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## \$12,550 BIG BINGO WIN!



Denise won the Grande in 53 numbers at **Sunset Station Bingo**, taking in a cash prize worth \$12,550. Sunset Station plays daily on the odd hours from 9am to 11am. Congratulations on the lucky win, Denise!

## \$5,198 CASHBALL



All smiles at **Red Rock Bingo** after the lucky 7pm Cashball. Winner came away with a jackpot worth \$5,198. Please give it up for the lucky winners!

## \$5,161 LUCKY WIN!



Miss Ada won the 2nd chance cashball during the 9am session at **Green Valley Ranch**, taking home a total of \$5,161. Pictured with her are her friends Maryann and Patti. GVR has sessions daily on the odd hours from 9am to 11pm. Way to go, Miss Ada!

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# BOB ON BINGO

## By Bob Whittmore The People Who Make Bingo Possible

Hi, again, everyone. I got an email at bingo@earthlink.net from Nicky in Palm Springs, California. Nicky says: "Hi, Bob, I have read your column every month since my Mom started bringing home *The Bingo Bugle*, when I was in grade school. Until a fire destroyed our house a year ago, she had every one of your columns. I wish you and my Mom could have met."

"She was the world's best Bingo player. She traveled over 250 miles a week in Southern California, playing at her favorite Bingo halls. I remember a conversation I had with her about the people who work at the halls. She had just read one of your columns in which you thanked all the people who worked at halls ... both charity and casino-type. In that column you also blasted halls for not telling callers who MUMBLE: 'YOU MUMBLE!'"

"You mentioned that you had been a radio newscaster all your life and that when you were behind the microphone you used a difference emphasis and a different reading-style on the air. You also noted that Bingo callers should remember that they were ON THE AIR. And, you said that if you have to

look at the board to see what the last number called was, something was wrong.

"Bob, now to my point, my Mom also talked a lot about the fact that she felt you should have some kind of national award to reward a caller who does NOT mumble. I totally agree, so, Bob, here is my idea...and I know you have talked about this before. You need to have a CALLER OF THE YEAR contest. Think about it. Keep up the good work. —Nicky, Palm Springs."

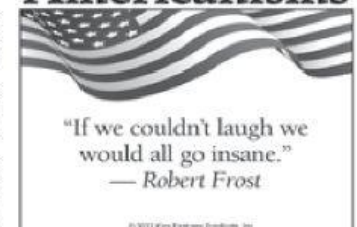
So, here goes. I am doing this only as a function of BOB ON BINGO. This contest is not a part of the *Bingo Bugle*. It is MY contest. And, somehow, I will come up with a prize. I am responsible for this. So, I want you all to think of the one single person who makes Bingo happen in your area.

If you play at a casino-type operation, look for someone who is working his or her butt off, in spite of the fact the pay is low, the hours are tough and that person is there ALL day, in many halls, even when we are not.

If you play at a charity hall, remember that NO ONE is paid ANYTHING. The workers are volunteers. They are there for you. They put up with your demands for no compensation, other than the realization that they are helping the parochial school, or civic group or other cause for which they are volunteering.

NOMINATE at: bingo@earthlink.net. Or, Box 90, Monroe City, Indiana, 47557. I will now go check the mail.

## Americanisms



## Relatives' Recipes

**Dear Ask Annie,**  
 When I was just a kid, my Mother use to make beer biscuits. She has since passed away and now I am old enough to try to make some beer biscuits. Do you know where I can find a recipe for beer biscuits? I am hoping to surprise my husband with this recipe.  
 —JoAnne from Tennessee

**Dear JoAnne,**  
 I found a recipe for beer biscuits. I hope it is the one you will like. It seems simple enough to make. —Annie

### BEER BISCUITS

- 4 cups biscuit mix
- 4 tablespoons sugar
- 2 cup beer

Combine the biscuit mix and sugar. Add the beer and mix until just moist. Spoon the mixture into lightly greased muffin tins. Bake at 400 degrees for 10 minutes. Makes 24 biscuits.



**Dear Annie,**  
 This might sound like a weird request. Have you ever made olive soup? My Granny used to make it all the time. I never asked her for the recipe, so I am out of luck. Have you ever seen a recipe for olive soup?  
 —Johnny from Greensboro, NC

**Dear Johnny,**  
 Here's a recipe I found in one of my cookbooks. Hope you like it. —Annie

### OLIVE SOUP

- 4 oz. ripe olives, minced
- 1 clove garlic
- 1 ½ cups chicken broth
- 1 egg beaten
- 4 oz. Cream
- salt and pepper

Simmer olives with garlic in the broth. Cook for 15 minutes and then remove the garlic. Combine the egg and cream. Add the broth, stirring constantly. Season to taste. Serve hot or chilled.

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.



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# Gaming News

## Canada's Largest Casino Opens

Great Canadian Entertainment, the biggest casino company in Canada, opened its long-awaited \$1 billion Casino Resort Toronto in late June. Casino Toronto is now not only the largest casino in Canada by far, but among the largest in North America, with 328,000-square-feet of gaming space hosting nearly 5,000 slot machines and 145 table games, plus a 400-room hotel, nine restaurants, numerous bars and lounges, and a 5,000-seat theater/concert venue. Great Canadian Entertainment also inked a deal with Live Nation, to live shows.

## Art, Then a New York Casino?

If the owners of one of the largest undeveloped sites in Manhattan get their way, they could soon be building one of New York's first Vegas-style casinos near the United Nations. In the meantime, in a gesture of good will: Soloviev Group, the developer, is commissioning the artist Bruce Munro to install a light installation on the 6.7-acre site that will be free to the public and open for at least a year, starting in late September, the firm said. The art piece, "Field of Light," an arrangement of 17,000 flowerlike fiber optic stems, will be staked, mounted and lit up in a kaleidoscope of colors on a vacant stretch of First Avenue between East 38th and 41st Streets. The Soloviev Foundation, a charitable arm of the development firm, will cover the \$1.5 million cost of installing and maintaining the display, said Michael Hershman, the chief executive of Soloviev Group. So begins the next stage of the campaign to win over a wary public, in a competition to secure one of three lucrative gambling licenses in the New York City area.

## NC Approves Sports Betting

The governor of North Carolina, the ninth most populous state in the nation with 10.6 million residents, has signed legislation that allows betting on horse races and sporting events to begin as early as January 8, but could be delayed until mid-June 2024. The law allows for twelve online sports betting licensees and eight retail locations connected to racetracks, golf courses, arenas, and stadiums. The state is the 28th that will have online sports betting; race betting will be via separate licensees. Currently, North Carolina has three tribal casinos that accept in-person sports bets; the only other gambling allowed in the state is a lottery that was approved in 2006 and charity bingo.

## \$5 Million F1 Package, Anyone?

CarBuzz.com reports that Caesars is now offering an F1 room-food-and-beverage package for the Las Vegas Grand Prix at a cost of \$5 million, a mere five times the previously highest-priced package at the Wynn. The "F1 Nobu Emperor" deal includes five nights at the Nobu Sky Villa in Nobu Hotel, the hotel-in-a-hotel at Caesars Palace, 12 paddock club tickets, two tickets to "Weekends with Adele," spa services for six, personal driver, VIP host, and a private dinner for 12 "created by" celebrity chef Nobu Matsuhisa (whether or not he cooks it himself remains to be seen).

## Sports Books Rattling on Players?

The NFL recently suspended five pro-football players for violating the league's anti-gambling policy. Three of the five bet on NFL games and were banned indefinitely; they can petition to be reinstated by the league after the end of next season. The other two were suspended for six games for betting from an NFL facility on other sporting events. It appears that a sports-betting platform or platforms alerted the league that the five players were violating the NFL Gambling Policy.

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—Brenda Weiner

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Another lucky win at Red Rock as Jayne hit the Big 3 and came home with \$2,100. **Red Rock Bingo** has sessions daily on the odd hours from 9am to 11pm.

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Vegas' Top Ten Values for August

Table listing top 10 dining spots in Vegas for August, including Steak Dinner at Ellis Island Casino, Buffet at South Point, \$1 Beer at Stage Door Casino, etc.

List courtesy of Anthony Curtis' Las Vegas Advisor, a monthly newsletter devoted to helping you get the most for your money in Las Vegas. An annual subscription costs \$50 U.S./\$60 Canadian/\$70 foreign; sample issue \$5, Las Vegas Advisor, 3665 Procyon Street, Las Vegas, NV 89103. 800-244-2224. Website: www.lasvegasadvisor.com.



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HOTLINES & INFORMATION NUMBERS

Table listing hotlines and information numbers for various states including Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island, Texas, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

Thank you for reading The Bingo Bugle!

Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver

\* The largest volcano in the solar system is Olympus Mons, on Mars, standing at an impressive 13.6 miles high with a diameter of approximately 370 miles. That's nearly three times the height of Mt. Everest.

\* Lettuce is a member of the sunflower family.

\* Gennaro Pelliccia, a taster for Costa Coffee, had his tongue insured for \$22 million.

\* To leave a party without telling anyone is called, in English, a "French exit." And in French? Appropriately enough, it's known as a "partir à l'anglaise," or, to leave like the English.

\* The rotund Buddha so commonly depicted in statues and pictures isn't at all an accurate representation. Instead, his real-life counterpart was actually quite thin, due to self-deprivation.

\* GPS may be free to use, but it still costs \$2 million per day to operate. The funds are supplied by American tax revenue.

\* One of the World Trade Center towers was purposely built to a height of 1,776 feet to reference the year the Declaration of Independence was signed.

\* According to a study done by French researchers, if you listen to loud music, you are more likely to drink more in less time.

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Poker at Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

By Chad Holloway

I was recently at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, Florida. Set just north of Miami outside Fort Lauderdale, it is one of the most luxurious casino venues in the world, and it just so happens they have some of the best poker in the country.

During my visit, I had the opportunity to play a tournament in their annual Seminole Hard Rock Poker Showdown festival. It was Event #56: \$200 Big Stack No-Limit Hold'em, which started players with 20,000 in chips and played 20-minute levels.

It was in that tournament where I was reminded that sometimes hands play themselves and all you can do is live with the results. Case in point, a hand I played in Level 5 with the blinds at 200/400/400 when I was sitting on about 12,000 in chips.

I looked down at the Q♥ J♦ in middle position and min- raised to 800. Action folded around to the player in the big blind, who had been a bit of a luck box, getting

rewarded for bad plays. You could say he was on a "heater," meaning he was getting lucky and winning a lot of hands.

As he was still stacking the chips he'd won the hand prior, he looked down at his cards and called the additional 400 to see a flop of Q♠ 6♥ 4♥. My opponent checked, and with top pair, I continued for 1,000.

My opponent paused for a few beats and then woke up with a big check-raise to 5,000. That was about half my remaining stack, so I had to decide what to do. Before doing so, I had to determine what sort of hand my opponent was holding.

If he had a big hand that would be beating me like either pocket kings, aces or ace-queen, it's logical to think he would've raised pre-flop, so I took those out of his range. Now, could he have ♠♥ two pair like queens and sixes? Absolutely. He was in the big blind after all.

That said, he would likely check-raise big with any queen in his hand, meaning I beat hands like queen-ten, queen-nine, etc. He might also do it with either a pair of fours, sixes, or a draw, like to a straight 8 or flush.

Calling off half my stack and giving him a chance to complete a draw seemed like a bad idea, and folding my hand against his perceived range would be a bad play. As such, I decided to target his potential one-pair hands and draws by moving all-in.

He hesitated for a few moments but eventually called. I felt confident that I was ahead, but I was wrong as he tabled the K♠ Q♠. He, too, had a pair of queens, but his kicker was one better than mine.

Neither the 8♠ turn nor 2♥ river helped me, and just like that, I was out with a fresh reminder that sometimes the luck box has it.

Chad Holloway is a 2013 World Series of Poker bracelet winner and executive editor of U.S. PokerNews.com. Follow him on Twitter: @ChadAHolloway.

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



FEAR KNIGHT word search puzzle with a knight chess piece illustration and a list of words to find.

KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

By Terry and Kim Kovel

Q: In the 1950s or '60s, my mother had a Barbie doll that wasn't like any I have seen since. It had painted brown hair with a painted blue headband, and it came with three wigs: long and dark brown, curly and reddish-brown, and short and blond. I have seen a lot of Barbies at auctions but not one with wigs like this. Is this one rare?

A: Your mother's doll sounds like the Fashion Queen Barbie doll, introduced in 1963. This doll had a molded head with brown hair and a blue headband and non-bending legs. It was dressed in a one-piece swimsuit with white and gold stripes, a matching urban and white open-toe shoes. It was sold with three wigs: one blond, one brunette, and one titian (the term used for reddish-brown Barbie hair). It was marked "Midge T. M. [copyright] 1962 Barbie [registered] [copyright] 1958 by Mattel, Inc." The 1964 edition had "Patented" added to the mark. Mattel also made Barbie "wig wardrobes" in the 1960s, which were sold with a doll head, not a complete doll. Fashion Queen Barbies without the wigs or box have sold for less than \$100 at recent auctions. A doll with all three wigs and the original outfit and box can sell for \$100 to \$400.

TIP: Put a silver spoon in a glass before pouring in hot water. It will absorb heat and keep the glass from cracking.

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A Celebration of Laziness

Lazy is an ugly word. I prefer to call it selective participation. —Unknown

Welcome to Weed Month, or Weed Mouth, as designated by Anglo-Saxons years ago. The Anglos believed that weeds and plants grow fastest at this time of the year, thus, the name. True or not, I did read that in August, bamboo can be seen with the naked eye growing at up to two inches an hour!

My personal adjective describing August is appalling because of the oppressive heat and humidity. It's also why I say God bless the inventor of air conditioners. Along those lines, I also say God bless whoever came up with National Lazy Day, August 10th, to celebrate doing nothing. Be a slug, sleep late; embrace nothingness with no plans to be anywhere or do anything. Turn the AC up and the phone off; be a couch potato; watch TV while gorging on snacks with no need to feel guilty because it's a holiday. I've read that occasionally being lazy reduces burnout and allows our bodies to recuperate from the stress of otherwise busy lives. I admit I'm lazy a lot, but I justify it by telling myself I'm old and need to rest. That's also my alibi when I don't want to help my husband with household chores. He believes everything I tell him. Yeah, right.

Moving on, I've been thinking about Lady Luck. Ancient Romans called her Fortuna and depicted her blindfolded to symbolize the randomness of chance. Fortuna doled

HOLLYWOOD

by Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD — Are Robert De Niro and Al Pacino one-upping each other when it comes to daddy-ship? As we reported recently, De Niro had a seventh child this year at the age of 79, and now Pacino (83) has revealed he's having a child with his 29-year-old girlfriend Noor Alfallah, any day now.

Pacino's never been married, but has three children — the eldest, Julie Marie born in 1989, with acting coach Jan Larrant. He also has twins, son Anton James and daughter Olivia Rose born in 2001, with actress Beverly D'Angelo.

George Clooney and Brad Pitt are teaming up again as the producers and stars of Wolves, playing two professional fixers hired for the same job. Pitt's also a producer of Beetlejuice 2, which began shooting May 18 in Hertfordshire, England, with Michael Keaton, Winona Ryder, Catherine O'Hara, Justin Theroux and Willem Dafoe. The film's slated for September 2024.

Johnny Depp received a 7-minute standing ovation in Cannes for his film Jeanne du Barry. Before you think all is forgiven after the brutal mudslinging abuse trial he and Amber Heard had in 2022, Depp is still a persona non grata in Hollywood, but has assumed the attitude of: "I don't feel boycotted by Hollywood because I don't think about Hollywood!" Nevertheless, a Hollywood distributor hasn't been found, so we may never get to see his new film.

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out both good and bad luck without reason or prejudice. I suppose that's true if you believe in the concept of luck because occasionally, good luck follows bad luck or vice versa without rhyme or reason. Robert and I experienced this recently following a gambling jaunt to Vegas. We lost, then won, then lost, lost, lost. The video poker gods spat out one losing hand after another and emptied our pocketbooks faster than a hungry monkey can gobble a banana. We flew home regretting our monetary losses.

But, now looking back, we think that maybe Lady Luck heard our lamentations and took pity on us because of what happened next. I always leave a lottery scratcher at home to enjoy after I return from a gambling trip. The next morning, I began scratching my CashWord ticket and one word after another was revealed. The more words revealed, the more prize money; end result was eleven words out of fourteen, a win of \$5,000. Thank you, Lady Luck, and just like that, Robert and I went from big losers to big winners. Now if I could win at bingo, I would believe my long losing streak to be over, but apparently, the bingo gods still hate me.

August 21st is National Senior Citizen Day. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 78 million people aged 65 and older will reside in America by 2035. This figure will surpass the number of the population under the age of 18 for the first time in our nation's history. Fun fact: more seniors live in Maine, Florida, and West Virginia than in any other states. Seriously, Maine?

Until next month, may Lady Luck blow you kisses as you dance out the door with dollars. Win big and take a cranky old senior citizen to bingo once in a while. You'll both be winners whether or not you get to yell bingo.

FLASHBOARD NUMBERS

Table of numbers: B: 03 05 08 11 12; I: 17 21 22 25 28; N: 33 34 37 39 40; G: 47 49 52 55 58; O: 62 64 65 69 71

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**ACROSS**

1 Move rapidly  
5 Pirates' quaff  
8 EPA concern  
12 World's fair  
13 Detergent brand  
14 Hardy cabbage  
15 Tolerate  
16 Whatever number  
17 "— have to do"  
18 Release  
20 Heart lines  
22 Sauce source  
23 Prickly seed-case  
24 Scenery chewers  
27 Afternoon shows  
32 Biz deg.  
33 Journalist  
34 "Erie Canal" mule  
35 Math tables, e.g.  
38 Ratio phrase  
39 Auto  
40 Hr. portion  
42 Religious retreat  
45 Declare  
49 See 38-Down  
50 A billion years  
52 Lotion additive

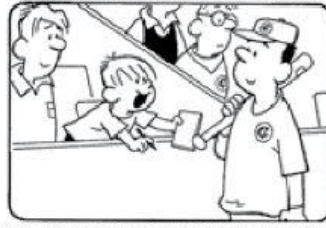
**DOWN**

1 Hump-backed animal of India  
2 Kin of 1-Down  
3 Colorful fish  
4 Swamp  
5 Easily prepared product  
6 Grecian vessel  
7 Poet Angelou  
8 Slalom slope  
9 Futon, for one  
10 — podrida  
11 Solidifies  
12 "When pigs fly!"  
13 Japanese sash  
14 "Let me think..."  
15 "The — Daba Honeymoon"  
16 Compact car maker?  
17 Citric beverage  
18 Devil's home?  
19 Chow down  
20 — -mo replay  
21 Toughest to find  
22 Gershwin or Glass  
23 Young one  
24 Kipling poem  
25 Touch  
26 Protected  
27 Repast  
28 Nastase of tennis lore  
29 Lasso  
30 Anthropologist Margaret  
31 Individual

## HOCUS-FOCUS



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS

## SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

3		2						7
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	8	9						1

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

## SCRAMBLERS

**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.

**FLICK**

**CHARGE**

**MABLE**

**WADDLE**

**NIGHE**

TODAY'S WORD

## JUMBLE

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

**GOBSU**

**LNITG**

**SICOF**

**ARAYIV**

Answer here:

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

BXE RHI VYWIHSITK.  
WIHYRUIUKZB RUP VUINVKRMZB  
SZRLIP. RUP BXE RHI MIREKVSEZ.  
— RYB MZXXY

So, is it going to rain today?  
I believe it will be partly sunny and 77 degrees the rest of the day.

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

Answer here:

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**Even Exchange** by Donna Pettman  
Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Spring festival	E _ _ _ _ _	Having more speed	F _ _ _ _ _
2. From Oslo	_ O _ _ _ _	Hospital employee	_ U _ _ _ _
3. Like overdone toast	_ _ _ N _ _	Popped	_ _ _ S _ _
4. Slow boil	_ _ I _ _ _	Growing season	_ _ U _ _ _
5. Actor Kevin	_ _ C _ _ _	Twirler's stick	_ _ T _ _ _
6. Vocation	_ _ _ _ R _	Sway recklessly	_ _ _ _ N _
7. Rent	_ _ _ S _ _	Sailor's sabbatical	_ _ _ V _ _
8. Vote into office	_ _ L _ _ _	Cast out	_ _ J _ _ _
9. Haggler	B _ _ _ _ _	39 <sup>th</sup> president	C _ _ _ _ _
10. Dracula's outerwear	_ _ _ A _ _	Time keeper	_ _ _ C _ _

**GO FIGURE!** by Linda Thistle  
The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

	+		x		16			
x		x		÷				
	+		x		13			
÷		-		x				
	x		+		20			
10		17		16				
1	2	3	3	4	5	6	7	8

DIFFICULTY: ★  
★ Moderate ★★ Difficult  
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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— Brenda Weaver

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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.

**FEAR & KNIGHT**  
answer

M	A	C	R	O			
O	L						
R	A	S	P	E	N		
S	A	W		T			
E				Y			
L	I	M	P		M		
N			T	O	W	E	R
C	A	S	I	N	O		
H			P		N		

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

## MAGIC MAZE

**MAGIC MAZE** ● **SAILING SHIPS**

HCZ XVTRPNLFJRHE  
MCCONSTELLATION  
AAYWIELVYTRPMNK  
YLKINGSIGEECABR  
FAIRAMNSZXLWPUA  
LSREPGOMULUJIIIS  
OGBECDBAYECXNWX  
WYMLAVICTORYTUT  
ESORYRAMTSEPAQT  
RUOVAEDNEPHONLU  
DKJNOITUTITSNOC

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

Beagle	Endeavour	Mayflower	Prussen
Constellation	Flying Cloud	Nina	Valmy
Constitution	Hercule	Pamir	Victory
Cutty Sark	Mary Rose	Pinta	

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**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 R

RY SIUGLIQO, N'U YJXXIYGT HI  
QGRT HSNY MIIO ME LQNHGQ  
TRSZ NA IAG TRE.  
HNUG HI SNH HSG QIRZT!

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**Boggle BrainBusters!**  
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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

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21-30 = R kie  
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D	P	O	R	H
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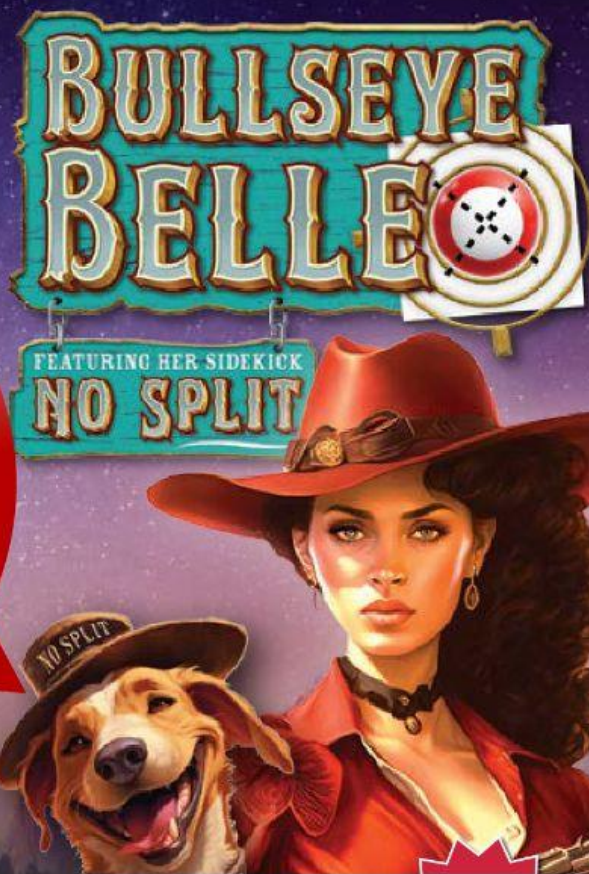
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### Book Review: Arnold Snyder Strikes Again

There are plenty of good books that cover basic strategy and card counting for blackjack players; Arnold Snyder in fact, wrote some of them. His latest book, however, is, well, "radical." I don't mean this in a negative sense; on the contrary, this book is loaded with "eye-popping information and stories" about advanced playing techniques used by Snyder, and some of the world's most successful blackjack players, to beat the casinos at their own game. As Blackjack Hall of Famer Don Schlesinger succinctly put it, "Arnold Snyder has decided not to hold back and publish information that has heretofore never been made public."

I was a young and relatively new card counter in 1981, trying to learn everything I could about the game of blackjack. Somewhere I read about a new quarterly publication called Blackjack Forum, so I mailed in a check for a subscription and eagerly awaited the delivery of my first copy. I remember my surprise when I discovered that Arnold Snyder, who was the writer and publisher of Blackjack Forum, was working the night shift at

the post office sorting mail. To put it bluntly, I found it "radical" to be reading information about "how to win at blackjack" from a post office employee. However, as you'll discover from reading his tell-all book, Snyder quit his job at the post office, scraped together a meager bankroll, and tried to make it as a professional blackjack player.

To say he succeeded is an understatement. His high-stakes assault on casinos, using advanced techniques that transcend card counting, is legendary. His books, the printed quarterly Blackjack Forum, and blackjackforumonline.com website have helped countless numbers of individuals become successful card counters (including yours truly); and his selection in 2002 as one of only seven charter members inducted into the Blackjack Hall of Fame was a well-deserved honor.

What sets this book apart from other blackjack books are Snyder's real-life stories of how he was able to play for high stakes using several different advanced techniques while being closely watched by casino personnel. He not only reveals the techniques he used but also explains how they work in great detail: shuffle tracking, hole carding, edge sorting, front loading, and card-steering. In my opinion, the best-of-the-best sections of the book are his partner-play with his wife, Radar, the comprehensive treatment on loss-rebates, and his playing experiences using shuffle tracking (solo, and with Radar).

Snyder meticulously explains the camouflage techniques he and Radar used that befuddled pit bosses and casino surveillance while they were playing for high stakes and extracting millions of dollars from casinos and being given the high-roller treatment from casino bosses and hosts with outrageous favors. (It not only included comped casino suites, free transportation, gourmet meals, and invitations to the Super Bowl, to name just a few, but also unbelievable playing-condition benefits that he asked for and received, such as a hand-shuffled

game rather than one using a continuous shuffling machine.)

The latter chapters contain Snyder's comments, views, and enthralling stories of some of the world's most successful gamblers including James Grosjean, Richard Munchkin, Lawrence Revere, Al Francesco, Ken Uston, Stanford Wong, Bill Benter, Darryl Purpose, Wally Simmons, Anthony Curtis, and others. Even if you don't recognize some of the names, the stories that Snyder tells about them are fascinating. He also included a story about how I indirectly saved Tommy Hyland's blackjack team members from prison. (You'll have to read the book to find out how this happened.)

You can rest assured that the statistics and percentages quoted by Snyder in the book are accurate because two of the leading blackjack math experts, Blackjack

Hall of Fame members Don Schlesinger and James Grosjean, reviewed the manuscript before its publication.

Lastly, and most importantly, this book will give you a "feel" for what it takes to be a professional gambler earning money in casinos. You'll read what it's like betting six simultaneous hands of \$10,000 using powerful advantage-play techniques while being watched by casino bosses and surveillance, and I guarantee you'll enjoy reading the positively written, inside stories and secrets from some of the world's most successful gamblers.

This book is, after all, a professional gambling memoir, but unlike any other book that I have read on blackjack, I highly recommend it to all blackjack aficionados, but especially to card counters who want to elevate their game to a higher level.

**STICKELERS** (sic)  
by Terry Stickels

In the grid below, place the numbers 1 through 8 so that no number is next to a consecutive one in the counting sequence (horizontally, vertically or diagonally).

12			10
9			11



# HOT summer



## Veterans Post



## Fraud and Theft

Not all the thefts and fraud the Office of Inspector General uncovers runs into the millions. But a stolen dollar is a stolen dollar, and the Department of Veterans Affairs OIG will go after it, no matter the size.

Take the perp who stole used precious metals that were supposed to be recycled. This dental tech at a VA facility nabbed the metals and sold them to a third party. He could get 10 years in prison and a possible fine of \$250,000 ... all for the \$17,000 he made passing along stolen metals.

Then there were the 44 doctors, who should have known better, who have to pay back \$5.7 million that they netted from a fraudulent self-referral program. The eye and ear clinic broke the law that bars them from referring patients to facilities where they have a vested interest and financial relationship. It's called the Stark Act, and it keeps physicians from sending their patients to places where they know they'll get a monetary return, instead of caring more about the patients' actual health.

Then there was the couple who, for seven years, submitted over 100 fictitious applications claiming that their company was providing services to veterans in need of aid and attendance. Aid and attendance is giving assistance to homebound veterans who need help with everyday basic functions, like eating, bathing and taking medications.

This couple hunted up veterans and surviving spouses and got the needed information, like DD-214s, bank docs and others. Over 70 veterans were approved for funds, and the couple took over \$2 million while the veterans themselves got only a portion of that. The couple could get a max of 20 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine ... each. As of this writing, their company web information still pushes the aid and attendance angle and describes how they will submit all the documents to the VA.

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Kari was Sunset Station's big 3 winner, taking home a whopping \$3,200! Congratulations, Kari!

## Savvy Senior

by Jim Miller

### Locating Interesting Volunteer Opportunities

#### Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you recommend some good organizations or websites for locating interesting volunteer opportunities? I've been doing some volunteer work since I retired last year, but most of the jobs I've tried haven't been very fun or satisfying.

—Retired Volunteer

#### Dear Retired,

For many retirees, finding a volunteer opportunity that meets your interests, utilizes your talents and fits your availability can be challenging. To help you find some interesting and satisfying volunteer opportunities, here are some tips and online tools that can help you search.

#### Getting Started

Volunteering is a great way for retirees to make a positive contribution to their community and stay actively engaged, not to mention it's good for your health too. But how can you find the right opportunity for you? Start by asking yourself some basic questions like: What types of organizations or activities are you interested in? What kind of skills can you offer a volunteer organization? How much time are you willing to give? What do you want to gain from your experience (for example, meet new people, learn new skills, help those in need, exposure to a particular issue)?

Once you get a general idea of what you'd like to do, there are dozens of volunteer websites that can help you search for different opportunities in your area and virtually.

Most sites work like search engines that let you choose an area of interest and type in your ZIP code or city and state. The sites will

## Dog Days of Summer

Last month, we discussed tips for keeping our homes cooler during the summer. This month, we explore solutions for keeping our four-legged friends comfortable during the summer. Before we delve into the tips, have you ever wondered why it's called the "Dog Days of Summer"? Let's find out. (hit to Wikipedia and the Google)

The "Dog Days of Summer" refers to a period of hot, sultry weather typically experienced during the summer months, specifically in July and August in the Northern Hemisphere. In ancient times, the dog days were associated with the rising of Sirius, the brightest star in the constellation Canis Major (the Great Dog). Sirius would rise and set with the sun during this period, and the ancient Greeks and Romans believed that the combination of the sun's heat and the star's alignment contributed to the hottest stretch of summer weather.

Over time, the term "dog days" evolved to describe the hottest and most oppressive days of summer, often characterized by high humidity and a lack of a breeze. It's worth noting that the exact timing and intensity of the "dog days of summer" can vary depending on the geographical location.

And now on to our tips for keeping those

then give you a list of opportunities that you can check into. Depending on your interest and expertise, here are some top websites to help you get started.

#### General volunteer sites

To find a wide variety of volunteer opportunities in your community that serve causes like children, animals, seniors, education, health, the arts and more check out sites like VolunteerMatch.org, Engage.PointsOfLight.org, Idealist.org and UnitedWay.org.

#### Retired volunteer sites

If you're interested in opportunities targeting older adults and retirees, some good options include AARP's CreateTheGood.org, along with AmeriCorps Seniors (AmeriCorps.gov/serve/ameriCorps-seniors), which matches retirees with community projects and organizations that need experienced volunteer help.

AmeriCorps Seniors offers three different programs: RSVP, which has a variety of volunteer activities with flexible time commitments; the Senior Companion Program that brings together volunteers with homebound seniors who have difficulty with day-to-day living tasks; and the Foster Grandparent Program that matches volunteers with kids in the community that have exceptional needs.

#### Niche volunteer sites

There are also a number of niche websites to help you look for specific types of volunteer opportunities in your area. For example, to find natural and cultural volunteer opportunities in places like national and state parks, see Volunteer.gov. If you're interested in emergency preparedness and disaster response volunteer services, try Ready.gov or RedCross.org. If you have a knack for construction or have an interest in learning about interior design, see Habitat.org. Or, if you're interested in longer-term volunteer opportunities check out AmeriCorps.gov and PeaceCorps.gov/50plus, which offers three-month to two-year programs in the U.S. and abroad.

pets cool:

--Ensure your pet always has access to fresh and cool water. Consider placing multiple water bowls around your home or outdoor areas.

--Create a shaded area in your yard where your pet can relax and escape from direct sunlight. Trees, umbrellas, or canopies are good solutions for providing shade. If your pet stays indoors, ensure that they have access to a cool, shaded area in your home.

--Pavement, asphalt, and sand can become extremely hot and burn a dog's paws. Try to walk your dog on grass or shaded paths and avoid walking during the hottest parts of the day.

--Minimize your pet's time outdoors during the hottest hours, typically between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. When outside, engage in light activities and avoid intense exercise.

--Never leave your pet in a parked car! The temperature inside a parked car can rise rapidly, even with the windows cracked. Leaving your pet inside a car can quickly lead to heatstroke which can be fatal.

--Regularly brush your pet's coat to remove excess hair and mats, which can trap heat. However, avoid shaving your pet's coat too short, as it can provide protection against the sun's rays and insulation against heat.

--Maintain regular check-ups with your vet to examine your pet's health and discuss any concerns or specific needs related to summer heat.

--Help your dog cool down when outdoors by providing them with cooling mats, damp towels to lie on, or a shallow pool of water (like a kiddie pool) to wade in under supervision.

--Learn to recognize the signs of heat exhaustion or heatstroke in pets. These can include excessive panting, drooling, weakness, vomiting, rapid heartbeat, and collapse. If you notice any of these symptoms, move your dog to a cool area, offer water, and seek veterinary assistance.

Remember, every pet is different, and some breeds are more susceptible to heat-related issues than others. If you have concerns about your pet's ability to tolerate the heat, consult with your veterinarian for advice and additional recommendations to keep them safe during the summer.

#### Professional volunteer sites

If you have expertise in areas like business planning and development, marketing, communications, finance, fundraising, web and graphic design, or writing and editing there are sites like Catchafire.org and TaprootPlus.org that can link you to volunteer opportunities with nonprofit organizations in need. Or you can help entrepreneurs and small business owners through the SCORE.org volunteer mentoring program.

## top ten

### COLLEGE MARCHING BANDS

Source: CollegeBands.com

1. Texas A&M Aggie Band
2. University of Southern California Trojan Marching Band
3. Ohio State University Marching Band
4. University of Tennessee Pride of the Southland Band
5. University of Texas Longhorn Band
6. Purdue University "All-American" Marching Band
7. Ohio University Marching 110
8. Penn State Blue Band
9. University of Michigan Marching Band
10. University of Iowa Hawkeye Marching Band

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LAS VEGAS – June 29, 2023 – Golden Entertainment, Inc., a diverse gaming company that owns and operates casinos, taverns and video gaming devices in Nevada and Maryland, will host its inaugural slot tournament, the Golden Pyramid Tournament. Set to take place across multiple Golden Entertainment properties throughout Southern Nevada in July and August, the tournament will provide True Rewards® members the opportunity to compete for a share of \$50,000 in free slot play, including a \$10,000 grand prize.

Qualifying rounds will be held every Tuesday in July from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at both Arizona Charlie's in Las Vegas, located at 740 S. Decatur Blvd. and 4575 Boulder Highway, beginning Tuesday, July 4. True Rewards members must accumulate 200 same-day base slot points on Monday to qualify to play in the weekly Tuesday tournament. Members can earn an additional entry by earning 100 same-day base slot points between 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays for a maximum of two entries per guest.

True Rewards members in Laughlin, Nev. can earn 1,000 base slot points at Aquarius Casino Resort, located at 1900 S. Casino Dr. or Edgewater Casino Resort, located at 2020 S. Casino Dr., on Wednesday in order to play in the qualifying rounds. Aquarius will host the qualifying rounds from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Thursday in July beginning Thursday, July 6. Members will receive an additional entry by earning an additional 1,000 base slot points on Wednesday up to a maximum of two entries per guest each week.

Pahrump Nugget Hotel & Casino, located at 681 Hwy. 160 in Pahrump, Nev. will host its qualifying rounds from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. every Thursday in July beginning Thursday, July 6. True Rewards members must earn 500 base slot points from Monday to Wednesday to qualify for the weekly Thursday tournament.

The top five tournament scores from each qualifying round at both Arizona Charlie's locations, in addition to the top 10 scores from qualifying rounds at both Pahrump Nugget and Aquarius, will receive up to \$500 in free slot play and a coveted golden ticket to participate in the grand finale tournament at Aquarius.

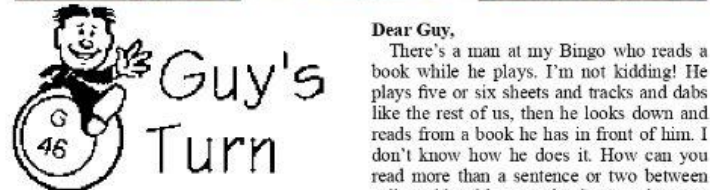
A total of 120 winners will compete in the \$50,000 finale tournament on Saturday, Aug. 12 at Aquarius. The top 40 winners of the finale tournament will collectively share \$50,000 in free slot play, with the first-place winner receiving \$10,000 of the prize pool. All players will receive a complimentary room offer for Friday and Saturday nights of the tournament.

For the complete rules and regulations of the Golden Pyramid Tournament, visit the True Rewards center at any of the properties or click here.

Players are invited to sign up for True Rewards, Golden Entertainment's rewards program, to receive bonuses including increased point multipliers, prizes such as cash and free slot play, as well as eligibility in select tournaments and special events. More information is available at [www.TrueRewards.com](http://www.TrueRewards.com).

## BROOM-HILDA

By Russell Myers



#### Dear Guy,

There's a man at my Bingo who reads a book while he plays. I'm not kidding! He plays five or six sheets and tracks and dabs like the rest of us, then he looks down and reads from a book he has in front of him. I don't know how he does it. How can you read more than a sentence or two between calls and be able to track whatever the story is you are reading? Have you ever heard of such a thing? —L.L., California

#### Dear L.L.,

Wow, that's a new one to me. I could see someone doing this if they only played one or two packs, but five or six? That's a challenge! I will say, though, that I have a good friend who loves to read and reads very fast. I've seen him polish off a 400-page novel in less than a day! Maybe that's what this player does. If he can speed-read an entire page in a matter of seconds, then he could certainly play Bingo and keep track of the storyline at the same time. And I say, "Good for him!" —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 Guy directly at [tara@bingobugle.com](mailto:tara@bingobugle.com).

#### Dear F.F.T.,

People wear shoes, boots, sandals, and flip flops out and about. Why not slippers? Actually, I kind of like the idea. Those hard hall floors can be chilly and tough on the feet. A nice, cozy pair of slippers might be just the thing. Thanks for the idea! —Guy

## Go Figure!

answers

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6	+	7	×	1	13
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3	×	4	+	8	20
10		17		16	

## Boggle BrainBusters

Answers:

- SEA LAKE GULF
- POND COVE OCEAN
- HARBOR LAGOON

## Even Exchange

answers

1. Easter, FASTER
2. Norse, NURSE
3. Burnt, BURST
4. Simmer, SUMMER
5. Bacon, BATON
6. Career, CAREER
7. Lease, LEAVE
8. Elect, EJECT
9. Barter, CARTER
10. Cloak, CLOCK



## Test Your Knowledge

1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the tallest building in the world?
2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What does HTTP stand for in a website address?
3. LITERATURE: Which kind of animals are featured in the novel *Watership Down*?
4. HISTORY: When was the first iPhone released?
5. MOVIES: What kind of fish is Nemo in *Finding Nemo*?
6. GAMES: What is the final course on Mario Kart video games?
7. ASTRONOMY: How many planets in our solar system have moons?
8. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was licensed as a bartender?
9. MEDICAL: What is a more common term for somnolency?
10. TELEVISION: How many castaways are on *Gilligan's Island*?

## ANSWERS

1. Burj Khalifa, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
2. HyperText Transfer Protocol.
3. Rabbits.
4. 2007.
5. Clownfish.
6. Rainbow Road.
7. Six of the eight planets.
8. Abraham Lincoln.
9. Talking in your sleep.
10. Seven.

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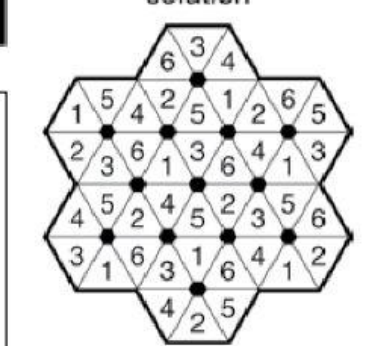
## CryptoQuip

answer

As homework, I'm supposed to read this book by writer Dahl in one day. Time to hit the Road!

## SNOWFLAKES

solution



## Stickelers Answer

Here is one way. Did you find another?

12	4	6	10
7	1	8	2
9	3	5	11

## Casino Q&A

### Near Misses

Q: Is it true that when payout symbols begin to appear just above or below the pay line a big payout is on the way?  
A: You're describing the "near miss" feature. This is where you keep seeing winning symbols lined up just above or below the pay line or partially on the pay line, like 7-7 bar. Naturally, you think you just missed by a hair, and it's a sign that the next spin will do the trick. It won't. Winning symbols appear like this simply as a result of the computer's random selection process. But these "near misses" don't increase or decrease your likelihood of winning. They're just another spin, but one that tricks people into playing longer.

Q: I know when I'm in a casino that I'm being watched by the surveillance cameras in those black plastic bubbles in the ceiling. Do casinos have surveillance cameras in their hotel rooms and public restrooms?  
A: No. That would be considered invasion of privacy, and no casino hotel would dare put cameras in their rooms. The "eye-in-the-sky" cameras serve only to single out and catch card counters, cheaters and to monitor the behavior of casino employees and customers

Q: If I'm a big winner and the casino wants to take my picture for promotional purposes, can I refuse?  
A: In many jurisdictions, it's perfectly legal for a casino to take your picture and send it to publications for promo purposes. But many casinos will honor your request not to have your picture taken. However, should the casino insist on taking your picture before payment and you refuse, then you'll have to hire a lawyer to see what the law is in your state.



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### Senior Project: Bingo!

For her senior project, Grangeville, Ohio high schooler Tesslynn Beeson said she "wanted to do something that actually outwardly helped our community." With that in mind Beeson decided to head up Bingo nights at the senior center to raise funds and have fun at the same time. Tesslynn told *Idaho Country Free Press* that "Senior citizens have helped to shape our community, and I feel we do very little to help benefit them," she stated. All proceeds from the special Bingo events went to Meals on Wheels, the senior meal delivery service that works in conjunction with the senior center's nutrition program. "I really wanted to focus on a senior project that benefitted the community and not just something within the school," Beeson said.

### Bingo Tournament 2024 Announced

It's official: this year's Annual World Championship Bingo Tournament Cruise sponsored by *The Bingo Bugle* has sold out yet again. If you couldn't make it aboard this year or want to join the club of Bingo cruisers who come back year after year, we've got the insider line on next year's cruise, which happens to be the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the event. The cruise sets sail October 27<sup>th</sup> from New Orleans for a 7-day luxury cruise to Montego Bay, Grand Cayman and Cozumel, Mexico. More than \$100,000 in cash plus a free cruise are in the offering, with early bird Bingo, special games and more. Call toll-free (888) 352-2464 for more information or visit [www.BingoBugle.com/cruise](http://www.BingoBugle.com/cruise).

### Mecca Partners with Loose Women

According to the *Gambling Insider*, Mecca Bingo will be the Official Bingo Partner of the daytime panel show, *Loose Women*. To celebrate the agreement, Mecca Bingo has launched an exclusive Loose Women-themed bingo room on its website. Players can match Loose Women topics and win cash prizes. The game modes Bingo Bestie and Everyone Wins will also be available for the duration of the event. Karina Adrian, Head of Strategic Marketing at Mecca Bingo, said: "We all love to keep up with the latest trends and topics, and just like *Loose Women*, our customers are authentic, open and love having fun, so a partnership with ITV's longest running panel TV show feels like a natural fit. "As part of the partnership we're delighted to introduce a host of new and exclusive features and with the 'Loose Women free Winner Spinner' everyone's a guaranteed winner." This announcement comes after Mecca Bi

### Bingo Bash is Back

The Rotary Club of Westfield has announced the date for this year's Bingo Bash, which will be held on Saturday, Oct. 7 at the Palomino Ballroom in Zionsville, Indiana. After taking a year off, Bingo Bash is back and bigger than before. Guests will enjoy ten games of Bingo and more opportunities to win big with Heads & Tails, 50/50, and a silent auction. A buffet dinner catered by Nameless Catering will be served and a cash bar. Bingo tickets will go on sale Aug. 7. Bingo Bash is the Rotary Club's largest annual fundraiser. Funds help support the club's mission: Service Above Self. Rotary also supports its international project, Water is Life.

### ANIMAL CRACKERS

By Fred Wagner



### Rediscover the Forgotten King of Carbs: Mouthwatering Stuffed Baked Potatoes

Remember stuffed baked potatoes? I was discussing food with some friends, and none of us could recall the last time we had stuffed baked potatoes. We've been so occupied with quinoa and cauliflower rice that we overlooked the King of Carbs — good carbs, of course.

The humble potato is underrated. It's a low-fat, low-cholesterol source of carbs and protein, packed with vitamin C, vitamin B6, iron, calcium and more potassium than a banana. The bad reputation comes from typical toppings, like copious amounts of butter, sour cream and bacon.

I suggest adding baked potato night to your meal rotation. They're a versatile canvas for any topping you can imagine, and of course, they're budget friendly, because that's how I roll.

Before topping, we must bake the potatoes. Crispy skin and fluffy insides are achieved with russet potatoes. Here's how to bake them perfectly:

For oven baking, preheat to 400 F. Thoroughly wash the potatoes, poke them with a knife to release steam (to avoid explosions), and rub them with olive oil and salt. Place directly on the upper oven rack with a baking sheet below. Bake for 45 minutes to an hour, until a knife easily pierces the potato.

For microwave cooking, poke, oil and salt the potatoes. Place them on a microwave-safe plate and cook for 5 minutes. Flip and cook for another 5 minutes. Repeat until cooked through.

If time is limited, start in the microwave and finish in the oven for 20 minutes. Now, here's a dinner recipe: Inside-out Shepard's Pie. It's a complete, quick and easy meal. Instead of the traditional casserole, we place the filling on a baked potato. That's much simpler than mashing potatoes.

#### INSIDE-OUT SHEPARD'S PIE

Yield: 4 servings  
Time: 1 hour

- 4 baking potatoes
- 1 1/2 pounds ground beef
- 1 cup onion, chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 (6-ounce) can tomato paste
- 1 to 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce, to taste
- 1 (14.5 ounce) can (1 1/2 cups) beef broth
- 1 (14.75 ounce) can creamed corn
- 1 (12 ounce) bag frozen mixed vegetables, thawed
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

## WORD LADDERS

Can you go from BLADES to SPIDER in 6 words?  
Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

BLADES

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SPIDER

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### Micro Crossword Answer

B	A	B	A	R
E	L	E	G	Y
B	L	A	R	E
O	I	S	E	
P	E	T	E	



### QUESTIONS

1. On which album does Black Sabbath's "Iron Man" originally appear?
2. "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head" was penned for which 1969 film?
3. Who released "Baby Don't Forget My Number"?
4. What is Juice Newton's real first name?
5. Name the song that contains these lyrics: "Wednesday morning at five o'clock as the day begins, Silently closing her bedroom door."

### ANSWERS

1. Their *Paranoid* album, released in 1970. It was their live version on the "Reunion" album in 2000 that netted them a Grammy for Best Metal Performance.
2. *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*. The song, which a few others had declined to record and which was generally disliked by those in the film, went on to become a massive hit.
3. Milli Vanilli, in 1988. It was discovered the following year that the duo was lip-syncing every song when the behind-the-scenes recording got stuck and started repeating a line during a live performance.
4. She was born Judith but in 1978 legally changed it to Juice.
5. "She's Leaving Home," by the Beatles, in 1967. The story, about a girl leaving home and not telling her parents, was taken loosely from a news story about a teen girl in London.

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by Bonnie Mitchell

## Skin in the Game

Dear Aunt Bingo,

With the weather at its warmest this time of year I can understand why Bingo players want to dress comfortably in light blouses and shorts and sandals when they come to Bingo. But considering that two of the halls I play at are church Bingos, I have to say I have been very shocked on a number of occasions by the revealing clothing some female players have been wearing.

Several not-so-young women have shown up at Bingo with shorts and skirts that are so short they might as well have come in their underwear. But that is nothing compared to the ones who arrive bra-less with tops that leave very little to the imagination.

Bingo may not be the same as a religious service, but it is still held at a church! It seems to me that a degree of restraint is warranted in the clothing players wear.

—CC, via e-mail

Dear CC,

To be honest, what you describe here isn't seen just in Bingo halls. Head to the grocery store, fast-food restaurant or just walk on the street and you will see more skin exposed in more revealing outfits than ever before.

I'm torn on this topic. I understand your desire for proper decorum, but we are talking about the human body. It's natural and made in God's image and likeness according to the beliefs of many. When did we decide it was shameful and needed to be strapped in and covered up? (Oh, right...when God banished Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden!)

In the end, I think this is a matter of to each her own. If these ladies come to Bingo dressed this way and are comfortable with it, who are we to judge? Light clothing is keeping them cool and relaxed—and sharp for Bingo. Perhaps it is their secret weapon.  
—Aunt Bingo

Send your Bingo questions, news, general comments, or concerns to Aunt Bingo c/o the Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, WA 98070. You also may e-mail them to tara@bingobugle.com. Letters may be edited for space and clarity.

## WORD LADDER

BLADES, GLADES, GLIDES,  
SLIDES, SLIDER, SPIDER



\* Use the measuring cups when adding detergent to the washer. It avoids using too much, which can get costly. And it will avoid residual soap left in the fabric.

\* If you use air-conditioning, use a programmable thermostat. You can set it to a higher temperature overnight, when it's naturally cooler, and have it cool down the house right about the time you'll get home, so there's no wasted energy cooling a house with no one in it.

\* When putting woody-stem flowers, such as roses, in a vase, cut the stem diagonally and whack with a small mallet. It will absorb water much better this way. —A.R. in Mississippi

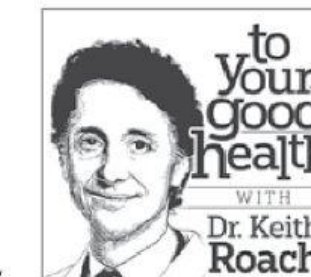
\* Save small milk cartons and wash well. Fill with water and freeze. You can use these in your picnic basket for an easy cold pack to keep foods chilled.

\* Too many suds in the sink? Try sprinkling them with salt. The foam will settle down quickly!

\* Shower rings (the hooks that hold your shower curtain to the curtain bar) can be used for lots of things: I keep one in my sewing basket to hold safety pins. It's terrific, and the pins are orderly and easy to find. —E.L. in Utah

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Can you eat eggs if you have a severe allergy to them? I ask this because my grandson vomited after eating scrambled eggs for the first time, so my daughter-in-law took him to four doctors until she found one who agreed with her that he had a severe allergic reaction. (The first three said he did not.) Since then, he has eaten baked foods with eggs in them without getting a reaction. —G.A.

ANSWER: Egg allergies are among the most common childhood food allergies, second only to cow's milk. Symptoms of a severe egg allergy can start within minutes of eating an egg product, with skin changes (flushing, itching or swelling) and problems with the airway (swelling of the throat or a change in voice). Not all people — whether they're adults or children — get skin changes, and gastrointestinal symptoms are also common. Although vomiting may occur, other symptoms (looking pale, lethargy or diarrhea) commonly occur.

A single episode of vomiting is not strong evidence of a food allergy. Blood and skin testing are sometimes used to evaluate whether an allergy is truly present.

More importantly, repeated exposure without symptoms is evidence against the diagnosis of a food allergy (although it is possible there was not enough egg in what your grandson ate to trigger a reaction). I strongly recommend a consultation with an allergist.

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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by Kate and Reva

## Betty's Big Night

My friend Betty's husband died following six years of a terrible, debilitating disease during which Betty nursed him night and day. I would have thought she would be in some way relieved at the end of this burden but, no, she missed him constantly all the same. Her only relief was playing Bingo—which she loves with a passion.

I determined to take her to a game as soon as the memorial service was over, and she happily agreed. Betty is a big woman in body and in spirit, and she doesn't go unnoticed in the Bingo hall. Several people came over to speak to her, offering their condolences and support, but I began to wish they would just leave her alone to enjoy playing Bingo.

Right away it seemed to be a lucky day for Betty, as she won on the second game. "I think I'll get a few more Bonanzas," she said. "I'm feeling like this is my day to win big."

I bought us each three more Bonanzas and refused to let her reimburse me. "It's my contribution to your lucky day," I explained.

We were content, playing our cards and chatting amiably when three things happened all at once. First, the caller got taken with a terrible coughing fit and had to leave the podium, then another player close by had what I guessed was an epileptic seizure and had to be carted away, and third, a neighbor dropped all of her daubers and was frantically trying to pick them up.

"It's a very busy and interesting night," said Betty. "I'm sure glad we came." She smiled contentedly.

At intermission I treated us to coffee and a pecan roll—which we shared, and it was sinfully delicious.

The regular caller returned, looking a bit frazzled, but soon we were onto the Bonanza game. "I have a really good feeling about this one," said Betty. We each daubed frantically as the three extras kept us busy, when an "I'm on," came from Betty and we both breathed a little faster. Three more numbers went by when she erupted with "Bingo!"

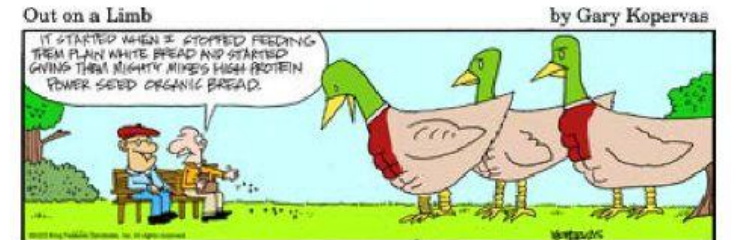
There was a mistake on the card, however, but the winning number was in the monitor. "Now if nobody Binges, I've got it," smiled Betty. And again, she was lucky—nobody else claimed a win and she won the Bonanza jackpot.

"What a night. What a night!" she exclaimed happily as we prepared for the final blackout. "We only need one more win to declare a total victory."

"I sure would like to win one," I said. "I haven't even been on all night."

"Well, we'll just make this one come out right," said Betty. "I'll put all my energy into your winning."

Soon I was on and very excited. I started chanting the number I wished for, but to no avail. Someone else won and I was a little disappointed, but not much. After all, the whole evening had been to get Betty out and that we had accomplished with style!



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