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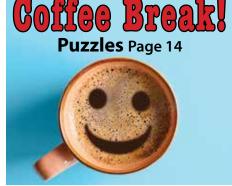
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#### How I became a card counter

by Henry Tamburin

In one of my classes at the University of Maryland, our professor gave us a "statistics and probability" project. We had to make a presentation on any game we chose, what the rules were for the game, what the odds were for winning, and what, if any, were the best strategies for playing this game. I recollect some of my classmates choosing games like bingo and chess, but I chose blackjack instead.

My presentation shocked them when I explained that the game of black-jack could be beaten by using a strategy for playing your hands and increasing your bets only when the advantage shifted in your favor, using a technique known as card counting. In preparing for this presentation, I read several books that explained card counting in detail. Buoyed by the knowledge I had acquired, I made the decision to become an advantage player.

But reading about card counting doesn't make you successful at it. Learning how to track the cards accurately in a casino requires a lot of practice. However, I was determined to become a skillful card counter and with the help of my wife, Linda, I began the journey.

Based on all the information I had gleaned from the books, I decided to master the Hi-Lo card counting system. I would turn over each card one at a time while mentally keeping the running count. I knew if I counted all 52 cards accurately, my final count should be zero. I kept practicing at a relatively slow pace until I could accurately and consistently count down a deck of cards. Next, I focused on counting down a deck as fast as possible. Linda would time me on her watch and record how long it took me to count down the deck. After several weeks of repeating this exercise, I remember I was able to consistently do this drill in 25 seconds without making any mistakes.

In the beginning of my card-counting career, I only focused on keeping the count to vary my bets, betting more when the count was in my favor, and less when it wasn't. I always used basic strategy for playing my hands.

Linda would deal me hands on our kitchen table. I'd play each hand following the basic strategy while mentally keeping a count of all the cards that were dealt, and varied my bets based on the count. We practiced for weeks on end.

I vividly remember my first attempt at card counting in Las Vegas. I was doing fine until the dealer started making small talk with me; then a cocktail waitress stopped at our table and asked me if I wanted a drink. While all this was going on, there was music coming from a band somewhere in the casino that was rather loud. These playing conditions were not the same as my kitchen table, and with all these distractions, I wasn't able to keep track of the count. The trip turned out to be a disaster.

When we arrived home, I told Linda we had to go to Plan B for practicing card counting. She said, "What is Plan B?" I told her we would go back to practicing card counting only with the radio or TV on, and she would be making small talk while I played and counted, much like the dealers in Vegas. It took me a while to learn to keep the count under these conditions, but I finally was able to do it. Needless to say, our next trips to Vegas were much more successful (and profitable).

As the years went by, my expertise in blackjack began to increase. I learned how to calculate the true count when playing in multi-deck games, and how to vary my playing strategy based on the true count. I mastered the latter by making flash cards that had the hand on one side along with the dealer's upcard; on the other side I listed the index number for deviating from basic strategy. Linda used to flash those 30 or so index cards to me one at a time until I mastered all the index numbers.

At this point in my life I was living in New Jersey. Linda and I made several trips to Las Vegas every year to play blackjack, and on virtually each trip we came home with a profit, and our bankroll started growing. Then, in 1978, the first casino opened in Atlantic City, a mere 45-minute drive from my house. And the rest is history!

#### Gaming News

#### Huge jackpot, details revealed

A major jackpot of nearly \$2.9 million was hit on a Dragon Link progressive slot machine at the Seminole Casino Hollywood in south Florida recently. It was a record jackpot for Dragon Link's manufacturer, Aristocrat Gaming, and the second highest ever at the Seminole Hollywood. It was a \$25 machine with a 10x bet of \$250, and the jackpot photo showed a credit balance of nearly \$38,000 according to The Las Vegas Advisor. The Dragon Link isn't an advantage-play machine, the Advisor went on to explain, so they can safely assume that the player was a slot whale taking a long shot (with a bankroll of, say, \$50,000-\$100,000) at the huge progressive and accruing stratospheric comps in the process...and that they were very, very lucky.

#### Casino companies face class-action suit

According to WorldCasinoDirectory.com, four plaintiffs are suing IGT for allegedly "rigging" the Wheel of Fortune bonus wheel. The plaintiffs claim they lost an unspecified amount of money playing Wheel of Fortune and were deceived by the wheel, which "features equal-sized segments that create the illusion of fairness, but in reality, the outcome of the wheel is determined by an computer program that manipulates the results, stopping on segments with lower monetary values." The suit, filed in U.S. District Court in Nevada, also targets MGM Resorts, Bally's, Penn, Station, and Boyd, all of which "knowingly profit from machines that allegedly mislead players about their odds of winning." The lawsuit accuses IGT and the casinos of violations of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO), fraud, unjust enrichment, and negligent misrepresentation and argues that the rigged bonus wheel has led to "illegal siphoning of billions of dollars" from players WorldCasino-Directory opines, "The allegations in this lawsuit could have significant ramifications for the gaming industry," though that remains to be seen.







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#### **Bingo News**

#### **Resolutions Bingo**

As the New Year gets rolling and resolutions may be falling by the wayside already, a creative approach to setting goals for the year ahead is going viral online. The approach involves turning your resolutions into a bingo card, with each goal written into a square. When you achieve a goal, you mark it with an X and try to get multiple bingos throughout the year. Camille Smith, 26, of Philadelphia, said she has used a goal bingo board for the past two years and finds it keeps her engaged with her resolutions instead of writing them down once and putting them away.

"The bingo board is more like gamifying your goals," Smith, a chemical engineer and content creator, told Good Morning America. "And at least for me, it's been able to keep me engaged with my goals." She added of her success using the bingo approach, "I accomplished so much because I was consistently thinking about it all year, which is something that I hadn't experienced when I had just written my goals down." For a sample card and more on this story search: ABC News Bingo Resolutions.

## Bingo battle bad for Alabama town

The government in a tiny town in west Jefferson County was effectively shut down at press time following a state raid, a battle with the attorney general over bingo halls and an ongoing feud among city leaders. City accounts



Jennette was a \$2,000 Bonanza winner at Foxhole Bingo Lounge.

were ceasing in Lipscomb, home to about 2,000 people just outside Bessemer. "As a result, all city services are now suspended and payroll cannot be issued for city employees until further notice," Tonja Baldwin, the mayor of Lipscomb wrote in a statement. A judge had recently entered an order freezing the city's assets and all of the money in its bank accounts. The issue? Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall is cracking down on electronic bingo halls, the small city's largest source of revenue. In Lipscomb, city hall was bitterly divided with council members blaming the mayor, and the mayor pointing back at them. The city previously approved an ordinance allowing electronic bingo. Tyson said services, including the town's police department and garbage pickup were in peril. The county provides some assistance, including street paving and infrastructure, but Tyson said they cannot provide other essential city services. "This is the harshest measure that I've witnessed since all of this bingo stuff started," said Gary Richardson, host of the Gary Richardson Morning Show on WJLD Radio. Along with his callers, Richardson, who is also mayor of the nearby city of Midfield, criticized what they described as a heavy-handed move from the attorney general. Richardson also said the state was hypocritical for allowing games in some places but not others. "Is that an adequate use of the state resources, them going out trying to enforce misdemeanor laws?" he asked.

were frozen, employees were not being paid, and services for residents



Terri and Erika split the \$2,000 Bonanza at Foxhole Bingo Lounge.



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#### Ask Dr. Roach

**DEAR DR. ROACH:** Seven years ago, I went to the emergency room and was told I had blood clots in my arms that traveled to my lungs. I started Eliquis. The doctor said I had a problem with factor V, but I don't have my blood results. Do I need to stay on this blood thinner? I know it has severe side effects. — *M.T.* 

**ANSWER:** Factor V is a protein that is critical in making clots, and an abnormality in this protein can make a person bleed (although this is very rare).

What's more common is a condition called factor V Leiden (FVL), which makes the body resistant to the activated protein C, a natural anticoagulant. (Anticoagulants decrease blood-clotting and are sometimes referred to as "blood thinners.") So, the net effect of FVL is that it makes blood clots a little more likely. Many people have FVL, but most will not develop a blood clot.

However, you apparently developed blood clots in both arms that caused the clots to move to the lungs, which are called pulmonary emboli. Determining the duration of therapy takes clinical judgment. Because you had clots in your arms rather than your legs, had a pulmonary embolus, and have FVL, some experts would treat you for the rest of your lifetime.

I wouldn't say that Eliquis has severe side effects. Because it reduces blood-clotting, there is a chance of bleeding. For most people with a low to average risk of bleeding, the likelihood is on the order of 1% to 2% per year. If the risk of a life-threatening clot is higher than the risk of bleeding, then continued anticoagulation is preferred.

Readers may email questions to <u>ToYourGood-Health@med.cornell.edu</u>.

# Test your knowledge

- 1. MOVIES: What is the name of the snowman in the animated movie Frozen?
- 2. GEOGRAPHY: How many U.S. states does the Mississippi River run through or along?
- 3. ADVERTISING: Which product uses a cartoon character whose first and middle names are Horatio Magellan?
- 4. MUSIC: In the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas," how many "geese a-laying" are given to the narrator's true love?
- 5. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of nuts are in a Snickers candy bar?
- 6. BIOLOGY: What is epimorphic regeneration?
- 7. TELEVISION: Who starred in the 1980s exercise video series Sweatin' to the Oldies?
- 8. ANATOMY: How much of the human brain is made up of fat?
- 9. MEASUREMENTS: How many cups are in a pint?

5. Peanuts.

6. Regeneration of a specific part of an organism, like when a lizard can regrow a tail.

7. Richard Simmons.

8. 60%.

9. Two.

2. 10 states.3. Cap'n Crunch cereal.4. Six

**VASMERS** 

1. Olaf.



by Guy Williams

# First-timer tells all

Hi Guy,

I have been playing Bingo regularly for about five months now—twice a week so far at a number of different charity games and at a casino in my area

I started going not long after I came across a copy of this Bingo newspaper in a neighbor's recycle bin while out walking one afternoon.

It was fun to flip through (the paper, not the recycle bin!), and when I saw all the games in the paper's directory, it got me thinking that I should try one of the games.

I went to a small school Bingo near my home and mostly had fun—except for being a little anxious about keeping track of the numbers. But after I went a few more times I got the hang of it and no longer worry about staying with the caller.

It has been enjoyable visiting the different halls in the area, and it gave me a chuckle at how many of the same people I see over and over again, no matter which Bingo I choose. Apparently, like most activities, there is a community of people who seem to be the core of Bingo fans, followed by the semi-regulars who only go to select halls. The jury is still out on which category I will eventually fall into. But I am sure I am not telling you anything you don't already know.

The reason for this letter is to share my excitement about finally winning my first Bingo! Actually, I should say my first two Bingos because I won two jackpots in one night with a triple Bingo followed by a coverall, both on the same card. It was SO exciting!

I have played enough now to know the feeling of being one number away and itching to hear that number called—until someone else's is called first. This was exactly the same, until I saw my number pop up on the monitor.

My jaw dropped, I could hardly swallow, it seemed like an hour before the caller finally said the number out loud. I called Bingo so loud it made the people sitting around me jump in their chairs. When I told them it was my first ever Bingo, they applauded.

When the last number for my coverall came up, I was a little calmer, but not much. And when I called Bingo the second time, the people around me were a LOT less enthusiastic about my win—which made me feel like I fit right in.

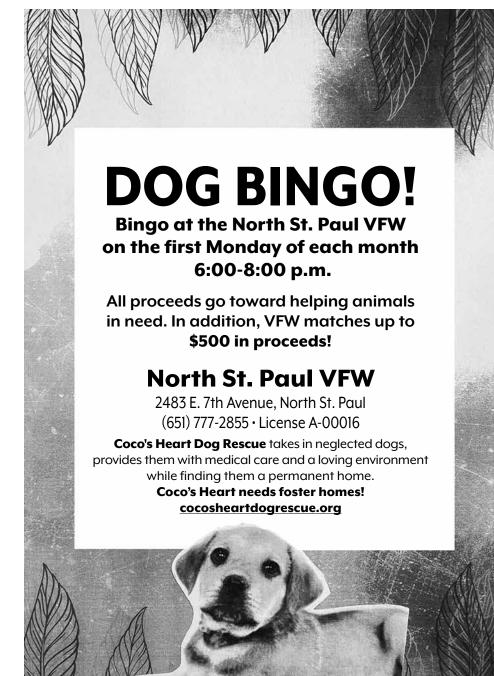
I am so very happy to now be able to say that I'm not just a Bingo player—I am a Bingo WINNER! I cannot wait for it to happen again. — **Brad L., Cicero, NY, via email** 

#### Hi Brad,

Well congratulations, and welcome to the winners' circle!

Most Bingo players remember their first Bingo win. For lots of us, it was playing as kids, perhaps at a birthday party, and winning candy or a small, treasured prize. Others were a bit older and were thrilled to discover that you could actually win money by playing this "kids' game" with adults. Still others, like yourself, came back to Bingo many years later, gave it a fresh look, and rediscovered the fun of competing with a community of fellow Bingo fans, coming close to winning time and time again, but just missing, and then experiencing the joy of finally beating the crowd and taking home that big juicy jackpot.

Whether you're in a dimly lit church basement or a flashy casino game room, getting Bingo is equally thrilling. Here's hoping there are many more Bingos in your future. —*Guy* 





#### **Veterans Post**

# The OIG always comes through

Things are going to be different in 2025. If there's one thing I hope, it's that the Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General isn't hit with any budget or staffing reductions. As time goes on we need them more than ever to dig out, investigate and expose all the problems in the VA.

The PACT Act of 2022, for example, required screenings for toxic exposures — as well as training for the VA medical staff to do those screenings. Within a short time, screenings had been done on 4 million veterans out of the 9 million who were enrolled in VA health care. That's approximately 45% of the total. Training for staff, however, didn't come close. When additional

training was required, only 21.4% of staff completed it, which means that a lot of veterans were screened by staff who hadn't done all of their training.

Then there is the matter of communication that the VA OIG exposed: A "package manager" computer program at the VA bundles up the documents for a veteran's claims and then sends them off to a printer. The VA OIG discovered that, because nobody was paying attention to the problem, over 2 million packages weren't print ed ... because nobody hit the "send" button. The veterans, therefore, did not receive the communications from the VA, which might have been asking for more evidence for a claim to be processed or notification about a claim decision and information about options for responding to that decision.

Keep your fingers crossed. In a perfect world, the VA OIG will maintain an adequate budget and staffing. Doubling it would be better.



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#### Star Luck Fortunes

by Frederick Woodruff Astroinquiry.com

#### Horoscopes for February 2025

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): You're in for a smooth ride this month with Venus in your sign. Bringing a glow and upbeat vibe to your demeanor and prevailing attitude. This is an excellent time to make requests. Those in your circle are ready to help you succeed.

Lucky Days: 8 - 12 Lucky Numbers: 8 - 24

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21): You've had your share of wrangling with irritation and opposition. It's time to bring everything you learned last year about meeting folks halfway and compromising to the table. Don't let tension develop into a condition that impacts your health.

Lucky Days: 19 - 27 Lucky Numbers: 19 - 28

**GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21):** The full Moon on the 12th requires that you reconsider how you are exerting yourself. Pay attention to where you are leaking energy and losing momentum. You may have too many irons in the fire now. This means you must prioritize. Do it with grace.

Lucky Days: 3 - 11 Lucky Numbers: 4 - 45

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22): You're in a unique cycle where discipline and forward momentum blend and pay off. This is an excellent month to launch a project you've harbored out into the world. The full Moon on the 12th puts tension on finances, so budget wisely as you head into the spring.

Lucky Days: 20 - 23 Lucky Numbers: 6 - 8

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): This month's full Moon lands in your sign on the 12th, which is both invigorating and exhausting. You need to shift how the voice of your inner critic influences your life. You'll benefit by consulting with an objective outsider, a friend, or a colleague who can give you facts instead of conjectures.

Lucky Days: 7 - 26 Lucky Numbers: 11 - 44

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): Outside pressure continues to dog you. The central question: Is your life arranged optimally right now? The universe requires that you not shy away from showing and promoting your best qualities. Selfishness can work to your advantage this month.

Lucky Days: 7 - 22 Lucky Numbers: 5 - 19 LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): February might be a month of course corrections for you, especially if there was overindulgence at the close of last year. The holidays can do that to all of us. But don't fret. Defining goals and setting deadlines can turn your outpouring of feelings into genuine artistic achievements.

Lucky Days: 7 - 17 Lucky Numbers: 43 - 47

SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22): A force is at work now that wants you to fine-tune how you communicate with those in your inner circle. Don't remain trapped in dead-end arrangements. Allow your intuition to provide the signs and clues you need to follow and move forward. Freedom is the goal.

Lucky Days: 3 - 8 Lucky Numbers: 53 - 59

#### **SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC 21):**

The full Moon on the 12th fills you with enthusiasm and hope. Challenges to self-expression have been complicated lately, but there is a way through. As Henry Ford noted, "Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal."

**Lucky Days: 22 - 26 Lucky Numbers: 48 - 59** 

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

Friction arises from outside your influence and control now. This can feel maddening for a sign like yours that prefers control over serendipity. But ask yourself if you are imagining those barriers. A part of your nature might want a 'time out' this month. Don't ignore its message.

Lucky Days: 8 - 18 Lucky Numbers: 2 - 12

AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19): The full Moon on the 12th has you revisit an agreement or settlement you assumed was completed. See if you have missed some vital puzzle pieces—a riddle that's commanded your attention since the start of the new year. You'll be surprised with what you discover.

Lucky Days: 2 - 19 Lucky Numbers: 55 - 58

PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20): Your life right now requires that you assume two distinct personas. One side of the equation is focused on down-to-earth concerns, while the other is tugging you into new terrains of your imagination. No blame should you prefer one approach over the other but do aim for balance.

Lucky Days: 7 - 17 Lucky Numbers: 3 - 23



by JoAnn Derson

- If you are serving hot rolls on a buffet, line the basket with aluminum foil before you line it with a towel. They lose heat less quickly that way.
- "I've loved this little trick since I saw it used at a party years ago. I serve iced tea (or punch) at most of my get-togethers, and instead of ice cubes, I freeze several pounds of cleaned, destemmed white grapes. They are a hit at every party." M.A. in New York



by Sam Mazzotta

**DEAR PAWS:** I inherited my aunt's cat, "Tabitha," late last year. When Tabbi came to live with me, I noticed that she had six toes, but only on one paw. Her other front paw was normal. I thought that was unusual but not dangerous, or my aunt would have done something about it. However, on our first visit to the veterinarian, when I pointed out the toe as a strange genetic anomaly, the vet got very concerned. The "toe" was actually a lump! Tabbi had surgery to remove it. Fortunately, it was benign, and she recovered completely. Please tell your readers to contact the vet when they notice any strange growth. -Joe in Portland, Oregon

**DEAR JOE:** Thank you for sharing your story! Cats, dogs and other pets can develop strange growths or lumps during their lifetime. It's not always easy to determine whether a growth is harmless or needs to be removed. The vet will do a needle biopsy and can often examine the cells under a microscope right in their office.

Having new lumps and bumps checked out as soon as possible is important, because the vet can treat them while they're still small, so your pet suffers less pain and discomfort. If a mass turns out to be cancerous, the faster the treatment happens, the better.

So, just as a change in behavior or energy signals that it's time to visit the vet, a new lump or bump (or any strange new growth) should be checked out as soon as possible.

How would you handle a similar situation? Tell us about it at <a href="mailto:ask@pawscorner.com">ask@pawscorner.com</a>.



- Need almost-instant party snacks? Try a package of store-bought cheese tortellini. Cook according to package instructions (usually only a few minutes), toss with oil or salad dressing and stick each on a toothpick.
- "A great way to make things comfortable for guests is to print out a copy of the channel lineup for your cable service provider. You also can print out common remote control buttons or any remote-control or TV instructions for streaming movies, etc. This helps us older folks enjoy a few hours of TV time while the younger kids are out at work or school." *H.P. in Nebraska*
- At parties, try this tip to avoid overeating: Keep a drink in your dominant hand. You'll be less likely to graze on high-fat chips and other snack foods. Need a little something? Hope for a veggie platter. But whether it's veggies or chips, grab a couple then WALK AWAY from the table before you can hit the dip.



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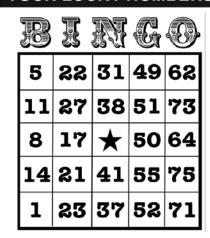
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by Bonnie Mitchell

#### Bad mood Bingo

#### Dear Aunt Bingo,

I am not sure you will print this letter; however I am hoping.

There is a Bingo hall where I live that could be a wonderful place to play, however, the manager is not a very nice person. The games are good, the payouts are good, and it is in a nice location. You have the option of sitting inside or you can sit in an outdoor patio area.

This manager is rude to the customers and has no problem berating employees in front of everyone. Bingo is one of my favorite things to do. I get to go meet my friends and laugh and joke. It is one of my ways of relaxing. I went to this Bingo hall on Sunday hoping to have fun and visit my friends; however, as soon as I walked in the hall the drama started. A customer was complaining that she couldn't sit where she wanted to sit because someone was saving a seat and that was not fair. Instead of the manager saving I'm sorry let me see what I can do for you, he immediately went into his holier than thou mode and started making the situation worse. The manager insisted that saving seats was not allowed and they would put an end to it.

Now here is the part that really gets me. This same Bingo manager calls other Bingo halls and has them save seats if he is planning on going there to play so that when he decides to get there, he will have a seat.

It amazes me that in this day and age people are still so extremely selfish. It has been brought to several peoples' attention about this person, however no one is willing to deal with it. The Bingo Commission has been made aware of the situation, but because this manager has friends in the commission, things get blamed on the employees that work there.

I am hoping you will print this and readers will see this and if they are not happy about the way they are being treated at a Bingo hall or anywhere, they will feel inclined to do something about it. — **One Fed Up Bingo Player** 

#### Dear Fed Up,

This manager sounds like quite a hothead. But truthfully, it is not the gaming commission's problem: They exist to enforce laws and keep games on the up-and-up, not to monitor or discipline temperamental managers. As you yourself say, the hall is nice, the games and prizes are good, and that patio feature is awesome. So, you could simply plug in your earbuds, tune out the manager's outbursts, and enjoy the games. Or, you could be bold, and ask for an opportunity to speak to him in private, perhaps with a friend who feels the same as you, and ask politely if he might consider easing up on the attitude in the hall. I can't think of anything else you can do other than quitting and going elsewhere to play. —Aunt Bingo



#### **Ask Annie**

By Annie E. Ennis

# Date night dinner

#### Dear Annie,

I would like to make a romantic dinner for my husband for Valentine's Day. It will be our 40th wedding anniversary. Can you make any suggestions? Also, he loves meat! Please keep most of the recipes simple! — Rosemary J. in Boise, Idaho

#### Dear Rosemary,

Congratulations on your upcoming anniversary. I would suggest a menu including shrimp cocktail; a fresh salad with sliced beefsteak tomatoes; filet mignon with either a bearnaise sauce (Knorr's packet) or a bottled steak sauce like A-1 (hide the bottle); fresh veggies such as asparagus, brussell sprouts or cauliflower; a twice-baked potato; and a fantastic dessert like an Ice Box Cake. Make the dessert the day before. — **Annie** 

#### TWICE-BAKED POTATO

2 large Idaho potatoes, pre-baked Whipping cream Butter or margarine Salt Pepper Paprika

Carefully slice the potatoes in half. Remove the pulp, leaving the skins as intact as possible. Mix the potato pulp in a medium size bowl and add the cream, butter, salt and pepper. Mix thoroughly. Fill the four potato shells with the potato mixture. Sprinkle with paprika. Bake for 15 minutes at 350 degrees in a pre-heated oven. Serve immediately.

#### **ICE BOX CAKE**

2 packages Ladyfingers - separated (unfilled)

½ gallon ice cream- allow to thaw for 15-20 minutes (your choice of flavor) 3 bars German Sweet Chocolate ½ cup sugar

3 eggs (beaten)

Whipped cream (aerosol can) 1 pint fresh strawberries (stems removed and sliced)

1 springform cake pan

Line sides and bottom of springform pan with the ladyfingers (leave curved side of pastry facing the pan). Fill any empty spaces with broken pieces. Add softened ice cream carefully to spring form. Place in freezer for at least 30 minutes. Melt 3 bars of German Sweet Chocolate in a double boiler. Remove from the heat. Add sugar and beaten eggs. Pour on top of the ice cream. Return to freezer for at least two hours or overnight. Serve with whipped cream and sliced strawberries. May use 1 or 2 flavors of ice cream.

#### 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 forward to your entry(s) every month and appreciate your continued readership. Good Luck!

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

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

## Monthly Winners to Date:

October: Tom Durose, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; Robert Sumner, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Collette Kern, Treasure Island Bingo; Rosemary Ness, Roseville Bingo Hall. **November**: Tina Gimler, Foxhole Bingo Hall: Dorothy Eaglefeather, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Ronald Simons Jr., Treasure Island Bingo; Bev Smith, West St. Paul Bingo Palace. December: Peggy Fishbaugher, Roseville Bingo Hall; Shayna Larson, Little Canada Market Place Bingo; Karen Brandon, Treasure Island Bingo Hall; Patricia Wilson, Marian KC. Ianuary: Tami Winter, Foxhole Bingo Lounge; Peter Adolphson, Treasure Island Bingo Hall; Colleen Stately, West St. Paul Bingo Palace; Vicki Gjesvold, Roseville Bingo Hall.

#### **February Sweepstakes Winners**

Kimberly Johnson	\$25, Foxhole Bingo Lounge
• •	\$25, Treasure Island Bingo Hall
Cheryl Sedoris	\$25, Marian KC Bloomington
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#### Savvy Senior

"You ask the senior question, we find the savvy answer!"

#### How to talk to your doctors and get them to listen

#### **Dear Savvy Senior:**

How can I get my doctors to listen better? I just turned 78, and over the past few years I feel more and more dismissed by my doctors. I know I can't be the only one who feels this way. Any suggestions? — *Dissatisfied* Patient

#### Dear Dissatisfied,

Many older patients feel like their doctors are dismissing their concerns, which can be frustrating and lead to missed diagnoses and delayed care. If you believe your doctor isn't listening to you, here are some tips offered by the National Institute on Aging that may help.

Prepare for your appointment: Before your exam, make a written prioritized list of any questions and concerns you want to discuss with your doctor, or print any online health research you've gathered, and bring it to your appointment so you won't forget anything. If you're in for a diagnostic visit, you should prepare a detailed description of your symptoms, when they began and what makes them worse.

**Be honest and upfront:** Even if the topic seems sensitive or embarrassing, it's important to be honest and upfront with your doctor. You may feel uncomfortable talking about memory loss or bowel issues, but these are all important to your health. It's better to be thorough and share detailed information than to be quiet or shy about what you're thinking or feeling. Remember, your doctor is used to talking about all kinds of personal matters.

Ask specific questions: If you and your doctor aren't communicating well, ask specific questions that require a response. For example: What might have caused the problem I'm dealing with? What's the specific name of my diagnosis? Is the problem serious? Will it heal completely or require ongoing management? What future symptoms might suggest you need emergency care or a follow-up visit? When and how will you receive your test results? If you don't understand something, don't hesitate to ask: Can you explain that in simpler terms? Or: Can you give me more details about that?

Take someone with you: Bring along a family member or friend to your appointment. Your companion can help you ask questions or raise concerns that you hadn't considered and listen to what the doctor is telling you and give you support.

Be persistent: If your doctor isn't addressing your questions, repeat them or rephrase them. If you still don't get anywhere, follow up with one of these statements: "I'm worried that we aren't communicating well. Here's why I feel that way." Or: "I need to talk with you about X. I feel like I can't. Can we talk about this?"

After your appointment, if you're uncertain about any instructions or have other questions, call or email



Latiesha won the \$2,000 Bonanza at Foxhole Bingo Lounge.

your health care provider. Don't wait until your next visit to make sure you understand your diagnosis, treatment plan, or anything else that might affect your health.

For more tips, the National Institute on Aging offers a free booklet called "Talking with Your Doctor: A Guide for Older Adults" that can help you prepare for an appointment and become a better and more informed patient. Visit order.nia.nih.gov/publication/talking-with-your-doctor-a-guidefor-older-adults.

Consider moving on: If you're not making any progress with your doctor and the problem persists, it's probably time to start looking for a new provider. If you're dealing with a serious issue—like a doctor who prescribes the wrong medication or fails to provide test results in a timely manner-it might be appropriate to file a complaint with the state medical board.

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- · The odds of giving birth to a baby at 12:01 a.m. on Jan. 1 are around 1 in 526,000 — roughly the same as the odds of getting struck by lightning.
- In ancient Greece, throwing an apple at a woman was considered a marriage proposal.
- The dragon tree of the Canary Islands is famous for its thick, deep-red sap. Called dragon's blood, the resin might be responsible for the intense hue of the famous Stradivarius violins built in the 17th and 18th centuries.
- · All telephone service in the U.S. and Canada was silenced for one minute on Aug. 4, 1922, to mark the funeral of Alexander Graham Bell.
- · Lawyer James Thornton successfully sued the U.K. government to admit that it was breaching legal limits for air pollution.
- · The East China Sea parts annually and exposes a narrow 2.9 km-long strip of land, allowing thousands of people to cross from Jindo Island to Modo Island of Korea. This land is exposed about an hour each day for approximately four days every year.

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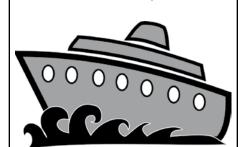
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#### Austin, MN

**Bingo!** Feb. 2, 9, 16 & 23 from 12:00-2:30 p.m. at American Legion Post #91. Sunday Funday!! BINGO starts at 1:00 p.m., doors open at noon! There will be meat boards (Knauers finest) during Bingo!! Also enjoy one of our Loaded Bloody Marys for \$5.00! 809 12th St. SW, Austin. (507) 437-1151.

#### **Bayport, MN**

Bingo Night! Feb. 20, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Bayport American Legion Post #491, 263 3rd St. Bingo sales starts at 6:30 p.m. and Bingo starts at 7:00 p.m. Get ready to shout "BINGO!" and win some amazing prizes at this fun-filled event. PURSE & YETI BINGO! Food and beverages available. Bingo Packs \$27 per person – can get more. 439-4001.

#### **Bloomington, MN**

Valentine's Day Bingo at Creekside! Friday, Feb. 14, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. at Creekside Community Center, 9801 Penn Ave. S., Room #116, Bloomington. Take a chance on love and join us for Valentine's Day bingo! FREE. Play for Valentine's themed prizes! Registration required and accepted until event is full. For adults ages 50 and above. Sign up online at Webtrac/creekside@bloomingtonmn.gov.

#### **Bloomington, MN**

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#### **Puzzle Solutions**

#### **Bugle Crossword**



#### **Bugle Sudoku**

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#### **Jumblers**

Jumbles: OUNCE THINK TRUDGE BROACH
Answer: The oil drilling business was failing because the owners were running it — INTO THE GROUND

#### Big Lake, MN

Ducks Unlimited Sportman Bingo! Feb. 22. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. and Bingo at noon. Getaway Bar, 26211 184th St., Big Lake. Bingo cards \$50. Win Guns, Gear, Cash & More! For more info. go to website: zimmermandu.com or contact Vanessa at: (320) 309-4799.

#### **Cottage Grove, MN**

Wednesday Bingo Night! Feb. 5, 12, 19 & 25 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Join the Muddy Cow in Cottage Grove every Wednesday for Bingo! \$20 per packet (10 games). \$1,000 Coverall game starts at 7:00 p.m. "Great prizes for every round!" Join event on Facebook! 7350 Hardwood Ct. S., Cottage Grove. (651) 393-5678, muddycowbar.com/cottage-grove/

#### **Duluth, MN/Superior, WI**

Music Bingo! Music BINGO, hosted by Siggy's Musical Garden/Superior Porchfest. Feb. 6 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Music performed by The Mackie Brothers. Social hour 5:00-6:00 p.m., Bingo 6:00-8:00 p.m. Tickets \$35. Our event includes cash bar, non-alcoholic beverage and snacks, music bingo and prizes as well as a dessert auction. Barker's Island Inn, 300 Marina Dr. Superior, WI.

#### **Duluth, MN**

**Bingo!** Feb. 5, 7:00-9:00 p.m. It's bingo night! Free to play on Wednesdays. Bring a friend and bring your game face. Stay cozy, wear your wool socks, and sip on some hot mulled cider. PS – Drag Bingo has moved to the second TUESDAY of the month in 2025. Wild State Cider, 2515 W. Superior St., Duluth. (218) 606-1151

#### Drag Bingo by Zenith City Horror!

Feb. 11, 8:00-10:00 p.m. Drag Bingo, it's a one-of-a-kind event! Feelin' lucky? \$10 includes unlimited bingo for the night. Arrive anytime and join the fun! Join us every month on the second Tuesday of the month. This event is 21+ and put on by Zenith City Horror. Wild State Cider, 2515 W Superior St., Duluth. (218) 606-1151.

#### Faribault, MN

Buckham Book Bingo! Buckham Book Bingo runs from Monday, Jan. 6 through Saturday, March 29 from 9:00-8:00 at Buckham Memorial Library, 11 Division St. E., Faribault. Buckham Book Bingo is the library's annual adult winter reading rewards program. 16 and older. Free! Come to the library and get a Buckham Book Bingo reading sheet. Read any amount in a day to cross off a Bingo square. www.ci.faribault.mn.us.

#### Golden Valley, MN

**Valentines Bingo!** Friday, Feb. 7 at 6:00 p.m. Join the Sons of the American Legion and The American Legion Amateur Radio Club at Chester Bird for Valentine's Bingo! 10 rounds of Bingo with great Valentine's prizes! 200 Lilac Dr. N., Golden Valley. <a href="mailto:chesterbird.org">chesterbird.org</a>.

#### **International Falls, MN**

United for Veterans Bingo Night! Wedesday, Feb. 26 from 5:00-9:00 p.m. The International Falls VFW is hosting Bingo Night in support of United Way of Northeastern Minnesota's United for Veterans initiative. VFW #2948: 1416 3rd Ave., International Falls.

#### Lakeville, MN

Bingo with Lakeville Lions! Every Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m.— but come early to get a good seat! Our Bingo has four big games out of 11 games every Tuesday night at Carbone's in Lakeville. Win up to \$500 or \$800 for the big games and up to \$1199 for the coverall Bingo Game! \$20 for a package. Carbone's Bar and Grill, 7670 160th St. West. Bingo at Carbone's is age 18+.

#### Maplewood, MN

\$10,000 February High Stakes Bingo! Foxhole Bingo Hall. Experience the thrill of High Stakes Bingo at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 2! We're maxing out the LEGAL LIMIT on every game with a GUARANTEED \$10,000 in prizes up for grabs! There are 17 chances to win, including a \$2,000 Jackpot Blackout! Attendance is limited to 100 players.

#### Marine on St. Croix, MN

**Bingo Night!** Wednesday, Feb. 5, 12, 19, & 26 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Brookside Bar and Grill, 140 Judd St., Marine on Saint Croix. info@brooksidebarandgrill.com, (651) 433-1112.

#### Family Fun Night and PJ Storytime!

Feb. 7 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Marine Village Hall, 121 Judd Street, Marine on St. Croix. All ages are welcome to put on your PJs, bring your favorite blanket and stuffed animal friend, and join us for stories! Activities include BINGO, board games, Minute to Win It, book charades, crafts and more. info@marinecommunitylibrary.org

#### Minneapolis, MN

Game Night Rock'n Bingo! Feb. 2, 9, 16, & 23 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. GNL ROCK'N Bingo takes two of America's favorite things and combines them into one awesome game...Bingo and Music. It's Bingo but we take out the numbers and put songs in the squares instead. We have every genre of music and even Movie & TV tunes. 691 Park Pl. Blvd., Minneapolis.

Loving Park Bingo Night! Thursday, Feb. 6, 5:30-7:00 p.m. Join us for Bingo at Loring Community Arts Center. There will be great prizes for you to choose from along with a variety of delicious treats to enjoy. Loring Park (Multi-Pupose room #115), 1382 Willow St., Minneapolis. (612) 370-4929. anc.apm.activecommunities.com/mplsparkandrec/reservation/search/detail/simple

#### Nisswa, MN

**Bar Bingo!** Stop in for Bar Bingo every Wednesday at the Nisswa Legion starting Wednesday evening, Feb. 5 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sheets are sold for \$1 each regular games. We have Two Progressive Jackpots: \$500

"Lucky Seven" and \$1,000 "Coverall". Nisswa American legion, 25807 Main St., Nisswa. <a href="https://www.nisswalegion.com">www.nisswalegion.com</a>.

#### Osseo, MN

Jackpot Bingo! Feb. 6 from 7:00-10:00 p.m. at Osseo/Maple Grove American Legion. Sales start at 6:00 p.m. Join us for Jackpot Bingo with a MUST GO \$1,000 BINGO coveral!! \$30 and \$43 packages. American Legion 172, 260 4th Ave. SE, Osseo.

#### Plymouth, MN

**55+ Winter Bingo!** Wednesday, Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Plymouth Community Center. Join us for 55+ Winter Bingo! Enjoy light refreshments and win fun Valentine's Day themed treats and prizes. Fee is \$5 resident/\$7 non-Resident. Register online or call (763) 509-5200. Registration required. 14800 34th Ave. N., Plymouth.

#### Rochester, MN

Sunday Bingo! In partnership with Rochester Elks, Chip Shots brings you the ultimate Bingo experience every Sunday at 5:00 p.m. Start your planning by reserving your spot for you and your friends for a night to remember. Chip Shots at: 3708 N. Roadway Ave., Suite #140, Rochester. chipshotsmn. com, (507) 361-0401.

#### Scanlon, MN

His & Hers Valentine's Bingo! Saturday, Feb. 8 at: 2:00 p.m. You'll definitely want to bring your sweetie to this fun-filled event...we've put together a perfect mix of prizes for all! The men will love a chance at a new Gun or a Yeti cooler...the ladies will fall in love with a beautiful Designer Purse or a \$350 Kay Jeweler Card. Irving Community Club #02305, 3212 River Gate Ave., Cloquet. (218) 879-8760.

#### St. Paul, MN

Big Money and Bestie Bingo! Thursday, Feb. 13, 5:00-8:00 p.m. Get ready to win big money and have a blast with your bestie at our Bingo night extravaganza! Welcome to Big Money & Bestie Bingo at Gabe's Bar & Kitchen! Get ready for a night of fun, laughter, and big prizes with your besties. Join us for an exciting bingo event like no other! Gabe's Bar & Kitchen, 991 Lexington Pkwy, North Saint Paul. <a href="www.eventbrite.com/e/big-money-bestie-bingo-tickets-1219733789599?aff=ebdssb-destsearch">www.eventbrite.com/e/big-money-bestie-bingo-tickets-1219733789599?aff=ebdssb-destsearch</a>

#### Stacy, MN

**Stacy Lions Club Bingo Fundraiser!** Sunday, Feb. 16, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Admission:\$10 Single Sheets; Regular Game \$1; Coverall \$2. Concessions starting at noon. Stacy Lions Club, 30955 Forest Blvd., Stacy. (651) 462-4486.

#### Wabasha, MN

Bingo Party & Lunch! Feb. 22, 11:00-3:00 p.m. at St. Felix Auditorium, 100 3rd St. E., Wabasha. Enjoy bingo and lunch while helping to raise funds to replace St. Felix's heating system. All funds raised will benefit St. Felix Church.



#### **Treasure Island Resort & Casino**

Live from the Island Events Center

Feb. 7 The Chris Hawkey Band (country & rock), 8 PM

Feb. 21 Colter Wall and friends (country), 8 PM

March 1 Terri Clark (country), 8 PM

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

#### **Mystic Lake Casino Hotel**

Live from the Mystic Showroom

Feb. 16 **Hauser: The Rebel Is Back** (musical experience) 7 PM

Feb. 21 Kathleen Madigan (comedian), 8 PM

Feb. 22 Kathleen Madigan (comedian), 8 PM

Feb. 27-28 The Price Is Right Live, 8 PM

The Price Is Right Live, 3 PM & 8 PM March 1

March 2 The Price Is Right Live, 3 PM

March 8 **Johnny Mathis** - The Voice of Romance Tour,

March 15 **The Man In Black** (Johnny Cash tribute), 8 PM

March 29 Hairball 25th Anniversary Celebration, call for times

For updated information on entertainment 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

March 1 **Tesla** (rock), 7 PM

March 21 **Jeff Foxworthy** (comedian), 7 PM

**Nikki Glaser: Alive and Unwell Tour** May 23

(comedian), 7 PM

For updated information on entertainment 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

The Music of ABBA, 6 PM

March 14 Hoobastank (rock), 7 PM

March 30 **Neal McCoy** (country), 5 PM

CALL 1-844-554-2646 FOR TICKETS!

Or Buy Tickets Online at: northernlightscasino.com

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

#### **Shooting Star Casino**

Feb. 6 **Rez Star** (performing arts competition), 8 PM

Feb. 7 **Ace Frehley** (formerly of Kiss), 8 PM

Feb. 28 Terri Clark (country), 8 PM

March 14 **Gin Blossoms** (alternative rock), 8 PM

March 28 **Diamond Rio** (country), 8 PM

For ticket purchases please visit the Gift Shop, purchase online or call 1-800-453-STAR (7827). Box office open from 4 PM-8 PM show nights. Will-call pick-up tickets only.



bv Chad Holloway

#### **Olympian** Michael Phelps, **F1 racer Carlos** Sainz Jr. team to win Poker Golden

In November, the Formula 1 Las Vegas Grand Prix took place in Sin City. In the week leading up to the big race, dozens of events took place throughout Las Vegas. One of them was Global Poker Table Talk at PokerGO Studio.

Ferrari drivers Carlos Sainz Jr. and Charles Leclerc joined 23-time Olympic gold medal winner Michael Phelps and poker pro Antonio Esfandiari for a special team event. Phelps and Sainz Jr. were paired to battle against Esfandiari and Leclerc for "The Golden G.O.A.T", a special goat-themed trophy to determine the "Greatest Of All Time."

It was a unique format where the players were allowed to consult with their teammate during a hand. Each team started with 310,000 in chips to coincide with the 310-kilometer length of the F1 racetrack.

After about an hour, Leclerc and Esfandiari were down 231,000 to the 389,000 of Sainz Jr. and Phelps when a truly epic hand took place. With the blinds at 2,000/4,000, the latter team raised to 8,000 with the A♥7♥ and the former defended holding the  $K \nabla 9 \nabla$ .

The 4♥Q♥8♥ flop gave both teams a heart flush draw and Leclerc/Esfandiari led out for 15,000, which Sainz/ Phelps called. The 6♥ peeled off on the turn to give both teams a flush and it seemed destined a game-ending crash was coming.

Leclerc/Esfandiari bet 20,000 with the second-nut flush and Sainz/Phelps just called with the nut flush. When the J♠ completed the board on the river, Leclerc/Esfandiari bet 70,000 and left themselves 120,000 behind. Sainz/Phelps paused for a bit before Sainz announced, "All in."

Leclerc/Esfandiari quickly called off only to see their opponents roll over the nut flush, the one hand that could beat them.

"You've got to be kidding me," Esfandiari exclaimed. "That's so sick. That never happens by the way."

It was the ultimate cooler, which is the term in poker for a hand where, according to Up Swing Poker, a player holds a very strong hand, but loses to an even stronger hand and often loses the maximum amount of chips.

"It was awesome watching Carlos kind of get into his comfort zone," Phelps told media outlet PokerNews after the victory. "Obviously it's different playing on TV and playing with Antonio [Esfandiari]. It can be intimidating for a lot of people. But he kind of got in his comfort zone."

Congratulations to Michael Phelps and Carlos Sainz Jr. on winning the Global Poker Table Talk Vegas and for capturing the Golden G.O.A.T. trophy! As for the two F1 racers, they did well in the Las Vegas Grand Prix with Sainz Jr. finishing in third place while Leclerc was right behind in fourth place.

Chad Holloway is a 2013 World Series of Poker bracelet winner, host of the PokerNewsPodcast, and PR Media Manager for <u>PokerNews.com</u>. Follow him on Twitter: @ChadAHolloway.

#### What's New in Nevada

#### New attraction announced

Details are sparse, but a new attraction called "Interstellar Arc" has been announced for Area 15, just as construction commences on the 20,000-square-foot venue slated to open next fall. According to the press release, Interstellar Arc will "transport guests to the 26th century, where they will take on a deep space mission." The attraction is being designed by Montreal-based Felix & Paul Studios, a virtual reality company, which has earned five Canadian Screen Awards, two Primetime Emmy Awards, and a Daytime Emmy for its many VR experiences and TV programs.

#### Two upscale bars open on the Strip

Golden Gai Cocktail Club has opened at the Venetian. According to the press release, the bar "draws on the spirit of the neon-lighted blocks of the Golden Gai district in the Shinjuku ward of Tokyo, where hundreds of bars, clubs, and dining spots populate narrow alleys and passageways." It's located inside Wakuda, so you can order off the menu to pair with premium Japanese sakes and whiskeys. Joining Golden Cai is Caspian's Cocktails and Caviar, which debuts at Caesars Palace later this month. It's described as a "hidden live-music venue," which makes sense, given that it occupies the space formerly Cleopatra's Barge.

#### **Second largest** In N Out Burger

In N Out has confirmed that it will open a "retro" outlet at the BLVD shopping complex on the Strip across from Aria. The restaurant space will be more than 8,000 square feet, smaller than only the largest location in Barstow, with a large outdoor patio overlooking the Strip. In addition, merchandise will be sold in conjunction with the burgers at a "unique company store."

#### Havana 1957 opening at **Flamingo**

The good folks at VegasChanges. com posted some photos of the new restaurant at the Flamingo, Havana 1957. The construction walls have been removed and the space formerly occupied by the Tropical Breeze Cafe is just about ready for Cuban food. Havana 1957 has five locations in south Florida and this one will be the first beyond those. The big online menu for the Miami locations shows appetizers such as a tamal, empanada, yucca fries, and masitas (fried pork), ceviche, burgers and a Cubano, and soups and salads; entrees include chicken, pork, flank and skirt steak, shrimp, salmon, and seafood stew, prepared with either Cuban mojo (citrus-onion sauce) or criolla (tomato sauce), along with a whole fried snapper, grilled lobster tail and shrimp, and surf and turf.

### At the Casinos

#### **Treasure Island Resort and Casino**

#### **VALENTINE'S DAY SWIPE & WIN!** Friday, Feb.14, 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a sweet win! Earn 10 base points with your Island Passport Club card and visit a kiosk to win up to \$10,000 FREE slot play.

And...

#### **GROUNDHOG DAY GUESSING** GAME!

Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 1 & 2 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Predict your next win! Visit an Island Passport Club kiosk on Saturday, Feb.1 to predict if the groundhog will see his shadow. If you're right, stop by an Island Passport Club kiosk on Sunday, Feb.2 for your chance to win up to \$5,000 FREE slot play.

And....

#### **CHOCOLATE GIVEAWAY!**

Friday, Feb. 14, noon-6:00 p.m. Be our valentine! Earn 300 base points from 5:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 14. After you've earned your base points, pick up your box of chocolates from noon-6:00 p.m.

And....

#### **SUPER SELECTIONS!**

Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 4-6 Call the action! Visit an Island Passport Club kiosk Tuesday-Thursday, Feb. 4-6 and make Super Selections ahead of the big football game. (See rules before playing).

And....

#### **SUPER SCORE SHOWDOWN!**

Sunday, Feb. 9, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Get in on the big game with our Super Score Showdown! Visit an Island Passport Club kiosk and predict the

final score of the football game for a chance at \$100 FREE slot play!

#### **Mystic Lake Casino**

#### **COLDER WEATHER = BIGGER** JACKPOTS!

Winter Weather Winnings! MYSTICASH® DRAWINGS Sunday, Feb. 2, Noon-6:00 p.m.

Three guests will be drawn every hour for the chance to win up to \$1,000 Mysticash! GRAND PRIZE DRAWING 7:00 p.m. - Three guests will be drawn to play for the Grand Prize. The jackpot starts at \$10,000 and could reach \$15,000 if the lowest recorded temperature from the prior week is below zero. The colder it is that week, the more cash we'll add!

And...

#### **URBAN TRAVEL COLLECTION! GIFT GIVEAWAY!**

Thursdays or Fridays in February EARN • Midnight – 9:00 p.m. REDEEM • 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

EARN GIFTS FOR YOUR PLAY! Earn 250 Tier Points in a day for your weekly gift. Swipe your Club M® card for a gift ticket and redeem at Mystic Lake or Little Six Club M.

And...

#### WIN UP TO \$5,000 MYSTICASH® WITH YOUR GAME DAY PICKS!

Sunday, Feb. 9, 8:00 a.m.-noon

Swipe to make your Big Game football picks on Super Sunday morning. The top 50 players with the most correct football picks win. Game on!

#### **Jackpot Junction Casino** Hotel

#### THE BIG GAME!

Sunday, Feb. 9 Big Game Action! Dacotah Exposition Center Doors Open 4:30 p.m. Kickoff 5:30 p.m. Buffet 4:30-7:30 p.m. 18+ Event

Get ready for the ultimate game day experience! Watch the biggest game of the year on massive screens at our Viewing Party and Prize Drawings Celebration. Arrive early to secure your spot on the Football Boards and register for exciting door prizes! Kick off the night with exclusive VIP access to a private cash bar serving the coldest, most refreshing drinks. All paid entries will recieve \$5 in Match Play & \$5 in Free Play. Grab your tickets for just \$29.95 at the Casino Gift Shop and be part of the action!

And...

#### **JINGO BINGO!**

Friday, Feb. 14 Love-Struck With Bingo Luck! Doors open 9:15 p.m. Session 9:45 p.m.

Get ready to light up your night at Jingo Bingo! Immerse yourself in an electrifying evening filled with thrilling games, fantastic prizes, and high-energy fun. Enjoy wild side games, exclusive drink specials, and Jell-O shots — all in a party atmosphere you won't want to miss! Paper packs start at just \$15 and electronic machines are \$25.

And...

#### **FREE PLAY FLURRIES!**

Saturdays, Feb. 1, 15, & 22 4:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m. Clinko Your Way To Cash!

Saturday thrills await! Join us select Saturdays in February for nonstop excitement! Four names will be drawn every hour to step up and drop a Clinko chip to reveal up to \$300 in CASH or up to \$500 in Free Play winnings! Your next win is just a Clinko chip drop away!

#### **Black Bear Casino**

**DEAL OF A MEAL!** 

Wednesdays!

Players who earn 75 slot tier points from 8:00 a.m. to 9:59 p.m. on Wednesdays will be able to swipe their Épique Rewards card at a kiosk to

- 1 Free Regular Buffet (excluding
- \$15 to Seven Fires Steakhouse
- \$10 to Sage Deli

And...

#### THE CHOICE IS YOURS!

Thursdays!

From 8:00 a.m. - 9:59 p.m.

Players who earn 100 slot tier points from 8:00 a.m. to 9:59 p.m. on Thursdays will be able to swipe their Épique rewards card at a kiosk to receive a prize. Guests will be able to choose from:

- \$5 in Free Play
- \$10 Off a bingo package
- \$10 Blackjack Match play

And...

#### Night Owl Multiplier!

Thursday & Friday Nights!

Players who actively earn tier points on Thursdays and Fridays from 8:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m., earn point multipliers towards cash back. Members receive 2x points, Players receive 3x points, Insiders receive 4x points, Preferred and Executives receive 5x points. It pays to be a Night Owl!

#### **Shooting Star Casino**

#### FEBRUARY FROST DEW OUT-**DOORS GIVEAWAY! DO THE DEW!**

CHANCE TO WIN YOUR SHARE OF \$149,000 IN CASH AND PRIZES! Sundays in February 3:00-8:00 p.m.

Mahnomen & Bagley

Embark on a thrilling February Frost at Shooting Star Casino, presented in collaboration with Pepsi. Navigate through icy wins and frosty fortunes all month long, with exciting weekly prizes and the big one on Feb. 23 – a brand-new 2025 SUV. Earn entries Jan. 27-Feb. 23. First entry is free plus additional entries for every 25 slot/tier points earned.

HOURLY CASH DRAWINGS | 3PM-7PM | CHANCE TO WIN UP TO \$5.000. GRAND PRIZE DRAWINGS 8:00 p.m.

And...

#### **BIG GAME BLITZ!**

Sunday, Feb. 9 Mahnomen & Bagley Pre-Game Kickoff 5:00 p.m. Final Whistle 8:30 p.m.

Join an epic celebration at the Mustang Lounge in Mahnomen or Bagley's Little Dipper before and after the game! There will be prizes and drink specials. Predict the winner and you could win up to \$1,000 cash. And don't forget to wear your NFL gear to get one entry for a \$500 NFL Shop gift card.

And...

#### **VALENTINES DAY GIVEAWAY!**

Friday, Feb. 14, 8:00 a.m.-11:59 p.m. Mahnomen & Bagley

Celebrate love and luck this Valentine's Day at Shooting Star! We're giving away a complimentary box of gourmet chocolates to all guests, while supplies last. Be one of the first to earn 100 points on February 14 to receive a stylish designer purse.

#### **Grand Casino - Hinkley**

#### LOVE IS IN THE AIR DRAWINGS!

THE BREAKDOWN: Show your wallet some love with the chance to win your share of \$180,000 in cash.

HOW TO PLAY: Four lucky winners will be chosen every half hour on drawing days to win their share of the prize pot. Swipe daily from February 1 to 22 for one free entry. Earn one bonus entry for every ten points earned during the promotional period. Get five bonus entries for every ten points earned on Mondays. Present your exclusive 2025 Rio New Year Bracelet for a bonus win amount if your name is called at the drawings.



# Metro Area Casino Buses

#### Free Bus to **Mystic Lake Casino:** 1-888-8FreeRide

mysticlake.com for a time and schedule near you.

Bus to **Treasure Island Resort** and Casino:

1-800-222-7077, ext. 2594 for a time and schedule near you.

# **Across Country Tours**

Get On The Bus To Amazing!

#### **Treasure Island Resort & Casino**

Wed., Feb. 5 • \$30.00 Tour includes Motor Coach transportation, \$25 Slot Play on your Players Card, \$5 Lunch Coupon, Four-Hour Gaming stay or after Bingo 3:30 p.m., and a Cross Country Tour Manager.

#### Jackpot Junction Casino

Wed.-Thurs., Feb. 19-20
Package includes one night hotel stay and \$50 on players card. Only \$119 per P/P-double or \$129 P/single.

#### **Prairie's Edge Casino**

Mon.-Tues., Feb. 10-11 Package includes one night hotel stay and \$50 on players card. Note: \$40 on first day and \$10 on the second day. Only \$119 per P/P-double or \$139 P/Single).

Across Country Tours Presents....

#### **Just the Way You Are**

Thursday, Feb.13 • \$99.00 P/P An array of classic romantic songs from the 60s, 70s, and 80s. Package includes Deluxe Motor Coach, Show at the Sidekick Theatre, Tour Manager.

Note: For an extended catalog, pricing, weather info. and cancellation policy, please contact the office listed below. See YOU on the bus! 2125 Division St. • North St Paul, MN 55109

651-472-9228 • acttours@aol.com

# Coffee Break A time to relax!

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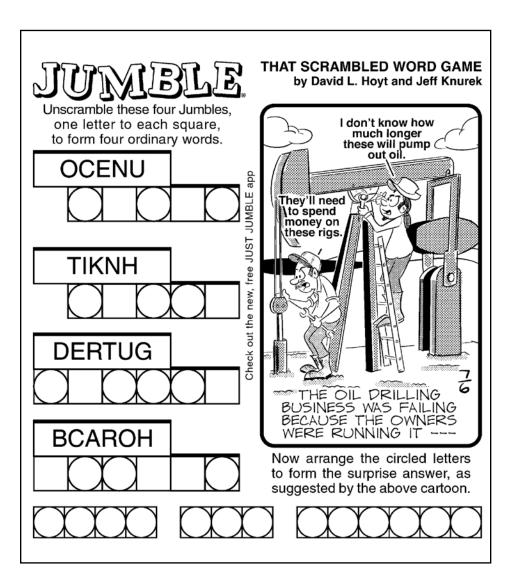
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

#### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆







#### FEBRUARY

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

WELCOME Fabulous FOXHOLEBINGO MAPLEWOOD

Foxhole Bingo Lounge is giving away four Las Vegas Plaza Hotel & Casino \$160,000 Super Bingo Event Packages on February 16th. One winner will be drawn at EVERY session: 1pm, 3pm, 6pm, and 8pm! Don't miss out on your chance to win BIG in Las Vegas!

**50%OFF** FREE \$20 PAPER SECOND CHANCI SATURDAY NIGHT

**50%OFF** 

FREE \$20 PAPER

SECOND CHANCE

FREE \$20 PAPER

FOX FAVORITE IPM, 3PM & 6PM 50% OFF HIGH STAKES **BINGO 8PM** 

FOX FAVORITE

50% OFF

UPER BOWL 59

**HOT BALL** 

FOX FAVORITE

**50% OFF** 

LAS VEGAS PLAZA

**GIVEAWAY** 

FOX FAVORITE

**50**%

OFF

CLOSED Private Event

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VIP PLAYERS

EVENT

Invitation Only

\$40 VIP VIXEN \$60 FULLY LOADED ARCTIC FOX FREE \$20 PAPER

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CABIN FEVER

**GIVEAWAY** 

MATINEE **EVENING** 50 % OFF COSMIC BINGO 10:30PN

SATURDAY NIGHT **50%OFF** 

MATINEE EVENING 50 % OFF

SECOND CHANCE SATURDAY NIGHT B9 VALENTINE HOT BALL <sup>21</sup>MATINEE

50%OFF FREE \$20 PAPER SECOND CHANCE SATURDAY NIGHT

OSMIC BINGO 10:30PM MATINEE EVENING

50 % OFF

EVENING

50 % OFF

TUESDAY - SUNDAY

MATINEE SESSIONS: 1PM & 3PM **EVENING SESSIONS: 6PM & 8PM DOORS OPEN AT 12PM** 

Play to WIN at Foxhole Bingo Lounge. With the highest paying games in the Twin Cities and a full menu of Crooked Pint food and drinks, we're the place for serious fun. From cash tornadoes to HUGE giveaways and special events, there's always something happening at Foxhole. Come for the games, stay for the experience!







#### FREE BIRTHDAY BINGO!

Enjoy a FREE \$100 VIP Vixen Electronic Package for one session when you celebrate within 7 days of your birthday. Plus, everyone in your party gets \$5 OFF their admission! It's the perfect way to celebrate with friends and win big!

#### TWIN CITIES' ONLY LOCAL COSMIC BINGO!

Friday nights are getting a whole lot more fun! Foxhole Bingo Lounge is cranking up the excitement with high-energy music, black lights, free giveaways, and the highest-paying bingo games in the Twin Cities. Don't miss our Cosmic Bingo sessions on Friday, February 7th and 21st at 10:30 PM. For pricing and game details, visit FoxholeBingo.com/Cosmic. Get ready for an unforgettable party!





#### FOXHOLEBINGO.COM

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DAILY SESSIONS - COSMIC - RACES - PULL-TABS - CASH TORNADO - FOOD - DRINKS



#### FISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS

Every Thursday in February, both sessions

Make a splash by winning the Fishbowl Jackpot Bonus! Every Thursday in February, we'll add \$5,000 to the matinee session fishbowl jackpot and \$10,000 to the evening session fishbowl jackpot. Bingo on the session's fishbowl number to take home this one-time-only add-on.

#### PRESIDENTS DAY CHEAP SEATS

Monday, February 17, matinee session

Celebrate Presidents Day with a special Cheap Seats session! Purchase a \$20 paper pack or \$22 electronic pack for your chance to win \$300 on regular games.

# Charity OF THE MONTH

February 1-28, both sessions
frings for a great cause! Join us every day this month
for a special charity game following informassion: The
buy-in is just 31, and a portion of proceeds will benefit
Red Wing Family YMCA. It is a win-win!

#### **VALENTINE'S DAY BINGO**

Friday, February 14, both sessions

Let love and luck lead the way this Valentine's Day! For every entry pack you purchase with your Island Passport Club card, you'll receive a drawing slip for your chance to win a Valentine's Day prize package including two \$25 Island Bingo certificates, a hotel stay in a standard room, a \$100 Tado Steakhouse dining credit and a massage at Wave Spa.

#### ISLAND BINGO BIRTHDAY BASH

Sunday, February 23, evening session

You're invited to our Island Bingo Birthday Bash on Sunday, February 23! For every entry pack you purchase with your Island Passport Club card, you'll receive a drawing slip for your chance to unwrap an Island Bingo certificate or up to \$4,100 cash or FREE slot play.

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**SUNDAY** MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY MATINEE 1PM CHEAP SEATS **EVENING 7PM** SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE MATINEE 1PM 2 MATINEE IPM MATINEE 1PM MATINEE IPM 5 MATINEE IPM
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RISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS MATINEE 1PM MATINEE 1PM 8 TWO FOR TUESDAY 50+ WEDNESDAY CHEAP SEATS **EVENING 7PM EVENING 4PM EVENING 7PM** EVENING 7PM **EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM** SECOND CHANCE HALF PRICE EVENING TWO FOR TUESDAY SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE **50+ WEDNESDAY** FISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS LUCKY 7s MATINEE 1PM MATINEE 1PM 9 MATINEE 1PM MATINEE IPM 13 15 MATINEE IPM 10 12 MATINEE 1PM 11 14 VALENTINE'S DAY CHEAP SEATS TWO FOR TUESDAY **50+ WEDNESDAY** FISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS **EVENING 7PM EVENING 4PM EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM** VALENTINE'S DAY **EVENING 7PM** 50+ WEDNESDAY HALF PRICE EVENING SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE SECOND CHANCE TWO FOR TUESDAY FISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS LUCKY 7s MATINEE 1PM 16 MATINEE 1PM 17 MATINEE 1PM 18 MATINEE 1PM 19 20 MATINEE 1PM 21 MATINEE 1PM 22 TWO FOR TUESDAY 50+ WEDNESDAY FISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS PRESIDENTS DAY **CHEAP SEATS EVENING 4PM** CHEAP SEATS SECOND CHANCE **EVENING 7PM** EVENING 7PM **EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM** EVENING 7PM **EVENING 7PM** ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY TWO FOR TUESDAY HALF PRICE EVENING SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE FISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS LUCKY 7s **50+ WEDNESDAY** MATINEF 1PM MATINEE 1PM MATINEE IPM MATINEE IPM MATINEE 1PM 50+ WEDNESDAY TWO FOR TUESDAY FISHBOWL JACKPOT BONUS **EVENING 4PM EVENING 7PM** EVENING 7PM **EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM EVENING 7PM** LUCKY 7s **BIRTHDAY BASH** HALF PRICE EVENING TWO FOR TUESDAY 50+ WEDNESDAY

# Grab YOUR DAUBERS

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