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Presidential Bingo

ebruary is just about my favorite month. First of all it is shorter than the other months and secondly it honors presidents, which I think is a great idea. We seldom think of the tremendous effort that goes into being elected or the enormous change in lifestyle that being president of such a powerful nation will accord.

So we proceeded to celebrate President's Day and I noticed my favorite Bingo hall was having a special program as well. The first special game was a double foursome for President Lincoln who loved to play dice—not that he ever got much chance to do that. I was on for that game which was encouraging, but didn't net me any money. The second special game didn't come until after the break for lunch, which was pizza—and a very special and good pizza it was, too, with lots of mushrooms.

After lunch we played a double fivesome pattern, which is very difficult because it overlaps. This one was for George Washington whose lucky number was 5. I struggled with this game and kept getting mixed up as the play went along. Kate had no difficulty, I noticed, and zipped on. It took as long as a blackout, but didn't pay as well and I was glad when it was over.

The next game was two parallel lines in either direction for Thomas Jefferson who was an engineer. He was my favorite president and I thought he accomplished a great deal in his term of office, besides the Louisiana Purchase. I remember seeing a picture of him on a canyon wall, surveying the area. Although, that probably was not a real photograph, as I don't think

photography extends back that far.
Alexander Hamilton was the
next to be honored. This game
was a block of six, no doubt for
his formidable handling of the
treasury. I won this game, which

pleased me a lot and encouraged me to continue.

"Wait," said Kate. "I think I have it, too." She did and I had to split my prize with her, which didn't make me happy.

We soon had a doughnut break, but it was too soon after lunch for me, so I passed. We moved on to a serious blackout, which was not offered in honor of any president. There was an on-the-way game, the big X, and Kate was soon on for it. She kept mumbling G54 over and over until I thought it had been called, but no such luck. Soon someone else won and we moved on to the blackout.

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The caller took a brief pause to talk about our presidents and say how proud she was to be able to live in a country that respects our leaders. I thought that to be a fine speech and led the applause. She went on to say that her parents came from Bolivia and were glad to be rid of their leaders, rather than honoring them.

We moved into the blackout and it was the final game of the day. I worked very hard at the game and finally won! It was so exhilarating and I was so happy that I took Kate out to dinner and we really celebrated President's Day with a little champagne to add to the meal.

"I propose a toast," said Kate, ceremoniously. "To all our great presidents, big and small. May they mostly rest in peace."

Gaming News

PLANS FOR B.C. CASINO NIXED

The mayor of Victoria, British Columbia, has apparently changed her tune when it comes to the construction of a long-awaited new downtown casino for that city. According to published reports, she once may have been lukewarm on the idea; she is now firmly against the notion and its possible impacts on the region. Her honor has been quoted as saying that her city will not pitch in to help defray construction costs.

SPANISH MEGA-VENUE

While the image of the Walt Disney Corporation may be far removed from gaming, one of its former directors is spearheading a mega-project in Spain. Former Disney Director and legendary businessman James Cora has officially revealed his plans to develop what he describes as a European Las Vegas in a remote corner of the Spanish mainland. The facility will be built at a region called La Siberia. Despite there being no major airports or other big cities in the nearby vicinity, the tycoon believes that he will be successful in turning what is a nearly deserted area into a megagaming venue.

GLOBAL BINGO THRIVES

An international gaming columnist says that Bingo has become an international phenomenon. Ben Hamill says that "Bingo deserves more than just an honorable mention" when it comes to a discussion of international gaming. Hamill says that the game has survived the test of time. The coming of the Internet has brought

the centuries-old numbers game to a new level. He notes that the rise in Bingo on-line has become a "small miracle."

COMPANY AGREES TO SETTLEMENT

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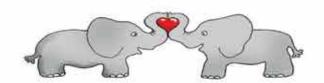
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Bingo News

Musical Bingo

Model City Tap House in Kingsport, Tennessee, has brought back Musical Bingo for its patrons by popular demand. The game resembles traditional Bingo, except that 20-second song clips are played instead of letters and numbers being called. Players test their music IQ by identifying the song title and marking it on a Bingo card. And of course, coveted Tap House prizes are awarded to winners.

Mexican Lotería **Updated**

If you are familiar with the classic Lotería Mexican Bingo game, there is now a new version for a new generation of players. Lotería is similar to Bingo except that instead of numbers the game uses images on a deck of cards. Millennial Lotería is a parody of the old-fashioned game that includes updated references such as El Hipster, La Selfie and El Podcast. It was created by 29-year-old LAbased writer and creative director Mike Alfaro, who saw it as a fun twist on the game for millennials who played it as kids. Millennial Lotería is now sold on Amazon and ranked as a bestseller.

293 Players Share Bingo

It was a comical night of Bingo at Potawatomi Hotel & Casino in Milwaukee, when 44 consecutive balls were called without a single number from the "G" column which was needed to complete the "Letter I" game that was being played. Potawatomi Bingo balls are color-coded by column, and when a green ball—the color for the "G" column—finally appeared, players knew it was going to be a number many of them were waiting for. It was G-53, and when it was called, handheld computers began pinging and players began shouting Bingo from every direction. All told there were 293 verified winners, the most ever for a single game at Potawatomi. A \$500 jackpot was at stake, which would normally have been split between winners. But with so many, the casino had to pay

out the minimum prize of \$25 per winner, which totaled \$7,325.

Bingo Helps in Clothing Distribution

Two days each week, clients of the Washington, D.C., charity So Others Might Eat are invited to peruse donated clothing and choose a limited number of items they need. Competition for early pick of clothing has always been fierce, so this year organizers decided to turn to Bingo—or at least a spinning cage of Bingo balls-in an effort to make the distribution of clothing fair and also to cut down on the long line of clients that formed outside the location in the past and interfered with homeless clients who were there not for clothing, but for a meal. This time, each client was given a numbered ticket that corresponded to a Bingo ball. As numbers were called, clients went to the clothing room and browsed. As people finished, The Bingo cage was spun and more numbers called. The operation was a success, and organizers plan to use the Bingo number system for the foreseeable future.

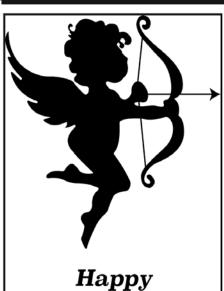


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Horoscopes for February 2019

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20):

Quality control is the key phrase for you this month. Reassessing your friendships is a good place to start. Much of this month involves the ups and down of your social life, especially with intimates. The full moon on the 19th throws light on a health issue that needs your attention. Become proactive; don't wait until a simple condition becomes complicated (and expensive to cure).

Lucky Days: 8 - 11 Lucky Numbers: 36 - 39

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21):

The next six years promise to be some of the most unpredictable in your life. Now that the freedomloving planet Uranus has set up residency in your sign, all bets are off as to your direction (and motives). This sounds exciting but it might be too much upheaval for the comfort loving bull. The secret to weathering the changes ahead? Align with that old Zen axiom: "The only constant in life is change."

Lucky Days: 8 - 12 Lucky Numbers: 37 - 50

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21):

Collaborations and creative teamwork are high on your list of priorities this month. But more important is discovering new ways to implement goals within existing arrangements. As Woodrow Wilson once said, "If you want to make enemies, try to change something." Fortunately you have a skill for charming others with your wit and command of language. Choose your words carefully to insure smooth transitions.

Lucky Days: 8 - 28 Lucky Numbers: 7 - 28

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22): The full moon on the 19th offers you a golden opportunity related to your finances. Most likely this will involve solidifying a partnership with verbal agreements or contracts. This month marks a significant turning point related to career and money, something you've envisioned since last year. Establish new bonds to set old (and new dreams) on a successful path forward.

Lucky Days: 7 - 15 Lucky Numbers: 38 - 45

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): Your special fortune cookie for the month of February reads: "Every exit is an entrance somewhere else." Your only requirement is to trust the current path you are on. The secret to accomplishing this? Stay true to what you love

and respect. In other words, allow passion and loyalty to guide you in through the out door. You won't be led astray.

Lucky Days: 2 - 22 Lucky Numbers: 13 - 19

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): Don't allow your shy side to prevent you from joining the party. The full moon in your sign on the 19th moves you directly into the spotlight. And with the luck planet, Jupiter, sailing through your fourth house of family, you're about to become a superstar on the home front. Use these cosmic forces to your advantage by rallying kin to align with that pet project you set in motion last summer.

Lucky Days: 5 - 10 Lucky Numbers: 9 - 43

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23):

Skeletons come popping out of the closet during this month's full moon on the 19th. How to welcome these unwelcome interlopers? If you've harbored grudges (or regrets) related to loved ones during the past year, find a way to express your truth and gather support rather than opposition. Your desire for harmony will guide you forward; but don't pull your punches—the truth really does set us free.

Lucky Days: 6 - 14 Lucky Numbers: 44-46

SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22):

You're not really much of a joiner but the full moon on the 19th puts pressure on you to reconsider your deep love of solitude. Remember, there are like-minded people out there that would love to get to know you better. Make it a goal this year to expand your social circle and share with others the profound sense of mystery that you experience in your private life.

Lucky Days: 3 - 16 Lucky Numbers: 22 - 28

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC

21): With Jupiter, your ruling planet, in your own star sign this year your enthusiasm for living is busting out all over the

pace-in your career, love life and especially with those nearest and dearest on the home front. Your natural gift as a teacher has never been so pronounced; the wealth of your wisdom will enrich anyone lucky enough to land in your magic circle.

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

CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN 20):

Somewhere beneath the goat's stern exterior there's a dark sense of humor just itching to be set free. Your goal for the rest of this year is to find an outlet for this whimsical side of your serious nature. In other words balance is a keyword for you in 2019. Yes, practicality ensures your security, but humor can also act as a lifeaffirming quality. Use it.

Lucky Days: 8 - 29 Lucky Numbers: 33 - 36

AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19):

This month's key activity? Giving in to your urge to purge. Make a detailed list of anything you feel is holding you back, start a small fire, and send those restrictions up in smoke. The new moon in your house of resurrection and transformation finds you saying goodbye to anything (or anyone) that doesn't support your higher truths. Your altruistic vision for living is set to become a reality this year.

Lucky Days: 26 - 28 Lucky Numbers: 1 - 11

PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20):

Could it be magic? Well, sort of. Neptune continues to bestow you with otherworldly psychic powers and insights—use those perceptions wisely. Your commitment to art and beauty has never been stronger as Jupiter activates your ruling planet throughout the year. Your charm nimbus is expanding, pushing you beyond your comfort zone and into the arms of those who can support you most.

Lucky Days: 7 - 15 Lucky Numbers: 4 - 23



When VA Doctors **Aren't Doctors**

Consider this: A Department of Veterans Affairs medical employee, whose salary is paid for by the taxpayers and who is on the VA list of employees, doesn't actually work any hours at the VA because that employee is union and spends all his time doing union business.

Like that? No, I don't either. It gets worse. During the last fiscal year for which this record was kept (2016), those VA union employees pulled over a million hours on union business, to the tune of \$49 million in salary, which we paid for. Officially, it's called "Taxpayer Funded Union Time."

Who are these people? Dentists, nurses, physicians, chiropractors — people from the whole list of medical professions were pulled aside, away from doing actual medical work.

This collective bargaining agreement mess happened during the previous presidential administration and involved four different medical unions.

Now, fingers crossed, those employees will be coming back to their real jobs when the VA stands up to some of those collective bargaining agreements.

The VA will pull those union employees back under Title 38 of the U.S. Code for medical employees, and this will apply to all of their 104,000 employees. No longer will taxpayers fork out dollars to pay for those people to do union work.

I honestly don't get it. If I had gone to all the time and trouble of getting a medical degree, I would be embarrassed to spend my time not taking care of patients and instead work for a union.





By Guy Williams

Dauber Drumming and Lucky Stuff

Hi Guy,

There's a behavior that started at my Bingo hall about two months ago where players who are seated and ready to play begin tapping their dobbers on the table at starting time. At first it was just a couple of people I think who did it as a joke. But now it is in the dozens and no longer funny but kind of obnoxious.

However, part of me agrees with them. If the Bingo has a starting time, honor that starting time and begin promptly. I certainly don't want to be sitting there twiddling my thumbs. But the other part of me feels that Bingo should be relaxed and fun and starting a little late is no big deal. The drum, drum, drum of the dobbers is really irritating. Of course, that's probably the point. — Brian, via email

Hi Brian.

You're right; that is a littler obnoxious. But I get it. If Bingo is advertised to start at 7:30 p.m. then it should start at 7:30 p.m.

You left out of your email exactly how late the games have been starting. If it's within five minutes, then the people tapping their daubers are being kind of rude. If you're running into 15-20 minutes late, that's another story and might deserve a little dauber drumming.

I suspect the reason for the delays is players arriving late. If that's the case, the games should begin on time and the slow pokes can play catch-up once they're seated. Quite honestly, I'm surprised the caller or manager, or even an irritated player, hasn't stepped up and told the players to knock it off. That would certainly be entertaining.

Until that happens, or the hall gets its act together, I foresee a lot more dauber drumming in your future. — Guy

Hi Guv.

Last night at Bingo I was walking between tables to get to my seat and accidentally bumped into one of the tables. It caused the table to shake and made a player's collection of lucky junk fall over. She went berserk! She started yelling at me about how I should be more careful. I told her it was an accident and to shut the hell up, which she did.

But the encounter got me to thinking about why Bingo players bring so much stuff with them to Bingo. I don't mean the daubers and pens and tape and things like that. That makes sense. But all the lucky stuff they think will help them win?

I looked around the room and was really surprised at how much of that kind of stuff was on the tables. It's just so dumb, don't you think? — William R., California

Hi William,

It sounds to me like you're just being cranky because the woman yelled at you.

So what if people bring lucky items to Bingo. It doesn't affect you one way or the other, and for some players its part of the fun!

Years ago I did a story on Bingo superstitions and talked with many people about the items they bring to Bingo to boost their luck and why they bring them. It was incredibly fun to hear the stories about family vacations, gifts from grandkids, thrift-shop oddities and all the other sources for people's lucky charms. It's just one more dimension to what makes Bingo so unique and enjoyable.

Go buy a troll, William. You'll feel better. — Guy

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Dear Dream Catcher

Of Pies and **Ponies**

Dear Dream Catcher,

In my dream I was in a large auditorium with a bunch of other contestants, both men and women, of all age groups. An audience was present too; a very loud and rowdy group of people who were cheering and yelling while a contest took place. The contest was an apple pie eating challenge. I was seated at a long table with about ten other contestants and there was an endless parade of pies put in front of us. At the sound of a buzzer we all started cramming pieces of pie into our mouths. I was so jammed with pie I thought I might die from embarrassment. Despite my shame about looking like a glutton, I was fiercely determined to win the contest. So I just kept gobbling until finally, out of nowhere, I heard a women's bloodcurdling scream. And that is when I woke up. What do you think any of this means? Please help me understand this. — Shirley T. Ojai, Ca.

Dear Shirley

Whenever I listen to (or read) a dreamer's recounting of her dream I pay particular attention to words or phrases that jump out during the retelling. These are clues that help me deconstruct the dream in a meaningful way.

I was struck by your phrase, "... fiercely competitive." Your dream tells me that the manner in which your life is situated right now might be causing distress related to your well-being-your sense of survival (eating in a dream is usually related to some basic instinct in our life and how that instinct might feel thwarted). Your determination to win tells me you have a surfeit of vital energy at your disposal and that you are going to use it to win what you lack at this time in your life. The pie in the dream (a popular desert item) might indicate that you want to receive rewards for hard work (at a job or within a relationship or partnership that you are involved with). Screams, yells and growls are also related to the instinctual side of human nature. The scream you heard might have alerted you that you need not push so hard, that you're winning even when you feel you have to push even harder. Slow down and savor your just desserts. — Dream Catcher

Dear Dream Catcher

My dream was short and (really) sweet, as I love horses so much. In the dream I am a young girl and despite my parents having told me that I cannot have one, my grandmother takes me out behind our family house and gifts me with my very own pony. I rode off on the pony and never returned home. This is one of the happiest dreams I've ever had in my life and I just couldn't wait to share it with you. — Mariam L., Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Mariam

Ponies often appear in dreams when, as adults, we long to reconnect with the kind of exuberance we experienced as children. For a child, a colt or pony symbolizes the powerful forces that are at work once puberty begins. The image of the pony often acts as a safe transitional image for the child (or the adult dreamer) who longs for more autonomy in his or her life. It's no wonder your dream moved you in a joyful way-potentiality and freedom are just two of the qualities this dream might be addressing. Happy trails! — **Dream Catcher**

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Questionable Coupons

Dear Aunt Bingo:

With all the discussion about whether Bingo workers and/or their family members should play at their own halls, I wanted to add a different perspective about the subject.

While it may be true that it is difficult to cheat at Bingo because the winning numbers are random, there are ways that give Bingo workers an unfair advantage.

At a hall where I used to play (key words being used to), players may purchase coupons for discounts; for example, buy two \$20 coupons, get a free \$20 coupon.

If the workers are using these coupons and not paying for them, or giving them to their family

members, this is an advantage over regular players. There is a limit of one coupon per session, but if the workers (who just happen to buy their packages when no one is around) are allowed to use more than one coupon, again unfair.

When this happens, or workers get additional free cards with "gift certificates," they have an advantage over paying players. Turns out at my hall they were just printing their own coupons and giving them out to family members. So, when Bingo worker Rosie's husband wins, it is almost all profit since he did not pay the correct amount.

Fraud and theft charges are pending; can't wait to see the outcome for these cheaters.

Love your column and recognize this is not a cheery letter but your readers are right... better to play at halls where you don't work. — **ESH, Minnesota**

Dear ESH:

Wow, what a story! It's amazing that this Bingo would have a BOGO-style coupon system, especially when it produces its own coupons, which obviously can be printed out by anyone with access to their computer system.

It strikes me that this creates several problems for the hall—the alleged distribution of free coupons by staff which you claim; loss of revenue by having too many players showing up and not paying the buy-in, resulting in prize money being paid out that is not

being covered by those buy-ins; and an imbalance in the books that would be revealed in an audit.

If I was in charge of a Bingo where free passes were being handed out too freely, I would be particularly fearful of item four: the audit.

My understanding is that Bingo games can be reviewed and audited by the host state at any time, and that if questionable money management is revealed, criminal charges can result.

The coupon system you describe is obviously legal in your state, but letting some players allegedly play for free while others foot the bill must certainly be a violation.

Please keep us posted on the status of the fraud and theft charges that you say are pending. I'm sure readers will be very interested in the outcome.

— Aunt Bingo

Dear Aunt Bingo:

I recently made a fool of myself at Bingo by calling a Bingo before I had all the numbers.

I haven't played in a long time but assumed it was easy from my experience playing as a child and went to my church's Bingo to try it out.

Things were fine until they played a letter "I" game which I assumed was five-in-a-row in any direction. It wasn't clear to me that it was five-in-a-row plus four additional numbers that crossed at the top and the bottom of the "I." So, I got five in a row, called Bingo, it was announced to the

entire room that I had messed up, the worker explained the mistake to me like I was 5 years old, and I got a lot of disapproving looks from the players sitting near me. I could have died.

It would be nice to go to Bingo again, but I don't want to make another mistake. Any suggestions? — **Dumbell in Ohio**

Dear Reader (I am not going to call you Dumbell!):

Here are a few suggestions: Go online and search for sites that have a collection of Bingo patterns and get familiar with them.

You can also ask a hall worker if he or she can provide you with a sheet of patterns that the hall uses so you can have one next to you when a pattern is being played

On your next Bingo outing, look around for someone who appears friendly, sit at their table and explain that you are new and would they mind if you asked questions if you don't understand something.

You can also mention this to a Bingo worker. If the worker isn't otherwise assigned, he or she can stand near you to answer a question should something come up.

Don't worry about your calling error; it happens to the best of us. Just hang in there and you'll become a Bingo pro in no time. — **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.

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 he 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:

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. December: Jim Eddy, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Deloris Miller, Buffalo AL #270; Margaret Goodson, Roseville Bingo Hall; Bob Culhane, Treasure Island Bingo. January: Jacqueline Schuna, North St. Paul VFW; Deloris Welns, Pot O' Gold Bingo; Melissa Dosch, Buffal AL; Greg Galloway, Little Canada Market Place Bingo.

February Winners

Cathy O'Keefe......\$25, Pot O' Gold Bingo Hall Connie Fischer\$25, Marian KC

Dan Rose.....\$25, North St. Paul VFW

Billy Jack Crow.....\$25, Roseville Bingo Hall

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



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Monday Mornings at 9am Tuesdays at 6pm Thursdays at 6pm



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Wednesdays at 6pm Disco Bingo Friday's at 9:30pm



Saks Sports Bar

1460 E County Rd E Vadnais Heights 651 484 6119

Mondays at 6pm Saturdays at 2pm



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1986 Rice Street Maplewood, MN 55113 651 788 7362

Saturdays at Noon Mondays at 6pm





MORNING BINGO AT JIMMY'S FOOD AND DRINK

9AM



FRIDAY DISCO BINGO AT THE **VILLAGE SPORTS BAR**



9:30PM

BINGO - Thursday 7pm

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BONANZA - \$2000 PROGRESSIVE



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* X Game \$200 PLUS \$100 FREE Bingo Paper

* \$1 Raffle for a 6 \$100 Gift Cards



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2nd

Chance

Bingo

at 7:15

All You

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MONDAY

TUESDAY

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All Packs \$5!

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Giveway

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All Sessions

14 Valentines Day

WEDNESDAY Valentines Day!

10:30 & 7:15 — First 150 customers at each session will recieve a pair of earrings;

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\$5 PACKS

at 7:15

18*

at 9:15

Big **Blowout** Sessions

at 7:15 & 9:15 17*

> Stay and Play

24* 1st, 2nd, & **3rd Chance** Coverall at 7:15 \$5 Packs

2nd Chance Bingo at 7:15 at 9:15

50% OFF Crazy **All Sessions** — 10:30, 12:45 & 7:15 Coverall

& 3rd

Chance

Coverall

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50% OFF **All Sessions** — 10:30, 12:45 & 7:15 \$500 Bonanza

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BLOWOUT BIRTHDAY

CASH TORNADO 6:30-7:15

PACKS All Sessions — 10:30, 7:15 & 9:15 **\$5**

PACKS All Sessions — 10:30, 7:15 & 9:15

SATURDAY

Customer

at 1:00 - Free Lunch

& Door Prizes!

1st, 2nd & 3rd

Chance Coverall

at 7:15

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PACKS

at 9:15

^{16*} 1st, 2nd,

& 3rd Chance

Coverall

at 7:15

\$5 PACKS

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\$10 of Extras | Appreciation Bingo **FREE**

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Wed. 7:15

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Sat. 7:15 & 9:15

7:15 & 9:15 Sun

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



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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.

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> Warmups 1:30 p.m. Regular Session 2:30 p.m.

> > **EVENING**

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At Admissions

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2900 Rice St., Little Canada Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PMD

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1114 W. American Blvd. Bloomington Evening EB 6:30,

Reg 7 PM▶ Pot O' Gold

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Evening 7:15 & 9:15 PMD **Roseville Bingo**

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Early Session 10 AM★ Matinee Noon*

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At Admissions

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FRIDAY

8* 1, 3, 7, 9,& 11 PM

All Nighter!

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9 PM and get

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22* 1, 3, 7, 9<mark>,</mark>& 11 PM

15* 1, 3, 7, 9<mark>,</mark>& 11 PM

1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM 1, 3, 7, 9,& 11 PM 'Star', 'Rose', 'Max' or 'Champ'

2 Free Sides

9 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM

SATURDAY

'Star', 'Rose', 'Max' or

'Champ' 2 Free Sides

16 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM

'Star', 'Rose', 'Max' or 'Champ'

2 Free Sides

23 1, 3, 7, 9 & 11 PM 'Star', 'Rose', 'Max' or

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1, 3, 7, & 9 PM

BUY-IN!

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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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GOLD

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PLATINUM

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FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

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How Retirees Can Save on Eyeglasses

Dear Savvy Senior,

What tips can you recommend for finding affordable prescription eyeglasses? I used to have vision insurance through my work, but lost it when I turned 65, retired and signed up for Medicare.

– Looking For Eyeglasses

Dear Looking,

Prescription eyeglasses today aren't cheap. You can easily spend \$200 for a basic pair, but if you want designer frames or need bifocal or progressive lenses the price can more than double. Here are a few different options that can help you save.

Medicare/Insurance Coverage

If you are a Medicare beneficiary, you already know that original Medicare (Part A and B) and Medigap supplemental policies do not cover routine eye exams or eyeglasses (unless you've just had cataract surgery), but there are some Medicare Advantage (Part C) plans that do. Many of these plans, which are sold through private insurance companies, cover vision as well as dental, hearing and prescription drugs, in addition to all of your hospital and medical insurance. To locate Advantage plans in your area that provides vision coverage, visit Medicare.gov/find-a-plan or call 800-633-4227. Check the benefit details to ensure the plan's vision coverage includes routine eye exams, eyeglass frames and lenses.

You can switch from original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage plan each year during the open enrollment period, which is between Oct. 15 and Dec. 7.

If, however, you don't want a Medicare Advantage plan, you can still get coverage by purchasing an inexpensive vision insurance policy — see <u>eHealthInsurance</u>. <u>com</u>. Policy costs usually start at around \$6 to \$9 per month for an individual.

Discount Stores

Purchasing eyeglasses from discount retailers is another way to save. Costco is one of the best discount stores for good eyewear and low prices. Eyeglasses cost an average of around \$150, but to shop there you have to pay a \$55 annual membership fee. Some other good retail options for low prices include For Eyes Optical, BJ's Optical, Sam's Club and Walmart.

Many retailers provide discounts to membership groups like AARP and AAA. AARP members, for example, can get 30 percent off a pair of prescription eyeglasses as well as discounts on eye exams at any LensCrafters, most participating Pearle Vision, Sears Optical, Target Optical, JC Penney Optical and thousands of private optometrist offices.

Look Online

Buying eyeglasses online can also offer huge savings. Some online stores like ZenniOptical.com, Goggles4u. com and EyeBuyDirect.com sell prescription eyeglasses for as little as \$7 plus shipping. Or, for a fancier choice of frames see WarbyParker.com, which offers single-vision glasses for \$95. They even offer a free program where you can request up to five pairs to try on at home for five days.

To purchase glasses online, you'll need your eyeglass prescription from a local eye doctor, plus your pupillary distance number, which is the distance, measured in millimeters, between the centers of your pupils in each eye.

Low-Income Assistance

If your income is low, there may be some local clinics that provide free or discounted eye exams and eyeglasses. Put in a call to your local Lions Club to see what's available in your area.

You may also be able to get free eyeglasses through New Eyes, a nonprofit organization that provides free eyeglasses to people in financial need.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit <u>SavvySenior.org</u>.





PLAY MINNESOTA BINGO!

Brooklyn Park, MN

Family Valentine Bingo, Saturday, Feb. 9 from 12:00-2:00 p.m. FREE for all ages. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. If you are lucky enough to yell "CUPID" (we mean "BINGO"), you will have a chance to win some great prizes! Refreshments will be on sale. Zanewood Recreation Center, 7100 Zane Ave N., Brooklyn Park. For info call (763) 315-8444.

Carlton, MN

Carlton Winterfest! Saturday, Feb. 9. Try a Candlelight Cross Country Ski or Snowshoe event, or maybe a chili cook-off would spice you up, or try your luck at Fireman's BINGO which is sure to be on fire with an abundance of hot prizes. Winterfest provides many other activities for the winter enthusiast young and old alike. For info call (218) 384-3322 or email chambercarlton@gmail.com. 310 Chestnut Ave., Carlton.

CrossLake, MN

16th Annual Winterfest! It's all happening in Crosslake on Jan. 31 through Feb. 2, with tons of old fashioned winter fun for the entire family! Firefighters pancake breakfast, bocce ball tournament, pond hockey tournament,

helicopter rides, radar runs, bar Bingo, Italian olympics, kids games, shopping, food and drink specials all over town plus the 16th Annual SoupFest. Find the Lost Medallion and cash in on a prize package valued at more than \$1,000 courtesy of Chamber member businesses! For more info call (800)450-2838 or (218) 692-4027.

Elk River, MN

Fabulous Friday Bingo! Friday, Feb. 8, 1:30 p.m. Enjoy treats and great prizes! Each person may play up to two cards. This event is sponsored by Guardian Angels Senior Services and the Activity Center. Fee is \$2 in advance or \$3 at the door. Call the Elk River Activity Center at (763) 635-4500 to register and pay for programs or online at ElkRiverMN.gov/Register.

Fergus Falls, MN

Frostbite Festival — Celebrate winter with fun, family-friendly activities throughout Fergus Falls Friday-Sunday, Feb. 1-3.

Open hockey, outdoor skating, Bingo at the VFW, Eagles and American Legion. Open swimming, Game Night (Trivia & Family Feud), karaoke & DJ, live music, winter Farmers Market, broomball tournament, poker night,

Snowball Dance, Kiwanis pancake breakfast, ice fishing derby & raffle, and many other activities at area venues.

Highland Park, MN

Family Bingo Night! Wednesday, Feb. 6, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Trying to get out of the house during the cold nights of winter? Bring your family and join us as we play Bingo at Highland Park Community Center. Game winners will win candy, cookies, and other prizes. Highland Park Community Center, 1978 Ford Parkway, Saint Paul.

Pipestone, MN

Come play BINGO at the Pipestone Senior Center every first Thursday of the month (Jan. to Dec. 2019). 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.

Saint Paul, MN

Bingo Thursdays! Can Can Wonderland, 755 Prior Ave. N., Saint Paul. For info call (651) 925-2261.

Wabasha, MN

Grumpy Old Men Festival! Feb. 22 & 23. Live music, ice fishing contest, costume contest, cribbage tournament, Bingo, minnow races, Annual Grumpy Plunge and more! Bingo will be played on Saturday, Feb. 16 from 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. For more info call (651) 565-4158 or visit www.wabashamn.org.

Bingo Bugle 11

Walker, MN

2019 International Eelpout Festival Feb. 21-24. For the past 40 years, crowds have gathered on Leech Lake for a festival named for one of the ugliest bottom-dwelling fish, the eelpout. The event includes mechanical bull riding, bikini ice fishing and a beer pong tournament and more! Be sure to have some 'pout nuggets, which are as tasty as the fish is ugly. Pure Minnesota fun! For info

Waseca, MN

Janesville Casino Night!

email <u>info@eelpoutfestival.com.</u>

Saturday, Feb. 23, 5:30-11:30 p.m. Join us for an evening of fun to help fundraise for the Janesville Matters. Cost: \$25. Hors d'oeuvres, cash bar, dinner, games, and a silent and live auction. At Farmamerica: MN Agricultural Interpretive Center, 7367 360th Ave., Waseca.

LET'S GET COOKING!

by Annie E. Ennis

Cooking to Impress

Dear Annie,

My mother-in-law is coming to visit us in February. Do you have any suggestions for a main dish that I might be able to make a positive impression with. I am her son's second wife and I am not sure she likes me. There will be six of us eating this meal. By the way I live on the East coast and seafood is abundant. — Franny from Myrtle Beach

Dear Franny,

I have a fairly easy recipe for an entree that I am sure that will please your mother-in-law. I would suggest serving with white rice and a green vegetable. Here is the recipe for the scallops. Enjoy. — **Annie**

PAN-FRIED SCALLOPS WITH WHITE WINE

2 pounds sea scallops 1 teaspoon salt 1/4 pepper

2 tablespoons olive oil ½ cup white wine

1/3 cup orange juice

1/4 cup finely chopped onion

1 teaspoon dried oregano

1 teaspoon Dijon mustard 2 teaspoons minced garlic

3 tablespoons cold butter, cubed

Sprinkle the scallops with the salt and pepper. In a large skillet, sauté the scallops in the olive oil until firm and opaque. Remove and keep warm. Add the wine to the skillet, stirring to loosen brown bits from the pan. Stir in the orange juice, chopped onion, oregano, mustard and garlic. Bring to a boil, cook and stir for 2 to 3 minutes or until reduced by half. Remove from the heat, stir in the butter until melted. Serve with the scallops. Serves 8.

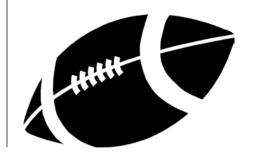
Dear Annie,

The Red Cabbage and Apples was a big hit at my Thanksgiving dinner. Thank you for suggesting this recipe. — **Barbara Sue from Jacksonville, Georgia**

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.

Now Here's A Tip!

- Add a few drops of water to votive cups before adding a candle. The wax will float on the water, and when the candle burns down, it won't get stuck in the votive glass.
- Put on a bracelet with no help, with the aid of a paperclip! Unfold one end to create a long loop. Hook one end on the loop, and hold the other end of the paperclip in your hand, with the bracelet end on your wrist. You have only to loop the bracelet around and hook it.
- Glass doors in the shower can be cleaned with a dryer sheet. Simply wet and rub. In fact, the texture almost gives a scrub.
- If you are serving hot rolls on a buffet, line the basket with aluminum foil before you line it with a towel. The foil will help reflect heat, keeping the rolls warmer longer.
- Hairspray spritzed on the end of a thread will stiffen it long enough to get it through a needle head. You also can thread your needle in front of a surface that's an opposing color (i.e. a white piece



of paper while threading a needle with black thread).

• Metal skewers are great for a barbecue, but the tip also can be used to create fancy designs on an iced cake, just like a pencil.

Send your tips to: Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

Puzzle Solutions

Bugle Crossword



Bugle Sudoku

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Jumblers

Jumbles: UNIFY PRICE TIGHTS OUTLET Answer: After signing a huge contract, the fashion model was — SITTING PRETTY

How To Win More

The question I get most often from blackjack players is, "How can I win more money?" After all, most players want to have a good time when they play blackjack, but at the end of the day, they hope to wind up with more money than they started with.

So how can you enhance your profits? First, you have to memorize the basic strategy. Not just some of it, but all of it. You have to know the right plays each and every time because playing mistakes will cost you money.

You'll find the basic strategy in blackjack books, including my Blackjack: Take The Money & Run. It's a set of rules that tells you how to play every hand dealt to you. For example, how would you play these hands if they were dealt to you? (Assume a typical six-deck game.)

Ace-4 against dealer 5 upcard 10-6 against a dealer 7 upcard 8-8 against a dealer 10 upcard Ace-2-5 against dealer 9 upcard 7-5 against a dealer 3 upcard

The correct plays are to double down, hit, split, hit, and hit. If you got any play wrong, or had difficulty remembering the right play, you need to practice more. If you find it difficult to memorize the basic strategy from charts, here are a few tips that might make the task easier.

Using ordinary index cards, write down the player hand on one side along with the dealer upcard. On the other side of your index card jot down the right play. For example, for a pair of 2s you would have on one side "2-2 against

dealer 2" and on the other side you would have the answer "split." Just spending the time to make up the index cards will help in the learning process. Once the cards are complete, you just go through them one at a time. Set aside the cards for those plays that you got wrong and then go through them again until you answer each card correctly. You'll find that in no time, you'll master the basic strategy and you'll also have a set of index cards that you can use to brush up on your strategy.

An alternative is to use a blackjack software program that will drill you on your knowledge of basic strategy.

Another way to enhance profits is to play blackjack where the rules are more player friendly. With a typical 6-deck game that you'll find in most casinos, the best rules allow players to double down after pair splitting, re-split aces, and the dealer must stand on all 17s (including soft 17). The casino's edge against the basic strategy player is only 0.33 percent, which means a player can expect a long-term return of \$99.67 per hundred dollars bet. Some casinos will allow players to surrender their hand. This

increases the return to \$99.75. You can increase your return more by playing in a double-deck game rather than one dealt with six decks of cards. However, be careful because some casinos offer double-deck games (which is good) with lousy playing rules (which is bad). Some however, offer very good rules. Look for double-deck games where the dealer must stand on all 17's and double after pair splitting is allowed. Your long-term return is \$99.81 per hundred dollars bet.

If you want to enhance your profits even more, then you need to learn to card count. This will allow you to increase your bets only when you have knowledge that the un-played cards contain a higher proportion of tens and aces, a situation that favors the player more than the dealer. You can learn the simple Speed Count in less than an hour and you will increase the edge when you play. (For more details visit www.goldentouchblackjack.com.)

Henry Tamburin hosts the site www.smartgaming.com.

At The Casinos...

Treasure Island Resort & Casino

Boot Hockey Tournament

Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 16 and 17. Give your skates the boot and join us for the Treasure Island Resort & Casino and Minnesota Wild Inaugural Boot Hockey Tournament! Teams will compete for a \$2,000 cash prize on an outdoor rink next to the Treasure Island Amphitheater. Come cheer on the players! We'll have warming tents with music pumping up the crowd, food and beverages available for purchase and an ice sculpture competition.

\$200 entry fee must be received by Feb. 8. For more information contact Tournament Director Johnny Johnson at 651-385-4104 or email jjohnson@piic.org or visit Tlcasino.com.

Fortune Bay Resort Casino The Ultimate Robin Williams Tribute with Roger Kabler

Two shows! Friday, March 29 & Saturday, March 30, 7:00 p.m. both days in the Woodlands Ballroom. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. \$25 for reserved seating, \$20 for general admission. Must be 18. All sales final. Tickets on sale February 1 at 8 a.m. Fortune Bay Resort Casino, 1430 Bois Forte Road, Tower, MN. For more information call (218) 753-6400.

Northern Lights Casino

Organized Chaos! High NRG Entertainment presents Live Interactive DJ, Music Bingo and Trivia, Karaoke, Comedy & Fun starting at 7 p.m. on Thursdays in the Cabaret Lounge. Free admission! 6800 Y Frontage Road NW, Walker, MN. For more information call 1 (800) 252-7529.

Shooting Star Casino Valentine's Day Drawings! Feb.

14 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. We're playing Cupid and sending out players lots of luck. Start earning entries Feb. 1 – one entry for every 25 points. Dine at 20NE8 in February and show your receipt at Star Rewards for an additional entry.

One winner will be selected every half hour for \$250 Star Cash, and one lucky winner will receive the top prize at 7 p.m. – a Sereniitee Spa Couples Massage, \$50 off 20NE8 and \$1,500 Cash!

Shooting Star Casino, Hotel and Event Center, 777 Casino Road, PO Box 418, Mahnomen, MN 56557.

Jackpot Junction Casino

Groundhog Day! Feb. 2 from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Will we get six more weeks of winter or is spring just around the corner? Either way, to help with the winter blues, just earn 30 base points between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. to receive a Groundhog Day snack box that has a hidden cash or Free Play prize up to \$250. Swipe at any promotional kiosk to print out the Groundhog Day coupon and redeem at promotional drawing site to receive your Groundhog Day peel and win snack box. 39375 County Hwy. 24, Morton, MN 56270. For more information call 1 (800) WIN-CASH (946-2274) or (507)697-8000.



What's New in Nevada

NEW YORK DELI AT BELLAGIO

It was only three years ago that a trendy new deli opened in lower Manhattan. Now, that deli, Sadelle's, has opened a west coast branch in what used to be the Café Bellagio, which closed last August. Sadelle's is known for hand-rolled bagels that come out of the oven on wooden spindles. Whitefish, blintzes, babkas, chopped salads and other imports are on the menu.

GOLDEN WEEK SCORES BIG

The week following the annual National Rodeo Finals in Las Vegas is called "Golden Week." Traditionally, it is a time when accommodation rates are, for a short time, lower. You might call the week, "the calm before the storm," coming just before the holiday rush. Some casinos offered rates as low as \$40 per night. Even some of the high-end digs were reduced. Mother Nature cooperated by bringing slightly higher than usual temperatures and sunny skies.

PARKING FEES GO DOWN

The trend to charge for parking at many Las Vegas casinos is being reversed. The latest to return to "nearly free" parking is The Cosmopolitan. That facility says it will discontinue charging hotel guests separately for self-parking and valet service. Instead, parking will be incorporated into the resort fee, which will go up from \$35 to \$39. Of course, hotel guests without cars will be subsidizing those with them, but overall, it's a plus—and perhaps a response to customer "push-back" on paid parking.

VEGAS MAYOR TO RUN AGAIN

The 79-year-old mayor of Las Vegas, Carolyn Goodman, says she'll run for reelection to a third and final term in the general election that takes place next June. If reelected (and she is a huge favorite) Carolyn and her husband Oscar will have been Las Vegas' mayors for nearly a quarter-century. Mr. Goodman served three terms from 1999 to 2011; Las Vegas mayors are limited to three four-year terms.

MORE POT STORES

There are now more than 60 permits on file in Nevada for the opening of new recreational pot dispensaries during the coming months. Half of the permits were issued for the immediate Las Vegas area. Even though prospective owners may have a permit in hand, the new licenses will require local approval and an inspection process. So, in the coming months we could see a quick increase in the number of dispensaries that open their doors.

NEW VENUE FOR HARVEST FEST

It's called the Route 91 Harvest Festival, named in honor of the U.S. highway that became the Vegas Strip, long before Interstate 15 came through the area. It was the event at which shots rang out on October 1, 2017...58 died. Hundreds were injured. The event was not held this year. But, organizers of the event tell media that plans are being finalized for a return of the festival next fall. If all goes according to plan, the festival will take place at MGM Resorts' Las Vegas Festival Grounds, a 35acre lot at the corner of Sahara Avenue and the Las Vegas Strip.

Poker Talk



Keep Fighting When Your Stack Runs Low

By Jonathan Little

I recently traveled to Montreal to play in a \$5,300-buy-in World Poker Tour event at the Playground Poker Club. The tournament, which was hosted by Party Poker, featured a \$5 million guarantee.

The first level of the Day 1 went amazingly well. I doubled my 40,000-chip starting stack by winning all sorts of small and medium-sized pots. From there, I went card-dead, and then in the middle of Day 2, disaster struck.

With blinds at 600-1,200, a tight player raised to 3,000 from first position, and another tight player in second position called. I decided to just call with Ac Kc, looking to flop well and avoid a potential preflop cooler, given that both of my opponents likely had strong ranges. The big blind called as well.

The flop came Kd Jh 10s, giving me top pair, top kicker. The initial raiser bet 5,000 into a pot of 12,600, and I was the only caller. There was no point raising because the only hands that would stick around would be the premium hands that beat me.

The turn was the 6h. My opponent bet 7,000, and I once again called. As on the flop, there was no point raising because the only hands I'd get all in against would have me crushed.

The river was the 4c. My opponent bet 10,000 into a pot of 36,600, and I called. My opponent tabled Jc Js and collected a good-sized pot.

This left me with only 7,000 in chips, but I didn't give up. I played carefully with my tiny stack and ensured that I got my chips into the pot in profitable situations. After stealing the blinds only a few times, I managed to double my chip stack without getting called, and then I started jamming all in once people raised.

I want to make it perfectly clear that I did not play maniacally or recklessly. I looked for spots where I expected my opponents to have weaker ranges than normal, and then I pounced. I somehow managed to turn my stack of six big blinds into a stack of 40 big blinds without ever seeing a showdown.

But then, again, disaster struck, and I found myself with only 12 big blinds after losing with Q-Q against A-K. Again, I remained calm and patiently hung around until I found a few decent hands. Time flew by, and eventually I found myself bagging my chips going to Day 4, safely in the money with a decent-size chip stack remaining.

I continued to battle but busted in eighth place out of the 792 players who entered, collecting a payout of \$105,000. A lot of players would have simply given up when they had so few chips on Day 2 and again on Day 3. Instead of conceding when your tournament situation appears bleak, you should continue to play hard, because there's always a chance to turn your "chip and a chair" into a sizable payday.

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.

Lucky Lotto News

Helping the Underprivileged in India

A Tampa, Florida, man is a millionaire after he struck a Florida Lottery \$14.5 million dollar jackpot, and he plans to use his windfall to help less fortunate children in his home country of India. Krishna Barri said he doesn't play the lottery that often but sometimes he will buy a handful of tickets. For a recent drawing he played 10 tickets and won with 21-30-39-44-45-46. Now, he plans to pay it forward. "I'm going to open a trust in India, and I'm going to provide an education for 100 people," he says. Barri also plans to buy a new house and cars for himself and his wife, and he will put aside college money for his children.

No Lotto Anonymity in NY

A multi-million-dollar jackpot can get you a lot of things, but anonymity isn't one of them—at least not in New York State. Gov. Andrew Cuomo has vetoed a bill that would have allowed lottery winners in the state to remain anonymous if they so desired. Under current law, jackpot winners in most cases must agree to be identified publicly. A bill passed in 2018 by the state legislature would have prohibited the lottery from identifying any holder of a winning lottery ticket if that person provided a written request. In vetoing the bill, Cuomo said that identifying winners serves a public purpose, including ensuring the public the games are on the up-and-up.



Treasure Island Resort & Casino

Live from the Island Events Center

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

March 1 - The Jacksons & The Commodores, 8 PM

March 2 - The Band Perry (country), 8 PM

March 16 - I Love the '90s Tour (Downtown Shirley Brown with Vanilla Ice and Coolio), 8 PM

March 23 - Bad Company, 8 PM

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

April 27 - Bill Engvall (comedian), 8 PM

May 4 - ABBA The Concert, 8 PM

May 11 - Chicago, 8 PM

May 26 - Foreigner (classic rock), 8 PM

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

Mystic Lake Casino Hotel

Live from the Mystic Showroom

Feb. 1 - Tesla (hard rock & blues metal), 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

Feb. 23 - Grand Funk Railroad, 8 PM

Feb. 24 - Buddy Guy and Mavis Staples, 8 PM

March 1 - Josh Turner (country), 8 PM

March 8 - Cheap Trick (classic rock), 8 PM

March 14 - The Monkees (Michael Nesmith & Mickey Dolenz), 8 PM

March 24 - Patti Labelle, 8 PM

March 29 - Masters of Illusion (comedy/magic), 8 PM

April 18 - The Oak Ridge Boys Shine the Light Tour, 8 PM

April 20 - The Magic of Adam Trent (magic/comedy/music), 8 PM Box office: 952-496-6563, 952-445-9000 for Casino information

Black Bear Casino

Live from the Otter Creek Events Center

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

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

April 19 - The Oak Ridge Boys (country), 7 PM

May 31 - The Beach Boys, 7 PM

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. Phone: (218) 878-BEAR (2327)

Toll Free: 1-888-771-0777 (US & Canada)

Northern Lights Casino

Live from the North Star Hall

Feb. 15 - Hinder, 7 PM

March 8 - Tracy Lawrence (country), 7 PM

March 23 - NorthStar Combat-Warrior Rising (MMA), doors open 6 PM

April 19 - Andrew Dice Clay (comeday), 7 PM

May 17-19 - Jokes & Pokes (tattoo convention), call for times

Call 877-LIGHTS-9 FOR TICKETS! Or buy tickets online!

Receive \$5 Slot Play Coupon with each ticket purchase.

Shooting Star Casino

Live from the Events Center

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

Feb. 22 - Sara Evans (country), 8 PM

March 8 - 38 Special, 8 PM

March 22 - Jeff Foxworthy (comedy), 8 PM

April 5 - Starship, 8 PM

April 19 - Chris Janson (country), 8 PM

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



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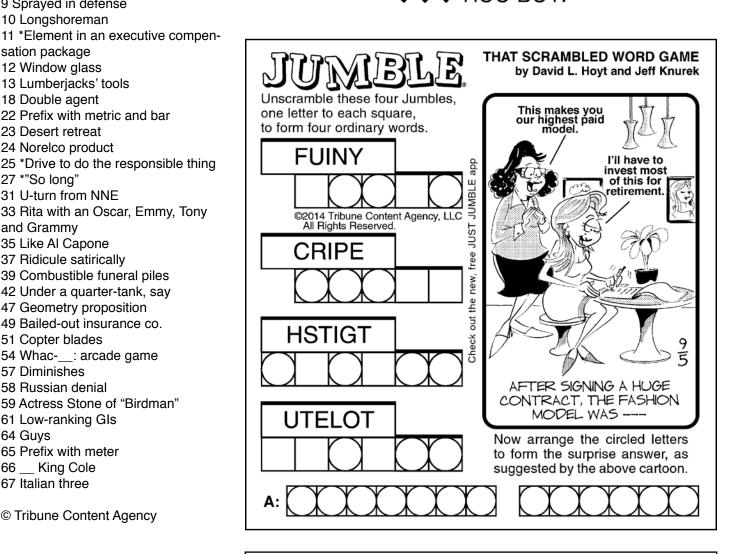
by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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For puzzle solutions, see page 11.

Would Believe?

... It was New York Times columnist Maureen Dowd who made the following sage observation: "The minute you settle for less than you deserve, you get even less than you settled for."

... A law in Memphis, Tennessee, states that it is illegal for a woman to drive a car unless a man walks in front of it to warn approaching motorists and pedestrians.

... Martha Stewart got her start in business by catering from her home.

... England's Prince Philip was born on a kitchen table in Greece.

... The word "widget" was coined by an American humorist in the 1930s and referred to an imaginary gadget or machine. In the 1990s, however, widgets moved out of the realm of fiction when the makers of beverage cans invented a device that releases carbon dioxide to make foam after a can has been opened — and they named it a "widget."

... It takes 40 gallons of maple sap to make one gallon of the maple syrup you put on your pancakes.

■ Bugle Cruise News

Many Ways to Win on Bugle Cruise

As most readers of the Bingo Bugle are aware, the World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise is not just about Bingo gaming and luxury cruising to exotic destinations, but features other fun and exciting gaming options as well.

Players are treated to warm-up Bingo games and pull-tab cash during the main tournament; score big bucks gaming in the ship's casino; and participate in the Bingo Bugle Blackjack, Texas Hold 'em Poker, and Sizzling Slots tournaments and other eventsall of which award thousands of dollars in additional prize money.

For Tournament Cruise '18, Pamela Mansker, 56, of Amboy, Washington, was a first-time participant and the top winner of \$2,500 in the Sizzling Slots tournament. "It was a blast," says Pamela, who played the slots tournament on her birthday. "There were all these experienced players who had been on many cruises, which was a little concerning," she says. "So, I slipped back to my room and checked on Youtube for tips on playing slots better."

Pamela says she did poorly in the first round of the tournament, but managed to get as high as third place in the second round before slipping to seventh place. "In the final round, one lady scored over a million points right away, while I was getting small amounts. I kept hitting and

hitting, making sure I didn't go too fast and stall the machine out. Three-and-a-half minutes in I was still pretty far behind, when suddenly my machine lit up twice! Then everything stopped and I checked my total and I had just squeaked by the top player by 40 points!"

Pamela says winning the Sizzling Slots tournament was just one of many incredible experiences she and her husband, Christopher, had during the World **Championship Bingo Tournament** & Gaming Cruise. "My husband split one of the pots during the Bingo Tournament, and I won around \$1,000 in the ship's casino," she says. "Beyond that, I won a dance-off at the Hard Rock Café in Montego Bay and we swam with turtles on Grand Cayman. We had the best service, met the nicest people and were completely overwhelmed that they made us so happy."

Hazel Harvey, 74, of Oak Park, Michigan, is another firsttime Bingo Tournament Cruise participant, although she has been on many other cruises in the past. "I had wanted to take the cruise for a long time but had to wait until I retired to go because of the time of the year," she says. "Carnival is my baby, my absolute favorite cruise line."

Hazel is a long-time poker player and jumped at the chance to participate in the 2018 Texas Hold 'em Poker tournament. "I'm not good at bluffing," she says. "I rely on good hands and never get reckless." It's a smart strategy that won Hazel first place in the tournament and \$750. Her travel buddy, Donzella Snider, also did well, winning a game in the Bingo Tournament and taking home \$1,200.

Other winners included:

Sizzling Slots: second place/\$1,500 – Lori Thomas, Flat Rock, Michigan; third place/\$1,000 - Colleen O'Neil, Racine, Wisconsin

Texas Hold 'em Poker: second place/\$300 - John Larson, Montevideo, Minnesota; third place/\$200 - Karen Caron, Aberdeen, Washington

Bingo Bugle Blackjack: first place/\$100 - John Chamberlin, Live Oak, Florida; second place/\$500 – Dee Ann Troutman, Salida, Colorado; third place/\$250, Gail Hunter, Los Gatos, California

The 2019 World Championship **Bingo Tournament & Gaming** Cruise promises to deliver just as much fun and excitement. Setting sail November 9 from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, participants will travel the southern Caribbean for eight fun-filled days and visit the beautiful ports of Grand Turk, La Romana, Curação and Aruba. Visit <u>bingobugle.com/cruise</u> or phone the Bingo Bugle Cruise Hotline (888-352-2464) for more information.





BINGO BIRTHDAY BASH

Sunday, February 24, evening session

We are celebrating 35 years of Island Bingo with a \$35,000 FREE slot play giveaway during our Bingo Birthday Bash on Sunday, February 24. Plus, all regular games will pay \$1,000 and some special game consolation prizes will also be increased. Get your 12-card paper pack for \$65 or a 24-card electronic pack for \$70. Use your Island Passport card when you purchase your entry pack to receive a drawing slip. Each guest will receive a piece of cake.

Must be a member of the Island Passport Club and must show your Island Passport Club and at the time of the win to qualify. One prize per

PRESIDENTS DAY CHEAP SEATS

Monday, February 18, matinee session

Join us for your chance to win \$300 on all regular games when you purchase a pack for \$18 during this special Presidents Day Cheap Seats matinee session. Electronic packs are \$2 more.





VALENTINE'S DAY BONUS PAYOUT BINGO

Thursday, February 14, both sessions

Love me some FREE slot play this Valentine's Day in Island Bingo! Purchase a Level 2 pack and when you bingo on any regular game you'll get your regular bingo payout plus a bonus FREE slot play payout in the same amount.

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SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY THURSDAY MATINEE 12:30PM CHEAP SEATS LUCKY 7s MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE BINGO GONE WILD EVENING 7:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM TWO FOR TUESDAY 50+ WEDNESDAY NO MATINEE SESSION MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM CHEAP SEATS SECOND CHANCE HALF PRICE NIGHT MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM **EVENING 7:30PM** LUCKY 7s MATINEE 12:30PM SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE **EVENING 4PM** EVENING 7:30PM **EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 7:30PM** VALENTINE'S DAY BONUS PAYOUT BINGO NO MATINEE SESSION CHEAP SEATS MATINEE 12:30PM TWO FOR TUESDAY 50+ WEDNESDAY MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM SECOND CHANCE **EVENING 7:30PM** MATINEE 12:30PM LUCKY 7s MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 4PM EVENING 7:30PM SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE EVENING 7:30PM BINGO GONE WILD **EVENING 7:30PM** 17 NO MATINEE SESSION 19 TWO FOR TUESDAY PRESIDENTS DAY MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM 50+ WEDNESDAY CHEAP SEATS SECOND CHANCE MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM LUCKY 7s MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM **EVENING 7:30PM** ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 7:30PM HALF PRICE NIGHT **EVENING 4PM** EVENING 7:30PM **EVENING 7:30PM** NO MATINEE SESSION 50+ WEDNESDAY MATINEE 12:30PM TWO FOR TUESDAY MATINEE 12:30PM **BINGO BIRTHDAY BASH EVENING 7:30PM** MATINEE 12:30PM MATINEE 12:30PM EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 7:30PM EVENING 7:30PM **EVENING 4PM**



