

Dear Johnny,

Clearly your "jackpot high" has convinced you that our love of Bingo has the power to solve the world's worst problems. Sadly, it's going to take a lot more than dabbing a few numbers and winning a few dollars to accomplish this. But your heart is certainly in the right place. — Aunt Bingo

Dear Aunt Bingo,

I am writing you today about a really bad experience I had at a Bingo hall/casino I went to on a bus trip. When we arrived, the person who was in charge of getting us off the bus and helping us receive our rewards for the trip was rude and disrespectful and yelled at us constantly. We had to stand in three different lines for each item—like the card, the admissions books and the promotions and specials. Some of the stuff he promised our person in charge he said he wasn't going to give us because it wasn't promised and the whole time he was screaming at all of us!

After all of that, when we entered the hall a group of us was sitting in the nonsmoking section and a security guard was rude and nasty toward us as well. He told us to shut up and keep the noise down when we weren't talking except in library-level voices.

I go to plenty of Bingo halls and I have never received such horrible customer service in my life. When my friends and I go to Bingo, we laugh and enjoy ourselves and at this hall there was nothing enjoyable about the experience. We were not loud or swearing or nasty to anyone there, but their behaviors were just out of control.

I have called and lodged a complaint to their management and am still waiting for a response.

Thank you for letting me vent. I was very hurt and upset and we rode the bus two hours from our hometown for that trip! —*Bingo Mama, via email*

Dear Bingo Mama,

I am so sorry to hear about your bad experience.

What a terrible way for a gaming establishment to conduct business—by having the first person a bus full of paying customers meets be rude and bullying, followed by more of the same from another employee once the group moves inside.

You were smart to contact management and lodge a complaint. I hope the bus driver/escort did the same.

Please keep us posted on the outcome of your phone call to those in charge. —*Aunt Bingo*

Write to Aunt Bingo c/o the Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, Washington 98070, or email her at <u>STENGL456@aol.com</u>. Be sure to include your name and address.



Television Set

G: At a recent estate sale, I purchased an early TV set, a CBS Columbia, Model RX 90 console with a 15-inch screen. I paid \$50, and bought it because I had never seen a CBS set before. Do you think I got a good deal? — Rob, Chicago

A: According to Antique Trader Radio and Television Price Guide, edited by Kyle Husfloen and published by Krause Books, you made an excellent buy. Your set was manufactured in 1954 and was of the first color TVs marketed. It is considered rare, and Husfloen values the set at \$5,000.

G: I have an "Annie Mansion" in its original box. It was made by Knickerbocker Toys in 1982, and I assume the set I have is complete. What is the value of it? —Pat, Sun City, Arizona

A: I found your several sets at Amazon.com priced in the \$300 to \$500 range. Several weeks ago, I saw a set in its original box at an antiques mall in Phoenix. It was \$90. A week later, it was gone.

Write to Larry Cox in care of KFWS, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475, or send e-mail to questionsforcox@aol.com. Do not send any materials requiring return mail.



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End Game for Daily Fantasy Sports?

Like Rocky in the big fight scene in Rocky I, DFS operators have been on the ropes since the beginning of October 2015. But, also like Rocky, they continue to battle on—taking a beating that would floor any lesser competitor

During one week in September, "DraftKings was the single biggest advertiser on television." DFS operators have slowed their spending, in part because media companies are reluctant to run commercials for what might be illegal gambling. Still, DraftKings, FanDuel and their smaller competitors continue to spend enough to "move the needle" on the total amount

spent by all advertisers for all products and services throughout the entire United States.

Much of DFS operators' bruises have been self-inflicted. DFS sites are staffed by people who like to play fantasy sports. This is true of every gaming operation that puts an existing game to the Internet. But DFS operators should have learned the lesson of Absolute Poker, where an insider was discovered to be a "superuser," with the ability to see every other players' down-cards.

DraftKings and FanDuel say they had already taken the obvious first step of banning their employees from participating in DFS on their own sites. But, given the nature of fantasy sports, which relies so heavily on statistical information, operators should have also prohibited their staffs from playing on every DFS site, especially big money games. This would have prevented the scandal that will haunt operators for years, where a DraftKings employee won \$350,000 on FanDuel.

"Just a mistake," said DraftKings about its manager, who accidentally released important customer information about player selections and then won \$350,000 playing fantasy football at FanDuel. To state and federal prosecutors and disgruntled losing patrons, it looks instead like the manager used inside information to give himself an advantage in choosing which players to put on his fantasy team.

Now, prosecutors are looking into what other possible miscon-



duct might have occurred. Worse, they are investigating whether DSF has violated state or federal anti-gambling statutes. At least one class action has been filed. I expect both government and private lawyers to look for more than just money. They will attempt to get courts to issue injunctions, closing down the sites.

The timing of the \$350,000 DraftKings scandal could not have been worse. The Attorneys General of New York and Massachusetts, and apparently of at least three other states, were already investigating whether DFS violated any of their state laws. The scandal broke at the beginning of October.

Within three weeks bills were entered in Congress and state legislatures to outlaw DFS, at least one federal grand jury was convened, state attorneys general opened their own investigations and the FBI was called in. A manager of a multi-billion-dollar mutual fund cancelled a call he had scheduled with me to discuss investing in DSF. Big investors may want big profits. But they are scared to death of uncertainty. Even some of DSF's allies were backing off. ESPN suspended branded segments featuring DraftKings during its news and information programs.

The problem for DSF sites and their associates is not the minor scandal of possible insider trading, or even allegations of cheating. The problem is that violations of gambling laws trigger all of the draconian statutes designed to fight organized crime.

There are three ways a nonactor, like ESPN, could be criminally liable merely for running ads for a business that violates anti-gambling laws. The crime that is often called "the prosecutors' friend" is conspiracy. Almost all state anti-gambling crimes are mere misdemeanors. But conspiracy to commit a misdemeanor is a felony. Prosecutors only have to prove

that there was an agreement to do an act that violates the law and that one of the co-conspirators took a substantial step toward completing that act. Coconspirators do not even have to know that what they are agreeing do is illegal.

felony. The only requirement is that the business has five or more people and does at least \$2,000 in business a day.

Everyone wants to know what is going to happen with DSF. Given this list of horrors, it may be surprising to hear that I am rather optimistic about the operators. The most important reason is money - big money coming from very powerful institutions.

The proponents of DFS include the extremely rich and powerful sports leagues, with the sole exception of the NCAA. Even the fanatically anti-gambling NFL allows its team-owners to be directly involved with DFS operators. Closely aligned with the professional sports teams are large mass media companies, like Disney. It is easy to see why: DFS players watch athletic events to the end, even when it is a blowout. Unlike regular sports fans, DFS participants are more interested in the performance of their individual players than whether their team wins or loses, or even whether it beats the spread.

The main opponent of DFS are established legal gambling operators, particularly casinos. Nevada announced that it is taking up the battle against DFS by declaring DFS to be a form of gambling. DFS operators are taking the position that their games are contests of skill, so they could not apply for gaming licenses.

In the end, will DFS win? Rocky Balboa withstood repeated blows that would have killed a lesser fighter, and stayed on his feet through all 15 rounds. Still, in the end of the first movie, he lost the match by a split decision. DFS and its many fans have to hope that Rocky I will not be an omen for them. And they may be right. DFS may be getting hit almost every day. But it has not, and will not, throw in the towel. We are still in the early rounds. And this is only Rocky I. Let's not forget that in Rocky II, Rocky wins, and becomes the Heavyweight Champion of the World.

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The second and even more common way for a non-actor to be criminally liable for the actions of another person is accomplice liability. Accomplice liability is a theory of liability. Often called aiding and abetting, this is a way to make anyone who helps another commit a crime become guilty of that crime.

For DFS, the last and possibly most frightening way for a person to be criminally responsible for the actions of another are special statutes. In the case of gambling, the most important is the federal Illegal Gambling Businesses Act. Congress enacted the IGBA as part of the Organized Crime Control Act. It makes everyone who participates in a business that violates a state anti-gambling law guilty of a major federal

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Blaine, MN

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Finlayson, MN

32nd Annual St. Urho's Day Celebration, March 19, 7:00 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Sponsored by the Finlayson-Giese Lions Club. The day includes a parade, volleyball, basketball and cribbage tournaments, BINGO, pancake breakfast, antique snowmobile show, kids games and medallion hunt. At the Community Center in Finlayson.



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Year's Day 2015. The man had argued that he and his estranged wife always played the lottery using shared household funds during their 30-year marriage, and it should be included in their divorce settlement. But the judge noted they had separated their finances at least four years earlier when he went to live with his new girlfriend. The woman paid for the winning ticket from her own bank account.

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A Long Shot Worth Taking

I have become a regular in a locals-only \$1-\$2 no-limit game held weekly in the back of a pizza place. It's been fun playing cards with a handful of guys ranging from ski bums to business owners. My favorite thing about poker is that it's a game of people, and adjusting to varying levels of play is a challenge for any poker player, professional or amateur.

With pocket nines, I raised to \$5 from early position. The player to my left called, as did the next player. Next to act, our friend Kurt made it \$25 to go.

The next few players folded, and for good reason. Kurt isn't known to mess around, and nobody had ever seen him mess around in a spot where he faced an early position raiser and two immediate callers. Therefore, Kurt had a big hand. He started the hand with \$150, and I had \$327. My turn.

I was certain that I had the worst hand. Assuming he was raising with a range of A-A, K-K, Q-Q and A-K, then I had a 35.8 percent chance against his range. I assumed he wouldn't fold if I reraised to any amount. If he didn't have queens in his range, my chances would be close to 40 percent. However, I felt it more likely that he'd omit A-K from his range, and against a range of A-A to Q-Q my chances were 19 percent. So I wasn't raising, and I didn't like the idea of calling with the worst hand, o folding was my best move

Unless...

I thought I could get all his chips if I flopped a set. With a pair, you'll flop a set approximately one out of eight times, so I needed to make 7-to-1 odds or better on my preflop call to be enticed into seeing a flop, knowing I was behind. His range was so strong that it seemed likely he'd be willing to get his last \$125 in on most flops. It was \$20 more to me, and there was \$43 in the pot already. If I could get all of Kurt's money, then I'd be risking \$20 to win \$168, getting odds of 8.4-to-1, better than the 7-to-1 odds I was looking for.

It's important to consider that I wouldn't always win in instances where I flopped a set and we got our chips in. The added value helped with that some, and I thought I could define his hand a little better on the flop, so I called. I wouldn't have minded if the other opponents called, but they both folded.

Against an advanced player, I'd have folded my nines. A better player will have a more balanced three-betting range. It may be something like A-A through 10-10, A-K, A-Q and the occasional semi-bluff with something like 7-8 suited. This range is still ahead of my nines, but much tougher to play against out of position vs. a good opponent. If he sometimes has weak hands, I sometimes won't double through him when I flop a set, because he won't get his chips in, and therefore my diminished reward is no longer great enough for me to risk \$20 to see a flop.

The flop came Ks 10h 9d, giving me the set I was looking for.

I checked, Kurt bet \$50, and I moved all in. With Kurt having only \$75 behind, there was no reason for me to do anything but shove and hope he didn't have kings. I certainly didn't want to call and have an ace, queen or jack peel off. He eventually called with aces. The board bricked out and I won.

Bryan Devonshire is a professional poker player from Las Vegas. Known as "Devo" on the tournament circuit, he has amassed more than \$2 million in career earnings. Follow him on Twitter: @devopoker.

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Deborah won at 3 p.m. on the Blue at Roseville Bingo Hall.

Lynn Lehto won the Evening "Odd Ball" Progressive for \$1,199 at West St. Paul Bingo Palace.



Blackjack: A Crash Course

I remember to this day what a friend told me the first time I set foot in a Las Vegas casino some 50 years ago and was "scared to death" to sit down and play blackjack. "Look at all those people playing blackjack," he said to me. "At one time they were all beginners, just like you."

Of course, he was right. Even if you are a dedicated slot machine player, learning how to play blackjack is not as difficult as you think it is. Plus think about this: Blackjack has been the most popular casino table game for over 70 years, and even today, more folks play blackjack than poker (yep, that's true). In short, blackjack is popular because it is easy to play, it's fun, and it offers the best odds of winning.

The objective in blackjack is to beat the dealer's hand. You can do this in one of two ways: by either having your hand totaling higher than the dealer's hand, or by not going over 21 when the dealer subsequently goes over 21 (going over 21 is known as "busting" or "breaking"). So, if you've got 18 and the dealer has 17, you win. If you stand on 12 and the dealer busts, you win.

The cards count their face value in blackjack. Picture cards count as 10, and an Ace counts as either 1 or 11 (initially the Ace counts as 11 but if you draw more cards, and the hand totals more than 21, then the Ace can be counted as 1). The total of any hand is the sum of the card values in the hand. For example, a hand containing a 4-5-8 totals 17 and Ace-5 is a 16. The highest-valued starting hand in blackjack (because it receives a bonus) contains an Ace plus a 10value card, and it is known as a blackjack or natural.

When you win a hand at blackjack you are paid even money (i.e., if you bet \$5 and win, you get paid \$5). The only exception is a player's blackjack, which gets paid either 3-2 or 6-5 (avoid all 6-5 games!) if the dealer doesn't also have a blackjack. If your hand and the dealer's hand have the same total, this is known as a push, or tie, and you neither win nor lose your wager. Card suits have no meaning at blackjack. Some hands in blackjack are

known as soft hands and others as hard hands, and it's important to know the distinction. Any hand that contains an Ace counted as 11 is known as a soft hand. For example, Ace-6 is a soft 17. Likewise, 2-3-Ace is a soft 16. A hard hand is any hand that either does not contain an ace, or if it does, the Ace is counted as 1. For example, 10-5-Ace is a hard 16. Oftentimes, a hand can start as a soft hand, and after receiving one or more cards, turn into a hard hand (Ace-5 is soft 16; if you hit and draw a 10, you now have a hard 16).

The dealer must act on his hand by house rules (i.e., they have no playing options). If their hand totals 16 or less, they must draw another card or cards. If their hand totals 17 through 21, they must stand. In some casinos, the dealer must stand on soft 17, and in others, hit (it will say so on the layout). The odds are slightly better for players when the dealer stands on all 17s, including soft 17.

The built-in house edge in blackjack arises from the simple fact that players act before the dealer, and if they bust they automatically lose, even if the dealer subsequently busts. Also, you have several playing options that are not available to the dealer, such as standing or hitting on any hand total, doubling down, pair splitting, and, in some venues, surrendering. By using these playing options optimally, you can reduce the house edge to about half of one percent! In future articles I'll review the basic playing strategy for blackjack.

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Rachelle won on the Blue at the late night session at Roseville Bingo Hall.





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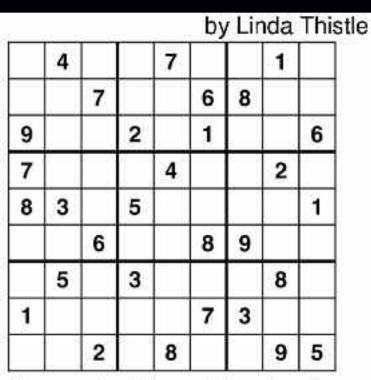
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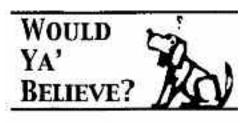
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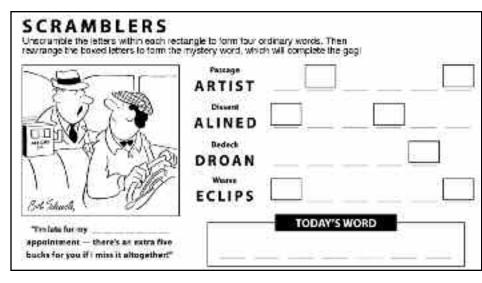
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...There were no domestic cats in North America until they arrived with voyagers from Europe.

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Easy Chili

Dear Ask Annie,

My twelve year-old twins have asked me to make them some chili. Make it an easy recipe please, so they can help me make it. — *Clara Sue from Hartford*, *Conneticut*

Dear Clara Sue,

I am going to give you two recipes for chili. One of the recipes is a recipe your twins can help prepare. The other chili recipe is a little more involved, but very tasty. Enjoy!! —Annie

ANOTHER CHILI RECIPE

1 lb. ground beef
 1 Spanish onion, sliced
 2 jalapeno peppers, sliced
 14.5 oz. cans stewed tomatoes
 1/8 cup crushed red pepper
 1 Tbsp. cayenne pepper
 1 tsp. allspice

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tsp. ground ginger
 tsp. ground cloves
 tsp. cinnamon
 1/2 lb. cooked bacon, crumbled
 chili peppers
 portobello mushrooms, sliced
 oz. fresh spinach
 16 oz. can red chili beans,

undrained In a large skillet, brown and drain the ground beef, onion and jalapeno peppers. Add to an appropriately-sized crock pot with the remainder of the ingredients, except for the red beans. Top with water. Cook for 3 hours. Add the beans and cook for one more hour. Serve hot. Serves 4 to 6.

CHILI—A KID'S RECIPE

 lb. ground beef
 green onions, chopped
 small green pepper, chopped
 15 oz. can tomato sauce
 15 oz. can kidney beans, undrained
 tsp. chili pepper
 4 tsp. salt

In a 2-quart saucepan, cook the meat over a medium heat, breaking it up as you cook it. Add the green pepper and onions. Stir until the meat is brown. Drain the fat out of the pan. Add the tomato sauce, beans with liquid, chili powder and salt. Cook until it boils, stirring frequently. Lower the heat to a simmer and let cook, uncovered, for at least 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Serve hot with saltines. Serves 4.

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