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Honorary "Fathers" Bring Luck

We called Cliff and Rodney to ask if they would be our honorary fathers for the big Father's Day celebration at Boys and Girls Club Bingo. Both were somewhat reluctant, but the lure of free Bingo for them plus dinner after won them over. It was one of those rare and beautiful spring days when we picked them up and proceeded to the newly refurbished hall.

I was surprised to note there were more men than women. Huge Father's Day posters were hung on the walls and the guys seemed to be really enjoying themselves. We told Cliff and Rodney they could have anything they wanted at the buy-in and tried hard not to look dismayed when they loaded up. We had already promised they could keep all their winnings.

Next they wanted snacks and accompanied Kate to the snack bar where she paid. I wondered if we were ever that casual while spending their money. They had certainly

taken us out many times. We usually paid our own way in to Bingo, but they had bought us many meals.

First, we played the warm-ups and then moved into the regular games. There were specials about every third game so many chances for big payoffs. Cliff was on repeatedly and I knew he would win before long. I was, however, the first to win on the "Really Big Father's Day Special." They asked me to produce my father and I got Rodney to stand explaining he was my honorary father for the day. He received a basket of men's toiletries, but I could tell he was still embarrassed. "I'm only eight years older than you," he muttered.

I won \$350 so was no longer worried about the expenses of the day. Next Cliff won and produced Kate as his "daughter." He did not explain that this was an honorary title but grinned wickedly. Kate received a basket of women's toiletries, which I thought was very nice. Cliff had to split the prize three ways so only received \$75, but we still thought it was a nice win.

At intermission the guys wanted more snacks and I told Kate: "At least they won't be hungry for a very big dinner." I was certainly wrong about that.

The second half always seems to go very quickly, but there was time enough for Kate to be a big winner on the "Oh My Papa" game. She got to spin the wheel and won \$1,000, which excited us all so much we could scarcely think.

We went happily on to dinner, Kate looking at her check several times. I finally noticed Rodney was very quiet and asked him if anything might be wrong. "Oh, no, nothing," he said. When he continued to be quiet, I pressed him again. "Well," he admitted, "You will have to admit that being an honorary father takes a good bit of energy, not to mention pizzazz. I feel like I rated a special prize. You all won big bucks and all I got was a bar of soap and some after-shave." Well, Kate said, "At least you don't have to report that to the IRS," beaming.

BINGO LAND

STORIES FROM THE REAL WORLD & CYBERSPACE

Bingo Mailbag Q&A

With a shortage of fun Bingo news this month (just the same story over and over about a raid of Alabama Bingo halls!) we decided to reach into the mailbag and answer some of your recent questions.

Q. What is the average age of bingo players?

A. According to Casino.com the age range is 18 to 84, for an average age of 38-years-old.

Q. How much does a bingo caller make in the U.S.?

A. According to Wage.com the average bingo caller salary in the United States is \$27,482 as of February 27, 2023, but the range typically falls between \$24,091 and \$34,346.

Q. What number is "dirty knees"?

A. The number 33 is called dirty knees in some places; also, all the threes, or fish, chips and peas (clearly in the U.K. for that one).

Q. Who plays the most bingo, men or women, and where did it come from?

A. According to a recent survey as many men (43%) play Bingo as women (57%); however, women play the game more often. It originated in Italy in 1530 as a game called, "Le Lotto."

Q. What is the best online Bingo?

A. While we feel a little wary of the computer versions of our beloved real-world bingo, the reality is bingo is fun no matter where you play it! The top hall we found online, according to various lists, was Cyber Bingo (but note that online content is often sponsored). If you have a favorite online bingo or bingo app you like to play, drop us a line at tara@bingobugle.com or Frontier Publications, P.O. Box 527, Vashon WA 98070 and tell us what you like about the game/s.

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LET'S GET COOKING!
by Annie E. Ennis

Easy Corned Beef and Cabbage

Dear Annie,
St. Patrick's Day was a real treat for my family. We were with new friends and they served us corned beef and cabbage. My family is now begging me to make some for our family. Please send me an easy recipe. Thank you.
—Sara Sue from Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Sara Sue,
I have a recipe that my late husband Donald made when he was younger. Thank you for reminding me what a good cook Donald was. We did not wait for St. Patrick's Day to ask him to prepare "Corned Beef and Cabbage." —Annie

CORNERED BEEF AND CABBAGE

- 3-4 pounds fresh corned beef
- 1 large onion, peeled and quartered
- 4-6 carrot sticks, peeled and cut into thick slices
- 8-10 medium sized potatoes, cut in half

1 large head of cabbage cut into wedges
Place the corned beef in a large pot. Cover with water. Add the seasoning packet that is included with the corned beef. Bring to a boil and reduce the heat and simmer for about two hours, or until fork tender. Add the onions, carrot slices and potato halves. Cook until the vegetables are almost tender. Add the cabbage wedges and cook for 15 more minutes. Remove the meat and let it rest for 20 minutes. Serve with the remaining vegetables. Serves 4 to 6.

Dear Bingo Bugle Readers,
Here's another recipe with cabbage and bacon that my husband's Mom use to make for me all the time at my request. Hope you enjoy it! —Annie

INDIANA FRIED CABBAGE

1 head cabbage
3 tablespoons bacon grease, save the bacon
3 teaspoons sugar
Shred the cabbage. Divide into 3 equal portions. Put 1/3 of the cabbage in a large skillet. Barely cover with water. Heat on medium heat until the water bubbles. Reduce heat and add 1 tablespoon of the bacon grease. Cover and cook until cabbage is tender, stirring constantly. When the cabbage is tender, add 1 teaspoon of sugar and continue cooking until the cabbage is brown. Watch very carefully as the cabbage can burn easily. Repeat the above until all the cabbage has been prepared.

Your comments and questions about cooking and entertaining will be addressed in this monthly column. Write to "Ask Annie" c/o Annie Ennis, 17050 SE 91st Culvert Court, The Villages, FL 32162. So Ask Annie. Don't forget you can E-mail me at annis@thevillages.net. And let's get cooking.

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- The Super Mario Bros. Movie** (PG) Chris Pratt, Anya Taylor-Joy
- The Pope's Exorcist** (R) Russell Crowe, Daniel Zovatto
- John Wick: Chapter 4** (R) Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne
- Renfield** (R) Nicholas Hoult, Nicolas Cage
- Air** (R) Matt Damon, Jason Bateman
- Dungeons & Dragons: Honor Among Thieves** (PG-13) Chris Pine, Michelle Rodriguez
- Suzume** (PG) Nanoka Hara, Hokuto Matsumura
- Mafia Mamma** (R) Toni Collette, Monica Bellucci
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Nevada Happenings

Fourth Lotus of Siam Announced
 Lotus of Siam, widely considered the best Thai restaurant in Las Vegas, will open a fourth location in Henderson West, a mixed-use project going up at St. Rose Parkway and Bermuda Road, by the end of next year. It will be the fourth location for Lotus, following the one that opened late last year at Red Rock Resort. The original restaurant opened in 1999 in the Commercial Center on E. Sahara just a few blocks from the Strip; a second location opened on E. Flamingo in 2017.

Kelly Clarkson & Madonna
 Singer, songwriter, and TV personality Kelly Clarkson will headline a mini-residency, "Chemistry ... an Intimate Night with Kelly Clarkson," at the Bakk Theater at Planet Hollywood this summer. The dates are July 28 and 29; and August 2, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, 18, and 19. And Madonna, who announced one show at the MGM Grand Garden Arena on Saturday October 7, then added a second on Sunday October 8, has now tacked on a third on Thursday January 18, 2024.

Tom Brady's Vegas Connections
 Mark Davis, owner of the Las Vegas Raiders, and Tom Brady are friendly and have been seen together in Las Vegas on occasion, most recently at an MMA match and a WNBA Las Vegas Aces game last season. It was also strongly rumored that Davis wanted Brady to play for the Raiders next season, but the seven-time Super Bowl champion retired for good. Now, Brady has invested in the Aces, which were bought by Davis in early 2021. Brady commented, "My love for women's sports began at

a young age when I tagged along to all my older sisters' games—they were by far the best athletes in our house." Details on what percentage of the team he owns haven't been revealed. The Aces won the Commissioner's Cup and the WNBA Championship last season and could be the favorite to win back-to-back titles.

Gene Simmons Unloads Mansion
 TMZ.com reports that Gene Simmons has finally sold the mansion he bought in the hills of Henderson in May 2021. The Kiss front man and bass player paid \$10.8 million for the house and a vacant lot next door for tax purposes, then put it back on the market only five months later after his family refused to move to southern Nevada due to the summer heat. He lived there by himself for a few months, then went on tour, and the 11,000-square-foot mansion sat mostly empty ever since. He initially listed the combined properties for \$14.95 million, then dropped the price along the way; he ultimately accepted an offer for \$11 million, which means that after upgrading the house, spending a reported \$1 million on trees, and the transaction expenses, he lost several million. But that barely makes a dent in his estimated \$400 million net worth.

Adele Announces New Residency
 During the 34th show of her 34 "Weekends with Adele" residency at the Colosseum at Caesars Palace, the 34-year-old singer announced that she'll be playing another 34 weekend nights between June 16 and November 4. The June shows will also be filmed and turned into a movie, so everyone can attend a silver-screen performance (for a fraction of the price). According to Pitchfork.com, the new dates are: June 16, 17, 23, 24, and 30; July 1; August 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, and 26; September 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, and 30; October 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, and 28; and November 3 and 4.

Booktrix's BookBites

The Shortest Road by David L Robbins

"If you want to know what happened, read history books. If you want to understand what happened, read historical fiction."
 In that spirit, Wicked Son Books has published *The Shortest Road*, book two in The Promised Wars series by New York Times-bestselling author David L. Robbins. The book, part of a series set in five of Israel's pivotal wars, will deepen readers' understanding not only of a historically significant time and place, but of the human capacity for sorrow, struggle, and love. The first book, *Isaac's Beacon*, details the Jewish revolt against the British, and the Arab civil war which followed. This latest novel provides deep insight into Yom HaAtzmaut, Israel's Independence Day—also recognized as a day of remembrance for what the Palestinians call the Nakba, the Catastrophe. Author David Robbins, dubbed "the Homer of World War II," sensitively depicts the fight for survival, the contest for land and freedom, and the tragedies of the warrior, the simple citizen, and the refugee, in this historical novel exploring the Middle East conflict still raging nearly eight decades after the war for Israel's independence. Both *The Shortest Road* and *Isaac's Beacon* are available on Amazon and bn.com in paperback and as an eBook.



Paw's corner by Sam Mazzotta

Q: I hope this advice helps other cat owners. My cat, Ferris, is 13 years old, and while he's generally healthy, he does have arthritis and is not as energetic as he once was. I noticed a few months ago that he was not finishing his dry food in the evenings, so I took him to the vet to get him checked out. Everything was fine, but the vet said that he might have some discomfort crouching down to reach his food and water.
I went online to find a raised platform that would hold food and water dishes. The trouble was that many of the platforms were too high for Ferris to reach comfortably, and he didn't seem very happy with the platform design. Instead, I found a dish that he loves. It sits about three inches above the floor and is angled higher in the back so that he doesn't push the food out of the bowl while eating. It's weighted so that it doesn't shift while he eats. This is a lot more comfortable for Ferris, and he's eating all of his food again.
— Terry L., Bloomington, Indiana
A: Thank you for sharing your story! I'm glad that Ferris found the perfect food dish. Sometimes we have to try a few different items before discovering the perfect one for our pets. Whether it's a food dish, a toy or a bed, we have to be prepared to spend a little more money than expected to get just the right item. Trial and error is part of the process, and part of the joy of owning a pet.

Send your questions, tips or comments to ask@pawsoner.com.

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Veterans Post



When the Scammer Is a Doctor

Mostly you think of scammers who steal as lowlifes, but it's not always the case. Sometimes they're well-educated professionals who have a lot to lose when they're caught.
 Take the case of the doctor who took money that was meant to go to those who'd suffered severe traumatic injuries. This doctor, a decorated Navy commander, conspired with others to lie their way to a \$2 million profit in an insurance program that helps servicemembers who were traumatically injured while on active duty. The co-conspirators would coax others to create fake claims for injuries in exchange for a portion of the proceeds.
 Enter the doctor who, in exchange for

a kickback, would verify that the injuries and disabilities existed and sign off on the application for the claim, sometimes saying he'd actually seen the person making the claim. Or he would provide the medical records of others to those who were submitting fake claims.
 The other nine co-conspirators included a nurse and a former Navy mechanic. They kept the scam going for at least three years. The various charges included fraud, wire fraud and making a false claim.
 This wasn't a short-term scam: it went on long enough that one wonders whether in all that time the doctor thought about how he got to that point.
 This is the same man who, serving in Iraq, climbed onto a roof in 2007 to help a tiny infant who wasn't breathing properly, evacuated the baby via helicopter under sniper fire, and got him into surgery in a hospital. The baby was saved and back home in a week.
 It's hard to reconcile the image of that doctor with his participation in a theft scam that only netted him \$180,000 over three years. And now he's potentially facing 20 years in prison.

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Super sand

A box of sand can stop a bullet fired from a gun, and here's why:

- Cover end of tube with tissue held by rubber bands
- Ask someone if he or she thinks it's possible to break tissue with a stick
- Put another piece of tissue on tube, and fill 3/4 of tube with sand

Challenge person to try to break the tissue again with the stick

With sand in the tube, it's very hard to force the stick all the way through

The sand grains direct the force outward in all directions

There's not enough force left pushing against the bottom end of the tube to break the tissue

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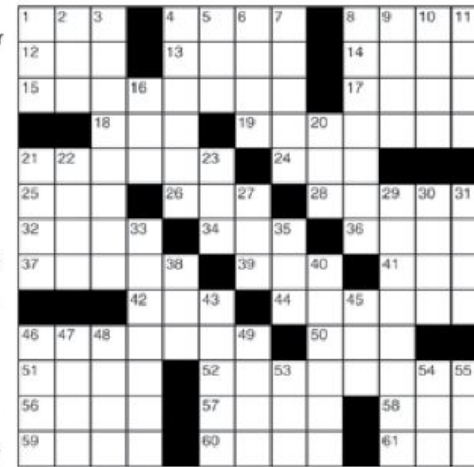


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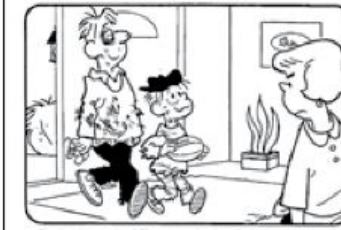
BINGO BUGLE CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
- Restroom, for short
 - Back talk
 - Blunders
 - Yale student
 - Friends, old style
 - Manner of walking
 - Gut level
 - Sans siblings
 - Feline
 - Snake or lizard
 - Untamed horse
 - Apiace
 - Second person
 - Wheel center
 - Basic assumption
 - Piquancy
 - Afternoon beverage
 - Water conduit
 - Come in
 - Sprite
 - Stitch
 - Tin Man's need
 - Alt-rock band, Barenaked —
 - Chesey paper
 - Make marginalia
 - Vivacity, musically
 - Hun opponent

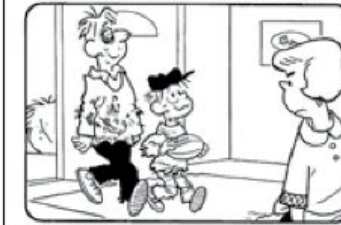


- DOWN
- Third O.T. bk.
 - Boxer Muhammad
 - Baron's superior
 - Draw
 - Melody
 - Celebrity
 - Drag (Var.)
 - Braggart's journey?
 - Hindu princess
 - Streamlet
 - Eyelid woe
 - Has the skill set
 - Coatrack part
 - Memory measure
 - Reddish horse
 - No longer stylish
 - Spelldown
 - Guests
 - Duel tool
 - Nightly telecast
 - Earth science
 - Every last crumb
 - Carnival city
 - Tex-Mex treat
 - 18-Across' ennead
 - Follow relentlessly
 - Slope transport
 - Jason's ship
 - Life stories, briefly
 - Exemplar of thinness
 - Round Table title
 - Upper surface
 - "Yoo-hoo!"

HOCUS-FOCUS



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS

SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

SCRAMBLERS



"I can't understand it. At home you're always ready with a _____ answer!"

SCRAMBLERS

Decipher the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the second letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the page!

After
T I M P E R _ _ _ _ _

Answer
L A T E R _ _ _ _ _

Each
P E A C E S _ _ _ _ _

Class
M A L T S O _ _ _ _ _

TODAY'S WORD
_ _ _ _ _

MAGIC MAZE

MAGIC MAZE ● ENDING IN "AX"

I H E B Y V S P M J H E B Y V
T Q O L S X I G D B Y W T R P
M K I F U D A B Y W U S Q O M
K I F D P B Z F X W U X X S Q
O P O L E A X X I X N A A L J
H F D C R A A A A L T R K O Y
X W V T M D S W Q R A O C P H
N A L I A X R K U I H H I H F
E C L O X A W S E E B T P B Z
Y C R E E L W V U X A T N Y S
S B R Q R F P N M L X A J A J

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: CAPITAL OF NOVA SCOTIA

- | | | | |
|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| Ajax | Climax | Pickax | Surtax |
| Anthrax | Earwax | Poleax | Syntax |
| Beeswax | Flax | Relax | Thorax |
| Broadax | Hoax | Supermax | |

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

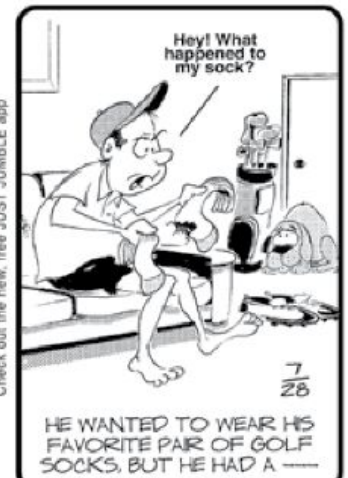
W O R N C _ _ _ _ _

E N H O Y _ _ _ _ _

N E L L O Y _ _ _ _ _

T I K E N T _ _ _ _ _

Answer here: _ _ _ _ _



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW
One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

ABV PWS JVGDVHDY HWD
WBAQZEXDE PBC CABEH; ABV
PWS JVGDVHDY HWD LWDDCD-
QZEXDE PBC B XDVJZC.

COFFEE BREAK ANSWERS NOW ON ASTROLOGY PAGE

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\$2,500 Super Bonanza Jackpot
Pick 8 Jackpot 20# or less \$5,000 (cons \$500)

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\$65* BUY-IN with  (36 Cards)

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5 Early Birds Pay \$500
10 Regular Games \$1,199
Double Action (cons \$500)
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**Pick 8 Jackpot 20# or less \$5,000 (cons \$1,199)

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FEAR KNIGHT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

EGM
CRONAG
♥ CERPA
♥ CEAM
SNEMIA
NIN
♥ AGEP
GENIS
PMO
♥ SPERIA
GREEM
♥ ALIN



Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥ RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.



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Source: www.birdsandblooms.com

The Spats by Jeff Pickering



Panel 1: "I'M LIKE A FINE WINE..."
Panel 2: "...I GET BETTER WITH AGE."
Panel 3: "MAYBE I SHOULD KEEP YOU IN THE CELLAR."

Amber Waves by Dave T. Phipps



Panel 1: "GERALD HONEY, YOUR DAD AND I ARE GOING TO GO OUT FOR THE EVENING."
Panel 2: "OH, NO PROBLEM! I'LL BE JUST FINE. I'LL JUST ORDER TAKEOUT AND CHILL."
Panel 3: "NO DEAR, WE ARE GOING TO DROP YOU AT THE COOPER'S TO WATCH YOU."
Panel 4: "FINE! I HOPE THEY HAVE GOOD INSURANCE."



Lucky Predictions for June 2023

ARIES: March 21 to April 19

1st thru 6th... Flying high the 3rd/\$
7th thru 12th... RED & winning the 11th/\$
13th thru 18th... Double win 16th-17th/\$
19th thru 24th... You are HOT 21st-22nd/\$
25th thru 30th... Might as well forget it

TAURUS: April 20 to May 20

1st thru 6th... Great prospects 5th-6th/\$
7th thru 12th... GREEN cards bring it, 9th/\$
13th thru 18th... You call the shots 13th-14th/\$
19th thru 24th... Game's yours 23rd-24th/\$
25th thru 30th... Not advised

GEMINI: May 21 to June 21

1st thru 6th... Hold off
7th thru 12th... YELLOW cards shine 7th-8th/\$
13th thru 18th... Piece of cake, 16th/\$
19th thru 24th... You're all over it 21st-22nd/\$
25th thru 30th... Easy win the 26th/\$

CANCER: June 22 to July 22

1st thru 6th... GREEN's lucky the 5th/\$
7th thru 12th... Put it on PURPLE the 9th/\$
13th thru 18th... Cash in high 13th-14th/\$
19th thru 24th... Worth trying 23rd-24th/\$
25th thru 30th... Determination prevails 29th/\$

LEO: July 23 to Aug. 22

1st thru 6th... Stay on track the 3rd/\$
7th thru 12th... RED advantage 11th-12th/\$
13th thru 18th... Multiple wins 16th-17th/\$
19th thru 24th... Home advantage 21st/\$
25th thru 30th... Lucky break 26th-27th/\$

VIRGO: Aug. 23 to Sept. 22

1st thru 6th... Your days: 5th-6th/\$
7th thru 12th... You'll see better days
13th thru 18th... BLUE bodes well 18th/\$
19th thru 24th... GREEN card victory 23rd-24th/\$
25th thru 30th... Money hand over fist 28th-29th/\$

LIBRA: Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

1st thru 6th... Fantastic win the 3rd/\$
7th thru 12th... PURPLE pays the 8th/\$
13th thru 18th... Twice lucky 16th-17th/\$
19th thru 24th... RED's spot on 21st/\$
25th thru 30th... PURPLE's on point, 26th/\$

SCORPIO: Oct. 24 to Nov. 21

1st thru 6th... Hard card surprise the 5th/\$
7th thru 12th... BLUE's da bomb, 9th/\$
13th thru 18th... You win early, 13th/\$
19th thru 24th... Better than usual 23rd/\$
25th thru 30th... Focus quietly 28th/\$

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 22 to Dec. 21

1st thru 6th... Very late the 2nd/\$
7th thru 12th... Good call the 11th/\$
13th thru 18th... Cool it for now
19th thru 24th... RED's on fire 21st-22nd/\$
25th thru 30th... Celebrate in style 27th/\$

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 to Jan. 19

1st thru 6th... Flows right to ya 1st-2nd/\$
7th thru 12th... Can't go wrong 9th/\$
13th thru 18th... Right on target 13th-14th/\$
19th thru 24th... Bag it b4 you spend it 23rd-24th/\$
25th thru 30th... The time is not ideal

AQUARIUS: Jan. 20 to Feb. 18

1st thru 6th... Double your luck, 3rd/\$
7th thru 12th... Hold out 'til 11th-12th/\$
13th thru 18th... Due 4 a win 16th-17th/\$
19th thru 24th... ORANGE fans du flame 21st-22nd/\$
25th thru 30th... Put on your dancin' shoes 27th/\$

PISCES: Feb. 19 to March 20

1st thru 6th... All except 3rd-4th/\$
7th thru 12th... Magically good the 9th/\$
13th thru 18th... Great expectations 13th-14th/\$
19th thru 24th... GREEN draws \$ 18th-19th/\$
25th thru 30th... Pleasant surprise 28th/\$

Color associations refer to lucky objects, daubers, cards, machines, clothing/jewels you wear, or a dominant color in the room.



by Frederick Woodruff
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Horoscopes for June 2023

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): What steps do you take when you feel disconnected from life's flow? It's important that you don't abandon your creative work now because of an impasse. See if you can turn the stasis into a process—where waiting and watching eventually provides you with a new world map. Silence can convey much.
Lucky Days: 9 - 13
Lucky Numbers: 7 - 24

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21): If you've ever longed to devote more of your life to a spiritual or contemplative path, this is your moment to commit. Because your sign is aligned strongly with the natural world, make time for exploring outdoors. Start a garden, hit the beach, or take a long hike. The earth will revitalize you with each step you take.
Lucky Days: 2 - 46
Lucky Numbers: 9 - 22

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21): This is an exciting period where one cycle closes while inspiring a new intellectual undertaking. Original ways of thinking are key. Make a list or start a detailed journal that focuses on your goals for the summer. You always make headway when you involve yourself with the written word.
Lucky Days: 11 - 29
Lucky Numbers: 5 - 34

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22): You thrive when you share energy with others within an enclosed, intimate group. These types of gatherings switch on your ability to champion others. The full Moon on the 3rd returns some of your investments into your world. Your heart becomes the recipient of gratitude and support. You deserve this type of acknowledgment.
Lucky Days: 11 - 12
Lucky Numbers: 45 - 52

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): Mars enlivening your sign is turning your world bright red. The heat is on, and all switches are set to 'go.' This ups your vitality quota and prompts you to rethink an existing project's viability. But don't discard that work entirely—see what you might preserve to maintain its original integrity.
Lucky Days: 4 - 8
Lucky Numbers: 15 - 38

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): What's the best way to ensure your financial future? Make a thorough assessment of how you are managing your time and do away with the superfluous and distracting. Saturn in your sign requires you to bring your wisdom and maturity to bear on the most reliable way to fulfill your goals.
Lucky Days: 4 - 11
Lucky Numbers: 4 - 6

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): Research is the theme for June. Focus your time and efforts on gathering the facts and figures that will put all of your ducks in a row. And stay true to both your passion and rationality—of all the signs you know how to strike the perfect balance between those qualities.
Lucky Days: 7 - 13
Lucky Numbers: 28 - 50

SCORPIO (OCT 24th-NOV 22nd): This is a period of culmination for you, as Jupiter opposes your sign. Consider what goals you initiated six years ago and see how that creative work is ready to be shared and experienced by the world. The full Moon on the 3rd highlights the need to smooth out any snags with authority figures. Avoid unnecessary confrontations.
Lucky Days: 9 - 29
Lucky Numbers: 1 - 11

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23rd-DEC 21st): The full Moon on the 3rd highlights the paradox between freedom and responsibility. Respect limitations but stay focused on what you can achieve by turning discipline into an art form. Saturn is pressuring you to mature in ways that might seem boring. Reread the Aesop fable of the tortoise and the hare.
Lucky Days: 5 - 30
Lucky Numbers: 9 - 38

CAPRICORN (DEC 22nd-JAN 20th): Push beyond limiting habits and link up with routines that will promote your influence. With your ruler in a new sign, it behooves you to think outside the box. Remind yourself that the past is past and that the future is forged by entertaining untried ways. You're ready to abandon the old highway and discover the untried path ahead.
Lucky Days: 7 - 19
Lucky Numbers: 2 - 18

AQUARIUS (JAN 21st-FEB 19th): Is it possible for you to entertain the notion of a brand-new philosophy? Regardless of age, there is always time and space to shift gears in the middle of a journey. With Pluto in your sign, it's crucial that you initiate a phase of reappraisal. Everything is on display now, waiting for you to see what you'll keep and what you'll release.
Lucky Days: 6 - 27
Lucky Numbers: 20 - 48

PISCES (FEB 20th-MAR 20th): Study your chessboard and see what or who is advancing your efforts and what or who has become a hindrance or nuisance. Remember, too, that every creative act involves affirming and destructive forces. Adjust your life accordingly. Acquire what you need to meet deficiencies, and jettison what's adding to your angst.
Lucky Days: 12 - 19
Lucky Numbers: 9 - 39

PREDICTORS LUCKY CARD FOR JUNE 2023

15	16	39	46	62
9	17	45	59	75
13	27	★	56	61
8	24	33	48	73
1	30	41	50	67

MOON PHASES & SPECIAL EVENTS JUNE 2023

2nd	National Doughnut Day
3rd	National Trails Day
4th	Full Moon
6th	D-Day
10th	Last Quarter Moon
14th	Flag Day
18th	Father's Day
18th	New Moon
19th	Juneteenth
21st	June Solstice
26th	First Quarter Moon
29th	Hug Holiday Day

COFFEE BREAK ANSWERS

SCRAMBLER ANSWER: 1. Permit 2. Alter 3. Escape 4. Almost
Today's Word: SMART
JUMBLES: CROWN HONEY LONELY KITTEN
Answer: He wanted to wear his favorite pair of golf socks, but he had a — HOLE IN ONE
HOCUS FOCUS DIFFERENCES: 1. Light is missing. 2. Glasses are missing. 3. Cap is reversed. 4. Plant is missing. 5. Collar is different. 6. Cuff is added.
CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER: Man who invented the hamburger was smart; man who invented the cheeseburger was a genius. — Matthew McConaughey

BINGO CROSSWORD ANSWERS

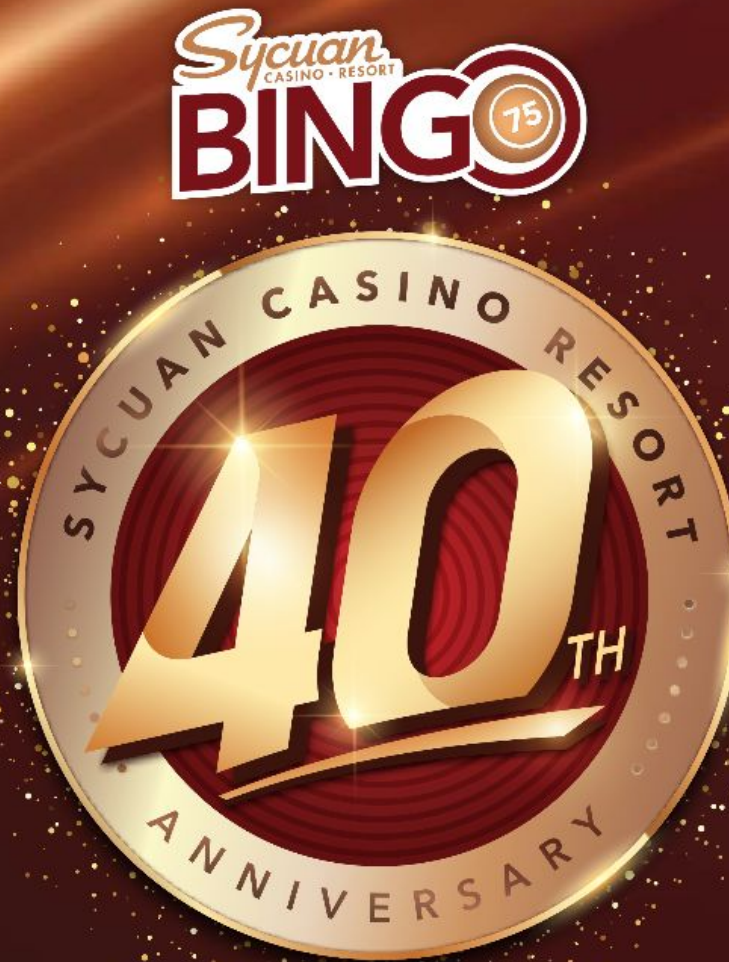
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[Crossword grid with answers filled in]

SUDOKU ANSWERS

[Sudoku grid with numbers filled in]

MAGICMAZE ANSWERS

ENDING IN "AN"
[Maze with path highlighted]



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doesn't mean that it's unsafe to eat. It simply means that it may contain higher levels of pesticides than other items on the list.

The Environmental Working Group is a widely respected nonprofit organization that puts out these lists each year. They use data from the United States Department of Agriculture and the Food and Drug Administration to determine which fruits and vegetables are most and least likely to contain pesticide residue.

So, why should you pay attention to these lists? Mainly because buying organic produce is almost always more expensive than buying conventionally grown produce. By using the Dirty Dozen and Clean 15 lists, you can prioritize which produce items you should try to buy organic and which ones you can save money on by buying conventionally grown.

For example, strawberries are at the top of this year's Dirty Dozen list. If you eat lots of strawberries, it might be worth spending a little extra money to buy organic strawberries to avoid consuming potentially harmful levels of pesticide residue. Meanwhile, avocados are at the top of the Clean 15 list. If you eat a lot of avocados, you can save money by buying conventionally grown avocados without worrying too much about pesticide residue.

Of course, it's important to note that even conventionally grown produce is generally considered safe to eat. Additionally, you can further reduce your exposure to pesticides by washing your produce thoroughly before eating or cooking.

Here's a fast, frugal and healthy recipe, featuring two Clean 15 ingredients: frozen peas and onion.

GREEN PEA SOUP
Yield: 4 servings
Total Time: 35 minutes

- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 cup sweet onion, chopped
- 3 cups vegetable stock
- 4 cups frozen peas
- To serve: sour cream or Greek yogurt and green onion

In a large saucepan, heat the oil, then add the onion and cook on low heat for 5 minutes until softened but not browned. Add the stock, cover, and cook for 5 minutes. Stir in the peas, bring it back to a simmer and cook for 5 minutes, or until the peas are cooked. Puree the soup in batches in a blender or blend with an immersion blender. To serve, get fancy pants with artistic swirls of sour cream or plain Greek yogurt and top with copious amounts of green onion.

To sum up, it's important to prioritize your grocery budget when it comes to buying organic produce. Don't let your budget discourage you from eating fruits and vegetables. Eating conventionally grown produce is still much better for your health than not eating any produce at all.

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Test Your Knowledge

1. MOVIES: Which movie gave actor Tom Hanks his first Oscar?
2. SCIENCE: Apollo astronauts reported that the Moon smelled like what substance?
3. GEOGRAPHY: How many stars are on the Australian flag?
4. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president killed a man who insulted him in a duel?
5. MUSIC: Which pop group produced the hit song "God Only Knows"?
6. TELEVISION: *The Brady Bunch* features how many blended family members?
7. LANGUAGE: What is the official language of the United States?
8. U.S. STATES: What is the state capital of Rhode Island?
9. ASTRONOMY: Which is the only planet in our solar system that is not named after a god or goddess?
10. FOOD & DRINK: What is a cheese connoisseur called?

- ANSWERS**
1. Philadelphia.
 2. Burnt gunpowder.
 3. Six.
 4. Andrew Jackson. In 1806 he shot and killed Charles Dickinson in a duel.
 5. The Beach Boys.
 6. Eight: six children and two parents.
 7. TITLE: None — the United States doesn't have an official language.
 8. Providence.
 9. Earth.
 10. A turophile.

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BOB ON BINGO

By Bob Whittmore

The Strangest Email of All

Well, it's that time of year again, weddings and better weather, graduations and vacations. And, in the mailbox (bingo@earthlink.net) I found a letter that has to be the most unusual I have received during the more than 22 years you and I have gotten together each month for your regular meetings, here in *The Bingo Bugle*.

The mail comes from Landro Elmsworth of Brewster, Kansas. Here goes: "Dear Bob, I recently saw a copy of your reports in a free newspaper at a Bingo hall in a city I passed through on the way home from vacation. I must tell you that not much goes on around Brewster, Kansas. So, when I was on the road and passed by a big hall that said BINGO on the outside, I thought I would stop and play. "I am in my 50s and—not bragging—I have several college degrees. My friends have nicknamed me, "Mr. Science." So, when I walked into the hall I ASSUMED

that I would have no problem learning how to play. But, just wait...

"When I went in, I saw a long table covered with colored sheets. I was told that I could play a lot of games or a few games. I made the mistake of buying one of everything, not realizing that there is a limit as to how fast you can mark your cards—although I did see some people who seemed to mark their cards with lightning speed.

"The first problem I had was that the sound system in the hall was intermittent. I had to strain to hear the numbers. Sometimes I know I marked the wrong numbers. And, although people who play at that hall regularly know all the games and the patterns, the hall did a horrible job of introducing each game and explaining the pattern. And, speaking of patterns, many of the games had more than a dozen ways you could win.

"I am sure I won from time to time but didn't realize it. And, worst of all, no one told me that there is a limit as to how hard you can push on a dauber before you ruin your clothing.

"But my biggest confusion was on the so-called COVER-ALL game. I was doing well and noticed that I had covered far more numbers than anyone around me. Then, the worst thing happened, before the game was over, I RAN OUT OF NUMBERS ON ONE OF MY CARDS! But I am going back. The food was good."

ANNOUNCEMENT: I am personally going to give a prize to the BEST BINGO CALLER or MANAGER or CAGE WORKER in America. Send your nominations to: bingo@earthlink.net with your reasons for nominating that person. See you next month, Old Bob.



by Bonnie Mitchell

Jealous Players are a Drag

Dear Aunt Bingo,

I know you get lots of letters from people who say that cheating is going on at their Bingo halls. Have you ever gotten a letter from someone who has been accused of cheating? Because that's what is happening to me right now.

I have had some good luck lately. I also have a handful of friends and one relative that work at the Bingo where I have been winning. Two times now people have muttered sarcastic things just loud enough for me to hear that my winnings are suspicious, and I have someone "helping" me win.

It is stupid and upsetting and is ruining my good luck and love of Bingo. I stand in line

just like everyone else. I pay my money just like everyone else, I am handed my Bingo paper pads just like everyone else. I am doing nothing out of the ordinary that people could observe and say is suspicious and cheating. What would you do?
—M.R.M., via e-mail

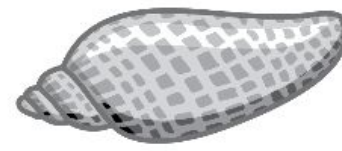
Dear M.R.M.,

My advice? Ignore it. Hopefully you have Bingo buddies there who support you and know that you are an honest person who is having a lucky streak. And isn't that what we are all there for? To win!

These people who are accusing you are simply mean-spirited and jealous and are doing what they can to diminish your enjoyment at winning. If you give in to them, then they have achieved their goal. If you ignore them—safe in the knowledge that you are winning fair and square—then you have won again, and they have failed.

There will always be unhappy people who can only feel good about themselves by dragging down those around them. They do not deserve a moment of our attention. So, don't give them any! —Aunt Bingo

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ANIMAL CRACKERS

By Fred Wagner



Double Royal Flushes

I was just about to hit the deal button on my video poker machine when my friend screamed to me, "What are you doing?" He was shocked that I was going to continue to play the same video poker machine that I had just hit a royal flush on.

My friend is a novice slots and video poker player, and he was in town for a weekend of some R&R. He, like most other casual players, mistakenly believes that once a machine "hits a royal flush," the chance that it will hit again soon is nil. So here I was, in the middle of a casino, trying to explain to him why this isn't necessarily so. This is what I told him.

Inside that video poker machine is a software program that resides in a computer chip and it randomly selects the cards that appear on the video poker screen from a 52-card virtual deck of cards. "Every card has the same chance of showing up on the deal and on the draw," I told him. "Just like if you were to deal me the cards from a freshly shuffled deck of cards." I also emphasized to him that after a hand is completed, the computer reshuffles the virtual 52-card deck and then deals the next hand when I hit the

deal button again. "So, every hand is an independent hand," I told him. "And because each hand is independent, I have the same chance of hitting a second royal as the first royal, even on the same machine."

"And what are the odds of that happening?" he asked. I told him that the odds of hitting a royal flush are about 40,000 to 1 (assuming the royal occurred on the draw and not on the deal). So even though I had just hit a royal, the odds that I could hit another royal were the same - 40,000 to 1. He had a doubtful look on his face when he said, "OK, go play your video poker machine. I'm gonna play some slots." And off he went.

As my friend wandered off to play the slots, I continued to play video poker. I was playing a triple play jacks or better machine (which paid 9 coins for a full house and 6 coins for a flush per coin played, which is a very good pay schedule for this game), when it happened: I held three cards to the royal and on one line I got the two cards I needed for a royal flush. (This royal occurred about 15 minutes after my first royal.)

While the slot attendant was paying me my winnings in cash, my friend showed up and his eyes nearly popped out of his head. "Don't tell me you hit another royal," he said incredulously. "I responded with a big smile and said, "Yep ... now do you believe what I said earlier about the chances of hitting two royals on the same machine in the same session?"

The point is this: every hand when you play video poker is an independent hand with specific odds of hitting a royal flush (or for that matter, any winning hand). It doesn't matter what happened on the previous hands. Even if a player just hit two royals on the same machine, the chance that he could hit another royal on the same machine is the same 40,000 to 1 (even though the odds are long, they don't change just because a royal was just hit). So there is no need to change machines once you hit a royal; just keep playing, and if you know your strategy and with a little luck, you might, someday, also hit two (or more) royals on the same machine. Good luck!



Lucky Lotto News

Gift to Teen is a Big Winner

Do you ever give someone a simple scratch-off lottery ticket as a gift and cross your fingers that they get lucky enough to win even five dollars? Well, one 18-year-old's grandmother was probably just as shocked as he was after he hit it big on the ticket that she gifted him for his birthday. According to the California Lottery, Kaleb Heng, from Northern California, won \$1 million on a California Lottery scratcher (notably titled, *The Perfect Gift!*) that his grandmother bought him as a birthday present for the first day he was legally allowed to play the lottery. "I'm pretty stoked!" Heng said before explaining exactly where he was when he discovered he had just become a millionaire. "My mom was driving me to go fishing, and on the way, I scratched it. We had to pull over. It was a million dollars, and I didn't even have an ID yet!" the 18-year-old explained. "We turned around and went home because I had to get an ID before I could even claim the ticket." Heng told the California Lottery that he plans on using the million dollars to go to college and make investments for his future.

Florida Mom Wins Big

A Florida mom who dipped into her life savings to help support her daughter through cancer treatment recently got a big payday. After buying a ticket at a local store in Lakeland, Geraldine Gimblet won a \$2 million prize, the Florida Lottery announced. What made it even more special? She bought it shortly after her daughter completed her last cancer treatment. "The day before my mom bought this ticket, I rang the bell and walked out of the hospital after completing my last treatment for breast cancer," her daughter, who was in tears when she spoke to lottery officials, said. Gimblet's daughter was emotional as she shared why her mother was so deserving. "My mom had taken out her life savings to take care of me when I was sick," she said, adding that she's "just



so happy for her!" Gimblet purchased the winning scratch-off ticket from Pipkin Road Beverage Castle and said that it was the last crossword game they had that day. "At first the gas station clerk thought there were no tickets left, but I asked him to double check because I like the crossword games the best," she told lottery officials. "He found the last one!" Gimblet chose the one-time payment of \$1,645,000 for her prize.

Twenty Tickets, Twenty Wins

A Virginia man bought 20 tickets for a single Pick 4 lottery drawing and won 20 times, for a total prize of \$100,000. The Virginia Lottery said Fekru Hirpo of Alexandria bought 20 tickets for the March 8 Pick 4 drawing with the number combination 2-5-2-7. Each of Hirpo's tickets won a \$5,000 top prize in the drawing, for a total prize of \$100,000. Hirpo said he doesn't usually buy large amounts of identical tickets for Pick 4, but he had a strong feeling about the March 8 drawing.

Missed Powerball by One Number

In February, one lucky lottery player took home the record-breaking Powerball jackpot, but apparently, there were almost two big winners. California lottery officials announced recently that a woman by the name of Ana Contreras missed splitting the jackpot by just one number. Her ticket, sold at Stues Dairy in Gardena, California, was off by just one number, making Edwin Castro the sole winner of the \$2.04 billion prize. But Contreras definitely didn't go home empty-handed, as her ticket was still worth over a million dollars, \$1,149,661 to be exact.



* Rub hands with lemon slices to get rid of onion or fish smells. Afterward, you can put the lemon slices down your garbage disposal unit with a few ice cubes to get rid of smells there, too.

* Here's a great way to get a longer life out of a bar of soap: Press the plastic top of a pop bottle into the side of a wet bar of soap. When you set the bar down in your soap dish, put it plastic side down. This way, the bar doesn't sit in any residual water and turn into a goopy mush. The plastic top comes out easily if you need to remove it. — J.P. in Illinois

* Nylon stocking strips are great and work really well in the garden. If you have a pair that has a run, chop them up into pieces. You can use them to tie up staked plants, as they are strong but gentle enough to not cause any harm. — E.S. in Wisconsin

* Reduce your energy costs of drying clothes by hanging heavy items (think towels, throw blankets, jeans, sweats) for a few hours to air dry before popping them in the dryer. You can cut the drying time by as much as two-thirds, and still get that tumble-dried softness. — M.N. in Missouri

* Renew your paintbrushes with this trick: Heat vinegar to boiling. Pour into a tall, narrow container that won't melt. Add hardened brushes, bristle side down. Stick a pencil through the hole in the paintbrush handle and balance it across the top of the container. It keeps the bristles from bending in the bottom of the container. Let brushes soak until vinegar is cooled. Use a wire brush to clean.

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

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I am having trouble finding a reliable recommendation for the daily supplement zinc. I purchased 50-mg pills, but I think this may be too much. I am 74 and female, and I would like to include zinc in my daily supplements, as my hair has begun thinning quite a bit straight down the top of my head. — R.M.

ANSWER: Zinc is an important nutrient, and it is certainly true that zinc deficiency may lead to hair loss. However, most people with hair loss do not have a zinc deficiency, and there is no convincing data that giving extra zinc to a person with normal zinc levels will help with hair loss. Hair loss along the midline is consistent with female pattern hair loss, which is very common among women in their 70s and usually has nothing to do with zinc.

Very high amounts of zinc supplementation can be dangerous (and impair your body's ability to absorb other trace metals such as copper), but 50 mg is a safe amount. Still, the most effective therapies for female pattern hair loss include minoxidil (usually topical, but low-dose oral is increasingly used), spironolactone and finasteride. A dermatologist is the expert on hair loss and can give you a better diagnosis by exam than I can by your description.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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The Garden Bug Dogwood trees

The dogwood has graceful blossoms and distinctive bark, and also attracts wildlife. Silk moths and several species of butterflies favor dogwoods as hosts. The flowers provide nectar to many pollinating insects. American robins, northern mockingbirds and sparrows will build nests on its horizontal branches. Many birds eat its berries, including cardinals, titmice, bluebirds, juncos and waxwings. — Brenda Weaver

Source: www.birdsandblooms.com

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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Let's Get Ready for Father's Day

Got your neckties wrapped? Picked out that perfect mug (coffee or beer) for Dad? Don't forget the card!

Here comes Father's Day! There are some interesting tidbits about Father's Day, though to be honest, not that many. In addition to the scant anecdotes, I'll also provide some tips on gifts for dear ol' Dad. Make it a special day because there's no one quite like Dad.

Trivia time!

-- The first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910, in Spokane, Washington. It was initiated by a woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, who wanted to honor her father, a Civil War veteran who raised six children on his own after his wife died in childbirth.

-- In Thailand, Father's Day is celebrated on December 5, which is the birthday of King Bhumibol Adulyadej, who was regarded as the father of the nation.

-- In Brazil, Father's Day is celebrated on the second Sunday in August, and it's common for families to get together for a big barbecue (I believe this is a common celebration in the

US as well. Invite me to a big barbecue and I will show up. I'm not a father. I will bring a covered dish.)

-- One of the most popular gifts for Father's Day is a necktie. According to one story, the tradition started in the 1920s when a department store in New York City ordered too many ties for Father's Day and had to come up with a way to sell them all.

-- In the United States, Father's Day is the fourth-largest card-sending occasion, with approximately 72 million cards exchanged each year.

And now, on to some traditional and some fun gifts for Dad.

--Bacon-scented candles: For the bacon-loving dad, you can get him a candle that smells like his favorite breakfast food.

--DIY beer making kit: If your dad enjoys beer, you can get him a DIY beer-making kit, so he can make his own brew at home.

--A remote-control holder: If your dad is always losing the remote, you can get him a remote-control holder. There are both practical and humorous versions available in the usual online shopping destinations.

--Unique and funny t-shirts are popular. Some ideas: A "Dad Joke Loading" tee for those funny dads, or a "World's Best Father" tee, or perhaps a "Grill Sergeant" BBQ apron. You can probably think of better puns, or use an insider family joke, or even better -- a sweet saying your family uses to express their love for each other.

--A necktie (did I even need to include this?).

--I know mugs are common, but how about a nice water bottle? They have water bottles that are insulated and will keep water cold for hours, others include a filter so the water tastes fresh, and there are super fancy water bottles that can infuse flavors into the water without adding calories. It's always good to stay hydrated.

Regardless of the gift, the most important thing is to spend quality time with your father and let him know how much he means to you. Happy Father's Day!

HOLLYWOOD
by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD Austin Butler is taking on his first film project since his Oscar-nominated performance as Elvis Presley in *Elvis*. His current project *City On Fire* will likely be a three-part franchise (if the film hits big), since it's based on a best-selling book in a trilogy by Don Winslow. The film mixes elements from three Greek tragedies -- *The Iliad*, *Odyssey* and *Aeneid* -- and translates them to two contemporary criminal empires, one Irish and the other Italian, with a modern-day Helen of Troy plot.

Butler's got *Dune: Part Two* coming Nov. 3, and then *The Bikeriders* (which had a two-month shoot from October to December).

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GOOD to KNOW
Help From the Red Cross

In November 2022, Jim Cheatham was stationed across the country from his family when his grandmother's health began to quickly decline.

"It became very obvious that she was not going to make it to the end of the year," said Beth Cheatham, Jim's mother. "My son had leave planned and approved for Christmas and I became very afraid that he would not be able to say goodbye, so we reached out to the American Red Cross Hero Care Network to bring him home early."

One of the many ways the American Red Cross supports U.S. service members is through the Hero Care Network, which is available 24 hours a day. When a service member or their family member initiates an emergency message Red Cross staff work with the family and appropriate professionals to verify the emergency. Emergencies include the illness/injury or death of an immediate family member, as well as birth messages.

"Within 24 hours, I had put in the request, my son was on a plane the next day," said Beth. "We knew time was of the essence and for it to move that quickly gave us comfort that he was going to get home in time."

U.S. military service members and their families can initiate a request for Red Cross emergency assistance and track its progress from anywhere in the world.

"I would do anything to get the word out about the Hero Care Network. Having my son home to have special memories with his grandmother and to hold her hand and get this opportunity to say goodbye. It's something that he and I will always treasure."

Learn More:
For more information on the Hero Care Network and how you can help, or to initiate an emergency message, you can call the Red Cross at 1-877-272-7337, visit www.redcross.org/ecn, or download the Hero Care app.

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top ten
WORLD'S LARGEST STADIUMS

1. Narendra Modi Stadium	Gujarat, India
2. Rungrado 1st Of May Stadium	Pyeongang, North Korea
3. Michigan Stadium	Ann Arbor, Michigan
4. Beaver Stadium	State College, Pennsylvania
5. Ohio Stadium	Columbus, Ohio
6. Kyle Field	College Station, Texas
7. Tiger Stadium	Baton Rouge, Louisiana
8. Neyland Stadium	Knoxville, Tennessee
9. Darrell K Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium	Austin, Texas
10. Bryant-Denny Stadium	Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Source: WorldAtlas.com

Happy Father's Day

these sweet treats, but their doughnuts as well as others down through the years, did not have the center hole. Without the hole, the doughnuts did not heat or cook evenly so nuts and fruit were stuffed inside. That changed around 1850 when Hanson Gregory changed doughnuts forever by cutting a hole in the center of his doughnuts, thus allowing them to cook evenly. Whether true or not, Robert and I thank Mr. Gregory, Dunkin' Doughnuts, Jolly Rogers, and etc. for making us fatter. We accept no blame.

Moving on, June 21 is the first day of summer and that does not bode well for the chubby body of yours truly. Nope, my body is not bikini ready in the least and I will let it go at that. My husband loves summer, the hotter and higher the temperature, the better. He soaks in heat like a sponge and loves being outside. I sprawl on our couch, turn the air conditioner down, suck on ice cubes, and curse the sweat pouring down my brow. Robert is a porch sitter while I sit inside imagining I am in a climate-controlled casino, or in a bingo hall. Much better in my estimation.

That brings me to a relatively new celebration, Sunnergiving. Several years ago, Robert Solomon decided to throw a BBQ to celebrate summer. Loving Thanksgiving food, Mr. Solomon combined his barbecue with November foods and came up with Sunnergiving. His friends ate turkey, drank cranberry marmis, and gobbled down November food along with summer BBQ favorites. In 2019 the Registrar at National Day Calendar proclaimed Sunnergiving to be observed annually on the Saturday after the Summer Solstice, June 24 this year. Until next month, may Lady Luck blow you kisses as you dance out the door with dollars. Win big! Contact me at nlpzv6172@gmail.com. Final note, June 23 is Let It Go Day so let go of your mental baggage, grudges, and quarrels. You'll feel better, but the song *Let It Go* from Frozen will be an earworm stuck in your head for weeks.



ANSWERS

1. That was the name used by songwriting duo Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller. They wrote over 70 hits, including "Jailhouse Rock" and "Stand By Me."
2. Johnnie Ray. He was left deaf after an accident at a Scout camp as a boy.
3. Simon & Garfunkel's "El Condor Pasa (If I Could)" is from a 1913 Peruvian instrumental. Simon, having been told by a band that it was an old folk song, was eventually sued for copyright infringement, not knowing the melody actually had been copyrighted in the U.S. since 1933.
4. The Spinners, in 1972.
5. "Kansas City," by Wilbert Harrison in 1959. The song was written by the Elmo Glick duo, mentioned above, two 19-year-old R&B fans who went on to have long writing careers.

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Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas

THE SPREAD OF PANIC: AN UPDATE

SOMEONE YELLING "FIRE" IN A CROWDED MOVIE THEATER.

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

SOMEONE SNEEZING IN A CROWDED ELEVATOR.

AGGGH

LET'S GET OUTTA HERE!

AGGGH

LET'S GET OUTTA HERE!

Amber Waves by Dave T. Phipps

GERALD HONEY, YOUR DAD AND I ARE GOING TO GO OUT FOR THE EVENING.

OH, NO PROBLEM! I'LL BE JUST FINE. I'LL JUST ORDER TAKEOUT AND CHILL.

NO DEAR, WE ARE GOING TO DROP YOU AT THE COOPER'S TO WATCH YOU.

FINE! I HOPE THEY HAVE GOOD INSURANCE.

Gaming News

Japan to Approve Osaka Casino
Japan Times recently reported that the government is set to approve a plan by Osaka Prefecture and the city of Osaka to open what will be Japan's first casino resort in 2029, government sources said. Local governments like the idea of attracting tourists to a so-called integrated resort, or IR, comprised of a large hotel, conference rooms and gambling areas. The Osaka prefectural and city governments aim to open the facility between the fall and winter of 2029 on the artificial island of Yumeshima in Osaka Bay, the sources said. The resort, involving a partnership between MGM Resorts International of the United States and Japan's Orix, is expected to attract around 20 million visitors annually and bring ¥1.14 trillion (\$8.5 billion) in annual economic benefits to the western Japan region centering on the prefecture.

Cowlitz Break Tie with Mohegans
The Columbian reported that the Cowlitz Indian Tribe announced it will end its six-year relationship with the Connecticut-based Mohegan Tribe, which oversees operations of its highly profitable Ilani casino in Ridgefield, Washington. In a statement on the Cowlitz Indian Tribe's website, Chairwoman Patty Kinswa-Gaiser said: "After careful consideration, the Cowlitz Tribal Gaming Authority has recommended, and the Cowlitz Tribal Council has approved, a decision to begin a multi-step process of transitioning Ilani from an enterprise managed by the Mohegan Tribe to a self-managed enterprise." In the statement, Kinswa-Gaiser said tribal leadership has the deepest gratitude to the Mohegan Tribe for its guidance and partnership during the

formative years of the casino. According to Kinswa-Gaiser, operations at Ilani will not change, adding the Mohegan Tribe has committed to continuing to provide its management service for the next 15 months.

NFT-based Slot Program at Stations
A new NFT-based slot program is now at Station Casinos. The company said Boarding Pass members are automatically enrolled and guests can earn charms that are then displayed on slot machine service windows. New charms will be available each month and each one is distinguished by category, how rare they are, and their luck level, which is the value associated with the guest's winnings while the charm is active on the slot machine.

"We are thrilled to be launching this innovative program to create a more engaging way for our guests to earn unique rewards and customize their play," Tom Mikulich, Senior Vice President of Innovation at Station Casinos, said. "Through our patent-pending, game-changing technology, we believe STN charms will reshape the casino gaming landscape and modernize loyalty programs making for a more rewarding and fun gaming experience for our guests." The casino said guests can buy, sell and browse the catalog of available charms on the STN charms website.

Mandatory Breaks for Gamblers?
The government of the Australian state of Victoria, whose capital is Melbourne, has introduced potential regulations to protect gamblers against the weaknesses of their character. Patrons at Crown Casino Melbourne who've been playing for three continuous hours would be required to take a 15-minute break; those who've been gambling for more than 12 hours in any 24-hour period would have to leave for 24 hours. Finally, patrons would be restricted to 36 hours at the tables or pokies per week.



Easy Corned Beef and Cabbage

Dear Annie,
St. Patrick's Day was a real treat for my family. We were with new friends and they served us corned beef and cabbage. My family is now begging me to make some for our family. Please send me an easy recipe. Thank you.
—Sara Sue from Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Sara Sue,
I have a recipe that my late husband Donald made when he was younger. Thank you for reminding me what a good cook Donald was. We did not wait for St. Patrick's Day to ask him to prepare "Corned Beef and Cabbage."
—Annie



CORNEBEEF AND CABBAGE
3-4 pounds fresh corned beef
1 large onion, peeled and quartered
4-6 carrot sticks, peeled and cut into thick slices
8-10 medium sized potatoes, cut in half
1 large head of cabbage cut into wedges

Place the corned beef in a large pot. Cover with water. Add the seasoning packet that is included with the corned beef. Bring to a boil and reduce the heat and simmer for about two hours, or until fork tender. Add the onions, carrot slices and potato halves. Cook until the vegetables are almost tender. Add the cabbage wedges and cook for 15 more minutes. Remove the meat and let it rest for 20 minutes. Serve with the remaining vegetables. Serves 4 to 6.

Dear Bingo Bugle Readers,
Here's another recipe with cabbage and bacon that my husband's Mom use to make for me all the time at my request. Hope you enjoy it! —Annie

INDIANA FRIED CABBAGE
1 head cabbage
3 tablespoons bacon grease, save the bacon
3 teaspoons sugar

Shred the cabbage. Divide into 3 equal portions. Put 1/3 of the cabbage in a large skillet. Barely cover with water. Heat on medium heat until the water bubbles. Reduce heat and add 1 tablespoon of the bacon grease. Cover and cook until cabbage is tender, stirring constantly. When the cabbage is tender, add 1 teaspoon of sugar and continue cooking until the cabbage is brown. Watch very carefully as the cabbage can burn easily. Repeat the above until all the cabbage has been prepared.

Your comments and questions about cooking and entertaining will be addressed in this monthly column. Write to "Ask Annie" c/o Annie Ennis, 17050 SE 91st Culvert Court, The Villages, FL 32162. So Ask Annie. Don't forget you can E-mail me at acumis@thevillages.net. And let's get cooking.