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- LITERATURE:** What is the name of the clown in Stephen King's horror novel *It*?
- ASTRONOMY:** How often does Halley's Comet appear in the Earth's sky?
- U.S. STATES:** Which state has the most electoral votes in 2024?
- MOVIES:** In *Jurassic Park*, what kind of container is used to store stolen dinosaur embryos?
- ART:** Which art movement is Salvador Dali associated with?
- AD SLOGANS:** Which car manufacturer used the ad slogan "Quality is Job 1"?
- TELEVISION:** Which TV show spawned the spinoff comedy/drama *Maude*?
- FOOD & DRINK:** What is the main ingredient in falafel?
- GEOGRAPHY:** What is the world's shortest river?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What are a crab's pincers called?

ANSWERS

- Pennywise.
- On average, every 76 years.
- California (54).
- A canister that looks like a Barbasol Shaving Cream can.
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NEWS FROM THE REAL WORLD & CYBERSPACE

Loteria Night

Who doesn't love good food, good times, and good prizes? Well, you can get all of them at Loteria or Mexican Bingo nights at a downtown Houston restaurant, Space City Birria. Once a week the small family-style eatery hosts people of all ages for Mexican Bingo Night. You'll hear owner Humberto Martinez belting into the microphone, "Welcome everyone to Thursday night's Loteria!" Martinez explained the game is a popular tradition for Mexican families. "It always brings me back to my childhood," he said. "How we had so much fun around the table and forgot all our troubles." After the COVID pandemic shutdowns emptied out downtown, Martinez looked for ways to draw back customers and he came up with Loteria Night. Prizes include tickets or meals at downtown venues. "That way if somebody won a prize, they'd have to come back to downtown to redeem it," he said. The game plan worked.

Targeting a Lost Audience

Dabbers Social Bingo in Houndsditch, London recently held an event to name their "Next Top Bingo Caller 2023." Contestants were whittled down to a final four in the fight to win the coveted title, as well as a cash prize and a 12-month contract to be its next bingo caller. The runner-up would also win a year-long supply of Malibu, an event sponsor. Bingo is often seen as something you either do in your early or later years; the in-between demographic often gets left out. Established in 2018, Dabbers aims at 20- to 50-somethings by incorporating high-energy performers, comedians, drag queens, dancing and drinks, making for a rather chaotic but enertaining night for the 18+ crowd.

Super Bingo Giveaway at Plaza

The Plaza Hotel & Casino, known for its Bingo room in downtown Las Vegas, is introducing an exciting opportunity – the \$20,000 Super Bingo Giveaway. Players can earn 10 drawing tickets for each Super Bingo 2-day tournament they participate in. The scheduled tournaments for 2023 were held September 11–13, October 9–11 and another will be held this month, November 27–29. More tournaments are scheduled to take place from January 5-7, February 5-7, March 4-6, April 8-10 and May 6-8 in 2024. The giveaway drawing will take place on day 2 of the Super Bingo event on 5 June 2024. Players can enter the June 2024 competition for free if they participate in three or more Super Bingo events up until May 2024. In the Plaza's ballroom, Super Bingo draws around 1,000 players from all over the nation, including Hawaii and Canada.

Big and Bigger Ohio Prize

At press time, there was still no big winner in the pull-tab jackpot at the Holy Apostles Parish Bingo game in Austintown, Ohio. The jackpot had already climbed to \$30,200 but with no winner yet again the jackpot for the following Friday was set at \$31,200, creating a line of ninety people waiting in line afterward to buy tickets for the next event. The jackpot started in November 2021 with 100 numbers. It's the largest jackpot in the 30-year history of the Holy Apostles Bingo game. The weekly Bingo game is the parish's primary revenue source, and it's held every Friday night at Austintown's Wedgewood Plaza.



PICKS OF THE MONTH

Elemental (PG) — Pixar's latest film is out now on streaming after garnering \$484.2 million in the box office and getting deemed a "sleeper hit." Starring Leah Lewis (*Nancy Drew*) and Mamoudou Athie (*Archive 81*), this film for the whole family follows fire element Ember as she starts to run her father's convenience store, The Fireplace, in Fire Town. But when Ember accidentally floods the store, city inspector and water element Wade files a report that could get the business shut down. It's up to Ember to save the store, alongside Wade, if she can control her fiery temper. Catherine O'Hara and Wendi McLendon-Coverly co-star. (Disney+)

No One Will Save You (PG-13) — Kaitlyn Dever (*Booksmart*) leads this sci-fi thriller out now. Dever stars as Brynn Adams, a young woman living a lonely life in her childhood home. One night, Brynn is awoken in the middle of the night by home intruders. As the intruders creep into her home, Brynn realizes that they are far from human. With no choice but to face off with these extraterrestrial beings, Brynn is pushed forward to her new future by confronting the demons of her past. The film is directed by Brian Duffield, whose previous work includes *The Babysitter* and *Underwater*. (Hulu)

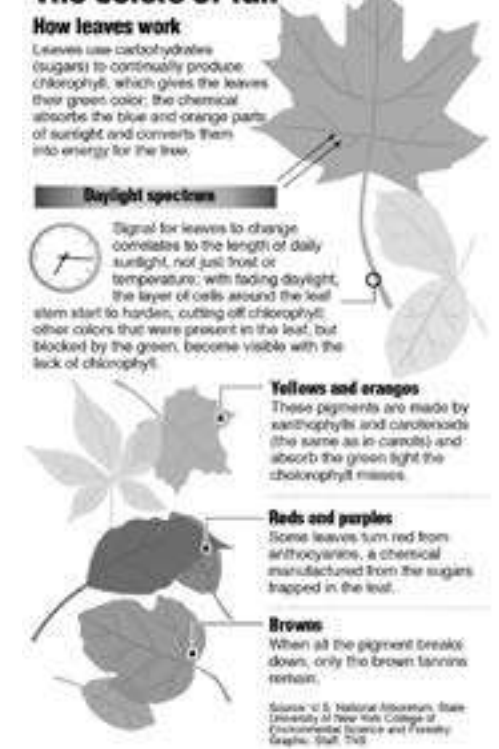
Young Love (TV-PG) — After Matthew A. Cherry's short film *Hair Love* won Best

Animated Short Film at the 92nd Academy Awards, a series based on the short film was put into development, and it has now made its way to streaming platforms. Starring Kid Cudi (*House Party*) and Issa Rae (*Insecure*), the series follows young millennial parents Stephen and Angela and their daughter, Zuri (and their cat, Rocky). Stephen and Angela juggle work-life balance, social issues and multi-generational dynamics, along with raising Zuri and helping her achieve her best life. The show is reminiscent of *The Proud Family* providing much-needed authentic representation. (Max)

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Gaming News

Slots Are Popular Online Too

How big is online casino gambling? Gross gaming revenue (GGR) in the only six states that allow internet gaming is approaching a half-billion dollars. A month. One of them is Delaware, which grosses about \$1 million. The biggies are Michigan and New Jersey, which flip-flop back and forth for most monthly GGR at \$150 million, give or take 10%, and Pennsylvania is always a close third. Another indication of internet gaming popularity is the number of slot games available. According to PlayMichigan's count, Michigan's fifteen online casinos offer an astounding 8,958 of them. Three of the casinos—BetMGM, BetRivers and WynnBet—feature more than 1,000 each, with more than 350 progressive jackpots.

Last Minute Change Nets Big Win

A Tampa, Florida woman's last-minute change to her recent bet at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino led to a \$1,253,321.04 win on a \$12.50 bet, the casino said. "She decided to put one last bill in the machine before she left and changed her bet from \$5.00 to \$12.50 and won BIG!" The slot game the woman played was the Dollar Storm.

Virginia Gets Gaming Boost

Virginia is collecting more tax revenue from sports betting and casinos than fiscal analysts predicted four years ago when the state was considering legalizing more types of gambling. Taxes from sports betting more than doubled in fiscal year 2023, according to recent Virginia Lottery figures, jumping to \$67 million from \$27 million the prior year. Four years ago, a state gambling

study predicted Virginia could see up to \$55 million in annual tax revenue from sports betting once the industry was "fully developed." The revenue increase was driven largely by a recent tax policy change that prevented established sports betting companies like FanDuel and DraftKings from deducting the cost of free bet promotions and other wagering bonuses from their state tax bill. However, the total amount Virginians wagered on sports betting also grew, rising from roughly \$4.2 billion in fiscal year 2022 to \$5.1 billion in fiscal year 2023. Virginia lawmakers voted to legalize sports betting in 2020, and digital sports betting platforms went live in the state in early 2021. "You can see pretty clearly a sharp growth trend in collections for the first three years," former Virginia Lottery Executive Director Kelly Gee said during a presentation to the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee. "It's impossible to know if this activity will continue at this rate," Gee said. "But it's an impressive start by all measures."

New ND Casino Moves Ahead

The Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation along with 4 Bears Casino, DSGW Architecture and Woodstone Inc., recently announced the ground blessing for the new Son of Star Casino in White Shield. The 37,000-square-foot casino, which is set to open in 2026, will be just south of the powwow grounds. It will feature 230 slot machines, six table games, a sports book, poker room, restaurant, gift shop, campground and coffee shop. Future phases include a convenience store, hotel and event center. The casino is designed to reflect the culture and traditions of the MHA Nation. The exterior of the building will feature a traditional Native American design, and the interior will be decorated with Native American art and artifacts. The casino interior design will feature four quadrants of natural elements representing fire, water, earth and wind.



Fight Club

Kate and I were a little late getting to Bingo at a recent session, and so found our seats in the very first row in front of the caller. It turned out to be the "cane table" as three players with canes were already seated there and two more joined us straightaway. We introduced ourselves to the other players and readied for play. The first three games were unremarkable, but then the fun started. One player challenged another's Bingo and reached across to grab his card. It was apparent these people all knew each other well, but I could not tell how lighthearted the challenge was. It seemed rather serious at the time, but soon they were all laughing and clowning around. The challenged player's card was a good Bingo, and we moved on to the next game.

This time when someone at our table won, another "caner" leaped up and grabbed for his card. The winner was having none of it, however, and snatched his card out of reach. A floor worker arrived just in time to prevent a tussle, though they were certainly verbal.

"You people have to calm down," said the floor worker, "or I'll have to ask you to leave."

"Leave?!" challenged the noisiest one. "Why you can't ask us to leave. The bus doesn't come for another two hours."

"Well, just be quieter," said the floor worker, beating a retreat.

We went on to the next game, a big H as well as a little h, when the fussing began again. Players can have trouble with these double games, so I was preparing to help when Joe leaped up, grabbing his cane and yelled, "Bingo, by damn. I got a Bingo!"

Ralph challenged him as predicted and a big fuss began. Then Joe leaned across the table putting most of his weight on his cane, which allowed Ralph to knock his cane out from under him sending him right back into his chair. He was unhurt by this unexpected return to his seat, but angry about the insult to his dignity.

"What'd you go and do that for?" he yelled at Ralph.

"Oh, you were just being too picky," said Ralph. "I wanted to calm you down."

The head floor worker came over. "That's your last chance," she said. "Any more fussing and you two are both out of here." The boys looked chagrined, but with grins lurking under their meek expressions.

"Yes, Ma'am," they both said. Soon we were on to the final game, an Indian star, one of my personal favorites and I thought it was about time I won one. We played a regular Bingo on the way, which was won by someone far away in the room. Then Ralph, Joe and I were all on at the same time and we each began chanting the number we wanted.

"Come on 63," said Ralph, "Daddy needs a new cane. Come on."

I thought this distracting enough to almost lose my concentration when Joe started chanting, "Bring me 45. Bring me 45. I need a new walker."

But someone else won and I left the hall wondering how they might try to clobber each other at the next Bingo session.

ANIMAL CRACKERS

By Fred Wagner



Gasoline Alley

By Jim Scancarelli



BOB ON BINGO

By Bob Whittmore
Super Bingo Trouper

I have always thought that one of the really fun things about playing Bingo are daubers. We take them for granted, you know. Generally, daubers are all nearly the same size. There are, though, some that are a bit larger and some are what you might call tiny. The ink used in most daubers is non-toxic.

All this reminds me of a woman named Gloria whom I used to see at Bingo in Las Vegas. She had a special bag in which she brought her daubers. She must have had thirty or more of them. One night I noticed that some of her daubers had ink that looked really strange. I had never seen such odd colors. I eventually found that she was actually mixing the ink together. She had a small pair of pliers in her bag and would keep topping-off her daubers by filling some with others that were running out.

Although her cards were daubed with some really odd colors, her system seemed

to work well until one night. While she had the tops off two of her daubers, someone came by and accidentally bumped into her chair. Suddenly, she had dauber ink all over her dress and the table and herself. Worse still, she got it all over her hands and face and her Bingo cards were splashed with ink. It took a good week for her to finally wash the last traces of ink from her face.

The neat thing was that she took it in stride. She asked for some help in cleaning up the mess and then went on as if nothing had happened. She was a real BINGO TROUPER. It is people like Gloria who provide the kind of memories that allow all of us to have wonderful stories to tell about the game we love the best.

If you have a minute, take a deep breath and close your eyes and think of all the special people you have met over the years at Bingo. Sadly, for some of us many of them aren't around anymore. But they entered our lives and made them better and more fun and gave us wonderful memories.

My most vivid memory is of my Grandmother. She was my dad's mother and the only grandparent I knew. The other three had died before I was born. It was she who brought me to Bingo back in 1957, back BEFORE

daubers, when we marked our cards with kernels of corn. She had survived the Great Depression on a bottomland farm in rural Indiana. She had raised four sons and seen them go on to better lives. She deserved a little rest and relaxation. Bingo was HER game. I can still see her smile, even when she didn't win.

Next month we'll be checking the mailbox bingo@earthlink.net.

KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Q: I recently inherited what I think is an original Shirley Temple doll from my grandmother's estate. What can you tell me about it?

A: In the 1930s during the Depression, toddler Shirley Temple was credited with keeping spirits up and movie theaters afloat. Dolls made in her image were also popular. They were first licensed and made by Ideal Novelty and Toy Co. of New York in 1934, and they are still popular with collectors. Early dolls were made with a mixture of glue, sawdust and other materials called "composition." Vinyl dolls were made after 1957. Shirley Temple composition dolls from the 1930s have sold recently for about \$50 to over \$1,000. Price is determined by the doll's size, costume, condition and whether it has its original tags, box and script Shirley Temple pin.

TIP: Don't turn on the porch light if you will be gone for a long time. It tells everyone that you are away. Install a photocell light that automatically turns on at dusk and off at daylight.

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The Bucknoll Cottage Chronicles by Mary Lowengard

Sex and the City meets *Under the Tuscan Sun*—but no sex, no city and in the Poconos. A wild ride following the author's journey that begins with her impulse purchase of a little more of a country house (aka cottage) than she really needed.

In for the penny, in for the pound, she relays her tales of fixing it up and entertaining house guests, in addition to battling bugs, supporting the local economy (rodeo, anyone?), and dealing with the vicissitudes of weather, storage, gardening, yoga, installing an illegal clothesline and more.

This book will give readers a greater appreciation for the joys and challenges of country living. What else is in it for you? A cautionary tale, a good story and a hearty laugh.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: A PICKLE BEFORE PICKLING

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- Garlic
- Ginger
- Lemon
- Lime
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- Pineapple
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FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS

SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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SCRAMBLERS

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

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"Do you have something a little ... ? I'd like my family think I actually baked it."

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

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Print your answer here: ○○○○○○○○○○○



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

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- Double Action (cons \$500)
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- **\$2,500 Super Bonanza Jackpot (cons \$500)
- **Pick 8 Progressive 20# or less (cons \$1,199)

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DEAR AUNT BINGO

by Bonnie Mitchell

FLASHBOARD NUMBERS

B:	03	04	08	10	14
I:	17	21	23	24	28
N:	31	34	35	37	39
G:	47	53	55	57	60
O:	61	63	68	69	71

Staffer Makes Bingo a Bummer

Dear Aunt Bingo,
 I play at a Bingo hall in Michigan and have been playing there for years. There are two people that are rude and very loud. They joke and play all the time. They yell across the Bingo hall all the time. We have complained many times about them, but nothing is done. One of them works for the Bingo hall on one of the nights I play. The people that run the hall are her friends, so nothing gets done about it. They don't care what they say to anyone.

I know Bingo is a place for socializing, but this is too much. There are lots of players that want to leave the hall, but it's close to home and we have been coming for years. If I call the state, I don't want to get the hall in trouble, so what do I do? These two are a real piece of work! If I must say so, the whole hall is afraid of the crew.

—Please Help, Michigan

Dear Help,
 The minute you mentioned that one of these players is also a worker at this hall, you provided a very important piece of information. The behavior you describe is one that I have seen not only in Bingo halls,

but in other places as well: Someone who works at an establishment—a sales clerk, a cashier, a waiter, and yes, even a Bingo volunteer—sees their workplace as their “turf” and may sometimes get a little too comfortable there during off hours.

I have stood in line at the grocery checkout waiting impatiently as a clerk spends three minutes buying a candy bar and gabbing with the cashier. I have waited in the aisle of a box store trying to get a worker's attention while he is otherwise occupied chit-chatting with a coworker instead of doing his job. I suspect that these workers have no clue how irritating this behavior is to customers.

In your case, the Bingo worker is on her own time, enjoying Bingo, in a place where she also sometimes works. As a result, she feels a degree of ownership and authority to do whatever she pleases—and apparently is bringing her Bingo buddy along for the ride.

I'm surprised no one in charge of the Bingo hall has asked her to tone it down. But because they haven't, I'm afraid she will feel no inclination to change her behavior. Perhaps a group of you could find a way to speak to the manager in private, saying that you think the behavior you describe is scaring off players which means less money for the charity. Short of that, or some brave soul approaching her and asking her politely if she wouldn't mind taking it down a notch, I think you're stuck.

As far as contacting the state authorities to complain, that would be a waste of time. They are only responsible for the games running properly, not how players behave in the hall. That is completely the responsibility of management. —Aunt Bingo

Savvy Senior

by Jim Miller

Preventing Falls

Dear Savvy Senior,
 My 80-year-old mother, who lives alone, has fallen several times over the past year. Are there any extra precautions you recommend that can help her with this? —Worried Daughter

Dear Worried,
 Falls are a big concern for many elderly seniors and their families. Each year, more than 1-in-4 older Americans fall, making it the leading cause of both fatal and nonfatal injuries for those age 65 and older. But many falls can be prevented. Depending on what's causing your mom to fall, here are some different tips that can help prevent it.

ENCOURAGE EXERCISE
 Weak leg muscles and poor balance are two of the biggest risk factors that cause seniors to fall. Walking, strength training and tai chi are all good for improving balance and strength, as are a number of balance exercises your mom can do anytime like standing on one foot for 30 seconds then switching to the other foot, and walking heel-to-toe across the room. For additional balance and leg strengthening exercises, see the National Institute on Aging's (NIA) Exercise and Physical Activity website at NIA.NIH.gov/health/exercise-physical-activity.

REVIEW HER MEDICATIONS
 Does your mom take any medicine, or combination of medicines, that make her dizzy, sleepy or lightheaded? If so, make a list or gather up all the drugs she takes—prescriptions and over the counter—and contact her doctor or pharmacist for a drug review and adjustment.

GET A VISION TEST
 Poor vision can be another contributor to falls, so your mom should get her eyes checked once a year and be sure to update her eyeglasses if needed. Also be aware that if your mom wears bifocal or progressive

lenses, they too can cause falls, especially when walking outside or going down steps. These lenses can affect depth perception, so she may want to get a pair of glasses with only her distance prescription for outdoor activities.

FALL-PROOF HER HOME

There are a number of simple household modifications you can do to make your mom's living area safer. Start by helping her arrange or move the furniture so there are clear pathways to walk through and pick-up items on the floor that could cause her to trip like newspapers, shoes, clothes, electrical or phone cords. If she has small area rugs, remove them or use double-sided tape to secure them. In the bathroom buy nonskid rugs for the floors and a rubber suction-grip mat or adhesive non-skid tape for the floor of the tub or shower, and have a carpenter install grab bars in and around the tub/shower for support. Also, make sure the lighting throughout the house is good, purchase plug-in nightlights for bathrooms and hallways, and if she has stairs, put handrails on both sides. For more tips, see the NIA Fall-Proofing Your Home web page at NIA.NIH.gov/health/fall-proofing-your-home.

CHOOSE SAFE FOOTWEAR

Going barefoot or wearing slippers or socks at home can also cause falls, as can wearing backless shoes, high heels, and shoes with smooth leather soles. The safest option for your mom is rubber-sole, low-heel shoes.

PURCHASE SOME HELPFUL AIDS

If your mom needs some additional help getting around, get her a cane or walker. Also, to help ensure your mom's safety, and provide you some peace of mind, consider getting her a medical alert device that comes with a wearable emergency button that would allow her to call for help.



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Just in Time for Thanksgiving—It's Fun Turkey Facts!

Turkeys are interesting big birds with some fun facts worth knowing. While you're waiting on your holiday bird to bake, or the Tofurky to cool, enjoy these fascinating tidbits of turkey trivia:

1. Turkeys and Thanksgiving: Turkeys are a central part of Thanksgiving celebrations in the United States. Each year, millions of turkeys are consumed on Thanksgiving Day. President Abraham Lincoln is often credited with establishing Thanksgiving as a national holiday in the United States in 1863.
2. Turkeys Are Symbolic in Other Cultures: Turkeys are not only associated with Thanksgiving in the United States. In Mexico, the ocellated turkey is considered sacred by the ancient Maya, and in some cultures, they symbolize abundance and good fortune.
3. Turkeys Can Fly: Contrary to the common belief that turkeys can't fly, they can indeed fly, but only for short distances. Wild turkeys are quite agile flyers and can fly at speeds of up to 55 miles per hour for short bursts.
4. Turkey Lingo: A group of turkeys is called a "rafter" or a "gang." Young turkeys are

called "poults," while adult males are called "toms" or "gobblers," and adult females are called "hens." Baby turkeys are often referred to as "chicks."

5. Turkeys and Benjamin Franklin: Benjamin Franklin once wrote a letter to his daughter in which he humorously suggested that the wild turkey would be a more suitable symbol for the United States than the bald eagle. He described the turkey as "a bird of courage" and "a true original Native of America."

6. Turkeys Can Change Color: The skin on a turkey's head and neck can change color, ranging from red to white to blue, depending on its mood. This color-changing ability is often used in communication among turkeys.

7. Social Birds: Turkeys are social animals and live in flocks. They have a hierarchical social structure where dominant males, or toms, compete for the attention of hens during mating season.

8. Turkeys Have Excellent Vision: Turkeys have a wide field of vision, approximately 270 degrees, which helps them detect predators from almost any angle. However, their vision is less effective in low light.

9. Turkeys Can Run Fast: Although they are not known for their speed, domestic turkeys can run at speeds of up to 20-25 miles per hour. This is their primary means of escape from predators.

10. Turkey Trots: The term "turkey trot" refers to a dance that was popular in the early 20th century. It is characterized by fast, syncopated steps, somewhat mimicking the awkward, jerky movements of a turkey.

11. Turkeys Have a Beard: Male turkeys, known as toms or gobblers, often have a beard, which is a cluster of long, coarse feathers on their chest. This beard can grow up to 12 inches long.

12. Turkey Talk: The distinctive gobble of a male turkey can be heard from a mile away. It's used to attract females during mating season and establish dominance among males.

Now go forth and impress your friends and family with your amazing knowledge of turkeys. They'll probably cheer, applaud, and give you a medal... a turkey-shaped medal, of course.

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Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

★ The small dots on strawberries are known as “drupelets” and are not seeds, as often thought, but do contain seeds.

★ A dog named Chickie seemed like anything but man’s best friend when she chewed up her owner’s passport just days before his wedding in Italy. Fortunately, with a little help from local lawmakers as well as the community, a new one was issued in time for the nuptials to take place. As for Chickie, she was later given a mock “pupster passport”!

★ Culinary icon Ina Garten, aka the “Barefoot Contessa,” was a nuclear policy analyst for the White House before embarking on a career in cookery.

★ A roll-on deodorant ball was the inspiration for Apple’s first mouse prototype.

★ Despite their widely different climates, Alaska and Hawaii share a highest recorded temperature of 100 F.

★ Popular video game character Super Mario’s original name was Jumpman. He was rechristened in honor of Mario Segale, Nintendo of America’s landlord.

★ A 2016 study by Yale University found that people over the age of 50 who read books for more than three and a half hours per week had a 20% lower mortality risk over a 12-year period than nonbook readers.

★ To own a rabbit in Queensland, Australia, you must first prove you’ll display it for an acceptable purpose.

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Judge Janet E. was ready to lay down the law at Saint Joseph High School Bingo!



Ama and Denise became fast friends at Saint Joseph High School Bingo!



Turkeys, Sinkies and Vets

"We can't all be heroes; someone has to sit on the curb and clap as the veterans parade by." —Roy Rogers

Most Americans consume 105 pounds of turkey per year. That means you have the rest of November and December to reach your quota. Ben Franklin called them birds of bad moral character. My father agreed and would not eat turkey under any circumstances. Therefore, the only turkey my family ate was at someone else's house and we didn't miss its absence. Did you know wild turkeys can fly short distances at up to 55 miles/hour; but grocery store turkeys are bred to provide more meat with large breasts that hinder flying. Turkeys have over 20 vocalizations including a distinctive gobble by males that can be heard a mile away; females make a clicking noise almost like a purr. Tom turkeys have more warts than their female counterparts who weigh half as much as males. Score two points for all lady turkeys. Anyway, whether a turkey fan or not, Thanksgiving is a time to remember all for which we are thankful. And as my annual tradition dictates, I say thank you to my *Bingo Bugle* publisher, those who include my column in their monthly

Bugles, to the staff who run the bingos, and to my faithful readers like my #1 fans Chris and Caroline; the Popes; my wonderful husband; and all others who encourage my efforts to inform and/or give you a laugh. All comments are encouraged and welcomed via nlpvzw6172@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving is for family get togethers, so play some bingo. Everyone can participate including kids. Keep it simple with some fun inexpensive prizes like turkey candy, turkey hats; puzzles & games; the funnier the better. Try playing B and O bingo, marking the B and O rows only, and whoever bingos has to holler I have B O. On other games make winners gobble or walk like a turkey. Free printable Thanksgiving bingo cards are available online at The Best Ideas for Kids. Check it out. Quality time with loved ones is worth the effort and you make memories that last a lifetime.

November 26th is National Sinkie Day, a habit that annoys me no end. A sinkie dines while standing at the sink; my husband being guilty as sin. I prepare my plate, usually head for the couch, and eat while seated. Admittedly, his crumbs and debris do hit the sink while mine fall into my lap but standing to eat is not my cup of tea. I think he does it to annoy me and it works. For those sinkies who like midnight snacks, this habit might be forgiven on Thanksgiving evening. The yummy leftovers are in your fridge, Daylight Savings Time ended on November 5, so you have an extra hour to eat! Then, put your dirty utensils in the sink and no one has to watch your eating acrobatic balancing act. Don't forget Veterans Day is November 11, a federal holiday that honors ALL who have served in the United States military in war or peace; living or dead. This differs from Memorial Day held in May to honor those who died in our nation's wars. Until next month, may Lady Luck blow you kisses as you dance out the door with dollars. Win big, be blessed, and be thankful.



Morongo Earns Coveted AAA Four-Diamond Rating For 18th Year

The world-class Inland Empire resort continues to accumulate fresh honors for its luxurious amenities and exquisite dining.

MORONGO CASINO, RESORT & SPA – For the 18th year, the American Automobile Association (AAA) has honored the Morongo Casino Resort & Spa with a AAA Four-Diamond rating for 2024 as a beloved resort destination in Southern California.

"Morongo is delighted to have our unmatched hospitality and resort amenities recognized with a AAA Four-Diamond rating for an astonishing 18th year," said Morongo's Chief Operating Officer Richard St. Jean. "Earning yet another AAA Four-Diamond honor is a wonderful validation of our continuing focus on providing our guests with an exceptional experience that exceeds their expectations."

Unlike online review sites, the AAA Diamond rankings evaluate the largest number of hotels and restaurants of any rating system, using professionally trained inspectors and published guidelines to conduct annual unannounced hotel and restaurant evaluations.

Out of the tens of thousands of hotels that AAA evaluates annually, only a small percentage receive the Four Diamond Award, making it one of the most prestigious awards in the hospitality industry.

A Four Diamond rating from AAA indicates that the property is upscale in all areas, accommodations are more refined and stylish, and there is an enhanced level of quality throughout. Hallmarks of AAA Four Diamond hotels include an extensive array of amenities, a high degree of hospitality and service, attention to detail, and high standards for cleanliness and safety.

Morongo is also home to the Cielo Steakhouse, a critically-acclaimed dining venue set atop Morongo's 27-story tower – the tallest building in Riverside County. Having received AAA Four-Diamond ratings for 12 consecutive years, Cielo offers guests spectacular views of the surrounding mountains and gourmet meals from a menu that features classic steakhouse fare and delectable seafood specialties.

Recognized by Open Table Diners' Choice as one of the most romantic restaurants in the Palm Springs area, Cielo accolades also include earning a coveted Wine Spectator Restaurant Award of Excellence from Wine Spectator magazine for the past seven years. The award recognizes Cielo's extensive wine lists and sommelier-crafted pairings.

About the Morongo Casino, Resort & Spa

The AAA-Four Diamond Morongo Casino Resort & Spa is located along the 10 Freeway near Palm Springs, Calif. Owned and operated by the Morongo Band of Mission Indians, the Morongo Casino Resort & Spa offers the hottest slots and an array of table and high-limit gaming at one of the largest tribal gaming centers in the United States. The towering 27-story resort features six top-rated restaurants, a stunning swimming pool with private cabanas, a world-class spa, legendary live entertainment and, nearby, the 36-hole championship Morongo Golf Club at Tukwet Canyon. For more information, visit www.morongocasinosort.com



Morongo Unveils Plush New High Limit Slot Room

Ribbon cutting ceremony christened a highly anticipated salon that blends casual elegance and comfort with the excitement of high stakes wagering.

MORONGO CASINO, RESORT & SPA – Guests and tribal leaders recently gathered to welcome the plush new High Limit Slot Room to the Morongo Casino Resort & Spa at an exclusive ribbon-cutting celebration held on Thursday, September 28.

Carefully designed to set the new standard for luxury high-stakes slots gaming, the highly anticipated salon offers more than 170 of the most popular, state-of-the-art slot machines arrayed in a comfortably elegant setting. The space includes a private bar stocked with premium liquors and access to a decadent game-side dining menu. Guests will also have access to elite high limit promotions not offered elsewhere in the casino.

Those at the VIP ribbon cutting celebration were the first to experience the salon's ambiance as they enjoyed special hors d'oeuvres and a swag bag of

goodies to commemorate the occasion. Following the ceremony, the High Limit Slot Room was opened to all guests at the casino.

"We are thrilled to welcome guests to our new High Limit Slot Room catering to those who prefer a high-stakes gaming experience," said Richard St. Jean, Morongo's Chief Operating Officer. "Morongo believes our high limit guests deserve an elevated gaming experience, and we are confident that they will absolutely love the newest addition to our gaming floor."

The grand opening launched a month-long celebration in the High Limit Slot Room, including:

- **2023 Lucid Air Pure Luxury Car Giveaway:** Guest can earn chances to drive away in a 2023 Lucid Air Pure or share in a whopping \$100,000 in cash



prizes by gaming in the High Limit Slot Room beginning at midnight on Oct. 6 until 7:59 pm on Oct. 8 when a thrilling prize drawing will be conducted. Ten lucky winners will each claim \$10,000, and one guest will win the luxurious new electric vehicle.

- **\$100,000 Hot Seat Drawing:** From 10 am to 10 pm on Oct. 7, two Morongo Rewards members will be drawn every 30 minutes for a chance to win up to \$5,000.

- **Meet Lady Luck:** Renown social media influencer Lady Luck at @LadyLuckHQ will be on-hand for an invitation-only tournament starting at 10 am on Oct. 7. With over 200,000 online followers, Lady Luck (aka Francine Marie) will be offering guests a chance to win special prizes and to become social media stars throughout the weekend.

- **\$300,000 High Limit Hot Seats:** Every Saturday and Sunday from Oct. 14 to Oct. 29, two Morongo Rewards members will be drawn every 30 minutes from 10 am to 10 pm for the opportunity to win up to \$2,500 in cash.

The High Limit Slot Room joins other recent additions to Morongo's gaming and dining options, from the opening of a new bingo hall and poker room at Casino Morongo to The Marketplace by Fabio Viviani, a one-of-a-kind luxury food hall on the floor of the Morongo Casino Resort & Spa.

Los Angeles Times readers recently named the Morongo Casino Resort & Spa as the "Best Casino in the Southland," citing the resort's beautifully renovated suites and rooms, exquisite dining choices and thrilling mix of gaming.



I am a very healthy 74-year-old woman. I don't take any medications other than a Prolia injection twice a year. I recently started taking 20 g of grass-fed collagen peptides powder, which contains all kinds of amino acids. Will this benefit my hair, skin, nails and joints, as the label suggests? — **S.H.**

ANSWER: I'd like to tell you it will help, but there isn't a lot of evidence it does. My anecdotal experience has shown me that only a few people get benefit.

It is true that deficiency of amino acids can lead to poorly grown skin and nails, but it's not at all clear that giving extra collagen will help people who have a healthy diet.

Just to put things in perspective, 1 cup of chicken or beef stock contains about 10 g of collagen, which your body then breaks down into amino acids. I'm guessing that would be less expensive than the supplement.

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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* You can plant deciduous trees (trees that lose their leaves in the fall) strategically in order to reduce your heating and cooling costs. Their leaves grow in the spring, blocking summer's heating rays, but when winter comes, they fall off to let the sun in, warming things up a bit.

* Keep nail-polish bottles easy to open by rubbing a little bit of petroleum jelly inside the cap of the bottle.

* **M.C. in Arizona** would like to know some alternative uses for hair conditioner. Here goes: use as a shaving lotion for legs or face; a makeup remover; ouch-free bandage removal; soften makeup brushes or paintbrushes before storage; get knots out of doll hair or costume wigs; wash delicates (think silks and pantyhose); rub on a shower rod to help curtain glide effortlessly; and lastly, soak a shrunken sweater in a conditioner/water solution to soften the fibers, then gently try stretching the sweater back to size.

* "Clean an egg carton very well. Flip it over and make slits in each egg cup. This works wonders as a child's card holder for card games." — **L.P. in Maryland**

* Use an empty paper towel roll to store plastic grocery bags. Just stuff to capacity. These "bag sticks" are easy to store in a drawer or even mounted on the side of a trash can with double-stick tape.

* When cleaning glass tabletops or chrome fixtures, try using newspaper instead of paper towels or rags. There is no lint left behind, and newspaper gives a better shine.

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

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Congratulations to Danette who won \$200 at 40 Martys



Bingo brings families together! Posing for a family photo are Audry T., Donna C., Missy T., Henry C., Francoise C. at St. John Bosco High School



Avoid Misplaying These Hands

After decades of playing blackjack, I can truly say I have “seen it all.” For example, I watched in horror recently as a player started to double down on a 10-4 (14). The other players and I thought the player didn’t understand what he was holding so we tried to explain that doubling down on a hand that could bust with one draw card was not a smart play. But our advice fell on deaf ears and he did what he wanted to do. Sure enough, he drew a picture card and busted, losing twice his original wager in the processes. As bad as that play was, trust me when I say I have seen worse. In fact, just a few days later I watched a clueless player stand on ace-4 when the dealer showed a 3. That’s really bad.

I often wonder why players make such foolish plays. Usually, it’s because of their ignorance about the game of blackjack. There is not much that you can do when this kind of player decides to make a foolish play other than to shake your head and hope that someday they will come to their senses and

buy a book on blackjack before they run out of money.

But even experienced players often make wrong plays, not because they don’t know any better, but because intuitively they feel the right play is wrong. Case in point—being dealt a pair of 8s when the dealer shows a 9 or 10. Most players are reluctant to split because even if you draw two 10s to the split 8s for pat 18 hands, they feel you’ll still probably lose two bets, instead of one, to the dealer’s 19 or 20.

On average, casinos have a 2% edge over the masses that play blackjack. That’s 1.5% more than a basic strategy player. This gives you some idea of how poorly the majority of the public plays a “beatable” game. What follows is a list of three hands that make most players uneasy and indecisive, and a brief explanation as to the logic behind the correct play. Hopefully, you won’t make a playing error the next time you are dealt one of these uncomfortable hands.

8s against a 10

The right play is to split the 10s. The reason is that two hands of 8 are a much better starting point when the dealer shows a 10 than a single hand of 16. You are giving yourself two decent starting hands while breaking up the horrible 16. Both of the split 8s will lose money in the long run, however the combined losses will be less than what a single hand of 16 would lose in the long run. Yes, it’s sometimes difficult to think long term when you are staring at your 8s and your ten bucks is on the felt. But the bottom line is that if you don’t have the courage to make this play, then you shouldn’t be playing blackjack.

12 against 2

Now here’s a horrific hand! Hit it and you just know you are going to draw a 10 and bust. But it turns out you have more chances of not busting then busting when you hit (you have a 9 in 13 chance of surviving the hit). Plus, the dealer is not as vulnerable with a 2 face card as they are with a 4, 5 or 6 which is another reason why you hit 12 against a 2 (and 3) but stand against a 4, 5, and 6.



Getting Creative with Carrots

Dear Annie,
My Mother-in-law loves carrots. Her birthday is in November and I would like to make her something special. Please help me find a new recipe to surprise her.
—Connie D. from Florida

Dear Connie,
Here are two of my favorite carrot recipes. Hope your “MIL” likes them too. —Annie

CASSEROLE CARROTS

- 6 carrots
- ½ stick butter
- ½ onion, chopped
- 1 green pepper, chopped
- 1 cup grated cheese (Velveeta or mozzarella)



Boil carrots in salted water until soft. Mash with a potato masher. Chop ½ onion and pepper and cook in butter until tender. Add the carrots. Put in a pie plate and sprinkle with the grated cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes or until brown. Serves 4 to 6.

CARROT RING

- 2 ½ cups grated carrots
- ½ cup blanched almonds, chopped
- 1 tsp. salt
- ½ tsp. pepper
- 1 tbsp. sugar
- 2 tbsp. melted butter
- 2 eggs, beaten lightly
- 1 cup cream

Beat eggs lightly, add cream, sugar, salt and pepper. Add carrots and almonds. Thoroughly grease ring mold and fill with carrot mixture. Pour the butter on top. Put mold in pan of water and cook at 350 degrees for 30 minute or until set. Fill center with peas, lima beans, etc. Serves 8 to 10.

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 aennis@thevillages.net. And let’s get cooking.

Top Ten Wettest Places on Earth

1. Mawsynram, India
 2. Cherrapunji, India
 3. Tutunendo, Colombia
 4. Cropp River, New Zealand
 5. San Antonio de Ureca, Bioko Island, Equatorial Guinea
 6. Debundscha, Cameroon, Africa
 7. Big Bog, Maui, Hawaii
 8. Mount Waialeale, Kuai, Hawaii
 9. Kukui, Maui, Hawaii
 10. Emei Shan, Sichuan Province, China
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Nevada Happenings

Fontainebleau Set to Open
It’s taken sixteen years since ground was broken for Fontainebleau (a.k.a. The Drew) to announce a grand-opening date, but they finally have: the \$3.7 billion 3,600-room resort-casino on the north Strip will open on December 13th. Two restaurants from the Miami Fontainebleau, Papi Steak and Komodo, will be recreated here; Komodo was the country’s top-grossing independent restaurant in 2022. The *Hollywood Reporter* describes Papi Steak as serving “massive slabs of meat in a signature ‘Beef Case.’ Inspired by the Marsellus Wallace briefcase in *Pulp Fiction*, the Beef Case is like bottle service for a steak. When someone orders a \$1,000 55-ounce Wagyu Tomahawk, they get a 60-second show with sparklers, an entrance song, lasers, all to present the slab of meat in a gold-lined bedazzled briefcase.”

Robot Workers at Sphere
The New York Post recently ran a story spotlighting “Aura, the world’s most humanoid robot.” Aura, along with four clones, will apparently greet visitors to Sphere in Vegas, as well as serve as a guide “who can answer questions about directions inside the arena and details of daily performances, along with “unique engineering and other aspects of the highly advanced technology.”

Junior’s Cheesecake Comes West
Founded in 1950 in the heart of Brooklyn on Flatbush Avenue (and DeKalb), Junior’s Cheesecake is opening its first location beyond the East Coast at Resorts World in Vegas. The original location remains in place 73 years later; Junior’s has three other locations, two in Times Square and the other at Foxwoods. This one will land across from Randy’s Donuts in a 300-seat room. Junior’s is renowned for the best cheesecake in the city and beyond. It’s also a full-service deli and New York-style diner, with a huge menu of breakfast items and soups, salads, sandwiches, steaks, seafood, barbecue, and chef’s specialties. We assume that the famous bakery will move west as well; Junior’s could turn into the go-to dessert place for its cheesecakes, pastries, brownies, cookies, ice cream sodas, shakes and malts, and of course rugelach.

Manilow Dethrones the King
He’s never going to loom as large over Las Vegas as Elvis Presley still does. But Barry Manilow has beaten one of the King’s famous records. After 38 years of headlining the showroom that Elvis built, Manilow—a Grammy, Tony, and Emmy winner with 12 US No. 1 singles—officially broke the King’s record by performing his 637th show at the Westgate this summer. Slow and steady won this race for the man who writes the songs (except for that song, which was written by Beach Boys member Bruce Johnston). Manilow, 80, took more than five times the seven years it took Presley to log 636 consecutive sold-out shows at what was first known as the International Hotel, and then the Las Vegas Hilton, from 1969 to 1976.

Casino Q&A

Q: I’m a slot hopper. I enjoy moving around and playing different slots. My wife, however, insists it’s better to stick with just one slot. Who’s right?

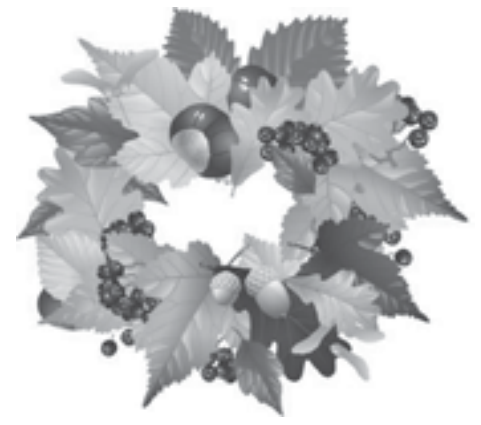
A: Mathematically speaking, with today’s slots it doesn’t really matter which way you choose to play. Slot directors today generally order roughly the same long-term payback percentage for all of their slots in a particular denomination. So, if all slots of a given denomination pay back pretty much the same, it makes little difference whether you stick to one slot or slot hop. But slot hopping does have its advantages. By moving about, you’re taking minibreaks and extending your bankroll and playing time. Playing a variety of machines also adds to your fun and enjoyment.

Q: I hear it’s best not to use a player’s club card since the IRS can get a hold of the casino’s records to see how much you’ve won or lost. Any truth to this?

A: No. Casinos give information to the IRS only when you hit a jackpot of \$1,200 or more on a single slot win (\$600 or more if the amount is at least 300 times the wager). The IRS is not concerned about the small wins of routine play at slot machines.

Q: What is a “nudge” slot machine?

A: It’s a machine that moves symbols onto the payline from just above or below after the reels have stopped spinning. The most common nudge machines are IGT’s Triple and Double Diamond Deluxe. When a bar symbol with a diamond on it lands just above or below the payline, that bar symbol moves (nudges) up or down to the payline. The nudge feature makes it possible for the player to have a winning spin even if no symbols land on the payline when the reels stop spinning.



Big Late Summer Jackpots
A slot player won \$1,520,751 on a Wheel of Fortune Gold Spin Triple Gold machine in late summer at the Golden Nugget. Around the same time a Texas visitor on her way home lined up the three jackpot symbols on a Wheel of Fortune Triple Double Emeralds machine at Harry Reid International Airport to take down the \$643,434 progressive.

LEO: July 23 to Aug. 22
1st thru 6th...
Advantages 4th-5th\$\$
7th thru 12th...
Wind hits your sail the 9th!
13th thru 18th...
You got this the 14th!
19th thru 24th...
Total HOTness 22nd-23rd
25th thru 30th...
Be YOU & win 28th\$\$

VIRGO: Aug. 23 to Sept. 22
1st thru 6th...
Ahead big time the 2nd\$\$
7th thru 12th...
Week starts/ends great!
13th thru 18th...
Hard card boon 16th-17th!
19th thru 24th...
Not optimal play time
25th thru 30th...
Good fortune 25th & 29th-30th\$\$

LIBRA: Sept. 23 to Oct. 23
1st thru 6th...
Late the 3rd to win!
7th thru 12th...
Distinctly possible the 9th
13th thru 18th...
All good 14th & 18th\$\$
19th thru 24th...
Not seeing it yet
25th thru 30th...
In the groove 27th-28th\$\$



Lucky Predictions for November 2023

ARIES: March 21 to April 19
1st thru 6th...
RED brings it 4th-5th
7th thru 12th...
Wouldn’t risk it
13th thru 18th...
Multiple chances 14th & 18th
19th thru 24th...
Not very likely
25th thru 30th...
Lucky you the 27th\$\$

TAURUS: April 20 to May 20
1st thru 6th...
Winnin’s good the 2nd\$\$
7th thru 12th...
Hit it 7th & 8th!
13th thru 18th...
Hard card bets 16th-17th
19th thru 24th...
BLUE does U good 20th-21st\$\$
25th thru 30th...
Something special 29th -30th

GEMINI: May 21 to June 21
1st thru 6th...
Luck pays a visit 4th-5th
7th thru 12th...
Best chances on the 9th!\$
13th thru 18th...
Wait ‘til the 18th!
19th thru 24th...
RED’s big 22nd-23rd\$\$
25th thru 30th...
Success! 27th-28th

CANCER: June 22 to July 22
1st thru 6th...
Big win the 2nd!\$\$
7th thru 12th...
Right on target the 12th
13th thru 18th...
Would not advise
19th thru 24th...
Flying high 20th & 25th!\$
25th thru 30th...
Time to shine 29th-30th\$\$

SCORPIO: Oct. 24 to Nov. 21
1st thru 6th...
Good goin’ the 2nd!\$
7th thru 12th...
Goes your way the 7th!\$
13th thru 18th...
Back in to win 16th-17th!
19th thru 24th...
PURPLE pays 20th-21st\$\$
25th thru 30th...
Worth the wait 29th\$\$

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 22 to Dec. 21
1st thru 6th...
Don’t go there just yet
7th thru 12th...
Friend persuades the 9th\$\$
13th thru 18th...
YELLOW bags it 18th!\$
19th thru 24th...
Direction correction 22nd-23rd\$\$
25th thru 30th...
YES the 28th!

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 to Jan. 19
1st thru 6th...
Patience (not yet)
7th thru 12th...
Fantastic! 7th & 12th
13th thru 18th...
Do what you know 16th!\$
19th thru 24th...
Pleasant surprises 20th-21st\$\$
25th thru 30th...
On top & staying there 25th!

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25th thru 30th...
On top & staying there 25th!

AQUARIUS: Jan. 20 to Feb. 18
1st thru 6th...
Sorry, not this time
7th thru 12th...
Several chances the 9th\$\$
13th thru 18th...
Worth your while the 14th!
19th thru 24th...
Early the 19th, then wait
25th thru 30th...
GREEN = \$\$ 28th

PISCES: Feb. 19 to March 20
1st thru 6th...
You make it look easy the 2nd!
7th thru 12th...
BLUE bundles it the 12th\$\$
13th thru 18th...
Hang in there 16th-17th
19th thru 24th...
Inspiring example 20th\$\$
25th thru 30th...
Try your luck the 29th!

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

PREDICTORS
LUCKY CARD FOR NOVEMBER 2023

10	29	40	47	70
11	23	35	56	69
1	27	★	51	62
12	20	43	59	71
3	16	31	53	68

MOON PHASES & SPECIAL EVENTS **NOVEMBER 2023**

2nd	Deviled Egg Day
5th	Daylight Saving Time Ends
5th	Last Quarter Moon ☾
6th	National Nacho Day
11th	Veterans Day
13th	New Moon 🌑
15th	America Recycles Day
20th	First Quarter Moon ☽
23rd	Thanksgiving Day
24th	Black Friday
27th	Full Moon 🌕
27th	Cyber Monday



Horoscopes for November 2023

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): It’s always the little things that we overlook that are most important. And this is doubly true for you in November. Make a concentrated effort to pay attention to details, especially if you’re entangled in a complicated relationship muddle. There’s a pressing puzzle that’s right under your nose and needs your courageous efforts to solve it.
Lucky Days: 1 - 22
Lucky Numbers: 2 - 18

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21): This is a month where the heat is turned up on whatever creative endeavor you’ve invested time and money into. But too many cooks in the kitchen can complicate your efforts. You’ll be required to make some critical decisions on your own. The new Moon on the 13th offers you a burst of enthusiasm that will carry you through the rest of the year.
Lucky Days: 4 - 13
Lucky Numbers: 8 - 11

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21): Mercury, your ruler opposes your sign this month. Remember that words can carry as much disruptive influence as ill-timed actions. You’ll need to strategize to get your message across to others now. Make your point and then move on; there’s no need to double down to get your way. The less pressure you apply, the speedier your movements will be. Streamlining is the key in November.
Lucky Days: 10 - 18
Lucky Numbers: 9 - 56

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22): The new Moon on the 13th optimizes your career. Pay particular attention to your psychic hunches; your prescience is primed to guide you to opportunities you’d have missed otherwise. Words of wisdom to live by this month from Jonas Salk: “Intuition will tell the thinking mind where to look next.” Give your imagination free rein to light a new light bulb over your head.
Lucky Days: 7 - 13
Lucky Numbers: 1 - 44

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): This month, you’re a live wire. Your energy level receives a nice boost during the new Moon on the 13th. But plan on being tested as you move forward. The world wants you to demonstrate the validity of what you’re doing and hoping to accomplish. Success depends on how well you demonstrate tact when trying situations.
Lucky Days: 23 - 27
Lucky Numbers: 5 - 32

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): Don’t let nerves get the best of you now. Avoid situations that disrupt your finely tuned nervous system; you don’t need the extra agitation. You’ll fare better by applying your sharp intellect to pursuits that require research and study. As the politician George Savile noted: “The man who is a master of patience is master of everything else.”
Lucky Days: 15 - 23
Lucky Numbers: 2 - 51

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): Your ruling planet, Venus, is in your sign this month, and that brings a glamorous glow to your bearing. And perhaps a lucky break if you’re willing to take some new chances. But there’s a more serious side to this transit, too—you’re discovering beautiful qualities about your character that you hadn’t seen before.
Lucky Days: 9 - 12
Lucky Numbers: 9 - 49

SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22): The new Moon on the 13th triggers a rush of creative energies. What’s the best way to channel this surfeit of enthusiasm? Start by doing what you do best, ridding yourself of the superfluous. The more you downsize, the quicker you’ll arrive at your goals this month. Keep this in mind from Picasso: “Art is the elimination of the unnecessary.”
Lucky Days: 23 - 26
Lucky Numbers: 2 - 41

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC 21): Albert Einstein once wrote: “If at first the idea is not absurd, then there is no hope for it.” Meditate on this notion as you go in search of your next big creative project. You’ll need to take risks and upset the status quo. But that’s where the gold is waiting to be discovered. Don’t be held back by those who feel threatened by your enthusiasm.
Lucky Days: 2 - 20
Lucky Numbers: 2 - 51

CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN 20): Organization is the keyword word for you now. But that’s OK—you operate best when you have a set of instructions in front of you. Discipline has always been the secret of your success. If there’s one area you need to stretch into this month, it’s the necessity to extend your social circle. You need allies now to help you move ahead.
Lucky Days: 1 - 5
Lucky Numbers: 33 - 39

AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19): Tension is sometimes necessary to get us to move away from a situation that offers diminishing returns. And you’ll need to boldly shift plans this month to put yourself on a refreshing track. Be willing to take careful, calculated risks. The payoffs will be worth the mild anxiety that change can trigger.
Lucky Days: 9 - 23
Lucky Numbers: 4 - 50

PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20): Saturn, the reality-check planet, is putting pressure on you to up your game. Now is the moment to demonstrate what you’ve worked hard to manifest to the world. This might feel like a depressing influence, but it’s a natural process that transforms your experience into newfound wisdom. The kind of knowledge that advances you into a surprising new path on your odyssey.
Lucky Days: 15 - 18
Lucky Numbers: 37 - 60

COFFEE BREAK ANSWERS

SCRAMBLER ANSWER: 1. Course 2. Bangle 3. Desire 4. Drive
Today’s Word: BURNED
JUMBLES: OOMPH ENACT SUNKEN IGUANA
Answer: After not being called safe, the baseball player was — OUTSPOKEN
HOCUS FOCUS DIFFERENCES: 1. Cap is missing. 2. Arm is missing. 3. Football is missing. 4. Clous is different. 5. Horn is smaller. 6. Bull’s tail is missing.
CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER: I can’t think of any better representation of beauty than someone who is unafraid to be herself. — Emma Stone

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Game 5	\$5,000
Game 6	\$6,000
Game 7	\$7,000
Game 8	\$8,000
Game 9	\$9,000
Game 10	\$10,000
Jackpot 1	\$10,000
Jackpot 2	\$10,000
Jackpot 3	\$10,000
Jackpot 4	\$10,000
Jackpot 5	\$10,000
\$50,000 Jackpot	\$50,000

BLOCK 2 • 2:30PM
\$185,000 Must Go!

Game 1	\$1,000
Game 2	\$2,000
Game 3	\$3,000
Game 4	\$4,000
Game 5	\$5,000
Game 6	\$6,000
Game 7	\$7,000
Game 8	\$8,000
Game 9	\$9,000
Game 10	\$10,000
Jackpot 1	\$10,000
Jackpot 2	\$10,000
Jackpot 3	\$15,000
Jackpot 4	\$20,000
Jackpot 5	\$25,000
\$50,000 Jackpot	\$50,000

BLOCK 3 • 6:30PM
\$325,000 Must Go!

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Game 2	\$2,000
Game 3	\$3,000
Game 4	\$4,000
Game 5	\$5,000
Game 6	\$6,000
Game 7	\$7,000
Game 8	\$8,000
Game 9	\$9,000
Game 10	\$10,000
Game 11	\$11,000
Game 12	\$12,000
Game 13	\$13,000
Game 14	\$14,000
Game 15	\$15,000
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Jackpot 3	\$20,000
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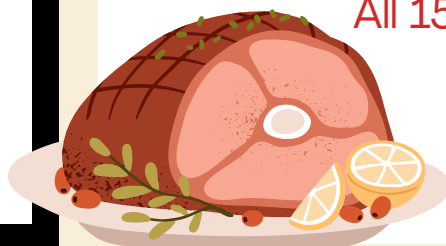
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Game starts at 2:00pm

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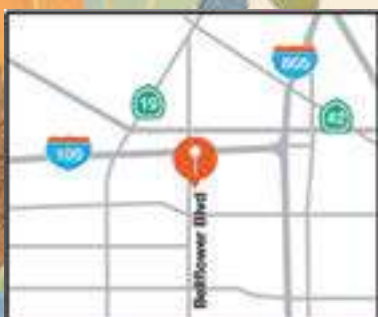


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