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# Playing Bingo With My Mother

By Elle May

I'll admit, I don't go to the bingo hall as often as I did before Mama passed away. She really enhanced the whole experience—plus, we always split our wins. It was a mother-daughter thing, and no one went home jealous of the other's winnings. I have friends who play, but it's often difficult to coordinate our personal obligations with a bingo meet-up.

Mama and I often played "daytime bingo." Our local hall had a nice double session that ran from noon to 4:00 p.m. (if you played all the games). The bingo hall had an impressive snack bar, but Mama would often choose to pack a lunch for the both of us. I'm sure the players seated near us appreciated our egg salad sandwich luncheons. Oh well, sometimes you need to save your cash for more bingo cards...or pull-tabs.

I prefer daytime bingo over evening sessions. I can get my bingo fix and be home before dinnertime—and even bring dinner with me if I had a big win. I remember my dad exclaiming "You must have won!" when Mama and I came home one evening with a family-size bag of BBQ with all the fixin's.

Now, don't get me wrong. I'm more than willing to go to evening or nighttime bingo. I just prefer to have dinner at home and enjoy my TV shows and not drive home in the dark. But, to be honest, I ain't gonna say no if you call and invite me. One night, I quickly changed from pajamas to jeans when a couple of



friends called to invite me to MIDNIGHT bingo. I drank a lot of coffee that night.

My biggest bingo win was at daytime bingo. It wasn't our usual hall, but they had a very flamboyant bingo caller that Mama liked. He would crack really bad jokes, and flirt with the ladies between calls. Mama never wanted to sit close enough to the caller to become an object of his flirtations; just close enough to enjoy the "show." My big win there was \$1,500 and I think Mama was more excited than I was. After I tipped the floor worker, Mama and I had a nice big kitty to split. She leaned over to me and said, "Let's not tell your father how much we won." Secret money is the best money!

I miss those daytime bingo sessions with Mama. I would give my best dauber (and all my wins) to sit with her for four hours, eating egg salad sandwiches and chatting the afternoon away.

## **Gaming News**

### DREAM CASINO

The huge Japanese city of Yokohama recently published its so-called "draft" implementation policy as it continues with a plan that could ultimately see it selected as a host for one of the nation's coming trio of integrated casino resorts. According to press reports, the city is hoping to take advantage of national legislation that would authorize Vegas-style developers to finish several controversial projects.

### **LOTTERY SCAM**

Police in the United Kingdom report that a senior investigator for that nation's National Crime Agency has helped successfully prosecute a man found guilty of illegally gaining access to the usernames and passwords of registered UK National Lottery online users. The 29-year-old accused hacker may have made use of a common and reasonably easily accessible hacking tool by the name of Sentry MBA, in the attack on Lottery operator Camelot's player accounts. The hacker was sentenced to nine months in prison. He may face other charges.

# VIRGINIA MOVES CLOSER TO LEGAL CASINOS

According to media in Virginia, that state's long-running campaign to get casinos legalized has reportedly taken a massive step. State legislators have passed a measure that could see gambling-friendly venues authorized for five disparate cities. The Virginia House of

Delegates said "OK" to the casino proposal by a vote of 60 to 35. The vote came only 24 hours after the Virginia State Senate approved the same measure by a similarly comfortable 27-to-twelve margin.

### CANADIAN GAMING UPTICK

The company Great Canadian Gaming says its number-crunching shows good news thanks to a 15% revenue upspike. Quarterly improvement proved a charm too, with the fourth quarter of 2019 having come in markedly higher on the performance than what was the case in the fourth quarter of the previous year. A year-on-year improvement is evident all round. Quarterly performance reports offer a valuable peek into the interim swing of things



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# **Bingo News**

### Bingo Funds Scholarships in NJ

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit in Verona, New Jersey, recently held a Bingo fundraiser to benefit the Verona UNICO scholarship fund. The entrance fee of \$20 covered Bingo sheets for 10 games and players could buy more sheets inside. Snacks and beverages were also available, or people could bring their own food. UNICO, which means "unique" or "one-of-a-kind" in Italian, is the largest Italian-American service organization in the U.S. The Verona Chapter has donated more than \$500,000 to national and local causes and has awarded hundreds of student scholarships.

### Combatting Sexual Harm

The Kankakee County, Illinois, Center Against Sexual Assault (KC-CASA) Glo Bingo event at the Kankakee County Fairgrounds was an evening of high energy, loud music, blacklight Bingo, raffles and more. Tickets (\$30) for the 18-and-over festivities included six Bingo cards, a glow hat and Bingo dauber. Refreshments were also on hand. Proceeds raised will aid in the organization's efforts to support survivors of sexual harm in the Kankakee community.

# **Drag Bingo Benefits Rescued Animals**

Brought back by popular demand was Miss Thea's Drag Queen Bingo to benefit Pet Search rescue of southwestern Pennsylvania. Pet Search is an all-volunteer nonprofit animal rescue and placement service dedicated to the rescue, care and placement of homeless and unwanted domestic animals in southwestern Pennsylvania. Since 1996, Pet Search has placed more than 10,000 animals unwanted by their owners into loving, adoptive homes. This was the third year Miss Thea's Drag Queen Bingo was presented, which has been a sellout every year. The 2020 event was moved to a larger venue-Hilton Garden Inn Southpointe—to meet the demand for more seating.

### **Patriotic Bingo Bash**

The Fort Cooper Chapter of the National Society-Daughters of the American Revolution hosted its fourth annual Patriotic Bingo Bash at Black Diamond Country Club in Lecanto, Florida. Participants paid \$15 for Bingo games, beverages, snacks, desserts and an opportunity to participate in drawings. Attendees who wore something patriotic received a free entry ticket for additional prizes.

# **Lucky Lotto News**

### **Big Win in Michigan**

A 68-year-old Macomb County, Michigan, man has some planning to do after winning a \$3.4 million Lotto 47 jackpot. The lucky player, who chose to remain anonymous, won the big prize when he matched all six Lotto 47 numbers. The winning numbers drawn were 6, 7, 12, 16, 18, and 46. He bought the winning ticket at a local hotel. "I heard a winner had been sold there, so I checked my ticket. Then I checked it again, and then once more just to be sure I was the winner," he said. "I was stunned to see I really won!" The player chose to receive his winnings as a onetime lump sum cash payment of roughly \$2.1 million.

# **Drawing Awards Retiree**

James Wood, 56, a retired trucker from Little Egg Harbor, New Jersey, won \$1 million during the state's Million Dollar Replay event. Fourteen other winners received cash prizes ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000. Wood said he plans to take two vacations with his winnings—one to Hawaii and the other to Disneyland. This is the ninth consecutive year that the New Jersey Lottery has held this event to provide lottery players with second chances to win prizes using previously non-winning scratchers.

# Accounting for Millions

A co-owner of a Florida-based accounting firm will need to put all her number crunching skills to use after winning a \$396 million Powerball jackpot. Sheryll Goedert of Ocala, Florida, chose to take a lump sum amount of more than \$276 million, according to the Florida Lottery. It was the 20th largest Powerball jackpot ever claimed in the United States. The winning numbers were 9, 12, 15, 31, and 60, with Powerball number 2.

# **Canadian Grocery Clerk Wins Fortune**

A 22-year-old grocery clerk has won the biggest jackpot in Quebec, Canada's, history after he purchased a ticket from an IGA grocery store where he works. Gregory Mathieu shared the US\$52.3 million prize with seven members of his family. He validated the ticket after arriving at work. "When there was nobody at the register, I told the cashier to check the ticket and she checked it and I couldn't believe my eyes," he said. "And I still can't believe it." The family has yet to figure out what they will do with the majority of the winnings. "We are very close and I am thrilled that we are able to experience this ltogether," Mathieu's mother, Sandra Julien, said.

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### Building Community with Bingo

#### **Dear Aunt Bingo:**

I enjoy going to Bingo on occasion with friends and consider myself lucky to be in my 80s and still able to get out and do things like this.

There are many people in my senior community who do not have the luxury of getting out as easily as I do to go shopping, see a movie or play Bingo. They still wish to be active, but for various physical/health reasons must stay close to home.

I was thinking it would be fun to start a Bingo for these people. It's a fairly large community and I think it would be easy to get enough players. People could buy into the games by paying for their cards (just a few dollars) and that money would be for prizes and any equipment we needed to purchase.

Do you know of other senior groups that have done this? How difficult is it to get a community Bingo going? — **Anna R., Ohio** 

### Dear Anna.

I applaud you for wanting to do something to enhance the lives of those who live in your community. You have a very good heart.

Your idea of hosting a community Bingo sounds like a simple one, but what you are proposing is actually a version of the kinds of Bingo you currently attend, and those Bingos require local/state approval and ongoing supervision.

The minute you involve money in Bingo it becomes wagering, a.k.a. gambling, which gaming authorities take quite seriously. It may sound like a fun little community activity, which it certainly can be, but the money component, no matter how small, changes the entire dynamic of your games.

Just last year in California, for example, the Los Angeles Police Department closed down a Bingo in a senior center that was charging players 25 cents per card and giving dollar store items as prizes. No matter how small the buy-in was, it was still a buy-in, which made the games illegal.

Although the Bingo had been offered for years, all it took was a

phone call from one disgruntled resident to halt everything. On a brighter note, the community center eventually got a license and resumed its Bingo.

My advice is that if you decide to further explore offering Bingo in your community, keep money out of it. Let players play for free; hopefully there is an activity fund where you can get money to buy prizes.

On the other hand, if you want to offer full-fledged Bingo with buy-ins and cash prizes, the Ohio Attorney General's Charitable Law Section—which regulates Bingo and licenses nonprofit organizations eligible to use Bingo as a fundraising mechanism—will determine if you qualify as a nonprofit organization and can guide you through the steps necessary to launch a Bingo. The Ohio AG Help Center may be reached at 800-282-0515.

Other readers considering the idea of starting a Bingo should look online for the local entity that regulates Bingo in their state, contact them and go from there. Good luck! — **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 <u>STENGL456@aol.com</u>. Be sure to include your name and address (you can request that your name not be published), as typically she will not include anonymous letters in her columns.

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# 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 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 forwa 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.

# **Monthly Winners** to Date:

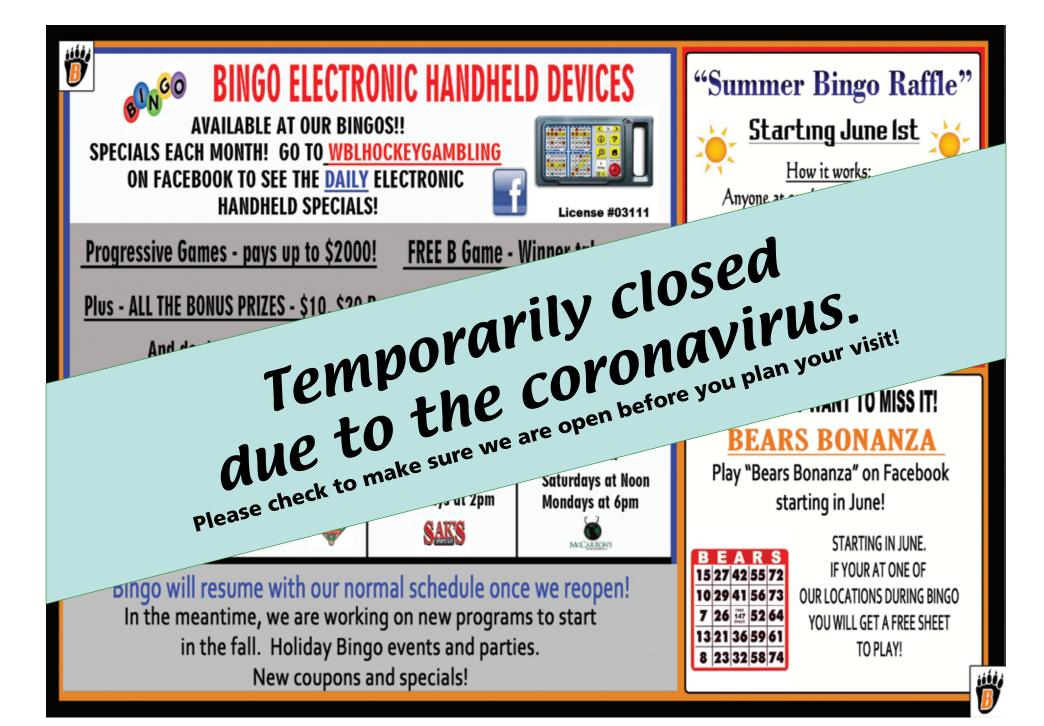
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## **April Winners**

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**Little Canada Market Place** (651) 483-1203

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SATURDAY

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# Horoscopes for May 2020

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): I understand you've reached the end of your rope with family members that are testing your patience. No blame. The good news: A surprising solution appears late in the month that quells the rough spots and rekindles good feelings Sometimes you need to blow off a little steam to shake up old patterns. Those close to you realize that you're all about speaking your truth.

Lucky Days: 3 - 13 Lucky Numbers: 6 - 19

### **TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21):**

Keep in mind one of life's oldest and spiritual affirmations: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. It might be ancient wisdom, but it will be super relevant this month when tensions run high regarding shared finances and claims of ownership. Take advantage of the new moon on the 22nd to make important adjustments to all of your investments and financial undertakings.

Lucky Days: 9 - 22 Lucky Numbers: 7 - 56 **GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21):** The power of attraction is working overtime in your sign this month. You're a veritable charm magnet. And bonus gain: Your mental agility is highlighted too. That new idea or secret project you've been harboring? Well, get out there and network and promote. The new Moon on the 22nd is the moment to plant your seeds for a bumper crop this fall.

Lucky Days: 3 - 8 Lucky Numbers: 27 - 56

cancer (Jun 22-Jul 22): Do you spend too much time thinking about events that happened years ago? Be careful that you don't go missing in dreams or idylls that have passed their sell-by-date. This summer requires that you step up to the plate and engage with the future in ways that will secure your finances for the rest of the year. Say goodbye to memories and hello to a prosperous tomorrow.

Lucky Days: 9 - 25 Lucky Numbers: 8 - 50

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): You often struggle with maintaining control, of self and of others. How much is too much or too little? Fate is decreeing a new and surprising path for you. And it's time to release your grip and feel the freedom of letting the universe take charge of events (and other people) from now on. Think of all the energy you'll conserve!

Lucky Days: 2 - 12 Lucky Numbers: 3 - 29

**VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23)**: This is the month to merge your desire to succeed with all of your keen strategizing. The energetic combo will get you where you want to go. Even the more introverted Virgos

are feeling fate's decree to move forward and grab the gold ring; take advantage of this cosmic momentum while its hot.

Lucky Days: 15 - 20 Lucky Numbers: 4 - 44

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): Saturn moves back into your home zone, asking you to make repairs and pay attention to neglected projects. You'll want to spruce up your curb appeal too. Putting your home in order does wonders for your peace of mind. The new Moon on the 22nd triggers your interest in a unique hobby or pastime that can save you from too much TV watching.

Lucky Days: 5 - 14 Lucky Numbers: 44 - 46

#### SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22):

Jupiter, the luck planet is highlighting your house of the intellect. If you have the urge to take a night class or participate in a study group, go for it. You'll benefit two-fold from your efforts. The new moon on the 22nd highlights your urge to solve a niggling mystery, use your new knowledge as a beacon in the dark.

Lucky Days: 7 - 26 Lucky Numbers: 2 - 52

### **SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC**

21): The unconscious plays an important role in rearranging your life this month. Pay attention to the magical guidance that comes from your dreams and intuition. Also, this is a great time to revel in the beauty of the outdoors. As soon as you can, visit the biggest redwood forest you can get to. Those trees put you right where you need to be—in nature's magnificent mystery.

Lucky Days: 2 - 30 Lucky Numbers: 5 - 23

### CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN 20):

You retreat from the familiar this month to try out a new system or partnership that shores up your stream of finances. Pay attention to details though. I know you take pride in being your own boss but let some outside guidance or expertise help lead the way forward. You'll save money in the long haul.

Lucky Days: 9 - 19 Lucky Numbers: 3 - 56

#### AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19):

Keep in mind Albert Einstein's aphorism: "Your imagination is your preview of life's coming attractions." With Saturn in your sign the pressure is on to define your essential talents. A key to your success will involve conquering resistance. This is tricky as you might feel vulnerable and ill-equipped at this time—but envision success and you're sure to win

Lucky Days: 6 - 18 Lucky Numbers: 10 - 17

### PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20):

Mars, the planet of fiery energy and forward momentum has just moved into your sign. This emboldens you in exciting ways. The month ahead is certain to be raucous and filled with confrontations but also breakthroughs. The painter Kandinsky has some advice for you: "The more possibilities for interpretation through fantasy the better." Dream baby, dream.

Lucky Days: 21 - 24 Lucky Numbers: 43 - 53



# SK ANN L LET'S GET COOKING!

by Annie E. Ennis

# **Best Sugar Cookies (Ever)**

### Dear Annie,

I need to make six dozen sugar cookies for my twins' birthday party in June. Do you have a good recipe for sugar cookies? They will be six years old and these cookies are their favorites. Thanks! — Susie Q from

Thanks! — Susie Q from Savannah, Georgia

### Dear Susie Q,

I have the best-ever sugar cookie recipe. — **Annie** 

### "BEST-EVER SUGAR COOKIE RECIPE"

- 1 cup softened margarine
- 1 cup granulated sugar 1 cup confectioners sugar
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 2 eggs
- 1 ¼ teaspoon vanilla extract
- 4 ¼ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt granulated sugar

(if baking the sugar cookies right away). Cream the margarine and sugars in a large bowl. Add the oil and eggs, mixing well. Blend in the remaining ingredients except for the granulated sugar mentioned last. If desired, dough can be covered and chilled several hours or overnight to make handling easier. Roll the dough into walnutsized balls and place on lightly greased cookie sheets. Dip the bottom of a glass tumbler in

Preheat the oven 350 degrees

### Dear Annie,

Makes 7 dozen.

Sorry, it's me again. How about a recipe for chili? The Moms and Dads might get hungry, too. I am also serving hamburgers and hot dogs. — **Susie** *Q* 

granulated sugar and press each

ball flat. Bake 12 to 15 minutes.

### Dear Susie Q,

This is a recipe from my local supermarket. It is very tasty. Enjoy! — **Annie** 

# CHILI FOR HAMBURGERS AND HOT DOGS

2 pounds ground sirloin 2/3 cup water

- 1 10-ounce can tomato sauce
- 1 cup ketchup
- 5 teaspoons chili powder
- o teaspoons cii 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon black pepper 1 teaspoon white sugar
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 dash Worcestershire sauce

Place the ground beef in a very large pan and mash the beef with a potato masher to break apart. Add all the remaining ingredients to the pan. Bring to a boil, reduce to a medium heat, and cook until the mixture has thickened slightly and the beef is fully cooked. This should take about 20 minutes. Serve with the hot dogs and/or hamburgers.

Write to "Ask Annie" c/o Annie Ennis, 8312 SE 168th Trinity Place, The Villages, FL 32162. SDon't forget you can E-mail me at <u>aennis@</u> <u>thevillages.net</u>. And let's get cooking.

### **Puzzle Solutions**

### **Bugle Crossword**



### **Bugle Sudoku**

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### Jumblers

Jumbles: OFFER GRIPE FUNGUS APPEAR
Answer: The fish that started their own rock band
were — GROUPERS

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Bingo Bugle 9



By Guy Williams

# Reader Tips on Tipping

#### Hi Guy,

Here in Las Vegas tipping is expected at all Bingo rooms and most people do.

Personally, I tip 10%; if I win \$100, the worker gets ten bucks. With a \$1,000 jackpot, I deduct what I spent, usually \$150 per session, and tip on \$850.

Now...when getting up into the tens of thousands—such as with some big Vegas cashballs—I will not tip \$4,700 on a \$47,000 payout because that's a bit much for people you really don't know. Recently a lady won that much at a Vegas Bingo and she tipped \$500.

Regarding caller tipping: The callers here are part of all tips because they change places with floor workers and sell at windows before Bingo. Also, winners must

take into account the taxes that all big wins are subject to. — **Bobby Vegas, Nevada** 

### Hi Bobby,

I will assume until I hear otherwise that your 10% is the going rate. But, to be honest, I expected this to be a higher number.

As the following letter mentions, you are tipping on service the same way as you would a server in a restaurant. That being the case, I don't think I've tipped a server less than 20% in twenty years. Doesn't that make 10% a little miserly?

Can you imagine if the percentage rule held no matter how high the jackpot? The look on the workers' faces when you hand them a \$4,700 tip would be priceless. They'd probably hoist you on their shoulders and march you around the room! — **Guy** 

#### Hi Guy,

Tipping is appropriate at for-profit Bingo houses where workers are earning wages like waitresses/waiters do. Sovereign Nation games, Vegas-style (houses privately owned), etc., I would tip at if I ever won. Any amount greater than \$20, 10% tip.

At churches, firehalls and other not-for-profit houses with volunteers, I do not tip. The

person likely won't keep it and it ends up in the till anyhow. So, you may as well parlay that tip and blow it on pull tabs, more pizza or a fresh sparkly house dabber. That way, the 10% still goes to the house and you get an extra treat.— **Tennessee Jed** 

#### Hi Jed.

As I said in my response to the previous letter, 10% seems low to me if you are comparing a tip for Bingo workers to one for restaurant servers. In my world, servers get 20%.

As far as tipping at charity Bingo, that's always been a nono. The workers are there as volunteers; if I'm not mistake, it is illegal for them to accept any type of payment for their service.

— Guy

#### Hi Guy,

I loved your response to MBB regarding cell phones in the Bingo hall. Yours was a balanced answer, taking to task those who are rude but graciously making exceptions for those who need to have the phones on for family or personal reasons.

I just wanted to add that, mathematically, those cell phone rings are an absolute inevitability. If a Bingo hall usually holds, say, 150 players, and each one of those players just one time a year forgets to turn their phone off and it rings, that works out to an average of three cell phone rings every week in the hall.

No rudeness. Just us being human. So, let's be human to each other in return. — **CK**, **Mission Viejo**, **California** 

#### Hi CK.

Personally, I think everyone should, at the very least, keep their phones on mute at all times, except when they are home.

As far as the "inevitability" of phones ringing at inappropriate times, I think you are being a little too generous. At the movies you have messages on the screen asking people to silence their phones. At Bingo the caller typically asks players to mute their phones before the start of the games. So, when cellphone pings and rings start going off anyway, that's just people begin inattentive dopes! — **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.

# "SAVVY SENIOR"

YOU ASK THE SENIOR QUESTION

- WE FIND THE SAVY ANSWER

### Important Legal Documents All Seniors Should Have

### Dear Savvy Senior,

What kinds of legal documents do I need to prepare to help my family after I'm gone? I would like to get my affairs in order but could use some help. — **Almost 75** 

### Dear Almost.

All adults—especially seniors—should have at least four essential legal documents to protect yourself and your family. These documents will make sure your wishes regarding your estate are legal and clear and will help minimize any conflicts and confusion with your family and your health care providers if you become seriously ill or when you die. Here are the key documents you need, along with some tips to help you create them.

will: This document lets you spell out your wishes of how you'd like your property and assets distributed after you die, whether it's to family, friends or a charity. It also allows you to designate an executor to ensure your wishes are carried out and allows you to name guardians if you have

dependent children.

In addition to a will, if you own real estate or have considerable assets, another option you may want to consider is a "revocable living trust." This functions like a will but allows your estate to avoid the time and expense of probate (the public legal process that examines your estate after you die) and helps ensure your estate's privacy.

### **Durable Power of**

**Attorney:** This allows you to designate someone you trust to handle your financial matters if you become incapacitated.

Advanced Health Care
Directive: This includes two
documents that spell out your
wishes regarding your end-oflife medical treatment. The two
documents are a "living will"
which tells your doctor what
kind of care you want to receive if
you become incapacitated, and a
"health care power of attorney" (or
health care proxy), which names
a person you authorize to make
medical decisions on your behalf
if you're unable.

You should also consider making a do-not-resuscitate order (DNR) as part of your advance directive, since advanced directives do little to protect you from unwanted emergency care like CPR. To create a DNR, ask your doctor to fill out a state appropriate form and sign it.

### **Do-It-Yourself**

If you have a simple estate and an uncomplicated family situation, there are do-it-yourself resources that can help you create all these documents for very little money. Some options to consider include Quicken WillMaker & Trust 2020 software (available

at Nolo.com) that costs \$90 and works with Windows and Macs and is valid in every state except Louisiana. And LegalZoom.com, which offers an estate plan with professional legal guidance with an independent attorney for \$179.

### **Get Help**

If, however, you want or need assistance or if you have a complicated financial situation, blended family or have considerable assets, you should hire an attorney. An experienced lawyer can make sure you cover all your bases—especially when writing a will or living trust—which can help avoid family confusion and squabbles after you're gone.

Costs will vary depending on where you reside, but you can expect to pay somewhere between \$500 and \$2,000 for a basic estate plan that includes a will, power of attorney and advance directive. If you want your estate plan to include a living trust, that can run anywhere between \$1,500 and \$5,000.

The National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA.org) and the National Association of Estate Planners and Councils (NAEPC.org) are two good resources that have directories on their websites to help you find someone in your area.

If money is tight, check with your state's bar association (see <a href="www.FindLegalHelp.org">www.FindLegalHelp.org</a>) to find low-cost legal help in your area. Or call the Eldercare Locater at 800-677-1116 for a referral.



# Veterans Post New VA Patient Advocate System

The Department of Veterans Affairs has trained 8,300 employees to serve as patient advocates. The Patient Advocate Tracking System Replacement (PATS-R) program is now up and running in all facilities around the country. What this new more hands-on system offers veterans is more immediate care and sometimes immediate answers.

In the past, either you or someone on your medical team would speak to your advocate, who would research the problem, sending emails to the various departments involved. Eventually an answer would come back.

Now, after a lot of research into what is really needed, you'll talk to one of the 8,300 medical staff who have been trained to get a faster resolution to your problem. Even better, this advocate can often solve your problem right then and there, without even asking anyone else.

The PATS-R program will track and spot problems that are reported by others at any medical facility. If there's a trend at your facility or any other in the country, it will get attention across all the departments in all facilities.

To keep your finger on the pulse of what's going on at VA, watch its blog: <a href="https://www.blogs.va.gov/VAntage">www.blogs.va.gov/VAntage</a>.

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As of May 1, 2020, many casinos are closed due to the coronavirus. For information on updated entertainment cancellations please call the numbers listed below.

# Treasure Island Resort & Casino

\*\*\*Live from the Treasure Island Events Center\*\*\*

May 8 - Ricky Nelson Remembered, 8 PM

May 9 - Terry Fator (comedian/ventriloquist), 8 PM

May 15 - Kool & The Gang with special guest Sinbad, 8 PM

\*\*\*Live from the Treasure Island Amphitheater\*\*\*

June 12 - Alice Cooper, Tesla, Blue Oyster Cult, 6:30 PM

July 31 - Rascal Flatts, 7 PM

Aug. 1 - Gabriel Iglesias - Beyond The Fluffy World Tour, 6 & 8 PM

For information on updated entertainment cancellations please call 1-800-222-7077 for Casino or 1-800-745-3000 Ticketmaster

### **Mystic Lake Casino Hotel**

\*\*\*Live from the Mystic Showroom\*\*\*

June 12 - Ken Jeong, 8 PM

For information on updated entertainment cancellations please call the Box Office (952) 496-6563, or for Casino info (952) 445-9000

### **Black Bear Casino**

\*\*\*Live from the Otter Creek Events Center\*\*\*

May 15 - Clay Walker (country), 7 PM, doors open 6 PM For information on updated entertainment cancellations please call 1 (218) 878-BEAR (2327) or Toll Free 1 (888) 771-0777 (US & Canada)

www.blackbearcasinoresort.com

Located at the intersection of I-35 and Hwy. 210 in Carlton, Minnesota, 20 minutes south of Duluth and approximately two hours north of the Twin Cities.

### Northern Lights Casino

\*\*\*Live from the North Star Hall\*\*\*

June 13 - The Oak Ridge Boys (outdoor tent event), 7 PM
For information on updated entertainment cancellations please call 1 (877)-LIGHTS-9

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### **Shooting Star Casino**

\*\*\*Live from the Events Center\*\*\*

For information on updated entertainment cancellations please call 1 (800) 313-7469

### **Poker Talk**



# Don't Slow-Play a Full House

By Jonathan Little

In a \$5-\$10 no-limit cash game, a player raised to \$30 from first position, a player in middle position called, and our Hero called from the cutoff seat with Qd Js.

Hero's call may seem standard to some, but it should actually be an easy fold, because most competent players only raise from first position with the sort of big hands that crush Q-J. When you're likely dominated by an opponent's preflop raising range, you should fold.

The small blind and big blind also called. The flop came Qh Jh 4d, giving hero top two pair. Lucky!

The small blind checked, and the big blind bet \$100. Only Hero called.

While I'm fine with occasionally slow-playing premium made hands, this is a board texture that should connect well with anyone who wants to put additional money into the pot. The big blind's lead suggests he has a hand that he thinks is strong. Since Hero's top two pair beats most strong hands besides 4-4, he should have raised here.

It's a fine result for Hero if the big blind folds a flush draw. If the big blind has a strong made hand such as K-Q, he'll probably call and will be way behind. I would have pushed all in. A small raise would also be acceptable, but that will occasionally result in the big blind calling with a hand such as K-Q and then check-folding on scary turns.

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The turn was the Js, improving Hero to a full house. The big blind checked, and Hero checked behind.

I certainly would have bet the turn, because after it checks through, Hero will usually have a difficult time getting the big blind's entire stack in on the river. I would have made a somewhat small bet, trying to lure in my opponent. He'll almost certainly call a small bet because he likely has a queen or a draw.

As played, if the big blind checks the river, the only way for Hero to realistically get all in is to push for more than the size of the pot. If the big blind bets the river and Hero raises, the big blind will only call with incredibly strong hands.

The river was the 10h. The big blind bet \$150, and Hero raised to \$350. The big blind went all in for \$100 more, and Hero called.

The opponent turned over Ah Kh for a straight flush.

Hero could only have lost to three combinations of straight flushes or Q-Q (though rarely would a player merely call preflop with pocket queens). Also, it seemed unlikely that he would have been up against Ah Kh, since many players three-bet that hand before the flop.

Hero told me about this hand because he thought it was some sort of unimaginable bad beat. In reality, he should have been thrilled about only losing 60 big blinds in an unfortunate situation. Play enough poker and you'll inevitably run into difficult spots like this from time to time where you double up your opponent. It's simply part of the game.

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:

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# **BUGLE CROSSWORD**

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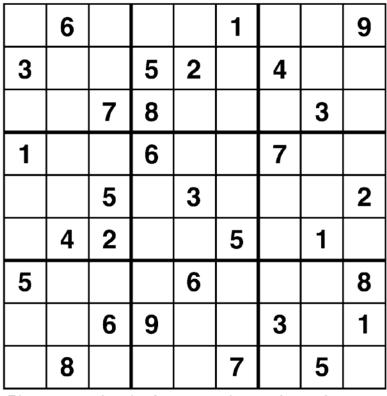
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- 9 Brawl
- 10 Girl with a missing flock
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- 12 Gambling town northeast of Sacramento
- 13 Sound of pain
- 18 Smell bad
- 24 Halfway house activity
- 26 Oddball
- 28 Spreads, as seeds
- 30 Sitting around doing nothing
- 31 Win over gently
- 32 Luxurious fur
- 33 Twitter's bird, e.g.
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- 51 Code of conduct
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- 53 Entice
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# **BUGLE SUDOKU**

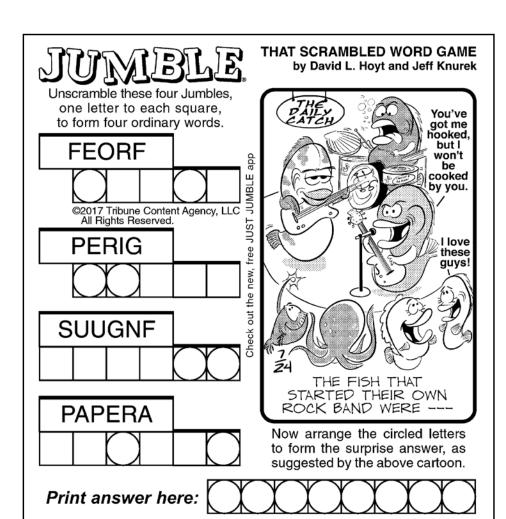
by Linda Thistle



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

# **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging HOO BOY!



For puzzle solutions, see page 8.



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