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There were still a few open chairs at the VFW in Olathe on Monday nights game. As you can see no one even looked up from their game cards to take a picture, the game was that intense.



Players were just starting to come in when we dropped by the Ararat Shrine in Kansas City, Mo. Check their ad on page 4 for date and times.

This

&

That

Now that May is almost over we might get to see some sunshine and warmer weather.

Didn't it seem like April and May were turned around this year.

May seemed more like April with all the rain and cool weather we've had. At least we're not seeing the flooding like over in Missouri and Tennessee. What a disaster that is.

I've seen some really nice gardens this year so far. The weather has really been good for them. Even the farm fields are looking good.





by Alessandra

Horoscopes for June 2011

This month's featured sign is Cancer:

Practical wisdom and accelerated creativity keep you competing amongst the best, ready for any situation. Relax into your humor, and others will trust and rely upon your good judgment...in turn they'll be your informants if things begin to go downhill.

ARIES: March 21 to April 19 • Sidestep being caught off guard re: a family matter the 16th by being more involved throughout the month—listen to others (more) around home. You will be the one with the heart and money who can help turn things around. Spread your wings and fly the 14th!

Lucky Days: 24-29
Lucky Numbers: 10-22

TAURUS: April 20 to May 20 • Reconsidering things the 3rd causes you to do an "about face" and follow a path to more familiar territory. Saved and exalted by good instincts! Your work gets notice and praise the 9th, if even at first because someone spoke out of turn.

Lucky Days: 4-25
Lucky Numbers: 11-41

GEMINI: May 21 to June 21 • Opportunities keep coming, 1st-23rd. Be certain you are up for each task. Diamond in the rough chiseled into a fine specimen 9th-10th. Oops, somebody opened mouth, inserted foot the 20th. The party's just getting started the 24th...so much happens in 48 hrs!

Lucky Days: 9-24
Lucky Numbers: 7-36

CANCER: June 22 to July 22 • In case you've forgotten how you made it from there to here, folks crop up from the past to remind you. Be proud, and newly inspired to tackle challenges in a future that will bring far more in rewards than trouble. Romantic the 11th-12th, but oh, so real.

Lucky Days: 25-30
Lucky Numbers: 1-14

LEO: July 23 to Aug. 22 • Important realization dawns on you, early the 2nd. Naturally happiest when you can make others happy, 9th-10th there is added incentive in helping out a neighbor...what you learn together in the process saves you an immense amount

of time and money with respect to your own future plans.

Lucky Days: 9-24
Lucky Numbers: 11-25

VIRGO: Aug. 23 to Sept. 22 • Remain open, flexible and accommodating this month, even if you must grit your teeth to do so. Important things are in the works, for which your attitude, dedication, wit, and professionalism will be tested. A romantic getaway 25th-26th—exclusive and luxurious.

Lucky Days: 4-25
Lucky Numbers: 4-20

LIBRA: Sept. 23 to Oct. 23 • Best possible time to embark upon a faraway journey's during the 1st/new moon, or the 10th. People will be friendly and informative...you'll enjoy establishing new connections. When self-doubt sets in the 24th, shrug it off...don't move on anything new 'til it passes.

Lucky Days: 9-29
Lucky Numbers: 1-30

SCORPIO: Oct. 24 to Nov. 21 • Those who attempt to set you up as an example ought to be aware of your thorough and relentless investigative skills. What was formerly unseen/unknown now aids in shaping a unique direction, better suited for many. Out-of-town guests inspire miracles in your kitchen 11th-12th.

Lucky Days: 20-30
Lucky Numbers: 7-33

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 22 to Dec. 21 • A great period for adventures with friends 9th-12th. During the 15th/full moon life prompts you to examine what you've learned in the classroom versus what you've gathered from experience. Never did you think you'd be on the path you're now taking.

Lucky Days: 19-29
Lucky Numbers: 13-40

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 to Jan. 19 • Family dilemma/dispute the 10th may go ignored, but will rear its ugly head again by the 23rd if not resolved. Buying time to deal with things from a new perspective is NOT a bad idea. Your mate/spouse is both romantic and chatty 11th-12th—good time to discuss what matters.

Lucky Days: 16-25
Lucky Numbers: 3-44

AQUARIUS: Jan. 20 to Feb. 19 • Thinking about buying a home in a faraway place? There's a deal with your name on it the 10th. Those not buying enjoy vacations across the seas. Refrain from signing anything involving money 11th-13th and 25th-27th. Enjoy the party but be discreet the 24th.

Lucky Days: 24-29
Lucky Numbers: 8-37

PISCES: Feb. 19 to March 20 • It's a simple fix the 16th—you've lightened another's load! What you've wanted to say comes far easier on the 20th. Don't underestimate yourself 25th-26th. Something creating a ruckus around home's on your last nerve. The situation all but disappears in July.

Lucky Days: 25-30
Lucky Numbers: 2-2

Bugle Cruise News

■ *A diehard fan's reasons for her love of cruises*

By Jeffrey Charboneau

Special to the Bingo Bugle

Christine Cotey, 66, of Elma, Washington, is a diehard Bingo fan—and an equally big fan of the World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise.

"When I'm home I don't get out much, except for when I go out to Bingo," she says, "which is why I look forward so much to the Bingo Cruise. The Tournament is very exciting, and so is all the rest of the time I spend on the ship. Plus there are the side trips when you stop at the ports. It makes me feel like a real world traveler!"

The upcoming 23rd Annual World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise will be Christine's third. On her first, in 2009, she surprised herself by winning one of the tournament jackpots. "It took me completely by surprise," she laughs. "I was so caught up in the grandness of the ship and all the excitement of being on board and playing in the big tournament that I hadn't given much thought to winning." Now that Christine is an old pro, she says she's more than ready to win the entire tournament and be the next World Championship Bingo Tournament Champion.

Away from the Bingo Tournament, Christine says she enjoys the variety of foods available on the ship day and night, and the many dining experiences travelers may choose from. "My absolute favorite is dressing up and enjoying a nice dinner in the ship's main dining room," she says. "The midnight buffets are fun, too. It is really remarkable that there are so many places to grab a quick snack or have a full meal—they

really go out of their way to make sure the passengers never go hungry."

Christine enjoys exploring the ship in search of other amenities as well. "I enjoy shopping—especially for jewelry—and the ship's shops are good for that," she says. "I never miss the stage shows and enjoy sitting and listening to the small musical groups that entertain here and there. It is surprising that even though these are all Carnival ships, each one is different," Christine observes. "That adds to the adventure."

Christine says she always looks forward to what she calls "trips within the trip"—the wide range of optional shore excursions cruisers may sign up for as they visit each port of call. "I like the bus tours," Christine says. "They are comfortable, you get to see and learn a lot of things, and you stop at interesting sites to shop, walk around or take in the sites. I recall one trip where we stopped to see beautiful parrots and monkeys. I took a lot of pictures."

The 2011 World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise promises to be just as exciting for Christine as past cruises—and will be for you, too.

Setting sail from Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and cruising from November 10-18, the Carnival Miracle will stop at the all-new southern Caribbean ports of Grand Turk, Catalina Island in the Dominican Republic, Aruba and Curaçao.

Between ports, participants will compete for \$80,000 in cash prizes during the World Championship Bingo Tournament and will have the option of participating in the Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament, the Sizzling Slots Tournament, and the Bingo Bugle Blackjack Tournament as well.

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Players were lined up to get their nights game cards at the American Legion on 75th Street in Overland Park. Check their ad on pg6.

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Weight Wise



New Supplement

■ A natural at weight loss

There's good news for those who've had a hard time losing weight because they couldn't give up their favorite foods or eat less of them.

Two professors at the Wayne State University School of Medicine in Detroit have created a new weight-loss supplement derived from corn fiber that helps reduce the human body's absorption of consumed fat.

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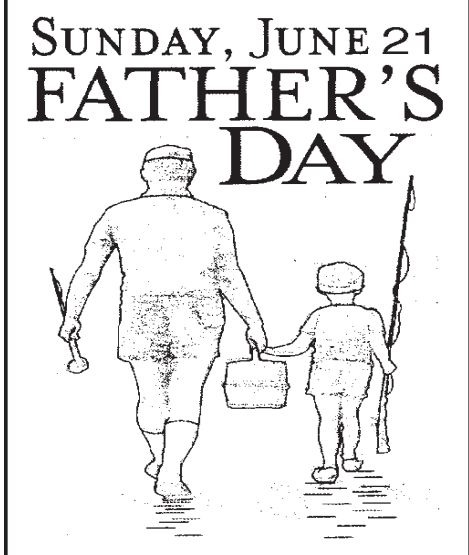
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Lucky Lotto News

■ The second largest jackpot won in Florida

By Jeffrey Charboneau

Compiled from internet news sources

Kissimmee Resident Gets Big Lotto Kiss

A 69-year-old Kissimmee, Florida woman won a \$182.1 million Powerball jackpot. Ines Carvajal claimed the prize in the name of the Carvajal Family Group and opted to take a lump-sum payment of \$91,187,716.61 before taxes. Her jackpot is the second-largest lottery prize ever won in Florida. The largest was \$189 million jackpot won in 2009. Carvajal didn't know right away that she had won. She was at a market with her sister, who was buying a scratch-off ticket, when she remembered that she had not checked her Powerball tickets. Carvajal said she could not believe it when she found out that she held the jackpot-winning ticket. She is the fourth jackpot winner in Florida since the game launched in the state in January 2009. —Orlando, Florida, Sentinel

Missouri Lotto May Privatize

The Missouri Lottery is beginning talks with the state Senate about moving control of the lottery from the government to the private sector. The Missouri Lottery has been ascertaining the opinion of state vendors on the matter; privatization was only recently brought up by the Senate's Rebooting Government initiative. Sen. Jim Lembke, R-St. Louis, moved back a hearing on privatizing the lottery because none of the vendors are willing to testify until after they are finished with the lottery. Lembke is the chairman of the Senate Government Accountability Committee, which is to hold a hearing on lottery privatization once the process begins. Lembke called the proposed hearing a "fact-finding mission" because there is not much previous information for the committee to review. —Columbia Missourian

Woman Nabs Second Multi-Million Lotto Win

Luck has struck twice for a Fort Smith, Northwest Territories, Canada woman who is more than \$7 million richer after her second lottery win in four years. Ann Lepine, who had shared an \$11 million lotto prize in 2007, said she learned of her latest \$7.7 million after she logged on to the Western Canada Lottery Corp. website to check her numbers. "I was circling a lot of numbers and telling my dog, 'I think we won the lottery.'" So I went back and counted the numbers and there was six numbers there. So I had six out of six," Lepine said. She said her immediate plan is to go on a Caribbean cruise with her daughter. After that, she said her plans are up in the air. Lepine's ex-husband, Barkley Heron, won \$11 million in a Lotto 6/49 draw in October 2007, netting him and Lepine the largest jackpot to be awarded in the Northwest Territories. —CBC News, Canada

Misreported Lotto Numbers Leads to Lawsuit

A Fort Lee, New Jersey, woman who says she thought fortune had smiled on her with a \$250,000 winner in a 2009 Mega Millions drawing is suing WABC-TV for allegedly broadcasting the wrong winning numbers and leaving her devastated when she discovered she had won nothing. According to the lawsuit, WABC-TV, the ABC network station in New York, broadcast the winning numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, with the mega ball 12, for the multistate Mega Millions lottery of June 19, 2009. The correct numbers were 4, 9, 12, 16 and 46, with a mega ball of 44, according to the Mega Millions website.

The woman was under the impression that she had won \$250,000 as a result of the broadcast, the suit states, adding that she was "severely damaged" by relying on the "false and incorrect" lottery results. —The Record, New Jersey

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Stars Under The Stars

By Eve Quillin

Barry Manilow

■ *An Intellectual Gemini*

He'll be on stage at the Paris Las Vegas this June 3, 4 and 5, and most weekend nights. But the night of June 17th will be special for him...because it's his birthday!

Our star is a singer-songwriter who was born Barry Alan Pincus in Brooklyn, New York, but you may know him better as Barry Manilow.

Manilow's career started when he was just seven years old and learned to play accordion and piano. While still in his teens, Manilow attended New York College of Music and the Julliard School of Music. During this time he also worked in the mailroom at CBS, which led to a lucrative career as a jingle writer.

In 1971 Manilow teamed up with Bette Midler and became her music director, arranger and pianist. The following year, he signed a record deal and in 1975 he released his breakthrough album featuring No.1 hit song *Mandy*. The song's success made Manilow an instant star. Between 1975 and 1983 Manilow had 25 consecutive Top 40 hits on the Billboard Hot 100 including *It's A Miracle*, *I Write The Songs*, and *Looks Like We Made It*. He has worked on more than 40 albums and his most recent, *The Greatest Love Songs of All Time*, was released in January 2010. Before opening his show at the Paris in March 2010 he wowed audiences as a headliner at the Las Vegas Hilton for five years.

Barry is a Gemini born, the third sign of the Zodiac. Its element is air and its disposition, changeable. The result of this character trait would produce a zany individual, but the Sun's presence in the sign gives the remarkable Gemini intellect and stability, and it produces a highly intelligent and quick-witted personality.



It has given Barry Manilow a sense of direction and he takes his duty as an entertainer very seriously and does brave things to make sure he gives his audience the show he feels they expect and deserve from him. He doesn't disappoint, and his charisma is a truly Gemini characteristic.

Gemini, you are a smart, sharp, and communicative person. Your mind functions like a computer. Some call you impatient, but in actuality it's only that you report your message quickly, and must then be on your way to a new thought. Gemini born people are often accused of not listening to the person they are having a conversation with, but actually you Gemini have already surmised where the conversation is going, and may appear to be lost somewhere else. But you can almost repeat word for word what you have heard them say. You, Gemini, probably read life as you would a page, skimming it and understanding it as quickly as your eye has scanned. But this sometimes keeps you from savoring a situation that you would enjoy. But for the most part you will cover twice as much territory. The Sun's presence in your sign gives you intellect that produces a highly intelligent, never say die, character.

Both the men and women of the Gemini sign give off an aura of mystery. They like to drive fast cars and fly airplanes, if they get the chance. You Gemini born are magnetic and love to meet new people, and people are drawn to you.

Barry Manilow has sold more than 75 million records worldwide. In 1975 five of his albums were on the best sellers lists, a feat equaled only by Frank Sinatra and Johnny Mathis.

Watching him perform is a real treat because he takes his audience out of their day to day existence and brings them with him into the music that changes our world. A wise man once said "Music is the only thing in the world against which there is no defense." In other words music can take us from a daily life with its joys and sorrows, into a world of happiness that can be attained no other way. This is what Gemini born Barry Manilow can do for you when you go to see his show. So Barry, have a HAPPY BIRTHDAY and all of you, who are Gemini born, enjoy your special time of the year. You add to the lives of those who love you!

BINGO LAND

STORIES FROM THE REAL WORLD & CYBERSPACE

■ This month: Donating

Bingo winnings

By Jeffrey Charboneau

Special to the Bingo Bugle

Shaquille O'Neal Tries Bingo

Since suffering a foot injury in February, Boston Celtics basketball superstar Shaquille O'Neal has been using his off-court healing time making the rounds in Boston visiting fans. One of Shaq's outings was a visit to a senior living complex in the city's North End, after folks there wrote him a letter asking him to come stop by. While there, O'Neal dined on low-fat pizza, participated in square dancing—and tried his hand at playing Bingo. It's still unclear when he will be healthy enough to return to the court.

College Students Go for Bingo

On Thursday nights some students study, some go out, but a select few have caught Bingo fever at the Elk's Club in DeKalb, Illinois. Since 1996, Northern Illinois University students have participated in the DeKalb Elks Club Bingo fundraiser. At 7 p.m., a former Elks exulted ruler starts calling numbers. Within a few minutes, a lucky winner receives cash on the spot for having their card right. Some of these winners are Huskies. There are about 25 to 40 students present for Bingo on a given night. Players think having the kids around brings spirit and life to Bingo night. "We love 'em, just as long as they are quiet when numbers are being called," one of the organizers said. —*Northern Star, Illinois*

Bingo for Roses

The Oklahoma Rose Society recently conducted "Rose Bingo" at the Will Rogers

Garden Exhibition Center in Oklahoma City. The twist was that instead of cash prizes, more than 100 rose bushes were awarded to Bingo winners. The four-hour event is an important fundraiser for the society, as well as an opportunity to entice members of the community to learn about the group's favorite flower.

Retirees' Bingo Supports Medical Services

A group of British retirees in their 80s or 90s presented a check for roughly \$250 to the Haverhill First Responders, a local medical team. The group raised the money during their Bingo sessions and raffles—which were held at a retirement home at Westbourne Court in Haverhill, England. The organizer, Yvonne Warren, who is 81 and has lived in the complex for six years said, "I am active and I think it keeps me going. I organize the raffles and fish and chip suppers. Everyone here supports us; a lot of people donate their Bingo winnings. They also give some really good prizes and are very generous." —*BestBingoSpots.com*



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A lucky rub

Rodney invited me to the Early Earlybird session that started at ten-thirty in the morning. A bit early for me, I thought, but what the heck, I knew we'd have fun. We had arranged our daubers and papers when I suddenly got a cramp in my hand. Rodney gently took hold of the painful paw and began giving me a great hand massage. Now this is really super, I thought. Imagine my not knowing Rodney could give massages like that.

He had just finished my non-aching hand when Kate and Clifford blew in. They each had to have a hand massage and then it was time to start playing. Carla called over from the next table, "Hey, Rodney, what do I have to do to get in on the massage?"

"See me at intermission," Rodney called back laughing. We played earnestly but unsuccessfully until the break and then women were lined up waiting for the magic hand rub.

"Be careful," warned Kate. "I think he may rub off your Bingo wins to improve his own chances. He's a wily ole fox."

"I'll risk it," said Carla wiggling her fingers. "Man, that feels good. Besides, I've been on five or six times. I'll hit soon. Thanks, Rod." She took her soothed hands back to her table and Rod started in on the next in line.

"You could make a business out of this," I quipped.

"Now don't always be thinking of profit," said Rodney sternly. "I like to make people feel better. Especially ladies." There was a wicked gleam in his eyes that I knew to be a signal that he wants a little extra pampering.

"Look," I said, digging in my bag. "I brought you some of those little cream puffs you like so well."

"Mini profiteroles," he murmured. "My very favorite." He chewed rapturously. "Next time bring some chocolate sauce to dip them in." I poked him in the ribs.

We had a good bit of excitement when Cliff was on for the Wheel game. That meant he might get a chance to spin the wheel and maybe win a new car. He did, in fact, win the game, but one number too many for the wheel spin. He won \$150, so none of us complained.

Suddenly there was a commotion at the door of our section as a young man argued his way past the attendant. He rushed over to Rodney and yelled, "You've got to come right now. Did you forget the parade?"

"Darned if I didn't," said Rod. "I got so involved with the ladies and their hands that I forgot all about it."

"You've got to come NOW," insisted the young man. "They're lining up and you are the leader in your section and they're all waiting."

"Sorry, Love," Rod said to me. "I gotta go. Here, play mine. I'll call you." He shoved his papers at me and rushed out, the young man following and nearly pushing him.

I was on for the final blackout and was very excited. Warm energy flowed through my newly massaged hand. I felt confident and lucky. That hand wanted to daub G-48 worse than anything. Finally the number came up in the screen and I held my breath waiting to see if anyone Bingoed. No one called out so it was my win and I was delighted.

"Good for you," said Kate. "I think you get the big \$500 prize."

They verified the card and I did win the big money. I didn't tell anyone it was on one of Rodney's cards. I don't know if I will tell anyone. I'll have to think about that.



**By Bob Whittmore
Road Trip**

■ *Take the game we love on the road*

Remember the late radio commentator Paul Harvey? Every year he had certain scripts he did that saluted a special day or the season. I always looked forward to his "Ode to Spring" or his stories at Christmastime. Well, I've been doing this column long enough that I have begun to have some regular ideas that are worth repeating.

I recently got an email (at bobonbingo@earthlink.net) from Julie in San Bernardino, California. She wrote to tell me how much fun she and her husband had on a long road trip last year, driving across the U.S., playing Bingo as they went. In part, she writes: "My husband and I took your advice in planning a cross-country road trip. We went on the Internet, as you suggested, using search engines, to find Bingo halls in the cities where we would be staying."

"We found motels close to Bingo halls and started each day early enough to get checked into the motel in time to go to Bingo. And, because many of the venues served food, we often had supper as we played. At one location I hit a big coverall. I made enough money to pay most of the gasoline on the first half of our trip. I hope you will again, this year, remind people about the joys of playing Bingo on the road."

Thanks, Julie, and that is exactly what I am going to do. In case you missed my thoughts in previous years, let's let Julie and her husband's experience serve as a good lesson for all of us. Nearly every medium-sized city in the country has some form of Bingo. You don't have to go to Atlantic City or Las Vegas to play the game we all love the best.

When you are planning a road trip, get out a good map and try to figure out where you want to spend the night, or at least approximately where. Go on the Internet and look for Bingo in those cities. When you find a hall, then see if the day you are going to be there matches the hall's schedule. Find an affordable motel close to the hall, then make some phone calls. Usually, the front desk person at the motel can be of great help.

See if the hall serves supper. Find out the rates. Then mark down that location on your cross-country map.

And, as I have mentioned before, there is an additional layer of fun awaiting you.

When you go to these cities and play Bingo, you will be discovering new friends.

You'll be spending time with the people in that region. Listen for the interesting accents. Savor the local cooking. Your experiences at playing Bingo in Evansville, Indiana, or Bozeman, Montana, or Conyers, Georgia, or Palm Springs, California, can really enhance your trip. These moments can be, to paraphrase Humphrey Bogart in *The Maltese Falcon*, "the things of which dreams are made."

Next time: More thoughts on our favorite game.



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Amnesty for Online Operators?

Internet gambling operators who took bets from Americans received some surprisingly good news recently. First Nevada regulators approved a partnership between Caesars and subsidiaries of 888. Then Steve Wynn announced he will work with PokerStars in the hopes of setting up PokerStarsWynn.com, to take online poker bets from U.S. players.

888 abandoned the American market when the UIGEA was passed in 2006. But, the federal Department of Justice had indicated it wanted to prosecute anyone who ever operated Internet poker rooms open to Americans players, even if they had stopped taking bets from the U.S. Nevada casinos and regulators had taken the same position, that online poker was illegal gambling. Yet both the Nevada Gambling Control Board and the Nevada Gaming Commission declared 888 suitable to do business with one of its largest licensees.

The decision by Wynn was even more startling, because PokerStars still takes bets from residents of the U.S. It is also significant because Wynn had been absolutely opposed to all Internet gambling only a few years ago, and his major focus is on Asia. If an operator as smart as Steve Wynn thinks now is the time to push for legalizing online poker, then now might very well be the time.

But what about PokerStars' supposed ongoing violation of American gambling laws? There is a precedent that indicates Wynn may be correct in thinking that is not going to be a problem.

The two major arguments against licensing a company that is presently taking poker bets from America is that it is involved in illegal gambling, and its illegal gambling gives it an unfair advantage through customer lists and brand name recognition over law-abiding gaming companies that haven't been taking online bets.

These arguments seem to win the day when wide-open licensing was under consideration in France. French lawmakers at first argued that any company that took bets from residents of France could not get a license. Then they proposed an official "time out." Operators would only be able to apply for a license after removing themselves completely from the French market for 18 months. This idea of a "time out" was included in the bill introduced by Sen. Harry Reid during the December 2010 lame duck session.

But, in the end, both banning and a "time out" lost to what amounts to a general amnesty. French authorities were won over by the counter-arguments: It was unclear under French and particularly EU law whether licensed non-French online poker operations could be prosecuted, so it was unfair to penalize operators who had not been convicted of anything. More importantly, French gaming regulators and operators became convinced that they needed the experience and expertise of the largest Internet gaming companies.

This echoes the decision made in the early 1950s by Nevada regulators that they would ignore convictions for illegal gambling by applicants for the first state licenses. The theory was that since all casino gambling was illegal in the U.S., only criminals had

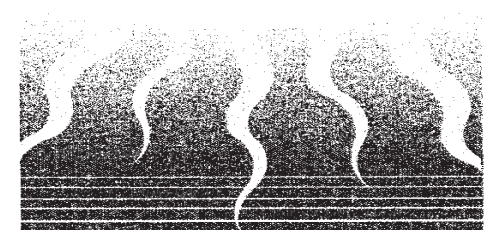
the experience to run casinos. There actually is some evidence that only experienced casino operators could stop cheats and insider theft. But the second state to legalize casinos, New Jersey, felt the market would take care of the problem. They reasoned, correctly, that dealer schools would open up and experienced operators would come from other parts of the world.

It is difficult to predict who will win. Will there be a general amnesty, à la France, or will the door be slammed shut on everyone who might have been involved in even technically illegal gambling, as in New Jersey? The answer will determine the winners and losers. A company that took sports bets from the U.S. will probably never get a license. But as for the others: The operators who are presently taking poker bets from U.S. include PokerStars, now partnered with Wynn, Absolute Poker, Full Tilt and Ultimate Bet—all with present name recognition. The operators who pulled out of U.S. would have to build back market share. Less fortunate are those who never took bets from the U.S. and therefore are unknown to Americans. I believe the Swedish company Entraction, who plans to enter the U.S. market, is in this position.

Is Wynn, right? In the spirit of almost full disclosure, I have been hired as an expert witness by someone involved in a lawsuit with Wynn. But that doesn't mean I would ever like to bet against anyone with as much foresight, and luck, as Steve Wynn.

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Bingo cliques

■ *Reliving the high school days*

Dear Aunt Bingo,

I have developed an allergy problem when I go to Bingo. I will feel fine at home and on the drive to the Bingo hall, but when I get to the hall and settle down before the games begin I start to feel stuffy and my eyes will get very dry and itchy.

I am not a person who suffers from allergies typically, and have never had a problem in a Bingo hall. I play at two halls and have the same allergy symptoms at both places. Both halls are non-smoking and I have not noticed any unusual smell in the air that would hint that there something that I am sensitive to.

Do you have any ideas about this allergy problem and what I should do about it? —*Tina, Illinois*

Dear Tina,

There are any number of things that could bring on this sudden sensitivity—an outbreak of mold or mildew due to overly damp weather; a sudden influx of dust or other particles from a long-idle air conditioner, fan or other device being turned on; new cleaning solvents being used at the halls—the list goes on and on.

You should also keep in mind that people can develop allergies at any time of their lives, and you may now be sensitive to some airborne pollutant that never bothered you before.

The logical first step is to make an appointment with an allergist and get tested to pinpoint specifically what you are sensitive to. Once that is determined, you and the allergist can decide what the best treatment is for you.

Let's just pray that you aren't allergic to Bingo! —*Aunt Bingo*

Dear Aunt Bingo,

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

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

It is stupid and upsetting and is ruining my good luck and love of Bingo. I stand in line just like everyone else, I pay my money just like everyone else, I am handed my Bingo paper pads just like everyone else—I am doing nothing out of the ordinary that people could observe and say is suspicious and cheating. What would you do? —*M.R.M., via e-mail*

Dear M.R.M.,

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

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

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

Dear Aunt Bingo,

One of the funnier things that goes on at my Bingo hall is that there is this clique of about 10 players who think they own the place. They are all chummy with the caller and other workers and sit at a couple of special tables where no one else is welcome and where people have actually been forced to get up and move from. It makes for quite a show.

Recently it dawned on me that all of us who play Bingo here are reliving the high school cafeteria experience: A handful of cool, popular girls are running the show and everyone else just operates invisibly around them. The funny part is that this clique is made up of fat, white haired old ladies wearing pilled sweaters and polyester stretch pants. They are about as cool as my dog when she's taking a poop.

I am curious if other halls out there have similar player cliques. Have you ever seen this kind of behavior? —*Jane, via e-mail*

Dear Jane,

While I haven't paid much attention to it, now that you describe it I must say that I have seen this kind of behavior—in Bingo halls and elsewhere.

It's kind of natural if you think about it. A group of people with a shared interest band together to enjoy that interest, and the next thing you know they've morphed into the social center and everyone else has faded into the background.

It doesn't really hurt anyone—except for that bit about them pushing people out of the seats at "their" table (I hate when people do that)—and as long as they are not disruptive, hey, let them be the belles of the ball. —*Aunt Bingo*

Readers: Are there cliques at your Bingo halls? What do you feel about them? Are you a member of one? Please write in and share your thoughts. —*Aunt Bingo*

Share your views! Write to Aunt Bingo c/o the Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, Washington 98070, or e-mail her at STENGL456@aol.com.



Poker Madness

There are few more powerless feelings than taking a look at a March Madness basketball tournament bracket after the first couple rounds and realizing that none of the teams remaining seem on course to progress as far as they have already been penned in. This is the dilemma for many casual fans, who as much as we love the tournament probably haven't watched a basketball game all year, prior to scratching out our guesses. The players are the only ones in control and any team that plays their best ball in the month of March can win. We're helpless spectators. Makes a poker player want to buy into a poker tournament and be in control.

I almost always have that feeling in a tournament. Whether it's just beginning and the chip counts are even, or I've made it to the final table as one of the chip leaders. I've even taken huge early hits and sat there with a tiny stack, thinking, I can get back in this if I just don't screw up again. We like to feel empowered at a poker table, and if we lose, learn from our mistakes, but when we win, we did it!

Individual teams in basketball probably feel that same empowerment, but when you have two teams both telling themselves they just have to play their game and execute down the stretch, one still has to lose. So doesn't it just come down to odds? In one of the games, a team I was rooting for was down two in the final seconds. They could go for two and tie or three and win. A two-pointer has a better chance to go in, so I wanted them to do that and then they could win in overtime. Then I started considering that in poker terms. If they played a whole game and couldn't get ahead, can I objectively expect them to have an advantage in overtime? Whatever my feeling about the team I like, they are obviously evenly matched teams. Which means, in poker terms, making a two-pointer only puts them in a coin

toss to win or lose in overtime. While making a three-pointer wins the game. A two-pointer might be a better percentage shot, say 50%, but when multiplied by the 50% chance of winning in overtime, which objectively has to be assumed, the strategy of taking a two-pointer at the end gives a team a 25% chance of winning the game. Compare that to the average shooting percentage for a three-pointer, generally 35-40%, for a good shooter, and the odds are better for trying the three-pointer.

Often fans and coaches don't want to go for three, in that situation, because they look at the 60% chance that their season will end. The two-pointer strategy gives a 75% expectation that their season will end, but this is less obvious, because a tie leaves them feeling empowered to win in overtime. A subjective feeling.

We do this all the time in poker. Poker players always think they can win in overtime.

Most poker players will fold big hands to an all-in bet before the flop because they want to avoid putting their tournament on the line for what might be a slight advantage. A-J is a better hand than K-Q, but good players don't like putting their tournament on it holding up. Not when patience and good play can get them all in with a set against a pair. The problem arises when faith in our ability, which is partly (sometimes largely) subjective, puts us up against nearly insurmountable odds. If I have more than half my chips in a pot and get a good read that I'm beat, I can pat myself on the back for a tough lay down, but what have I given up? All things being equal, the likely winner from a final table can be calculated based on chip totals. Things are never equal, but if I take my great lay down and limp to the final table with one tenth the chip stack as the leaders, at some point I have to admit my odds of winning are not good. Confidence is great, but the players at the table with you didn't get there by accident (okay, one or two might have).

Objectively, with one tenth the chips, I have to admit my chances of winning are around ten percent. Was I ninety percent sure my lay down was great? Hanging around in a tournament can result in a late run and a win, but so can taking some chances early and going to the table a leader. Either way, the odds are against any one player beating an entire field of players, so who is it going to be? Players willing to risk losing, under the right circumstances, give themselves the best chance.

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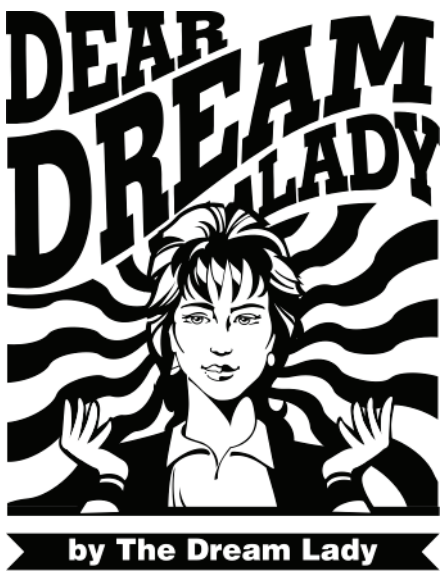
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by The Dream Lady

giving truth to the adage, "Time flies when you're having fun." The only crack I see in your life is you are questioning if your husband still loves you. Dreams are a perfect place to express doubts so I suggest you do not worry about anything, just as the big fish advises. —*Dream Lady*

Dear Dream Lady,

It is not even July 4th, but I dreamed I was in my garage setting off firecrackers. Then I walked over to my neighbors, whom I don't know (in the dream) and gave them some firecrackers. We stood out in the street and had fun doing this. I would never do that in real life so I wonder what this dream means.

Lori A., Chicago, Illinois

Dear Lori,

Firecrackers forecast irritation and disappointment. To shoot them off in a garage tells me someone you trust might cheat you. Be cautious because your dream is a warning that not all is as it appears. —*Dream Lady*

Please send your dreams to Dream Lady at P.O. Box 403, Ardenvoir, WA 98811. Enclose an SASE if you want a personal reply before publication. Not all dreams are published due to space limitations.



Financial comfort

Dear Dream Lady,

I had two dreams: Dream 1: I was in the country, went to the beach, and saw myself in the middle of the ocean. The water was calm. I saw a big fish and got on top of it. It took me to a beautiful small island where there were many people eating outside of a restaurant, I went to a little house and saw a calendar and saw I had been there for one year! I wondered if my husband still loved me and I needed to let my sister know. Dream 2: I am in woodland and found a beautiful lake to contemplate. Again a big fish appeared and told me, "don't worry, I will help you." Fanny D., Palm Bay, Florida

Dear Fanny,

Your dreams have symbols that are all great! The big fish symbolizes financial comfort; the calm ocean tells me you are content; the island (since it is pleasant) also tells me you are in a good place in your life. The calendar tells me time is flying by for you,

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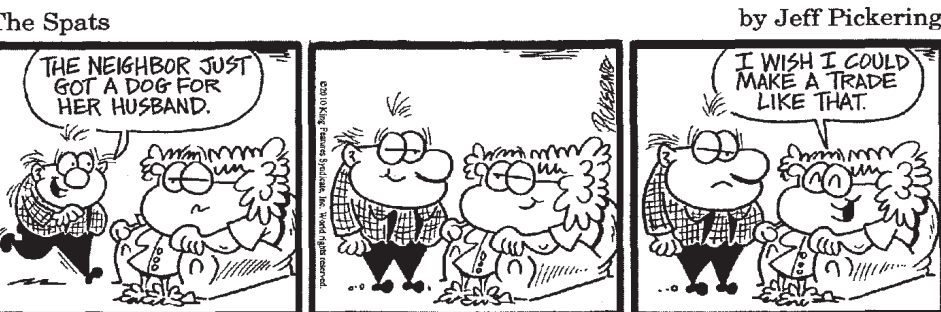
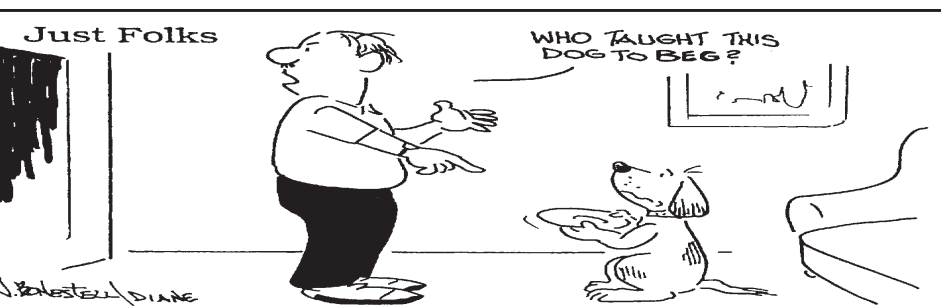
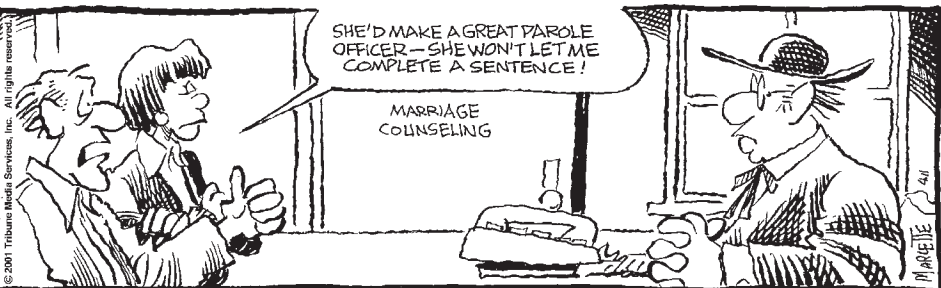
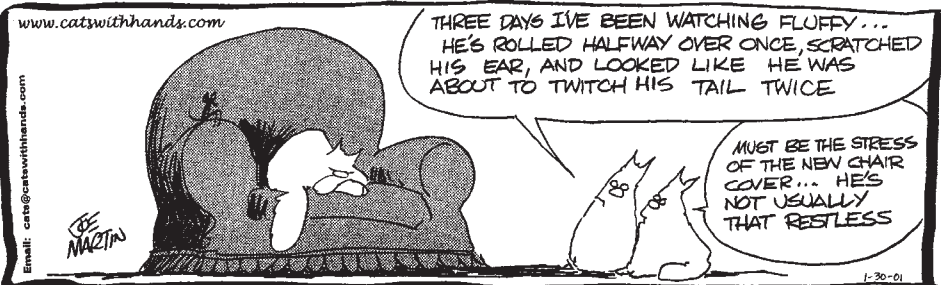
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This month's tour

■ *The American Dream Comes True*

The American dream can still come true. That is what created Branson, Missouri. A passion shared by many of the residents of this small out-of-the-way town to turn it into a tourist destination happened. Volunteers carried the word everywhere. They went using whatever resources they had, speaking to groups large and small about the benefits of a visit to Branson. That was many, many years ago and it worked. According to Branson's website, even though it still has a population of around 7,500, millions visit this "Live Music Show Capital of the World" each year for family entertainment at an incredible value. Besides over fifty live performance theaters built around the unique Silver Dollar City Theme Park, there are lakes for water activities, the nearby Ozark mountains, a dozen golf courses and endless dining and lodging choices. Come to camp too, but be careful where you drive a stake because you may be camping on Stone Hill.

It's easier to get to Branson now, with improved highways and the new Branson Airport, but you can also come as a part of a tour or a bus trip. They seem to arrive hourly.

For almost a decade Branson has been on again off again about casinos. The promise of year around jobs is the lure, but the impact on Branson's wholesome family entertainment image is the concern. The Quapaw Tribe, once a division of the Sioux, has offered an option. Known as the downstream people because of their location on the Mississippi River where it meets the Arkansas River, they have used this to name their new casino. Only about two hours from Branson, buses take guests on day trips to this Las Vegas-style facility in Quapaw, Oklahoma. The Quapaw tribe will also welcome you to their tribal headquarters to see the advances the tribe is making.

When the day trip is over and you are back in Branson, leave time to pick the shows you don't want to miss. You can select from big name acts of all kinds, impersonators of both the past and the present, or vintage acts to take you back to your youth. Variety acts offer a little of each, and many of the theaters bear the names of super stars. You can stop by the Andy Williams Moon River Theater where Andy and Ann Margret will team up for six weeks in 2011. Or visit Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theater. You can see "Hank and Patsy Together Again" or "Elvis and the Super Stars" at the historic Owens Theater. There are also multiple magic and comedy shows, as well as the Shanghai Circus.

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Travel Tips

■ *Discounts for Retirees*

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you write a column on U.S. travel discounts for seniors? My husband and I are approaching retirement and love to travel but have a limited budget.

Discount Travelers

Dear Travelers,

Everybody loves a bargain but in today's tight economy, senior discount travel deals that have real value are getting harder to find. Here are some tips to help you find the best deals.

Senior Discounts

When it comes to senior travel bargains an important point to keep in mind is that the "senior discount" may not always be the best deal. Hotels, airlines and cruise lines, for example, offer advanced bookings along with special deals and promotions from time to time that may be a lower rate than what the senior discount is. Always ask about the lowest possible rate and the best deal available. With that said, here's a breakdown of the different senior travel discounts that are available today and where you can find them.

AARP discounts: If you're a member of AARP, various travel discounts are available on hotels, rental cars, cruises and vacation packages. To find them see aarp.org/travel, expedia-aarp.com, or call 800-675-4318.

Airlines: Southwest (southwest.com, 800-435-9792) has the best senior fare program, offering discounts on walk-up fares to passengers 65 and older. American (aa.com, 800-433-7300), Continental (continental.com, 800-523-3273), U.S. Airways (usairways.com, 800-428-4322) also offer limited senior fares to passengers 65-plus to selected destinations.

Train discounts: Amtrak (www.amtrak.com, 800-872-7245), the nationwide rail network, provides a 15 percent discount to coach travelers age 62 and older. And a 10 percent discount to passengers 60 and older on cross-border services operated jointly by Amtrak and VIA Rail Canada.

Bus travel: Greyhound (greyhound.com, 800-231-2222), the largest provider of intercity bus transportation, offers a 5 percent discount on unrestricted fares to seniors over 62. Peter Pan (peterpanbus.com, 800-343-9999),

which serves the Northeast region of the U.S., offers the same deal. Trailways (trailways.com, 800-776-7581), a privately owned bus company also provides senior discounts but they vary by location. And, most local bus lines and public transportation offer discounted senior passes.

Car rentals: Most car rental companies offer 5 to 25 percent discounts to customers who belong to 50-and-older organizations like AARP. Good discounts are also available to AAA (aaa.com) members. To shop around for the best rental car deals use travel aggregator sites like orbitz.com or kayak.com.

Hotels: Most hotels in the U.S. offer senior discounts usually ranging from 10 to 30. Age eligibility will vary by hotel, usually starting at age 50, 55, 60 or 62. Hyatt (hyatt.com, 888-591-1234) offers the biggest hotel discounts—up to 50 percent off to seniors age 62 and older.

Cruising: If you're interested in taking a cruise, there are lots of bargains available regardless of age. To find them use cruisecompare.com (800-797-4635), which can give you the lowest prices for the dates and ports you specify. In addition, some cruise lines offer seniors discounts on select cruises to passengers 55 and older. The best way to find these is to contact a travel agent (see cruising.org to find an agent who specializes in cruises), or check with a few cruise brokers like vacationstogo.com (800-338-4962), cruise411.com (899-553-7090), or ecruises.com (800-223-6868).

National Parks: One of the best travel deals available is the "America The Beautiful – Senior Pass" (www.nps.gov/fees_passes.htm). This is a lifetime pass that will let you, plus three other adults and any number of children traveling in your vehicle into national parks, forests, recreation areas and monument grounds. It's available to those 62 or older, and you can get it at one of the federal recreation sites for a one-time fee of \$10, and it never expires.

Entertainment: In most cities, seniors over 60 qualify for reduced admission to theaters, museums, and other attractions. Be sure you ask!

Savvy Tips: For an \$8 annual fee, you can find thousands of discounts at seniordiscounts.com. Or go to Amazon.com and order a copy of the 2009 – 2010 book, "Unbelievably Good Deals and Great Adventures That You Absolutely Can't Get Unless You're Over 50" (McGraw-Hill).

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit www.savvysenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today Show and author of The Savvy Senior books.

Casino Secrets

By Larry Mak
True or false quiz

■ *Tipping a slot attendant*

(1) A slot machine that hasn't paid out a jackpot in a long time is overdue and bound to hit. (T or F)

(2) The IRS can scan a casino's records to see how much you have won playing slot machines. (T or F)

(3) When jackpot symbols start appearing just above, below, or partially on the payline, it's a sign that a big hit is on the way. (T or F)

(4) There's no rule that says you must tip a slot attendant after a jackpot hand pay. (T or F)

(5) Casinos pump oxygen into gaming areas to keep players alert so they can play longer without getting tired. (T or F)

(6) It pays to join a casino's players club no matter how long or how often you play at that casino. (T or F)

ANSWERS:

1. False. A slot machine is never due or bound to hit no matter how much time or money you or another player may have put into it. All payouts are spread out over time and completely at random.

2. False. A casino provides information to the IRS only when you have won \$1,200 or

more on a single slot-machine win.







3. False. Jackpot symbols that appear just above, below, or partially on the payline mean nothing. It's just another losing spin. And a losing spin has no effect on what's going to happen on the following spins.

4. True. Unlike the rule for tipping in a restaurant (15% to 20% of the bill), there's no rule that says you must tip a slot attendant for handing you the money you've won. Whether to tip or not is a personal decision. If you feel guilty about not tipping, do what many players do—tip 1/2% to 1% of the win amount. So on a hand-pay of \$2,000, a tip of \$10 or \$20 would be appropriate. If you don't wish to tip or don't know what to do, simply thank the attendant and walk away.

5. False. All upscale casinos have air-purification systems to keep the casino indoor environment fresh and clean. The air, changed as many as three times a day, helps the players and employees feel better.

It's illegal for a casino to pump pure oxygen into its gaming areas since it would pose a tremendous fire hazard. The flammability of all objects would be increased. And a small fire anywhere in the casino would be fanned and magnified by the pumped-in oxygen.

6. True. It's a good idea to join the slot club of every major casino you play in no matter how little or how often you play there. It's free. And the-points you get for playing make you eligible for such comps as free meals, free show tickets, reduced room rates, and other freebies.

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Naturally Savvy

Nutrition Q and A

■ The best source of calcium

By Lisa Tsakos

Q: Does the soybean (and hence products like soy milk) contain all the essential amino acids, thereby making it a “complete” protein?

A: This question has been debated for years. Though the humble soybean does contain all 20-plus amino acids and is therefore considered complete, the body doesn’t appear to use protein from soy the same way it uses animal proteins. Additionally, it isn’t a source of B12 (also provided by animal protein).

Nonetheless, soy can fill a person’s protein needs (body weight x 0.8 = the number of grams from protein required daily). However, please be cautious not to overdo it. Try and stick to organic forms of soy (e.g., soy beverages and tofu) as well as fermented soy products such as tempeh and miso. Rotate soy with other foods (i.e., use a soy product every other day) and avoid junk foods containing soy and processed soy (e.g., veggie dogs) because there is a tendency to develop an allergy to soy if it’s overused.

Q: What are your thoughts on the body’s ability to use the calcium in milk? Is milk the best source of calcium? What other foods come close in providing calcium in our daily food?

A: The benefits of cow’s milk to the human body are questionable, as many of us cannot digest it for one reason or another. Though dairy products are considerably higher in calcium than most other foods, if your body can’t tolerate dairy, then its calcium is not absorbed well.

Other calcium-rich foods include sesame seeds and tahini, steamed dark leafy greens (such as kale and spinach), nuts (such as almonds), sea vegetables (seaweed such as kelp and nori), and fortified soy, almond and rice milks. Calcium is being added to many packaged foods nowadays to meet our needs

(look for the word “fortified” on a food label).

Yogurt is the easiest dairy product to digest (look for natural flavored organic yogurt). Because skim milk products lack the fat and protein necessary to absorb calcium well, stick to a 1 percent or 2 percent product.

Registered nutritionist Lisa Tsakos is a regular contributor to www.NaturallySavvy.com, a Web site dedicated to educating people on the benefits of living a natural, organic and green lifestyle. For more information, visit www.NaturallySavvy.com.

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Entertainment Extra Dallas

■ The new generation

Q: Is TNT going to make another movie in the *Librarian* series? —*Bridget C., via e-mail*

A: While *Librarian* star Noah Wyle has stated that there are no immediate plans for another movie he is definitely on board when they decide to make the next one. For now he is busy with his new TNT show (debuting June 10) *Falling Skies*, while *Librarian* executive producer, Dean Devlin, is busy with TNT’s *Leverage*.

Q: Is *Dallas* going to be remade for television? What can you tell me about it? —*Kyru L., Tacoma, Wash.*

A: TNT has optioned a pilot for *Dallas*, which will center on the new generation—J.R. Ewing’s son, John Ross, and the adopted son of Bobby and Pam Ewing, Christopher—as they clash over the future of the family dynasty. Larry Hagman, Patrick Duffy and Linda Gray are all signed on to reprise their previous roles—J.R., Bobby and Sue Ellen, respectively. Jordana Brewster (*Fast and Furious*) and Josh Henderson (*Desperate Housewives*) also are set to star.

Q: I watched Season 1 of the HBO series *Boardwalk Empire* starring Steve Buscemi. It is the best new series since *The Sopranos*. Is there a second season in the works? —*Lisa C., Port Charlotte, Fla.*

A: *Boardwalk Empire* was renewed for a second season by HBO just two days after the show’s record-setting premiere in September. Even if that hadn’t happened, the numerous accolades the freshman series has been given—including Golden Globes for Best Dramatic Series and Best Dramatic Actor for Steve Buscemi—would have guaranteed its renewal. Look for it this fall.

Gaming News

Northern Nevada. The Meruelo Group, an investment company based in Downey, Calif., is buying the Grand Sierra Hotel-Casino in Reno. The 145-acre resort casino has been owned by a subsidiary of JPMorgan Chase since October 2008, when the former owner, Grand Sierra Resort Corp., went bankrupt after buying the property from Caesars Entertainment for \$151 million in 2005. It’s worth an estimated \$70 million today. Terms of the sale haven’t been disclosed. In other northern Nevada news, the Las Vegas-based 777 Gaming, which operates several small casinos in rural Nevada, has acquired the 91-room Carson Station hotel-casino in Carson City for an undisclosed price.

Atlantic City. Atlantic City’s 2010 visitor volume decreased by 6.2% to 26.6 million. However, gambling revenue, though declining for the fifth straight year (3.6%, \$134 per visitor), dropped less than expected, slowing the trend from 2009’s 8% decline. Bus traffic was down 13%, accounting for less than 3.8 million of the visitor count. Analysts were cautiously encouraged by the totals, which might indicate that Atlantic City’s five-year attempt to reinvent itself as a higher-end destination could be materializing, especially in light of significant recent competition from Delaware, New York, and Pennsylvania (which analysts believe will overtake Atlantic City in gaming revenues sometime in 2012). The drop-off is primarily in the low-rolling day-tripper; A.C. is earning more from fewer, and bigger, gamblers.

South Dakota. The South Dakota ban on smoking in bars, restaurants, and casinos that went into effect in November is being blamed for a nearly 17% decline in the

state’s video lottery revenue during the same four months. In some reporting regions, the decline has been in excess of 25%.

Native American Gambling. The latest Indian gambling-revenue figures show a 1% decline for 2009. It was the first time ever that Native American gambling showed a year-over-year loss. According to the annual *Gaming Industry Report*, the nation’s 446 Indian casinos in 28 states earned \$26.4 billion in 2009, down from 2008’s \$26.7 billion. California, the largest Indian-casino market in terms of revenue, lost 5.3%, down to \$6.95 billion; revenue at Oklahoma’s 111 Native casinos rose 6.9% to \$3.12 billion; and Connecticut’s two megacasinos were down 7.2% to \$2.22 billion. Only four new Indian casinos opened nationwide in 2009. Indian casinos generated 44% of the nation’s gaming revenue in 2009, compared to 46% by commercial casinos and 10% by racinos.

Macau. Seven banks have agreed to a loan package worth \$4.5 billion to cover part of the construction costs of a bridge from Hong Kong to Macau. The 31.1-mile bridge-and-tunnel span, which will connect the west side of Hong Kong to Macau and the nearby Chinese city of Zhuhai, should be completed sometime in 2015-2016 at a total cost of \$10.7 billion.



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WHAT’S NEWS IN NEVADA...

Saying goodbye to a classic

■ The age of megaresorts forces a closure

♣ **The Riviera Purchase**
Nevada gaming regulators have given a tentative green light to financier Barry Sternlicht’s purchase of the Riviera. Sternlicht will control 79% of the Riviera and Derek Stevens, who owns 50% of the Golden Gate, will own the other 21%. The deal finalizes Sternlicht’s two-year effort to gain control of the Riviera, which went bankrupt a year ago.

♣ **Caesars’ Tower Transformed**

Caesars Palace has announced that it’s teaming with Chef Nobu Matsuhisa’s hospitality company to transform the 180-room Centurion Tower—Caesars’ second oldest, opened in 1970—into a Nobu-branded hotel, restaurant, and lounge. The room mix will include 16 suites and a deluxe penthouse, and guests will be able to order room service from the famed Nobu kitchen. The project is expected to be completed in 12 to 15 months and will be the world’s first Nobu hotel. The existing Nobu restaurant at the Hard Rock Casino is expected to continue operating.

♣ **Amusement Park Approved**

The Clark County Commission has approved plans for a 10-acre amusement park featuring a huge Ferris or “Sky” wheel proposed for the southern Strip across from Mandalay Bay. Up to six additional (undisclosed) rides are planned for the park, and a second phase includes a 21,000-square-foot convention center and 140,500-square-foot of dining, retail, and entertainment. The developer hasn’t revealed any financing arrangements and no

groundbreaking date has been announced, though the project is scheduled for completion sometime in 2013.

♣ **Sahara’s End**

After operating for 59 years, the Sahara closed May 16. The Moroccan-themed hotel-casino opened in 1952 with 240 rooms, then enjoyed two decades as one of Las Vegas’ premier resorts. Known for its entertainment, the Casbar Lounge and Conga Room played host to the likes of Johnny Carson, Tina Turner, and Don Rickles and were favorite stomping grounds of the Rat Pack. The Sahara also sponsored the Beatles’ only Las Vegas appearance in 1964 (they stayed there and performed at the Convention Center), was the long-time location for Jerry Lewis’ Muscular Dystrophy Telethon, and served as the setting for the original *Ocean’s Eleven* movie. While the hotel-room count eventually grew to 1,720, the Sahara lost its caché in the age of the megaresort and was forced to cater to the bargain crowd with promotions, such as the Strip’s only continuous \$1 blackjack minimums. In 2009, the Sahara closed two of its three hotel towers and its buffet due to lack of business. The current owners, sbe Entertainment Group, say they haven’t ruled out a “complete renovation and repositioning” of the resort, though that seems a long-shot in the near term. The hotel will remain fully operational until the closure. When it closes, however, the north Strip will decline ever further, with Boyd’s Echelon Place a heap of metal on a mostly vacant lot and Fontainebleau an empty shell. The struggling monorail, too, will feel further ill effects of the death of the casino at its northern terminus.

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Don't Forget Bingo

As you get older three things happen. The first is your memory goes. I can't remember the other two. —Sir Norman Wisdom

When I was ten, I sat down on our front porch and figured out how old I'd be when the year 2000 rolled around. Maybe because my seventy-year-old grandmother lived with us; or maybe because of something my fifty something parents said, I had started thinking about the concept of aging. My ten year old perspective was somewhat different than it is today for sure. On that day long ago, I figured out that in the year 2000 I would be fifty-four. I spent some time thinking about what I would look like and what my life would be like that far in the future. At the time, twenty seemed old; fifty was beyond ancient. I can remember that day vividly, but I'm not sure what happened last week. Why is that? Today, I look back on my fifties fondly from the other side of sixty and repeat to myself that well known adage that aging is just an attitude. If that's true then I'm here to tell you that sometimes my attitude about aging stinks. My body is saggy and baggy and no longer does what I want it too. My memory is getting shorter by the minute, and some days

I can't remember where I put the list I wrote so I wouldn't forget anything important. Sigh. If I sound like I'm complaining, you're right I am. What brought this on is that I forgot my deadline for this column and my editor/publisher had to send me an email reminder. I've had the same deadline for years, but this month I forgot to write and submit my column as usual. How did that happen?

Over the years I've forgotten dental appointments. Once I missed three in a row so thank goodness it was in the days when one didn't get charged for such things. My husband would say I missed the appointments because I hate dentists and who am I to argue. I've always been terrible at remembering names. As a teacher that created problems when I was presented with thirty to ninety students each new school year. Another time I forgot to pay the water bill and the company called to say they were shutting off our water. Robert was a little miffed at that one but he got over it eventually. I'm beginning to believe that it was the mercury I played with as a child in science class that did the damage. Our teacher passed out what today is considered a highly dangerous substance for us kids to roll around on our desk. Who knew?

I just hope that it never comes to the day when I forget how to play Bingo, or where my favorite Bingos are; or how much fun it is to play Bingo. At some of the Bingo games I attend older adults in their nineties attend regularly and have a great time doing so. Some research I've read says that playing Bingo actually helps slow down the brain's aging process. Recognizing Bingo patterns, dealing with numbers, and interacting socially with other players keeps us alert and our brain cells active. Yet another good reason to become Bingo addicts. Until next month may Lady Luck blow you kisses as you dance out the door with dollars. Win big. And don't forget to tell your spouse how much you won. Yeah right.



Carrot Soup

■ A new published recipe book!

Dear Annie,

Do you have a recipe for a carrot soup? My Grandmother made me a carrot soup and I loved it. I would like to try it, but Grandmother is no longer with us. Can you help me? Thanks a lot.

Frieda from New Orleans

Dear Frieda,

Here's a recipe for a Cream of Carrot Soup that was given to me many years ago. Hope you like it too. —Annie

CREAM OF CARROT SOUP

- 1/2 c. celery, finely chopped
- 1/2 c. finely chopped onion
- 1/4 lb. butter
- 3/4 lb. carrots, chopped
- 5 1/2 c. water
- 7 chicken bouillon cubes
- 1 lb. potatoes, peeled and diced
- 1 1/2 c. milk
- 1/2 c. flour
- 1/3 tsp. pepper

- 1/8 tsp. nutmeg
- 1 T. lemon juice
- Chopped parsley, optional
- Paprika, optional

In a large soup pot, sauté the celery and onions in the butter for 5 minutes over a low heat. In a separate pot, cook the carrots in the water and bouillon cubes until almost done. Add the potatoes and continue cooking until both are done. Drain and reserve the liquid. Puree the vegetables, using a small amount of the reserved liquid. Add flour to the onion-celery mixture. Blend well into butter and cook several minutes being careful not to let brown. Add the vegetable liquid and milk to the flour mixture and cook over a high heat. Whisk constantly until a medium to thin sauce forms. Immediately reduce the heat and add the puree mixture, pepper and nutmeg. Simmer for 10 to 15 minutes, stirring occasionally to prevent sticking. Add lemon juice to taste and serve hot. Garnish with parsley and paprika, if desired. Makes 8 servings.

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The smoking ban

It has been one year now since the State of Michigan banned smoking at Bingo games, as well as restaurants, bars and casinos. The smoking public is screaming for a lifting of this ban, especially Bingo players, restaurant and bar owners. There doesn't seem to be a problem for casinos. In Michigan there are many casinos on Indian territories, and these do not have to ban smoking, since they are not considered to be Michigan land. Smokers have a choice of casinos to frequent.

Not so with restaurants, bars and Bingo halls. I have been in a restaurant twice in the past year as opposed to several times a week before the ban. My servers told me that people are not ordering coffee, since coffee and cigarettes seem to be partners in the final phase of a good meal. In protest, smokers order water. Non-smokers are making up the loss of income for the restaurants by way of the cost of coffee. Both restaurants charge \$1.75 for coffee, so of course, many non-smokers have switched to water, too. Before the ban, several of my neighbors met at

the local truck stop in the afternoon for coffee, a cigarette and some pleasant sharing. No more. We meet in our homes where the average cup of coffee costs about eight cents. Truckers buy their fuel and move on to smoke while driving.

Bar owners are hurting...even sports bars with monstrous television screens. Sports fans are organizing sports parties in their own rec rooms. This of course cuts down on the State Keno games, which have continuous drawings all day about 4 minutes apart.

Bingo halls in my area have tried to compensate for loss of players by announcing there will be one and sometimes two smoking breaks, so smokers can step outside to smoke. This might work in summer but in the bitter cold winters of Michigan it's easier and more comfortable to stay at home. Of course, non-smokers resent the interruption. This was an unnecessary ban, as there were always a few non-smoking Bingo games and everyone had a choice.

It is no secret that I am a smoker. I was probably born addicted. My parents smoked, as did all my aunts and uncles and anyone who came into our home. As a child it seemed a rite of passage. I won't get into all the times I have tried to quit. You've heard it all.

A note of caution: If your package of cigarettes is marked FSC, be very careful. These cigarettes drop lighted embers...not dead ashes.

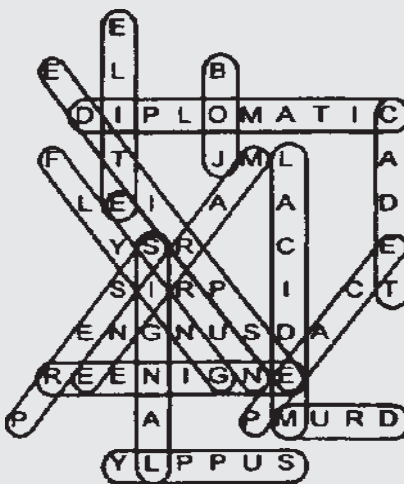


Bingo Bugle Puzzle Answers

The Bugle Unscrambler Answer

CHAFE BEGUN ABSURD SQUALL
The comedy contestant was so bad, they said his routine was — "LAUGHABLE"

Magic Maze Answers



Sudoku Answer

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

Go Figure! Answer

3	+	9	÷	2	6
x		-		+	
8	-	6	x	4	8
-		x		+	
2	x	5	+	1	11
22		15		7	

CryptoQuote answer

He who serves his country well has no need of ancestors. - Voltaire

Bugle Word Game Answer

SCREWDRIIVER

Pops Quiz Answers

Answers from top to bottom (questions are in parentheses): Paythrough(5), Follow(4), Leads(1), Joint(3), Down(2), Plain(Shaded).

BUGLE CROSSWORD ANSWER

A	W	A	S	H		T	A	S	S	E		F	O	E
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For any Veteran
 ■ Your story is important, too

We recently lost the last surviving veteran from World War I. His name was Frank Woodruff Buckles, and he was 110 years old. He'd been so determined to serve his country that he'd lied to multiple Army recruiting offices in multiple states before he was finally accepted and sent to Europe. He was barely 16 years old when he went in. They made him an ambulance driver.

During World War II, he spent three years in a Japanese prisoner-of-war camp.

His life has been made into a film documentary: *Pershing's Last Patriot: The Frank Woodruff Buckles Story*, which will be out sometime this year.

Your experiences are just as important, and the Library of Congress wants your personal account. For more than 10 years, the Veterans History Project has assisted veterans in telling of their firsthand experiences in wars and archiving those for future generations.

The project covers these time periods: World War I (1914-1920), World War II (1939-1946), Korean War (1950-1955), Vietnam War (1961-1975), Persian Gulf War (1990-1995), Afghanistan and Iraq conflicts (2001-present)

There are a number of ways you can tell your story: photos, scrapbooks, postcards, journals or memoirs, letters, military documents, or taped audio or video interviews. Your story, as well as any of the memorabilia you contribute, will be archived forever.

To get the kit, call the Veterans History Project at 888-371-5848 or go online to download it at www.loc.gov/vets. You'll need to send your completed project via Fed Ex, UPS or DHL instead of the Post Office.

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By Guy Williams

Bingo Buddies

■ How to find one

Dear Guy,
 I keep seeing stories in the *Bingo Bugle* about people talking with their Bingo buddies or splitting prize money with their Bingo buddy or whatever. My question is: How do you find a Bingo buddy?

I have been playing Bingo about six months and go by myself a couple times a week. I don't know any other players and my few friends say they aren't interested in playing. I would like to have one or two friends that like Bingo the same as me and we could sit together and enjoy playing together. But I am lost trying to figure out how to find even one Bingo buddy.

I would appreciate any advice you have. —Chuck E., via e-mail

Dear Chuck,
 Making new friends is never easy, and I think it grows tougher and tougher the older we get. The good news is that you already frequent the best place to find Bingo buddies—Bingo halls!

With that challenge out of the way, the next step is to look for other players



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Help your hair

Being well tressed may be easier than people realize. Here are three easy ways to combat hair damage and get gorgeous, healthy locks.

1. Eat Right. Eating a well-balanced diet is the key to unlocking beautiful hair.

Salmon is loaded with omega-3 fatty acids, vitamin B-12 and iron, all of which keep hair lustrous and strong and the scalp well moisturized, so hair doesn't appear dull and dry.

Dark green vegetables are packed with vitamins A and C that help the body produce sebum (hair's natural conditioner), as well as iron and calcium, which strengthen the hair. Most nuts contain zinc, which helps prevent hair loss.

2. Don't Overwash. Hair's natural oils, which keep it conditioned and healthy, are depleted with too much washing. Shampoo hair every two or three days, rather than daily. Also, contrary to common belief, it isn't good to pile hair on top of the head when washing. Simply massage the scalp with your fingers when washing and then rinse to prevent unnecessary breakage.

3. Use the Right Amount of Product. Some people get overzealous when it comes to hair care. Generally, a quarter-size amount will do. Shampoo can be drying, so it's best to focus on the scalp. When hair is rinsed out, the excess lather will flow down the strands of hair and provide just enough cleansing for the ends. Conversely, with conditioner, focus only on the ends, where damage is most common. One product to consider is Infusium 23's Repair & Renew Conditioner, which uses an exclusive formula that provides softness, manageability and shine.

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like yourself who are playing alone and sit near them. Chat with them a little (but not too much; most players don't like to talk much—or at all—when a game is in session) and see what kind of response you get. If they seem amiable, you could be on your way. If they are dismissive, move on to someone else.

This process will take months, so don't give up. If you are patient, I am confident that you will find a player or two (or three!) who will grow into Bingo buddies. Just assume that there are others just like you who would like a friend to sit and play Bingo with—you are simply making the first move!

A side note: You do not mention if you are married or have a girlfriend, nor do you say whether you care if your Bingo buddy ends up being male or female. Be careful there...a single lady might misunderstand your friendliness, and a spouse could get pretty upset to find out you have a regular female buddy or two (or three!) whom you meet up with on your Bingo outings.

All this said, I wish you the best of luck in your search for Bingo buddies. It really can make Bingo more fun when you have a buddy to laugh with, cheer on...and commiserate with when you lose that rotten overall Bingo jackpot because of one lousy number! —Guy

Dear Guy,
 I'm fairly new to Bingo and get a little confused sometimes when they keep introducing new card patterns (a tree, a turtle, a pyramid, etc., etc., etc.). Is there someplace I can get a book with all these patterns in it? —Joseph, California

Dear Joseph,
 If you're playing Bingo at a hall with a caller console, the caller should flash a picture of the pattern before the game begins so that everyone knows the pat-



by Steve Rosenbloom
Playing the player

As poker has evolved to hyper-aggressive levels, it remains true that the game is about people.

Top pros say they play the player in a lot of situations, especially if they get to see a lot of flops, as Eli Elezra managed on the first day of the 2010 World Series of Poker \$10,000 main event at the Rio Hotel.

With blinds at \$200 to \$400 plus a \$50 ante, Elezra limped under the gun with A-9 offsuit.

"It took me about 20 minutes to realize I have one of the best tables," said Elezra, a cash-game monster who also has a WSOP bracelet and World Poker Tour title. "There was a lot of limping, which is good for me because I'm a better player after the flop. I'm playing hands like suited connectors or this ace-9, hands you usually throw away under the gun, because I figure I can play after the flop."

"I didn't want to raise because the hand can't stand a re-raise. I limped, and if somebody came back at me, I'd think about what his stack was and what kind of player he was to see if I wanted to take the flop."

The small blind called. The big blind, who had the only big stack at the table, checked his option. The flop came K-10-8, two diamonds, giving Elezra an overcard and backdoor nut-flush draw because he held the

ace of diamonds.
 The blinds checked, as did Elezra. "I had position, and I didn't want to face a raise again," Elezra said. The turn came the 9 of diamonds, giving Elezra a pair and four to the nut flush. The small blind checked. The big blind made it \$2,000, an overbet into a pot of about \$1,700.

"He had a lot of chips, and I think he was just trying to pick up the pot right there," said Elezra, a pro from the Full Tilt Poker online site. "He could afford to overbet."

"I felt I was in good shape with position, and I was drawing at the nuts. If I hit the diamond, I'd try to squeeze a value bet out of him. If I don't hit the diamond but I hit a 9, then I definitely have the best hand, and if I hit an ace, I still think I'd have the best hand."

Elezra called. The small blind folded. The river came the ace of clubs, giving Elezra two pair. The big blind checked. Elezra bet \$4,000. The big blind folded. Elezra might not have gotten all the value possible, but he still took the pot after calling on the turn with only third pair and a draw.

"He looked like he wasn't a strong player," Elezra said. "There are days when I know that I'll be getting my chips in there two, three, four, five times with the worst hand and I'll have to try to bluff on the river or hit one of my outs."

TABLE TALK
Backdoor draw: Needing the turn and river cards to complete a straight or a flush.

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tern being played. Of course, there are probably many older models out there that may not include this feature.

Luckily, there is always the Internet. Two web sites I found—bingojourney.com/bingo-patterns.htm and nationwidebingo.com/patterns.cfm—provide dozens of popular Bingo patterns organized alphabetically. (There are some listed that I've never heard of. Has anyone out there ever played "Field Goal?") Just print out the page and take it with you the next time you head to Bingo.

If you need something different from the two examples I've provided, simply go to Google and search under "Bingo Card Patterns" for plenty of alternatives. —Guy

Hey guys! (And gals!) Write to Guy's Turn c/o The Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, Washington 98070, or e-mail Guy directly at Tonder22@aol.com.



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12	23	35	47	73

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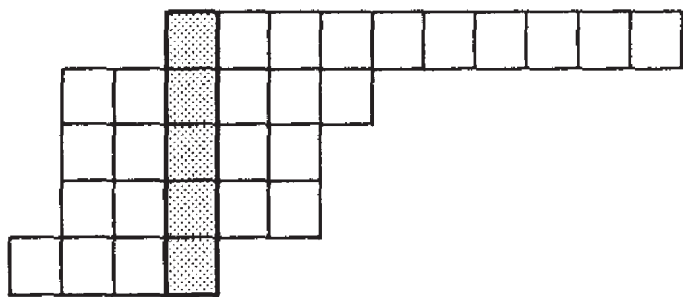
RIGHT TOOL FOR THE JOB (sol: 11 letters)

A-Adhesive; C-Chain saw, Charger, Chisel, Circular saw, Clamp, Compressor, Crimp tool, Cutters; D-Drill; F-File, Fuse; G-Generator, Glue, Grinder; H-Hammer, Handsaw, Hex screw; J-Jig saw; K-Knife; L-Level; M-Mallet, Miter saw; N-Nailer; P-Planer, Pliers; R-Ratchet, Router, Ruler; S-Sander, Scissors, Shears; T-Table saw, Tape, Tile saw, Torch; V-Vise; W-Wrench

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Pop's Quiz *by Dave McGill* **The Nose Knows**

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Enter answers on one of the horizontal lines. (They're NOT all in order!)

1. She ___ her henpecked husband around by the nose.
 2. He was snooty, and he looked ___ his nose at everyone.
 3. When you're upset, don't get your nose out of what?
 4. Sometimes when you don't know the way, you just have to ___ your nose.
 5. If you have to buy it, but the price is exorbitant, you'll have to ___ the nose.
- Shaded Column: Why, that's as ___ as the nose on your face!

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.

	+		÷		6
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-		x		+	
	x		+		11
22		15		7	

Difficulty this week: ★ ★

- ★ Moderate
- ★ ★ Challenging
- ★ ★ ★ GO FIGURE!

1 2 2 3 4 5 6 8 9

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THE BUGLE UNSCRAMBLER

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

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FECAH

GENUB

DRUSAB

SLAQL

Answer: "○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○○"



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

Everyone knows that Thomas Jefferson is the author of the Declaration of Independence (adopted in 1776). But who originally wrote a Declaration of Independence in 1775?

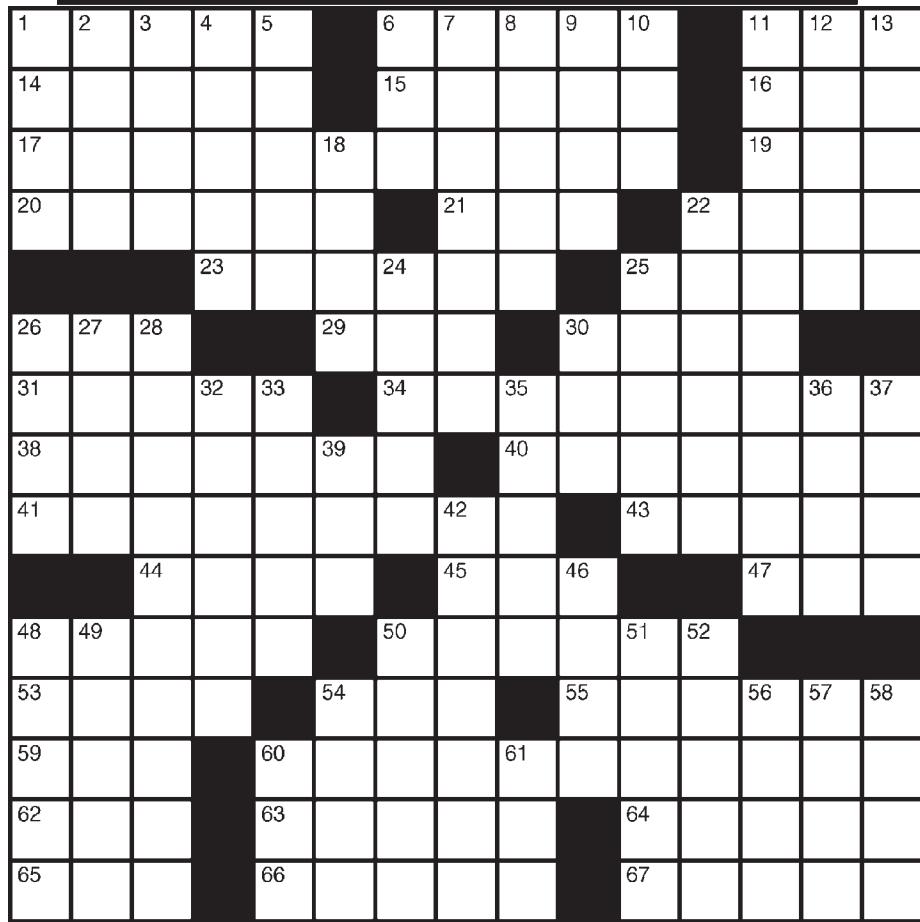
Thomas Paine

Benjamin Franklin

John Adams

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BINGO BUGLE CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1 Flooded
- 6 French cup
- 11 Adversary
- 14 Casals' instrument
- 15 More arctic
- 16 Quick escape
- 17 Pioneer's jacket?
- 19 Bowl-like object
- 20 Dispatcher
- 21 Safe place
- 22 Hook's underling
- 23 Brings out
- 25 Nappy leather
- 26 American's uncle
- 29 Scottish cap
- 30 Begin skydiving
- 31 Springs
- 34 Soldiers
- 38 Magazine piece
- 40 Use a fan
- 41 Old record players
- 43 Collec-
- tively
- 44 Steps on it
- 45 Gas additive's letters
- 47 Rage
- 48 Baste again
- 50 Former U.S. space station
- 53 Meal scraps
- 54 Indianapolis' ___ Dome
- 55 Actress Silverstone
- 59 Tell's canton
- 60 Conning a president?
- 62 ASPCA part
- 63 Taken ___ (surprised)
- 64 Actress Verdugo
- 65 Large deer
- 66 Home on the range
- 67 Break times
- DOWN**
- 1 Dramatic divisions
- 2 Had been
- 3 Economist Greenspan
- 4 Lose trac-
- tion
- 5 Sank (a putt)
- 6 Up to, briefly
- 7 College world
- 8 Large and small, e.g.
- 9 Spotted
- 10 Make a mistake
- 11 Immune to love interests?
- 12 Rowed
- 13 Rule the dais
- 18 Champagne description
- 22 Poisonous plants
- 24 Sahara mount
- 25 "Kama ___"
- 26 Eastern European
- 27 Air: pref.
- 28 Injury from fencing?
- 30 ___ alai
- 32 Feels for
- 33 Nail alternative
- 35 Mean
- 36 Freeman or Van Duyn
- 37 February
- toy
- 39 ___ Alamos, NM
- 42 With suspicion
- 46 Design
- 48 Wake up
- 49 Film-dom's Flynn
- 50 Get rid of
- 51 "Luck and Pluck" penner
- 52 Sacred book
- 54 Hick
- 56 Signals
- 57 "___ She Lovely"
- 58 Cries of discovery
- 60 Night flyer
- 61 ETO commander

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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 puzzle the code letters are different.

US PUV OSCQSO UGO
DVRZECI PSHH UKO ZV ZSSL
VX KZDSOEVCO. - QVHEKGCS

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MagicMaze

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

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions: forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Cadet
- Diplomatic
- Drum
- Elite
- Engineer
- Esprit de
- Flying
- Job
- Marine
- Medical
- Nurse
- Peace
- Press
- Signal
- Supply

SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

		6		7	2		9	
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

Difficulty this week: ★

- ★ Moderate
- ★ ★ Challenging
- ★ ★ ★ HOO BOY!

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<p>6 "Monday Madness"</p> <p>\$300 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p>	<p>7 Budget High Roller</p> <p>\$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>8 Hot Hot Seat</p> <p>5-\$100 Drawings \$300 & \$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>9 \$500 GAMES</p> <p>Double Your Money Ball</p> <p>Early Birds Double Your Money in 4 #s</p> <p>Double Your Lucky Duck \$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>10 "BIG" Bucks</p> <p>\$500 & \$600 Games</p> <p>BIG's pay \$600 \$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>11 Belmont Stakes</p> <p>Progressive Payout \$600 - \$1,000 \$14.60 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>No \$10 Matinee</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>12 \$500 GAMES</p> <p>"GOODY, GOOD"</p> <p>NEIGHBOR REGULAR AND BUDGET</p> <p>\$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Budget Buy-In \$9.40</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX</p> <p>Game Payout \$300 & \$400</p>
<p>13 "Monday Madness"</p> <p>\$300 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p>	<p>14 Budget High Roller</p> <p>\$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>15 Hot Hot Seat</p> <p>5-\$100 Drawings \$300 & \$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>16 \$500 GAMES</p> <p>Double Your Money Ball</p> <p>Early Birds Double Your Money in 4 #s</p> <p>Double Your Lucky Duck \$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>17 "BIG" Bucks</p> <p>\$500 & \$600 Games</p> <p>BIG's pay \$600 \$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>18 \$500-\$1,000</p> <p>Games</p> <p>Luck of the Draw \$14.60 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>\$10 Matinee @ 4:30</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>19 \$500 GAMES</p> <p>"GOODY, GOOD"</p> <p>NEIGHBOR REGULAR AND BUDGET</p> <p>\$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Budget Buy-In \$9.40</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX</p> <p>Game Payout \$300 & \$400</p> <p>FATHERS DAY</p>
<p>20 "Monday Madness"</p> <p>\$300 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p>	<p>21 Budget High Roller</p> <p>\$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>22 Hot Hot Seat</p> <p>5-\$100 Drawings \$300 & \$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>23 \$500 GAMES</p> <p>Double Your Money Ball</p> <p>Early Birds Double Your Money in 4 #s</p> <p>Double Your Lucky Duck \$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>24 "BIG" Bucks</p> <p>\$500 & \$600 Games</p> <p>BIG's pay \$600 \$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>25 10 X Last # Called</p> <p>\$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>\$10 Matinee @ 4:30</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>26 \$500 GAMES</p> <p>"GOODY, GOOD"</p> <p>NEIGHBOR REGULAR AND BUDGET</p> <p>\$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Budget Buy-In \$9.40</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX</p> <p>Game Payout \$300 & \$400</p>
<p>27 BOGO</p> <p>2 for 1</p> <p>2 plays for \$10.80</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>\$300 Games</p>	<p>28 Budget High Roller</p> <p>\$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-Up Bingo!</p>	<p>29 Hot Hot Seat</p> <p>5-\$100 Drawings \$300 & \$400 Games</p> <p>\$9.40 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG & TAX</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>30 \$500 GAMES</p> <p>Double Your Money Ball</p> <p>Early Birds Double Your Money in 4 #s</p> <p>Double Your Lucky Duck \$12.50 Buy-In</p> <p>INCLUDES PIG, TAX & HOTBALL</p> <p>Ante-up Bingo!</p>	<p>Bring the entire Big Bucks Bingo Bear collection (all 5 different colored bears) to the Bear Redemption Window inside Bordertown Bingo. To receive a chance to win 7 days free play (paper & electronics) a value of \$700!</p> <p><i>(While supplies last)</i></p> <p><i>Ends July 29th</i></p>	<p>July 30th "Last Call" for Big Bucks Bingo Bears. Buy \$20 worth of any pull-tab and you may have the bear of your choice. (while supplies last)</p>	



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