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5 grams of protein

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5 grams of fiber

Such as piece of fruit, a slice of whole-grain bread; makes stomach feel full longer

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Find at LEAST NINE FRUITS in the grid of letters.

INSTRUCTIONS: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter box once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

BOGGLE POINT SCALE
3 letters = 1 point
4 letters = 2 points
5 letters = 3 points
6 letters = 4 points
7 letters = 6 points
8 letters = 10 points
9 letters = 15 points

YOUR BOGGLE RATING
151+ = Champ
101-150 = Expert
61-100 = Pro
31-60 = Gamer
21-30 = Rookie
11-20 = Amateur
0-10 = Try again

Gaming News

WSOP 2026 Schedule
The 57th annual World Series of Poker dates are set: May 26-July 15, with the Main Event July 2-9. There will be 100 live bracelet events of all varieties, with a focus on mixed-game and mid-stakes tournaments, and the final table for the Main Event will be delayed, though for how long will be announced later (could it be a return of the November Nine?). A free livestream on the WSOP YouTube channel will run through the start of the Main Event, providing much more exposure than usual for the players and games.

History's Greatest Slot Cheat
An excellent animated YouTube video tells the 26-minute story of how Tommy Glen Carmichael, a locksmith and TV repairman from Tulsa, Oklahoma, turned himself into the most successful slot machine cheater in history. For 16 years, he engineered a series of homemade devices so powerful they fooled casinos in Las Vegas, Reno, Atlantic City, and cruise ships, earning him more than \$16 million—before the FBI finally caught up. It was the longest running (known) casino heist ever. After his arrest, Tommy became a paid consultant, hired by the casinos he once robbed, to help them stop cheaters like him. The documentary breaks down the entire timeline: Tommy's introduction to the cheating world, his invention of the devices, his methods and evasion tactics, the FBI operation, and the final deal that changed the casino industry forever.

Poker Palace Reopens, Rebrands
The CEO of Truckee Gaming told the Nevada Gaming Control Board yesterday that the former Poker Palace, which the company

bought in October, will reopen no later than mid-April. It will be renamed Club Fortune North, to brand it with Club Fortune (South), a Truckee Gaming property in Henderson. "If Circus Circus and Excalibur had a baby, that was Poker Palace," said Truckee Gaming's Ferenc Szonyi. He elaborated that Poker Palace received a "total gut job" and is being rebuilt from the floor up. The Control Board forwarded its recommendation to the Gaming Commission that the company receive its gaming license for the North Las Vegas property, along with approval for a Boomer's sports book to accompany the reopening; Boomer's will also have a race book, but unlike Poker Palace, no table games.

Slot Machine Watch
A fully operational slot machine watch, a Girard-Perregaux 1945 Jackpot Tourbillon, priced at \$299,000 is a bargain compared to earlier slot machine watches priced in the \$600k range. Alas, it's sold out, but videos demonstrating its unique features can be found on YouTube.

MGM's Mega-Priced Snickers
The latest social media outrage over a ridiculous expense is a Snickers bar for \$13. According to GamblingNews, "A Hollywood television producer known for shows like *Kathy Griffin: My Life on the D-List* and the *Billboard Music Awards*, recently posted a 31-second TikTok while standing in the hotel's gift shop. In the clip, he holds up a Snickers bar and tells viewers it costs \$13." The video initially garnered 15,000 likes, then blew up on X to 1.2 million views. Some commenters noted that it was an imported Cherry Whip Snickers, though others pointed out that it usually costs \$3 in the U.S., only \$1 more than a standard Snickers. MGM's CEO has been touting the company's "restructuring" of its overpricing for several months, but apparently, someone in the gift shop at MGM Grand didn't get that memo.

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Like Water for Chocolate (Season 2) — HBO Max
Keeping Up with the Kardashians (Complete Series) — Hulu
Being Gordon Ramsay (Documentary) — Netflix
56 Days (Limited Series) — Prime Video
The Night Agent (Season 3) — Netflix
Dreaming Whilst Black (Season 2) — Paramount+
The Last Thing He Told Me (Season 2) — Apple TV

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SNOWFLAKES
by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦ Difficult

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FEAR KNIGHT
By: rj johnson
DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

UYG
EGSAKT
CHEAD
NAUL
♥ ROIGNE
AKY
♥ RUCE
MOKUA
GKE
UARKEE
♥ REGUS
NSCY

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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Casino Q&A

Q: Is it true that casinos are going to introduce slot machines that accept credit cards and debit cards?

A: In most traditional casinos, a slot machine cannot directly accept a debit card into its main bill validator or card reader to start playing. However, modern cashless gaming systems and online platforms have changed how you can use your card.

Physical Casinos

While you usually cannot slide a debit card directly into a slot machine like a credit card at a gas pump, there are several ways casinos facilitate card use:

* **Cashless Wallets & Apps:** Many modern casinos (such as PENN Entertainment) allow you to link a debit card to a digital wallet app on your phone. You can then transfer funds from your bank to the app and tap or scan a QR code at the slot machine to load credits.

* **Wagering Accounts:** Some casinos allow you to deposit funds into a Cashless Wagering Account at the Cashier's Cage. Once funded, you can use your player loyalty card and a PIN at the machine to pull those funds directly onto the game.

* **Voucher Kiosks:** In many jurisdictions, players can use their debit cards at a nearby kiosk to purchase a ticket-in, ticket-out (TITO) voucher, which is then inserted into the slot machine like cash.

* **On-Site ATMs:** This remains the most common method. Players withdraw cash from an ATM on the casino floor—often for a high fee.

Online Casinos

Online slot casinos almost universally accept debit cards for direct deposits. Once the deposit is confirmed, the funds are immediately available.

Why the Restrictions?

Regulators often prohibit direct card-to-machine transactions as a responsible gambling safeguard

SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

When it's Time to Change Doctors

Now and then, not too often but sometimes, you hear that audible click and come to the realization that you need to change doctors.

Maybe it's because once again you don't feel like your doctor is really listening to your concerns. Maybe it's because once again tests are ordered without you getting a clear explanation about why they're necessary. Maybe it's because your health concern doesn't seem to be getting better. Maybe it's because you see the physician assistant (PA) when you expect to see the doctor. Or maybe it's just because you have a gut feeling you should go elsewhere.

Whatever the reason, if the time comes to make a change, it won't be easy if you've been with your current doctor for a long time.

Your first step, once you've decided to do this, is to "interview" another doctor. You'll need to call around to see who's taking new patients or inquire among friends for recommendations. Then check out the doctor online with reviews by other people. Look at Healthgrades (www.healthgrades.com). Or do an online search with the doctor's name.

Be sure the doctor is in your insurance network and make an appointment. Go in with a written list of questions and make notes.

When you find a doctor you'd like to see in the future, you'll need to have your records transferred from the old doctor.

And that's where I part company with advice I was given. I'm told that it's best to transfer your records to a new doctor before you go to the first appointment. You'll need to decide for yourself. My preference was to meet the doctor first before records were transferred, and to not let the current medical practice know I was leaving until I was certain.

If you find the right doctor, the difficulty will be worth it.

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by Annie E. Ennis

Annie's Apricot Bread

Dear Annie,

My husband, Bill, loves any recipe with apricots. Have you ever made anything with apricots? Thank you!

Barbara Ann from Spruce Pine, NC

Dear Barbara Ann,

This is a very easy question. I am sure you and Bill will enjoy the Apricot Bread and the Cold Strawberry Soup (when they come into season!). —Annie

APRICOT BREAD

1 cup dried apricots, cut-up
 ½ cup hot water
 1 cup sugar
 1 cup brown sugar
 3 cups flour
 ½ teaspoon baking soda
 2 teaspoons baking powder
 ½ teaspoon salt
 3 eggs, beaten
 1 cup sour cream
 1 cup pecans, chopped

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Using a medium-size size bowl, soak the cut-up apricots in hot water. In a large bowl, mix all of the dry ingredients and the eggs. Mix well. Stir in the sour cream and pecans. Add the unstrained soaked apricots. Using 2 greased loaf pans, divide the mixture evenly. Bake for one hour or less. Do not overbake.

Vegas Golden Knights' Chance and the Vegas Vivas to Join Fans for Bingo and Meet-and-Greet at Arizona Charlie's Decatur and Boulder Locations

Arizona Charlie's Decatur and Arizona Charlie's Boulder will welcome the Vegas Golden Knights' fan-favorite mascot, Chance, and the Vegas Vivas for a special meet-and-greet ahead of two upcoming 5 p.m. bingo sessions. Guests will have the opportunity to take photos, interact with Chance and the Vegas Vivas and enjoy the excitement as the group joins in the bingo fun.

When:

4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 20 at Arizona Charlie's Decatur

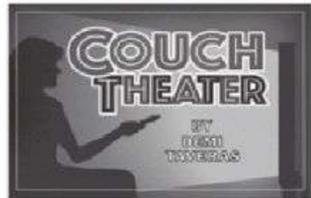
4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 27 at Arizona Charlie's Boulder

Fun Fact

The ancient Roman festival of **Lupercalia** was conducted every year on February 15 by priests called **Luperci**. As a rite of fertility, the festival was associated with the god **Faunus**. Each ceremony included animal sacrifices, blood rites, and feasting. The priests would then run about the streets, slapping women with the skins of the sacrificed animals, which was said to increase their fertility.

Source: www.britannica.com

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PICKS OF THE MONTH

Hamnet (PG-13) — This historical tragedy film stars two powerhouse actors in the drama genre, Jessie Buckley (*Wicked Little Letters*) and Paul Mescal (*Gladiator II*). Mescal and Buckley respectively play William Shakespeare and Agnes Hathaway, with the film recounting the story of their relationship as William becomes a successful playwright. William and Agnes marry quickly, with kids following shortly, including twins named Hamnet and Judith. But with the bubonic plague spreading its deadliness throughout Europe, it's a matter of time until someone catches the disease. And when the disease catches Hamnet at 11 years old, his poor parents are left to cope with the tragedy of his death. Chloe Zhao (*Nomadland*) directs this Oscar-nominated film that is out now to rent. (Amazon Prime Video)

The Secret Agent (R) — You might know Wagner Moura from his portrayal as Pablo Escobar in *Narcos* or his role in *Civil War*, but his role in this political thriller is what got him a Golden Globe for Best Actor in a Motion Picture (Drama). Taking place in 1977 during the Brazilian dictatorship, the film picks up as professor and single father Armando (Moura) returns to his hometown of Recife, Brazil, hoping to reconnect with

his son, Fernando, and find some semblance of peace. However, Armando shortly finds out that because of a previous political scuffle with a business executive, a contract killing for him has been ordered, leaving him with very few options and a murky, unknown future. Out now to rent. (Apple TV+)

A Knight of the Seven Kingdoms (TV-MA) — Fans of George R.R. Martin's *A Song of Ice and Fire* franchise should be quite happy to receive a third TV-series adaptation based on Martin's immersive books. This new prequel series takes place 90 years before *Game of Thrones* and about 70-80 years after *House of the Dragon*. Starring Peter Claffey (*Bad Sisters*) and Dexter Sol Ansell (*The Hunger Games: The Ballad of Songbirds & Snakes*), the series follows a lowborn hedge knight named Ser Duncan the Tall (aka Dunk) and his squire, Ageon "Egg" Targaryen. The odd duo wanders throughout Westeros, naturally getting themselves into trouble and into some great adventures indeed. (HBO Max)

Write in to Couch Theater by emailing TheCouchTheater@gmail.com or writing to KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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Rod M. from Arizona and Denise K. from Iowa were excited to be two \$1,199 winners at Plaza's Super Bingo! Congratulations to the both of you!



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Hawaiian Visitor Wins \$100,000 Playing Live Keno at The Orleans

LAS VEGAS — A fortunate visitor from Hawaii hit a massive jackpot at The Orleans on Sunday, March 15, taking home \$100,000 in live keno.

Around 7 p.m., lucky winner Melvin from Honolulu placed a \$2 wager where all eight of his numbers lined up to score the \$100,000 jackpot.

The Orleans offers a dynamic casino floor showcasing more than 1,800 slot machines and over 50 table games, including Blackjack, Roulette and Baccarat.

To stay up to date with what's new at Boyd Gaming properties nationwide, visit www.boydgaming.com/company/news.



Mayra had a great time at Gold Coast's Power Bingo especially when she won \$10,000!

Aquarius Casino Resort and Edgewater Casino Resort April Bingo Promotions

April Easter Bingo Gift Giveaway
During all sessions on Sunday, April 5, all True Rewards members will receive an Easter gnome with a minimum \$20 buy-in.

April Bingo Gift Giveaway
During all sessions on Friday, April 24, all True Rewards members will receive a Vegas Golden Knights hat with a minimum \$20 buy-in.

Locals Edge Free Bingo Blue Pack
Every Sunday and Tuesday, Locals Edge True Rewards members can receive one free blue pack bingo bonus voucher by swiping their card once per day at the kiosk. Players must present the voucher and their Locals Edge card to the Edgewater Bingo Room sales associate to redeem the pack. Vouchers are nontransferable and must be redeemed within 24 hours of printing.

Bingo Half Point Tuesdays
Every Tuesday, players may use their True Rewards card points at any session for bingo play at double the value. 250 True Rewards card points are equivalent to \$1 in bingo play.

Cashball
Cashball is a progressive jackpot available at all bingo sessions unless noted otherwise. Packs must be validated to qualify, with a \$1 validation fee for all color packs and a \$2 validation fee for rainbow packs. The first ball drawn in the first game of the session becomes that session's Cashball number. Winning on the Cashball number during games from 2 through 5 p.m. and 7 through 11 p.m. on a validated pack awards the progressive jackpot.

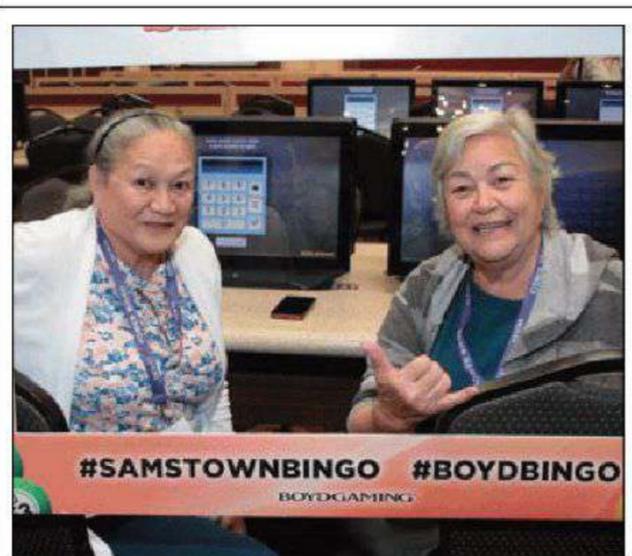
Second Chance Cashball
The Second Chance Cashball progressive jackpot becomes available only after the primary Cashball has been hit. A \$2 validation charge covers all validated packs for that session. The first ball drawn in the first game serves as both the Cashball and Second Chance Cashball number. Winning on that number during games from 3 p.m. through 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. through 11 p.m. on a validated pack pays the Second Chance progressive jackpot. All Cashball winners are paid aggregately, and the Cashball must be the last number called in the winning pattern. Once the Second Chance jackpot is awarded, it is no longer available for the remainder of the session.

Bonus X Goes Wild
Players must have a minimum \$4 buy-in for the session to purchase and play the Bonus X Goes Wild game. The game is valid only for the session in which it was purchased. If multiple players win on the same ball call, the prize is split evenly. Validation fees do not apply to this game.

Double Progressive
Double Progressive is a coverall game that can only be won within the posted number of balls drawn. The jackpot begins at 32 numbers and increases every 14 days up to 35 numbers, where it remains until won. The jackpot starts at \$10,000 and grows daily. The game is offered at all sessions, with cards available for \$1 each, paper or electronic.

Bigger Bingo Coverall
This multi-location progressive jackpot is shared between the Arizona Charlie's properties in Las Vegas; Pahrump Nugget and Lakeside Casino in Pahrump, Nev.; and Edgewater. Bingo players have the opportunity to spin the bingo coverall wheel to determine the prize percentage. Guests can win up to 100% of the progressive jackpot in 55 numbers or less, starting at \$10,000 and more.

Super Punch Bingo
Super Punch Bingo is played as a nine-pack pattern on a three-on card face. Players who win on or before the 16th through 27th ball call receive a designated number of punches based on the pay table. Each winner receives one chance to select punches on the Super Win Punch Board to determine the prize amount, including progressives. If multiple winners occur on the same ball call, a casino agent will select punches in order from the top left across each row, and prizes will be split accordingly. Duplicate cards are treated as a single entry and paid on a split basis. Once all progressive prizes are awarded, the board resets to its base seed value.



Winner, Betty S. of Big Island, HI (Right) was joined by best friend, Rachel K. in celebrating her \$10,000 Sam's Town Super Bingo Win!

POWER BINGO

\$500,000 IN CASH PRIZES

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May 4 & 5, 2026

BEST OF LAS VEGAS BOYD BINGO

April Promotions

See Venue's Bingo Room for details.

SAM'S TOWN
Flamingo & Nellis

DAILY 9:00pm
Bingo on 9 or anything ending in 9 & receive \$250!

April 1 - 5 • 7:00pm
Win up to \$1,000 on the Spring-Stravaganza board! Plus...Spring Dauber Giveaway all sessions on April 5!

Saturday, April 18 9:00pm - Midnight
Featuring MC Joy Rock Play Bingo & Sing Karaoke to win extra prizes!

Aliante
215 & Aliante Pkwy

CRAZY FOR COVERALLS
Friday, April 3

PAPER ONLY ALL DAY
Mondays - All Sessions

\$6,000 SPECIAL
Sunday, April 12 • 3:00pm

3 - \$1,000 COVERALLS
Saturday, April 18
1:00pm, 7:00pm & 9:00pm

BINGO NIGHT LIVE
Friday, April 10 - Country Music Night
Friday, April 24 - Sing Along Song Night
9:00pm - Come in dressed for the theme & win Boyd Play!

GOLD COAST
Valley View & Flamingo

\$30,000 BEACH PARTY BINGO EVENT
Saturday, April 18 • 7:30pm
\$60 Buy-In • \$10 Extra Packs
Reservations Required 702-251-3520

BINGO TUESDAYS
3:00pm & 7:00pm
(Excludes Double Daub)
2X Pay All Games
3X - \$1,000 Coveralls

5X - \$1,000 COVERALLS
Sundays
1:00pm & 3:00pm

SUNCOAST
Alta & Rampart

BUZZING AROUND 1:00PM & 9:00PM
Tuesdays & Thursdays • 1:00pm & 9:00pm
Win an extra \$500 & \$250

BUNNY BALL
Sunday, April 5 - All Sessions
Win an extra \$1,000 & \$500

ELECTRONIC BINGO JAMZ
Friday, April 10 • 9:00pm - All Electronic Games
\$45 for 45 Cards - \$4,500 in Payouts

GUEST APPRECIATION DAY
Saturday, April 18 • All Sessions
Double Buzz Ball - Win an extra \$1,800, \$800 & \$100

Cannery
CASINO • HOTEL
Craig Rd & Losee

DOUBLE ACTION
Thursday - Sunday • Noon

BALLS ON THE WALL
Thursdays & Sundays • 4:00pm & 6:00pm

DOUBLE PLAY
Fridays • 4:00pm & 6:00pm

IT'S GREAT @ 8
Fridays & Saturdays • 8:00pm
Bingo on 8 gets TRIPLE PAY, Bingo on any other number ending in 8 gets DOUBLE PAY!

2X - \$1,000 COVERALLS
Saturdays, April 4, 11 & 18 • 6:00pm

\$5,000 SUPER SESSION
Saturday, April 25 • 6:00pm



For the latest Bingo Updates, scan the QR code or visit boydgaming.com/explore/play/boyd-bingo

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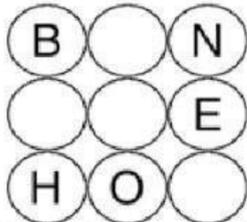
BINGO LAND

NEWS FROM THE REAL WORLD & CYBERSPACE

Bingo to the Rescue

More than 100 people packed Silver Moon Brewing on a recent Sunday morning in Bend, Oregon for a sold-out round of Not'Cho Grandma's Bingo, raising money for survivors of human trafficking in Central Oregon. Hosted by The YOUNI Movement, the event featured music, prizes and a lively crowd, with proceeds benefiting the Anti-Trafficking Project, a program of J Bar J Youth Services. Based in Bend since 2018, the Anti-Trafficking Project serves Deschutes, Jefferson and Crook counties, offering crisis support, housing assistance and case management for survivors. "Anti-trafficking is such a heavy topic to talk about. Events like this, where we can just have a good time and talk about our program a little bit, but just get people out, get people supporting and raise awareness, it's huge," said Amy Glover, outreach coordinator for the Anti-Trafficking Project. Jasmine Rodriguez, an advocate and task force coordinator with the program, said the work is personal. "What we're doing goes deeper than just a job. For me, it goes deeper than just helping people. That's really healing a part of me that I never, ever thought would heal. As a survivor, I didn't think I would see days where I'm here doing this kind of work for other people," she said. Organizers said the event showed how the community can come together for a serious cause in a welcoming, high-energy space. (Reporting by Central Oregon Daily News.)

WORD SPIRAL



Fill in the missing letters to reveal the nine-letter word that starts at one of the four corners and moves clockwise around the perimeter before ending in the center.

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After the Bunny is Gone

What to do with all those leftover (hard-boiled) Easter eggs?
Let's turn those leftover Easter eggs into something delicious before they overstay their welcome in the fridge. Hard-boiled eggs generally last about seven days in the refrigerator. Here are some classic and creative ideas:
-Egg Salad: The gold standard for leftovers. Mash them with mayo and mustard for a classic egg salad or add a kick with jalapenos.
-Devised Eggs: A crowd favorite. Try Southern-style with pickle relish or a

Barks & Bingo

On the lighter side, Mount Pleasant Towne Centre recently held a new event series kicking off the spring season: Barks & Bingo, an interactive yappy hour for owners and their furry friends, benefiting Charleston Animal Society. The first installment of this dog-friendly event was held in March at Burtons Grill & Bar. Participants enjoyed multiple rounds of bingo for the chance to win prizes that they and their pups could enjoy, dined on food and drinks from Burtons' full menu, and took home a party favor from Hairy Winston Pet Boutique.

The "Goal Bingo" Social Trend

Goal Bingo was trending at press time on platforms like TikTok and Pinterest. In Goal Bingo people are creating 5x5 bingo cards filled with personal goals (e.g., read 10 books or visit a new city). Participants then mark off squares throughout the year as they complete the goals, aiming for a bingo or a full blackout by December 31st.

Bingo Biz Highlights

Bingo continues its evolution from local halls to national television and digital platforms. In addition to the Bingo Blitz TV Show hosted by Valerie Bertinelli on the Game Show Network, live bingo is being rebranded for younger audiences, incorporating "chaos and charisma" into high-energy events that feel more like parties than traditional gambling. And innovative gameplay variants keep popping up, including new mechanics to keep the format fresh. One of these variants is Bingo Roulette, where a roulette wheel replaces the traditional ball draw, adding a strategic betting layer. And popular apps have added Plinko-style mini-games within their bingo interface to award extra prizes.

LUCKY LOTTO NUMBERS



50 - 7 - 35 - 11 - 24 *8*

Buffalo-style version with hot sauce and blue cheese.
-Pickled Eggs: Extend their shelf life by submerging peeled eggs in a jar of leftover pickle or beet brine.
-Salad Toppers: Chop them up for a Cobb salad (with bacon and blue cheese) or any salad of your choosing.
-Hidden Protein: Tuck whole peeled eggs into the center of a meatloaf before baking for a surprising, protein-packed slice.
-Quick Chopping Hack: Instead of a knife, push peeled eggs through a wire cooling rack over a bowl to get perfectly uniform cubes in seconds.
-Breakfast Upgrades: Slice them onto avocado toast, tuck them into a breakfast burrito, or add them to a Breakfast Charcuterie Board.
-Scotch Eggs: For a more involved project, wrap the peeled eggs in sausage meat, bread them, and deep-fry for a hearty snack.
-Mayak Gyeran (Korean Marinated Eggs): Marinate peeled eggs in a mixture of soy sauce, sugar, garlic, and chilies for a savory, addictive side dish often served over rice.
Safety Tip: Hard-boiled eggs should be refrigerated within two hours of cooking and are safe to eat for up to seven days. If eggs were left out for an extended hunt at room temperature, it's best to use them for non-edible activities like egg races.
Enjoy those leftover Easter eggs or boil a fresh batch just to try the above dishes/techniques. Yummy! —File



Eggs and Lies

On April Fool's Day believe nothing and trust no one...just like any other day. —Ms. Anonymous

In case you missed it, Spring officially arrived on Friday, March 20, 2026, at 10:46a.m. and for some of you that meant the onset of spring fever. Supposedly, longer daylight and warmer weather causes people to become more active with increasing blood flow and heightened creativity leading to increased happiness. Well, whoop-de-doo. I'm a fall/winter lover so not thrilled at spring's advent, but on the other hand, my husband wasn't thrilled with fourteen plus inches of snow over two days in January. Something beautiful happens when snow silently falls and the drifts build up like pyramids; followed eventually by the noise of snow plows and shoveling which turns Mother Nature's beauty into a dirty muddy mess. The good news is that us winter lovers can vent our frustration at winter's end on April 15th which is That Sucks Day as proclaimed by Bruce Vovotny (thatsucks.net). April 15 is also the date of the Titanic sinking, Lincoln's assassination, and the last day to file federal income taxes. Seems appropriate for it also to be the day some of us mourn winter's end by proclaiming loudly, that sucks.

Easter is April 5 and each year I fondly remember getting a large candy Easter egg with my name on it from my parents. Later in the day our family had an Easter egg hunt as do many families. At this point in my life my husband tells me I could hide my own Easter eggs, search for them five minutes later, and never find a one. I don't argue because although my cheese hasn't completely slipped off my cracker yet, it's getting mighty close to the edge. The largest recorded egg hunt took place at Cypress Gardens, Florida. Over 9,700 searchers looked for 501,000 hidden eggs.

Fun fact, roughly 90 million chocolate bunnies are produced annually and 76% of people admit to chomping off the chocolate bunny ears first. On Good Friday which starts Easter weekend in Germany, it is illegal to dance in public, a so-called boogie ban. And, in some parts, all music is banned and you can be fined or jailed for listening to/playing music. Good Friday through Easter Sunday are considered holy days of silence showing respect for German Christian beliefs.

There's an old superstition that those wearing new clothes on Easter morning will definitely have good luck for the remainder of the year. The catch is that you have to wear them backwards and switch your shoes to the wrong feet. It worked for me as I did that at bingo and took home a \$1,000 overall. Until next month, may Lady Luck blow you kisses as you dance out the door with dollars. Win big. Last thought, April 1 is April Fool's Day and there are people who suffer aphrodisia, fear of April Fool's Day. I'm not one of them and love telling the occasional lie. What big fat lie did I share in this column? Well, if you wear your clothes backwards on good Friday, you'll get a lot of attention, but maybe not a big bingo win as I most assuredly did not wear my clothes backwards or win \$1,000. After all, Lady Luck is a fickle dame who loves to laugh her arse off at fools like us who believe in the vagaries of good/bad luck. Contact: nlpvz6172@gmail.com

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

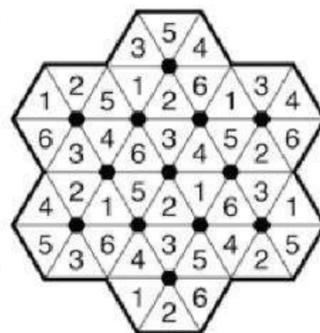
Clue: Q equals C

COEHOEMQK YVEY E TKOCRGK
QWGTEML NMYKMJKJ YW
QETYROK YVK FKOL EOWGE
WC TEOEJNBK: VKEFKM-BQKMY.

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SNOWFLAKES

solution



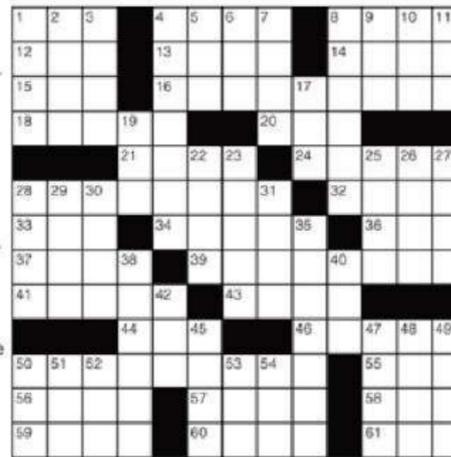
Bingo cousins Krystal H. (left) and Whitney M. (right) celebrated a \$500 win at Virgin River

COFFEE BREAK!

BINGO BUGLE CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 June honoree
- 4 Say it's so
- 8 Pretzel topper
- 12 Past
- 13 Travel permit
- 14 Done with
- 15 Brock of baseball
- 16 Alaskan city
- 18 Heron's kin
- 20 Army address
- 21 Dalai —
- 24 Slow, in music
- 28 Right to vote
- 32 Cash advance
- 33 201, in old Rome
- 34 Heat to near boiling
- 36 GOP org.
- 37 Priestly vestments
- 39 Cheap ride section
- 41 "Yum!"
- 43 Novelist
- 44 Steal from
- 46 Cowboy's workplace
- 50 Spur on
- 55 Tic-tac-toe win
- 56 Nerd's kin
- 57 Hostels
- 58 Hooting bird
- 59 Big wind



- 60 Track tipster
- 61 Carrier to Amsterdam
- 62 director DuVernay
- 63 Table support
- 64 Three, in Rome
- 65 Most loved Painter's motion
- 66 Genetic letters
- 67 Thee
- 68 Telly watcher
- 69 Cranny
- 70 Batman's hood
- 71 Actress Celeste
- 72 Early bird?
- 73 PBS funder
- 74 Cartoon frame
- 75 Yucatan year
- 76 Wildebeest

DOWN

- 1 Valley
- 2 Awestruck
- 3 Gloomy
- 4 Online images
- 5 Sportscaster
- 6 Computer key
- 7 Stadium cheers
- 8 Reddish-brown horse
- 9 "Selma"
- 10 PC alternatives
- 11 Marble type
- 12 Asta's feeder
- 13 Tart flavor
- 14 As soon as
- 15 "Shoo!"
- 16 Bruins' sch.
- 17 Little lies
- 18 Mountain ht.

MAGIC MAZE

WORDS HEARD IN A CONTROL TOWER

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: CLEARED FOR —

- Abeam
- Abort
- Affirmative
- Climb
- Cross runway
- Descend
- Expedite
- Go around
- Hold short
- Landing
- Roger
- Say again
- Squawk
- Taxi to gate
- Unable

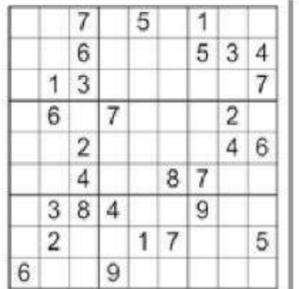
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HOCUS-FOCUS



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS

SUDOKU



Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 3x3 square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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SCRAMBLERS



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the page.

- With DANAGE
- With RHOAD
- With LEGAM
- With DRAIP

TODAY'S WORD

JUMBLE

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

- SINOB
- TEMLA
- MBEFLU
- VORPNE



Now, I have a special way of explaining this that I've been using for ten years. THE MATH TEACHER HAD TAUGHT MULTIPLICATION A

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

CryptoQuote

AKYOLBAAXH IS LONGFELLOW
One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, B for the two O's, etc. Single letters, acronyms, the length and format of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.
CIVNMC YU VYBN LSMNT.
TSJ OSM'C DIZN CS DIZN
USLN CS CIVB IGSJC YC.
— HJVNU ANMIAO
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COFFEE BREAK ANSWERS NOW ON ASTROLOGY PAGE

APRIL BINGO



TWO BIG EVENTS. BUY BOTH & SAVE!

\$500,000

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JUNE 20 & 21 • \$125 BUY-IN
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\$400,000 BINGO MATINEE

JUNE 22 & 23 • \$199 BUY-IN
Palace Station • Red Rock • Green Valley Ranch

BINGO BLOWOUT FRIDAYS
7PM SESSION
TRIPLE PAY ALL THE WAY
+ THREE \$1,000 COVERALLS
9PM SESSION
DOUBLE/TRIPLE PAY

BONUS BALLS SUNDAYS & TUESDAYS
11AM & 7PM SESSIONS
BINGO ON B-4
WIN ADDITIONAL \$750
BINGO ON ANY NUMBER ENDING IN 4
WIN ADDITIONAL \$500

CRAZY 4 COVERALLS TUESDAYS
7PM SESSION
FOUR (4) \$1,000 COVERALLS
AND DOUBLE PAY ON GAMES 4, 8, 10, & 12

BOULDER STATION

GUARANTEED \$10,000 CASH BALL
APRIL 2
3PM SESSION
STAYS UNTIL IT PAYS

SPEED BINGO
APRIL 4
5PM SESSION
UP TO 40 GAMES PLAYED!

\$10,000 BINGO BASH
APRIL 25
3PM SESSION
EARN ENTRIES AND EXTRA PACKS
ALL MONTH LONG
10 GAMES PAY \$400
AND 4 COVERALLS FOR \$1,500

SANTA FE STATION

GUARANTEED \$10,000 CASH BALL
APRIL 1
7PM SESSION
STAYS UNTIL IT PAYS

\$1,000 COVERALLS DAILY
1PM & 7PM SESSIONS

ROCK SHOT BINGO
BOOTS, BEATS & BINGO
APRIL 4
9PM SESSION
\$35 MINIMUM BUY-IN
WIN \$100- \$1,000
LIVE DJ AND OPEN BAR!

PALACE STATION

BINGO WITH THE BOSSES
APRIL 18
7PM SESSION
GAME BOSSES CALL PAY TRIPLE
\$5,000 GUARANTEED CASH BALL
AND THREE \$500 COVERALLS

TRIPLE ACTION TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
11AM & 7PM SESSIONS
GAMES 4, 8, 10 & 12 PAY TRIPLE

BONUS BALLS WEDNESDAYS
1PM & 7PM SESSIONS
BINGO ON B-4
FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$250
ANY NUMBER ENDING IN 4
FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$125

ALL PAPER

SUNSET STATION

\$10,000 BINGO BASH
APRIL 11
7PM SESSION
10 GAMES PAYING \$1,000
PACKAGES STARTING AT \$60

BINGO WITH THE BOSSES
APRIL 18
3PM SESSION
GAME BOSSES CALL PAY TRIPLE
\$10,000 GUARANTEED CASH BALL

PURSE PARTY
APRIL 25
3PM SESSION
10 WINNERS WILL WIN A DESIGNER PURSE
ELECTRONIC ONLY SESSION,
LIVE DJ, PACKAGES START AT \$60

CASINO • RESORT • SPA
GREEN VALLEY RANCH

\$15,000 ANNIVERSARY GAME
APRIL 18
7PM SESSION
16 GAMES PAYING
BETWEEN \$500-\$1,000
PACKAGES STARTING AT \$75
EARN FREE PACKS MARCH 18-APRIL 17
PLUS BONUS DRAWINGS!

GUARANTEED \$10,000 CASH BALL
APRIL 11
7PM SESSION
STAYS UNTIL IT PAYS!

TRIPLE PAY ALL THE WAY
FRIDAYS*
7PM SESSION
*EXCLUDING APRIL 18
SATURDAYS
1PM SESSION
GAMES 2-13 PAY TRIPLE

red rock
CASINO • RESORT • SPA

Easter BONUS BALLS

BINGO ON B-5 FOR \$500 BONUS
BOULDER 9AM, 3PM, 5PM, 9PM | SANTA FE 11AM, 3PM, 7PM, 9PM
GVR 11AM, 1PM, 7PM, 9PM | PALACE 1PM, 3PM, 7PM, 9PM
RED ROCK 1PM, 3PM, 7PM, 9PM
BINGO ON ANY NUMBER ENDING IN 5 FOR \$250

BINGO ON B-5 FOR \$250 BONUS
SUNSET 1PM, 3PM, 7PM, 9PM
BINGO ON ANY NUMBER ENDING IN 5 FOR \$125

APRIL 5

SEE BINGO ROOM FOR DETAILS AND RULES. MANAGEMENT RESERVES ALL RIGHTS.

Tax Day BONUS BALLS
APRIL 15

BINGO ON B-15 FOR \$1,000 Bonus
BOULDER 1PM & 7PM | SANTA FE 11AM & 9PM
GVR 1PM & 7PM | PALACE 1PM & 7PM
RED ROCK 3PM & 9PM

BINGO ON B-15 FOR \$500 Bonus
SUNSET 1PM & 7PM

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Golden Entertainment's Laughlin Casino Resorts to Award a New \$300,000 Home in Landmark Giveaway

LAUGHLIN, Nev. — March 9, 2026 — This spring, Golden Entertainment will be giving away the house, literally. The company's riverfront destinations, Aquarius Casino Resort and Edgewater Casino Resort in Laughlin, Nev., will host the largest giveaway in company history, the "\$300,000 House & \$60,000 Cash Giveaway," awarding one lucky winner with a brand-new single-family home built by Century Complete, part of top national homebuilder Century Communities. Drawing tickets can be earned starting yesterday, Sunday, March 8, through Saturday, April 18, with a grand prize winner selected at 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 18.



"We've given away cars and even boats, but this prize, a brand new house, raises the stakes to unprecedented heights," said Jeremy Jensen, senior vice president and general manager at Aquarius and Edgewater. "This promotion will deliver a life-changing prize for the winner."

The winning 1,619-square-foot residence by Century Complete is located in the picturesque new Montano Ridge community, just minutes away in Bullhead City, Arizona. Players who are members of Golden Entertainment's free-to-join loyalty program, True Rewards, can earn virtual drawing tickets for their chance to win.



Players will earn one virtual drawing ticket for every 50 same-day base slot points. Weekly drawings will be held Saturdays from March 14 through April 11, 3 p.m. at Aquarius and 4 p.m. at Edgewater, with 10 winners selected at each property each week. Each weekly winner receives \$500 in cash and a house-shaped certificate guaranteeing entry into the grand prize drawing.

On Saturday, April 18, an additional 10 last-chance winners at each property will

be selected before the grand finale drawing at 6 p.m. at Aquarius. All 120 certificate holders will compete for the ultimate prize: a newly constructed home built by Century Complete, valued at \$300,000. The grand prize winner may choose the home or take a \$210,000 cash alternative.

The winning home's proximity to both properties adds rare appeal for Laughlin regulars, a chance to live minutes from the river, the casinos and the lifestyle they already love. With weekly cash drawings and a headline-making finale, the promotion is positioned to be the most ambitious giveaway the region has ever seen.

Players not yet enrolled in True Rewards can sign up for free at either property. Members receive increased point multipliers, cash prizes, free slot play and eligibility for exclusive tournaments and special events.

For official rules and complete details, visit the Aquarius website at AquariusCasinoResort.com or the Edgewater website at Edgewater-Casino.com.



To Daub or not to Daub?

Dear Guy,
What's your feeling about Bingo machines? I've been curious to try one, but I also like dabbing on paper Bingo cards and the machines look like they might be boring—they do all the work for you while you sit there twiddling your thumbs waiting for the machine to go beep. —*Len C., via e-mail*

Dear Len,
The machines are as fun as you make them: You punch in the number and the machines track your cards so you'll never miss a Bingo. Obviously, the big attraction is that they allow a slow player to play more cards. They also give people with disabilities, who might not be physically able to dab paper cards, the opportunity to play along with the best.

I've tried Bingo machines and definitely see their merits. And that's saying something, because I'm not a big fan of most technology. (I find it pushy.) And it definitely cuts down on missed numbers.

But, bottom line—I prefer my good ol' ink dabber and paper. If I didn't have something in front of me to scan and think, I'd get way bored way fast. —*Guy*

Hey guys! (And gals!) Write to Guy's Turn c/o The Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, WA 98070, or e-mail the editor at tara@bingobugle.com.

Nevada Happenings

Retro Slots & Bingo

Circus Circus has opened a bingo hall, bringing the game back to the Strip for the first time since the Riviera's room closed in 2015 (the second-to-last bingo hall closed at the Frontier in 2007). Circus' room can accommodate 255 players per session and there are five sessions, starting at 3 p.m. Thursday to Sunday. In addition, coin-operated slots have been added to the slot floor, joining Slots A Fun as the only casinos on the Strip to offer the vintage games.

Get Married at Denny's

As it's been doing since 2013, the downtown Denny's at Neonopolis is marrying couples at its only wedding chapel in the country. But on Valentine's Day, two people with a marriage license can get married there for free, saving the usual \$199 ceremony fee. The catch: Parties must sign the company's "toast-nuptial agreement," vowing to stay together through the next morning. The one-day promotion is available from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday with a reservation made on Denny's website. Newlyweds will receive an "Over-Easy Overnight" kit that includes branded "Slammy" pajamas, eye masks, and pillowcases for the morning after; couples who remain together until noon on Sunday, then post a "Just Married" photo on Instagram, Facebook, or X tagging @DennysDiner and using the hashtag #DennysToastNup by 1:59 p.m. PT will receive a \$100 Denny's gift card as a "breakfast-in-bed" reward.

Million Plus Hit at Venetian

A slot player recently visiting from New

York was at the Venetian playing Three Card Poker and was dealt a spade royal flush, activating the mega tier of the resort's Millionaire Progressive. By making the \$5 side bet, the player won \$1,661,451. The Millionaire Progressive is available on multiple table games throughout the Venetian and the Palazzo casino floors, including Ultimate Texas Hold'em, Three Card Poker, Crazy X Poker, and Mississippi Stud. The New Yorker is the 17th millionaire since the progressive was introduced in 2018.

New Laugh Factory

Comedy club Laugh Factory has launched a new 250-seat comedy club at the Horseshoe. It reopened at the Horseshoe after closing in October 2024 at the Tropicana. It takes over the upstairs Imagine Showroom, while Frederick da Silva's paranormal show will continue there in its 4 p.m. time slot.

Ada's Earns Another Award

Continuing a wave of recognition, Ada's, Las Vegas' most awarded wine-and-food venue, has been recognized by MashEd.com as the Best Wine Bar in Nevada in its national roundup highlighting the top wine bar in every state. The recognition follows Ada's semifinalist nomination for the 2026 James Beard Foundation Awards in the Outstanding Wine and Other Beverages Program category. Late last year, Ada's was also recognized by the World of Fine Wine in London for the second year in a row as having the "Most Original Wine List" worldwide; Ada's also won Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence for the past two years. Finally, it was one of the *Las Vegas Review-Journal's* Top 100 Restaurants of 2025. Ada's is a wine-centric restaurant from James Beard Finalist chef and local celebrity James Trees, also of Esther's Kitchen, Al Solito Posto, Bar Boheme, Petite Boheme, and High Steaks Vegas fame.

Savvy Senior

by Jim Miller

Finding the Perfect Place to Retire

Dear Savvy Senior,

What resources can you recommend for researching good places to retire in the U.S.? My husband and I are interested in relocating to a warmer climate when we retire next year. —*Looking to Relocate*

Dear Looking,

It's exciting to think about relocating in retirement! Whether you're considering seasonal escapes or a permanent change, there are a wide variety of digital resources that can help you find and research new locations. Here are some tips and tools to help you get started.

Where to Retire?

Deciding where to relocate when you retire is a big decision. There are many factors to think about to ensure the move supports your lifestyle, financial goals, and overall well-being. To help you identify some good retirement locations you need to consider things like cost of living, climate, taxes, health care, housing, crime, access to social and recreational activities, access to transportation and proximity to family and friends.

If you're at the beginning of your search, a good starting point is BestPlaces.net. This site compiles demographic data from numerous reliable sources, updates it regularly and lets you easily compare cities using different criteria, such as housing cost, climate, crime, religious practice, voting patterns and education level. They even offer a 10-question "Where is the best place for me to live?" quiz, which may suggest some locations you may never have thought of.

There are also news and financial publications like U.S. News & World Report, Forbes, WalletHub, Bankrate and The Motley Fool that publish "best places to retire" ranking lists on their websites each year. These can give you an idea of popular retirement locations based on different sets of criteria.

Once you identify a few good spots, here are some additional resources that can help you dig a little deeper.

Cost of living: Affordability is often the No. 1 factor when deciding where to relocate. To research and compare the cost of living from your current location to where you would like to move, use the previously mentioned BestPlaces.net, the Economic Policy Institute Family Budget Calculator and/or Bankrate's cost of living calculator. And, because housing is a big expense, you can take a deeper dive into these costs at Zillow.com and Realtor.com.

Taxes: Some states are more tax friendly than others. To investigate how states treat retirees when it comes to income, sales, property and other taxes, see Kiplinger tax guide *Taxes on Retirees: A State-by-State Guide*.

Crime rate: To evaluate how safe a community or area is, the FBI Crime Data Explorer allows you to explore crime statistics at the national, state, and local levels.

Climate: You can find U.S. climate/weather information at National Centers for Environmental Information at ncei.noaa.gov. And to research climate change factors and the risks of extreme temperatures, wildfires, floods, hurricanes, severe storms, earthquakes and drought in different locations, use ClimateCheck.com and FEMA.

Health care: If you're enrolled or planning to enroll in original Medicare, check the coverage and availability of providers in your new location. Search by ZIP code for health care providers and facilities at Medicare.gov/care-compare, and check star ratings for quality of care. If you're enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan and you move out of the coverage area, you'll need to find a new plan in your new area.

Transportation: If you plan to travel much, or expect frequent visits from your kids or grandkids, convenient access to an airport or train station is a big advantage.

Once you have narrowed down your choices, spend a couple weeks in each location at different times of the year so you can get a feel for the seasonal weather changes, and so you can carefully weigh the pros and cons of living there. You may find that you like the area more as a vacation spot than as a year-round residence. It's also a good idea to rent for a year before buying a home or making a commitment to a retirement community.



Pita Pockets made with Batch-cooked Ground Beef

The Least Glamorous Meal Prep That Saves Me Every Week

Easy batch cooking is one of those habits that sounds slightly extreme until you try it. The short version is this: Cook extra, freeze it and thank yourself later.

Preparing ready-to-use meal components ahead of time takes the pressure off weeknight cooking and gives you the best of both worlds — nutritious, frugal, home-cooked meals and far less time spent staring hopefully into the refrigerator at 5:30 p.m.

The only real downside is that batch cooking asks for a little time upfront, usually on the weekend. But I've learned that an hour or two of focused prep can buy me days of easier dinners.

Which brings me to one of my least glamorous but most useful kitchen habits: cooking ground beef in bulk.

Why cook just 1 pound of ground beef when I can cook 5 or even 10 pounds and be set for weeks? Especially when ground beef is rarely the finished dish anyway. It's a building block, destined for soups, casseroles, tacos, burritos, pasta sauces and skillet meals that will all be seasoned later.

This is usually the point in the conversation where eyebrows go up. Because, yes, I cook ground beef in the slow cooker, on purpose,

and it turns out to be one of the most useful kitchen shortcuts I know.

Slow-cooked ground beef comes out fully cooked and surprisingly moist. It isn't browned or particularly pretty, and that's exactly the point. This meat is meant to be finished later, not served as-is.

How to Cook Ground Beef in a Slow Cooker

Place 5-6 pounds of ground beef in a 6-quart slow cooker, breaking it into large chunks. Season lightly with 1 teaspoon garlic powder, 1 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Add 1 cup of water, cover, and cook on low for 6-8 hours, until fully cooked. Drain well, cool completely, then portion into labeled freezer bags (about 2 cups each) and freeze flat. Use directly from the freezer in soups, casseroles, taco filling, pasta sauce, shepherd's pie, stuffed peppers or skillet meals.

Meal prep doesn't have to mean finished meals lined up in identical containers. Sometimes it's enough to prepare the parts that take the longest. Future you will take it from there.

CURRIED BEEF PITA POCKETS

Yield: 4 servings

Total Time: 10 minutes

- 1/2 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 1/2 to 2 cups cooked ground beef (about 1 pound raw)
- 1 garlic clove, minced or grated
- 1 tablespoon curry powder, or more to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 (14.5 ounce) can diced tomatoes
- 1 medium zucchini, diced
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 cup cucumber, peeled, seeded and chopped
- 1/2 cup sour cream or plain Greek yogurt
- 1 teaspoon dill
- Salt and pepper
- 4 pita pockets, cut into halves

Preheat a large skillet on medium-high heat. Heat the olive oil and brown the onion. Add the ground beef and garlic, curry powder, salt, pepper, diced tomato and zucchini, and stir to combine. Add 1/4 cup water, cover and simmer 3 minutes.

While that's simmering, mix the cucumber with sour cream and dill, adding salt and pepper to taste, set aside. Spoon meat mixture into pita breads. Top with dollops of cucumber sauce. Serve with a salad.

This is the quiet power of cooking components instead of complete meals. A little advance effort turns into fast, flexible dinners that don't feel repetitive. It's not flashy, but it's the kind of kitchen habit that makes everyday cooking feel so easy it's almost fun. Almost.

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Josefina F. was excited to win \$1,199 at South Point's Bingo



Q: Who plays the woman who ended her engagement to the sheriff on the new show *Best Medicine*? Was she on *Schitt's Creek*? —*D.D.*

A: Abigail Spencer plays Louisa Gavin on the new Fox series *Best Medicine*, which is based on the long-running British comedy *Doc Martin*. She's been a regular on many shows over the years. Her first television role was as Becca on the daytime soap *All My Children*. She also played a young Sally Draper's schoolteacher on season three of *Mad Men* before landing main character roles on shows like *Rectify* and *Timeless*. In addition, Spencer has recurred on *Suits* and *Grey's Anatomy* and co-starred alongside Jon Cryer in the short-lived NBC sitcom *Extended Family*.

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Gerald H. won \$1,199 at Plaza Hotel & Casino



Don't be a Pushover in Poker by Making this Mistake

By Jonathan Little

When most recreational poker players face aggression, they fold all but their best hands. This is a huge leak that results in them never becoming winning players. The following hand illustrates that concept.

In a \$500 buy-in tournament with blinds at 300/600 with 25,000 effective stacks, the cutoff raised to 1,200 and our Hero raised to 3,000 from the button with the JhJd. Only the cutoff called.

The flop came down Ks10s9c, the cutoff checked, and Hero bet 3,500 into the 7,500 pot.

While betting is fine, this is a decent spot to check behind with a clear marginal made hand that really does not want to get checked-raised. If Hero bets the flop and either the turn or river, he will have a difficult time getting a significant amount of money in the pot when he has the best hand because most players typically only call two or three bets with strong made hands and premium draws.

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The Bingo Ball Crawl

The night that Ted lost all the balls will live in my memory, probably forever. It had not been a smooth evening in general. First, one of the monitors went all fuzzy and refused to be fixed with any readily available remedies, such as switching it off and on or whacking it sharply. We finally decided to turn it off and make do with one fewer monitor. Then, one of the bathrooms became an issue, followed by all that accompanies such a tragedy.

"How many people in the world do you think don't have indoor plumbing?" asked Lib.

"How many years have people lived without indoor plumbing?" asked Ellie.

"The Romans had wonderful baths and bathrooms," said Kay. "Their plumbing has never been equaled."

"Have you ever been to Italy?" asked Kate in wonder. "You wouldn't say that about plumbing if you had ever been there."

Finally, we got back to Bingo which was great as I'd hit my toilet talk limit.

I had been pretty lucky, having won on-the-way games twice so far. We had arrived at the final blackout. The on-the-way game was a double Bingo, one vertical and one horizontal. I called Bingo with a vertical and a diagonal, having suffered a minor mind hiccup. There was some hilarity over my mistake. Kate took it as an opportunity to let



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Alfred W. and Wanda W. of Texas, happily married 12 years were excited for Wanda's big win of \$10,000 at Gold Coast's Bingo event!



Michelle, Green Valley Ranch's day shift supervisor congratulates Leslie S. for winning 4 Pandas on Green Valley Ranch's new Golden Dynasty side game!



Wow! One lucky Keno winner won the Jumbo Progressive 9 spot at Santa Fe Station, taking home \$70,481!



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by Henry Tamburin

Common Craps Bets: Part II

With over fifty bets on the layout, craps has a lot of action and options. Last month we covered common bets including the Pass Line and the Come—this month we look at three more.

Odds Bet

The odds bet is the best bet in the entire casino; but you won't find it labeled anywhere on the craps layout. The good news: the payout odds for a winning odds bet are equal to the probability of the bet's winning; therefore, the house edge is zero. The bad news: you can't just make an odds bet—it must be made in conjunction with a pass line or come bet. After a point number is established on the come-out roll, smart craps players will back up their pass line bet with an odds bet. For example, suppose you wager \$10 on the pass line, and on the come-out roll, the shooter throws a 4 as the

point number. You can then place another \$10 in chips directly behind your \$10 pass line wager (representing the odds bet). The shooter will continue to roll the dice until one of two events occurs: (1) A 4 is rolled before a 7, in which case both the pass line and odds bets win. The initial \$10 wager is paid at 1 to 1 (you win \$10) but the \$10 odds wager is paid at the true odds of making the point number. (In the case of a 4, it's 2 to 1; therefore, you win \$20 for your initial \$10 odds wager), or (2) if a seven is rolled before the 4, then the pass line and odds bets are lost. For each point number, the payoff for the odds bet are the same as the true odds for the corresponding odds bet. The odds bet lowers the total house edge on the combined pass line and odds wagers. All casinos allow single odds, but some also double, triple, ten, and up to 100-times odds. The house edge on the combined pass line plus odds wagers will decrease as the odds increase.

Tip: To take advantage of the odds bet, you should lower the amount of your pass-line wager in anticipation of making an odds bet. Suppose you wager \$50 on the pass line. Your cost is: \$50 times the 1.41 percent house edge = 70 cents. If instead, you decrease the pass-line wager to \$25 and then subsequently place \$25 on the odds, the house edge on the combined \$50 wagered is: \$50 times 0.85 percent = 42 cents.

You are risking the same amount of money (\$50) but at a lower cost (42 cents vs. 70 cents). Therefore, you should always take what you would have bet on the pass line and put a percentage of it on the pass line and the rest of it on odds. If you want to increase the amount of your next bet, don't add more chips to the pass line; instead, add them to the odds wager. That's the smart way to take advantage of the odds bet.

Place Bets

A place bet is a bet that one of the point numbers will be rolled before the shooter

rolls a seven. You can make a place bet on the 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, or 10.

Some of the latter numbers are more difficult to roll than the other numbers. Therefore, the payoffs and house edge on place bets differ from one number to another.

Tip: If you want to make a Place bet, do so only on the 6 and 8.

Field Bet

The field bet is popular because of its simplicity: it's a one-roll wager that either wins or loses. After you make a field bet it either: wins if the next roll is any one of the numbers 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, or 12 or loses if any of these four numbers are rolled: 5, 6, 7, or 8. On the surface, the bet looks good since you win if any one of seven numbers is rolled and lose on only four numbers. However, here is the rest of the story. The four numbers that the bet doesn't cover just happen to be the ones you are most likely to roll.

You'll win even money if a field number is rolled but most casinos will pay double (2 to 1) on either the 2 or 12. This yields a house edge of 5.5 percent. Some more generous casinos pay double on either the 2 or 12 and triple on the other. This reduces the house edge to 2.8 percent.

The cost per hour on a \$1 Field bet (assuming 100 decisions per hour and a 12 paying 3 to 1) is \$2.80. If the 12 pays 2 to 1, the cost per hour increases to \$5.50. The reason the cost per hour is low for the field bet is that it's possible to bet low amounts (e.g., \$1) which is not the case betting on the pass line and come. If you wager more on the field, say \$5, your cost per hour would be five times greater.

Tip: If you want to make a wager on the field, do so for \$1 in a casino that pays 3 to 1 for either the 2 or 12.

For the full article that includes a complete odds table for Place Bets, visit <https://www.888casino.com/blog/common-craps-bets>.

HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD — During Hollywood's Golden Age, movies had their own royalty with queens such as Greta Garbo, Marlene Dietrich, Jean Harlow, Merle Oberon, Katharine Hepburn, Bette Davis and Joan Crawford, to name some. They were major influences on women's fashion. Garbo was eloquent, while Harlow was brassy but sexy. When Hepburn and Dietrich wore pants, it suddenly became alright for all women to wear pants. They were melodramatic to a fault, playfully sexy, or downright bawdy.

When Eleanor Powell took on Fred Astaire, their dance duet was thrilling, opening the door for Ginger Rogers to be Astaire's partner, which was movie-musical magic! Crawford, who allegedly started in X-rated films, became a dancer in early musicals, and then she became the queen of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer lot. When she made *What Ever Happened to Baby Jane?* (1962) (against Davis' objections), it proved that negative chemistry could be dynamite!

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Christine M. won \$1,000 at Suncoast Bingo



Nancy N. won \$1,000 at South Point



Peanut Butter Dog Treats

Much to the disappointment of my snack-starved son, who had just bounded into the house after a 5-mile run, the note on the kitchen counter by the metal cooling rack read: "Dog biscuits! Sorry, not for you. — Mom." The tempting treats may have looked and smelled like peanut-butter cookies, but they were hard as a rock and ready for our canine friends to enjoy.

Bake a batch of these crunchy dog biscuits with your kids. This simple recipe goes together in minutes, and young kids will have an easy and satisfying time rolling out or patting down the pliable dough to create shapes with cute cookie cutters. You'll need:

- 2 cups whole-wheat flour
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 cup peanut butter at room temperature
- 1 cup whole milk
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- All-purpose flour for rolling the dough

After you set the oven to 375 F, here's how to get the kids involved: Let one child measure and combine the flour, baking powder and salt in a large mixing bowl.

Another child may measure and stir the peanut butter and milk together in a smaller mixing bowl. It will take 1-2 minutes until the mixture is smooth. Slowly pour it into the dry ingredients and stir until well-combined.

Sprinkle flour on the counter. Knead the dough a few times until it is easy to roll out into a 1/4-inch rectangle with a lightly floured rolling pin. Cut with cookie cutters in fun shapes such as a fire hydrant, a bone, a kitty, a heart, etc. Then transfer to greased (or parchment paper covered) cookie sheets.

Bake 20 minutes, or until edges are lightly browned. Let cool.

"The Grandkids Are Coming!" **Tip:** If you have preschool grandkids, make the dough in advance of their arrival. When it's time to shape and bake, sprinkle flour on the counter, give each child a chunk of dough, and show them how to pat the portions flat with their clean hands. Cut out shapes with the cookie cutters and set them on the cookie sheets for you to bake.

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Bingo John

Into the Darkness

(Last month, Bingo John surprised the old man and his daughter at the cabin in the woods. She passed out into his arms. Her son won a Bingo Jackpot. And Sarah-Mae was on the lookout for Bingo John.)

She was looking right at me with her clear blue eyes.

"Who are you?" she asked.

"It's the One from the Woods," yelled her blind father. "It's him, I tell you. He's the one who helped us win."

Not being the type to take advantage, I played right along. "That's right. It is me. I'm the One from the Woods. I check in from time to time. I looked after some other things for a while, and that's why you haven't heard me about the house. But I'm back. When I saw how down-trodden things were around here, I made those Bingo Balls fall right in place, just so you folks could win."

She squirmed out of my arms, looked me up and down, and I thought for a moment she was going to pass out again.

"But you're," she said. "You're nothing but..."

Her father interrupted. "Can't you see he's tired? He's been casting his magic. Get him some food." Then he motioned for me to sit down.

Seeming stunned, she went into the kitchen and started to heat up food.

"Don't worry about her. She doesn't understand the way the swamp works. I've been here all my life, and I've seen some things. Thousands of plants growing and dying and rotting, then new life creeping and growing. Every once in a while, something comes crawling out that only the good Lord could think up. That's what YOU are my friend. The Lord stirred his finger and you came out to help us poor folks."

"You are the One. I can feel it," he said, lightly touching my face. "You controlled the Bingo cards for my grandson."

The daughter then brought in a big iron kettle of soup. The aroma made me swoon with hunger. She sat and began questioning me, and I picked up the ladle, dipping it full of the boiling liquid. Just as I lifted the ladle, something crashed outside. I jumped in my seat and poured boiling liquid on the lap of the old man.

"AAAAAeeee," he yelled, then he jumped up and more soup on his legs.

Somewhere out in the woods, trees were being uprooted. Whatever it was, was coming to the house, something really big, something really pissed off. Being the honest sort, I tried to calm everybody down by explaining who I really was. They wouldn't listen. They were too agitated with his burns and the ruckus outside.

I knew he loved his pipe, so I said, "Let's have a smoke and calm down." "He's right," said the old man. "The One from the Woods knows these things." His daughter looked at us both like we were crazy. Before she could say

anything, he picked up his pipe and I took an ember from the fireplace and lit it. Then something grabbed the house and shook the frame. We fell to the ground. Suddenly with a load roar, the front door of the cabin was ripped off and flew off into the woods. A dark shadow came over the doorway that was blacker than any normal shadow. It was like a shadow's shadow, an unnatural shadow, as if a shadow cast a reflection of itself in a damaged mirror. And in that deep dark a pair of yellow eyes looked at us. Then a shape detached from the dark and crept across the floor up to the old man's feet. Without thinking, I stepped on it. A cold freeze crept into the center of my guts. Then, like a blanket being thrown across my vision, the whole scene changed. The cabin was gone. Only the thin transparent shapes of the old man and his daughter were in front of me.

Out in the distance I could see Sarah-Mae running through the empty space trying to catch up with me. Bingo cards fell like snow. Behind her, a cop car with flashing lights followed. Up high in the air were the two yellow eyes. They were staring down at me with cat-like intensity. I felt my whole being getting pulled up into the sky. Then all around my feet I started to see more Bingo cards. On one of them was the winning card. The one her son won on TV. When I reached down to touch it, I was back in the cabin.

"I don't care if you are the One from the Woods or if you helped us win at Bingo. I want you out of this house this instant!" said the old man's daughter.

Next Month, Bingo John feels rejection.



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DEAR AUNT BINGO

by Bonnie Mitchell

Loud and Proud

Dear Aunt Bingo,

I am one of the people that must use a machine to yell Bingo for me, as I have paralyzed vocal cords. I'm lucky enough to speak with just a whisper of a voice. I have enjoyed Bingo since I was 8 years old (I am now 57), so I'm very glad someone came up with this item. Also interesting is that I received it from my uncle's friend after he passed away. He had used it for many years due to having his voice box removed.

When I win, many people look to see who is using this machine but quickly look away

when they see I have a tracheotomy in place. I usually just smile and shrug my shoulders.

All the Bingo workers I have dealt with are more than pleasant and glad to see I can still enjoy the game. I've only had one caller come down to see me at intermission. He quickly realized I needed the machine and never said anything about me using it. I only hope people stop and think what it would mean to them if they could not do something they had enjoyed for many years. —Judith H., via e-mail

Dear Judith,

Thank you for taking the time to write in and share your experience and demonstrate why a device like this should be welcome in a Bingo hall. For you it is clearly not a toy or gimmick to get attention; if you did not have the electronic Bingo caller, you would not be able to enjoy the game.

When another reader wrote in and told of her difficulty with the caller over using her device, all I could think was: What planet is this caller from? Why would he ban a device that a person needs if they are to be heard? Would he prefer she wave colored flags or shoot a starter pistol? Good grief! —Aunt Bingo

Write to Aunt Bingo c/o the Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, WA 98070, or email her editor at tara@bingobugle.com. Be sure to include your name and address (you can request your name not be published), as typically she will not include anonymous letters in her columns.

ANIMAL CRACKERS

By Fred Wagner



Lucky Lotto News

One More Ticket Nets a Win

A man in Michigan was in for a big surprise when he decided to buy an extra lottery ticket to try and cash in on some recent good luck. Gilbert Godinez, 69, was at a local grocery store when he made a bit of an impulse purchase, according to a news release from the Michigan Lottery. "When the Super Raffle game launched, I told myself I was going to buy one ticket a month until the drawing took place," Godinez told lottery officials. However, that day the man decided to purchase an extra ticket. "I was at the store cashing in a win on a scratch off about two weeks before the drawing and decided to use my winnings to buy one more Super Raffle ticket," he explained. Godinez purchased a ticket with the raffle number 188964, which ended up winning him a \$100,000 prize. "The day of the drawing, I got on MichiganLottery.com to check my raffle numbers and was stunned," Godinez said. "I never would have thought I'd win a prize like this, so it's pretty unbelievable!" Godinez told the Michigan Lottery that he already had plans for how he wants to spend his money. "I plan to invest a portion of the money and then have some fun with the rest!" he said.

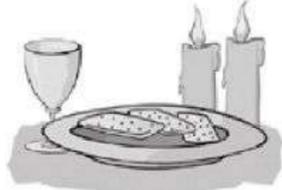
Husband Wins, Wife Shocked

Drugging through medical appointments turned into a "dream" for one Buckeye State couple. A Carrollton, Ohio, man, who has not been publicly named, finished taking his wife for a series of appointments as part of her cancer treatment and decided to stop by a convenience store on the way home, according to state lottery officials. The husband picked up a couple of \$5 scratch-off tickets and found one last Best of 7's scratch-off in a bin, the officials said. When he got home, he was amazed to find the ticket was a top prize winner, worth \$500,000. He'll take home about \$360,000. "I still can't believe it," the man said. "I still think it's a dream!" He rushed to share the good news with his wife, who initially

didn't believe him. "She looked at me funny and said, 'Did you fall?'" I said, "No I'm in shock! I think I won half a million dollars!" The woman was finally convinced after her husband scanned the ticket on the Ohio Lottery app and proved it to her. The man said his particular ticket selection strategy had paid off: "I like the end of the roll, I'll buy in the middle too, but always liked the end of the roll best." The man told lottery officials that his prize is a blessing, noting their family has been facing rising medical bills amid his wife's cancer, which can now be paid for with some of the money. When she recovers, he's hoping to plan something they'll enjoy together.

Mom of Six Hits on New Ticket

Trena Nicholson, a resident of Hamlet, North Carolina, recently bought a new scratch-off game ticket from a local Speedway, according to the North Carolina Education Lottery. The new game, Ruby Red 7's, had only recently debuted in the state. The game has three \$2 million top prizes and nine \$100,000 prizes — and Nicholson couldn't believe her luck when she saw all those zeroes were hers. "I was jumping up and down screaming," Nicholson said. "I had to look at it again to make sure I was seeing it right." The first thing she did was call her six children. Despite Nicholson telling them for years that she'd win the lottery one day, the news came as a shock to the whole family. Nicholson opted to receive the prize in a lump sum of \$1.2 million, rather than annuity payments of \$100,000 over the next 20 years. After mandatory tax withholdings, she brought home \$861,006, which she plans to pay bills with and share with her family.



I have notes from friends at home who are getting their COVID vaccines and high-dose flu shots on the same day in the same arm. They talk about being completely wiped out and the cons of having two sore arms. Does it matter if you get the shots in one arm or the other? I suspect that it's fine to do them both in one arm, and there's no advantage to dividing it over time or by arm. —N.W.

ANSWER: Recent studies seem to suggest that getting the COVID-19 vaccine in the same arm as previous vaccines leads to higher short-term vaccine effectiveness; however, another recent study shows that getting a subsequent COVID-19 vaccine in the opposite arm leads to higher antibody levels, which are also longer-lasting.

I suspect that there is no major difference whether you consistently get the vaccine in the same arm or not. Personally, I always get my COVID vaccine in my nondominant arm, but I have colleagues who prefer the vaccine in their dominant arm (as they are convinced that moving more means a faster resolution to a sore arm, which is very common after any vaccine).

Getting both your COVID and flu vaccines at the same time is convenient for people who have trouble getting to their provider or when there is no pharmacy near them that provides the vaccine. It's most efficient to get both done at the same time, but when I have done so, I get one in one arm and one in the other. Again, it's a personal preference.

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

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Test Your Knowledge

1. GAMES: What color is Sonic the Hedgehog in the video game?
2. GEOGRAPHY: What is the former name of the U.S. Virgin Islands?
3. MOVIES: What are the colors of the striped sweater Freddy Krueger wears in *A Nightmare on Elm Street*?
4. MEDICAL TERMS: What is a more common name for pneumothorax?
5. HISTORY: By which name is Martha Jane Canary more commonly known?
6. TELEVISION: What is Hawkeye Pierce's real first name in the *M*A*S*H* series?
7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of larks called?
8. AD SLOGANS: Which car company uses the ad slogan "Driven by passion"?
9. MYTHOLOGY: What is the head of the Egyptian god of death, Anubis?
10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the currency of Japan?

ANSWERS

1. Blue.
2. The Danish West Indies.
3. Red and green.
4. Collapsed lung.
5. Calamity Jane, a sharpshooter in Western history.
6. Benjamin.
7. An exaltation.
8. Fiat Automobiles.
9. A jackal.
10. The yen.

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Word Spiral Answer

HABANEROS

Boggle BrainBusters Answers:

FIG LIME PEAR PEACH
APPLE MANGO GUAVA
LEMON ORANGE

CryptoQuip answer

Fragrance that a perfume company intended to capture the very aroma of paradise: Heaven-Scent.

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Veterans Post



Thieves Don't Always do Prison Time

The reports from the VA's Office of Inspector General are mind-boggling outlines of just how low scammers will go to steal money. Not all of them, however, will do prison time.

A recent report indicates that one man was able to scam over \$1 billion by creating fake medical drug and device claims. This scheme used telemedicine as well as phone calls, the internet and junk mail to con vulnerable people into handing over their personally identifiable information. Armed with that information, the thieves were able to generate fake doctor orders and use their partner pharmacies, telemarketers and equipment suppliers to ship out unneeded medicine and medical items — and get paid for it all to the tune of \$1.45 billion.

The CEO of the medical software company behind all the fraud, is not likely to have time to enjoy the fruits of his ill-gotten cash because, at age 79, he's been sentenced to 15 years in prison and fined over \$452 million in restitution.

Then there is the guy who stole VA grants to the tune of \$1.3 million while pretending to run a nonprofit homeless veterans shelter. Not only did he spend some of that cash on himself, but he pretended to provide counseling services that the veterans never received.

While he could have received up to 10 years in federal prison, he was only sentenced to 42 months, followed by supervised release.

On the other hand, there is the pain doctor who is managing to not go to prison even after knowingly billing for multiple tests on the same patient on the same day. Instead, it's been called civil, not criminal, but he does have to pay \$13.6 million under the False Claims Act.

How is it the theft of that amount of money doesn't result in prison time?

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Lucky Predictions for April 2026

ARIES: March 21 to April 19

1st thru 6th... Great start the 6th!
7th thru 12th... Surprise to all the 11th!
13th thru 18th... Adventures await 15th!
19th thru 24th... Reel it in 19th & 23rd!
25th thru 30th... Early chances the 25th!

TAURUS: April 20 to May 20

1st thru 6th... Partner scores the 4th!
7th thru 12th... Hard cards favored the 8th!
13th thru 18th... True luck 17th-18th!
19th thru 24th... Take mom along 22nd!
25th thru 30th... Strong possibilities 26th-27th!

GEMINI: May 21 to June 21

1st thru 6th... No later than the 1st
7th thru 12th... It all comes back 11th!
13th thru 18th... Winning streak 15th!
19th thru 24th... Not bad—hang in there!
25th thru 30th... GREEN wins 28th-29th!!

CANCER: June 22 to July 22

1st thru 6th... Amazingly good 3rd-4th!
7th thru 12th... Shift focus elsewhere
13th thru 18th... Great \$\$ escape 14th & 17th!
19th thru 24th... In it to win 22nd!
25th thru 30th... New triumphs 27th!!

LEO: July 23 to Aug. 22

1st thru 6th... Can't go wrong the 6th!
7th thru 12th... Fine series of events 11th!
13th thru 18th... You're in da money 15th!
19th thru 24th... Some promise here 19th!
25th thru 30th... Don't be shy the 28th!

VIRGO: Aug. 23 to Sept. 22

1st thru 6th... Jackpot is yours the 4th!
7th thru 12th... Key chances 8th-9th!
13th thru 18th... GREEN=cash 17th-18th!!
19th thru 24th... Big energy win 22nd!
25th thru 30th... Play at least once 27th & 30th!

LIBRA: Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

1st thru 6th... Celebrations 1st & 5th!
7th thru 12th... Try your luck the 11th!
13th thru 18th... Nope
19th thru 24th... Rewards ahead 19th-20th!!
25th thru 30th... Cut out for it the 28th!

SCORPIO: Oct. 24 to Nov. 21

1st thru 6th... Opportunity awaits the 4th!
7th thru 12th... You rake it in 8th-9th!!
13th thru 18th... All points to \$\$ 14th!
19th thru 24th... Totally up to you 21st-22nd!!
25th thru 30th... Collect & stop 27th!

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 22 to Dec. 21

1st thru 6th... Accept help 1st & 5th
7th thru 12th... Victory! 10th-11th!
13th thru 18th... See & believe the 15th!
19th thru 24th... Yes! the 23rd!
25th thru 30th... Follow that hunch 28th-29th!

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 to Jan. 19

1st thru 6th... BLUE bets to win 3rd-4th!
7th thru 12th... Nice & slow the 8th
13th thru 18th... Just in time 17th-18th!
19th thru 24th... Step aside
25th thru 30th... Surprise, surprise! 26th!

AQUARIUS: Jan. 20 to Feb. 18

1st thru 6th... You know how 1st & 6th!
7th thru 12th... PURPLE pulls it in 10th!!
13th thru 18th... Bragging rights 15th-16th
19th thru 24th... Worth your while 19th & 24th!
25th thru 30th... Perfect ending 28th!

PISCES: Feb. 19 to March 20

1st thru 6th... You can't be stopped 3rd!!
7th thru 12th... Serious wins the 8th!
13th thru 18th... Unpredictably good 17th-18th!
19th thru 24th... BLUE wins 21st-22nd!!
25th thru 30th... Better outcomes 30th!

Color references: lucky objects, blotters, cards, machines, the clothing/jewels you wear, or a dominant color in the room.

PREDICTORS

LUCKY CARD FOR APRIL 2026

10	22	32	57	62
2	18	31	48	75
5	23	★	52	70
15	25	43	59	72
7	26	42	51	66

MOON PHASES & SPECIAL EVENTS

APRIL 2026

- 1st April Fool's Day
- 2nd Passover (first day)
- 2nd Full Moon
- 5th Easter Sunday
- 9th Last Day of Passover
- 10th Last Quarter Moon
- 15th Tax Day
- 16th Mushroom Day
- 17th New Moon
- 20th Boston Marathon
- 24th First Quarter Moon
- 30th National Mahjong Day



by Frederick Woodruff
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Horoscopes for April 2026

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): Spring never fails to set your heart spinning. And this year's promises to be one for the record books. Consider parsing your time into a schedule that allows for as much playtime as you don't feel pulled in opposing directions. **Lucky Days:** 2 - 10 **Lucky Numbers:** 44 - 50

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21): For optimal progress this month, rethink the various ways you promote yourself. No need for shyness now. Acknowledge your various skills and gifts. And then put yourself out into the world—to your community, your church, your peer group. You need to move. **Lucky Days:** 8 - 11 **Lucky Numbers:** 29 - 39

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21): What's the best way to calm a storm between friends? Listen. Stay receptive. If you're locking horns with family or peers, try this: Ask the simple question, "What is it I can do for you?" This will neutralize even the most heated disagreements. **Lucky Days:** 11 - 29 **Lucky Numbers:** 9 - 18

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22): You're under a lot of pressure this month to try and do all things to all the people in your circle. Admit to yourself that this isn't possible. You need to prioritize, and if necessary, call in some favors from folks that owe you their assistance. **Lucky Days:** 22 - 27 **Lucky Numbers:** 1 - 7

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): Did you place the idea of romance on a back burner recently? Now's a perfect time to reassess your relationship goals. Take a pledge to make the first move. And keep an eye out for someone who you'd normally consider too colorful or radical. They're a good match. **Lucky Days:** 17 - 25 **Lucky Numbers:** 4 - 24

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): Meditate on this old Zen saying. It will feel like food for your soul: "Sitting quietly, doing nothing, spring comes, and the grass grows by itself." When you sink into what this conveys, a deep relaxation will overcome you. And just like that, you're off the hook! **Lucky Days:** 1 - 11 **Lucky Numbers:** 2 - 22

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): Wow, is the pressure ever growing in your corner of the world right now. How to defuse it quickly? Drop your defensiveness first. Leading with a defense almost always makes things worse. The other person needs to feel heard before they can hear you. **Lucky Days:** 9 - 13 **Lucky Numbers:** 4 - 54

SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22): Nature is calling your name this month. Make a promise to carve out quality time that allows you to relax in the outdoors. Walt Whitman was on to something when he said, "A morning-glory at my window satisfies me more than the metaphysics of books." **Lucky Days:** 2 - 16 **Lucky Numbers:** 5 - 32

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC 21): Horses generally don't care for brides, but this month you'll need to slip into one to rediscover your path forward. If you're being pulled in eight different directions at the same time, practice saying no. Create boundaries, and you'll glide forward easily. **Lucky Days:** 3 - 29 **Lucky Numbers:** 3 - 55

CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN 20): The cosmic pressure is strong this month. To relieve the tension, take a chance, take a risk. Harness the impetus of the new Moon on the 17th. How? Simple. Make a wish in the afternoon, sleep on it that night, and then in the morning make a list of the steps necessary to win. **Lucky Days:** 5 - 15 **Lucky Numbers:** 6 - 52

AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19): Finances are in the spotlight this month, with a great opportunity on the 17th when the Moon begins a new cycle. Use that date to kick off whatever sort of budget you need to establish. Stick to it and by the end of the summer you'll be a free agent again. **Lucky Days:** 7 - 17 **Lucky Numbers:** 2 - 30

PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20): If you feel like you're moving through a hurricane of different emotions, you're not alone. The only difference is that you tend to register things more intently than others. The new Moon on the 17th provides you with an opportunity to ask for assistance and receive it. **Lucky Days:** 4 - 10 **Lucky Numbers:** 49 - 56

COFFEE BREAK ANSWERS

SCRAMBLER ANSWER: 1. Agenda 2. Hoard 3. Gleam 4. Rapid
Today's Word: LADDER

JUMBLES: BISON METAL FUMBLE PROVEN

Answer: The math teacher had taught multiplication a — NUMBER OF TIME

HOCUS FOCUS DIFFERENCES: 1. Tail is smaller. 2. Arms are long. 3. Pocket is different. 4. Log is different. 5. Earlap is longer. 6. Rabbit's ear is moved.

CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER: Talent is like money. You don't have to have some to talk about it. — Jules Renard

BINGO CROSSWORD ANSWERS



SUDOKU ANSWERS

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

MAGICMAZE ANSWERS

