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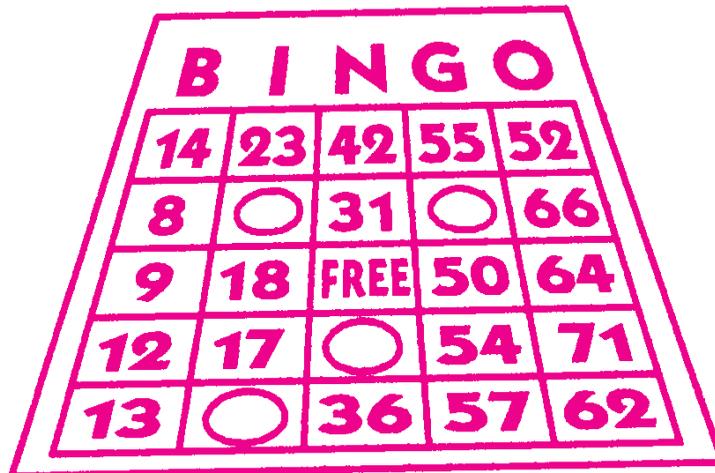
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Hot summer nights got you down?
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- (1) What legendary actress made her big-screen debut in the 1937 film *Ups and Downs*?
- (2) Who directed the 1946 film *Till the Clouds Roll By*, which starred Judy Garland, Kathryn Grayson and Van Heflin?
- (3) Mervyn LeRoy directed this 1949 film classic that starred Elizabeth Taylor, Margaret O'Brien and Janet Leigh. Name it.
- (4) Who starred as Emile de Becque in the 1958 film musical *South Pacific*?
- (5) George Cukor directed this 1957 film musical starring Mitzi Gaynor, Gene Kelly and Kay Kendall. Name it.
- (6) Gene Kelly starred as Danny McGuire in what 1980 musical?
- (7) Simon West directed this 2001 action film starring Angelina Jolie and Jon Voight. Name it.

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. June Allyson
2. Richard Whorf
3. *Little Women*
4. Rossano Brazzi
5. *Les Girls*
6. *Xanadu*
7. *Lara Croft: Tomb Raider*

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Movie Posters

Q: Value info on my movie posters? I have one-sheets of *Future-Kill* and *Creepshow*. Also triple sheets of *Let's Spend the Night Together with the Rolling Stones*. —Ralph, El Portal, Fla.

A: Before getting to specifics on these posters from the 1980s, let's fill readers in on movie poster lingo. Promos come in many sizes, but most common are one-sheet posters that are 27 inches by 41 inches. Two-sheets are separate sheets that when joined form a 45-by 59-inch poster. Three-sheets are 41 by 81 inches.

Key www.movieposters.com to find value on a huge variety of film posters and promos—all types, all sizes.

Keying *Creepshow*, we saw that the reader's poster has been reprinted. An original version in good condition retails for \$300. The reprint is \$15. Obviously, the poster needs to be seen to deter-

mine if it is the real thing.

Thomas Chau, manager of the Toronto firm, told us they sold a *Future-Kill* poster in fair condition seven years ago for \$30.

As with all collected paper, condition is vital. The same standard that applies to paper ephemera applies here. Product must be tight, white and bright. That means no fading, water spotting, tears, or worn fold lines. Colors must be true. Some punctures from tacks used in mounting under marquee glass are allowable. Heavily perforated paper is not good.

If authentic, the Rolling Stones three-sheet could sell for \$200 to \$400, depending on condition and demand. Remember, prices quoted are retail. Don't expect to receive nearly as much if you sell to a dealer. Online is a gamble, depending on how motivated buyers feel.

THURSDAY NIGHT BINGO

MADISON HEIGHTS BINGO HALL



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Brookville Band Boosters

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WOULD YA' BELIEVE?



It took Leonardo da Vinci four years to complete his iconic painting the "Mona Lisa."

...If you take the free toiletries when you stay in a hotel, you're not alone; fully 92 percent of travelers do so.

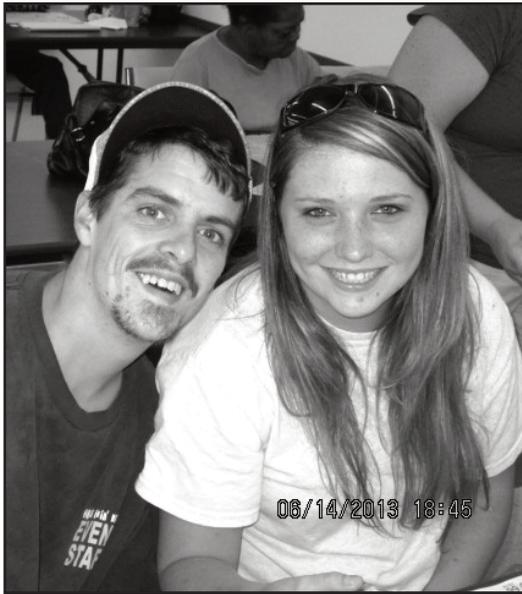
...In a traditional wedding in Fiji, the groom is expected to present the bride's father with a tooth from a whale, and the bride gets tattooed before the ceremony.

...You might be surprised to learn that lightning isn't confined to thunderstorms; the phenomenon can also occur in hurricanes, forest fires, volcanic eruptions and even serious snowstorms.

...Before the 1976 film "Star Wars" was released, the studio, Twentieth Century Fox, conducted some marketing research on the movie. The results? It was concluded that robots would turn off most viewers, and that under no circumstances should the word "war" be used in the title.

Obviously, filmmaker George Lucas ignored the advice. ...John Tyler fathered 15 children, more than any other U.S. president in history. He also holds the distinction of being the oldest president with living grandchildren. Tyler was born in 1790, and his son Lyon Gardiner Tyler was born in 1853. Lyon Gardiner, in turn, had children at a rather advanced age for fatherhood. Lyon Gardiner Tyler Jr. was born in 1924, when his father was 71, and Harrison Ruffin Tyler was born in 1928. Both men were still living in 2012, and the younger of the brothers maintained the Tyler family historic home, Sherwood Forest.

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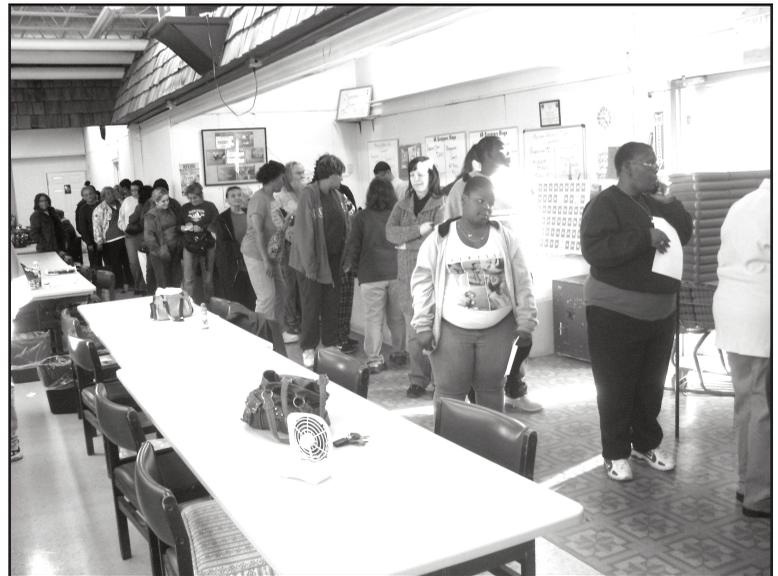


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at Madison Heights Bingo**



**Norma Grubbs wins
Instant Game at
Spout Spring Ruritan**

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SUNDAY NIGHT AT HAPPYS

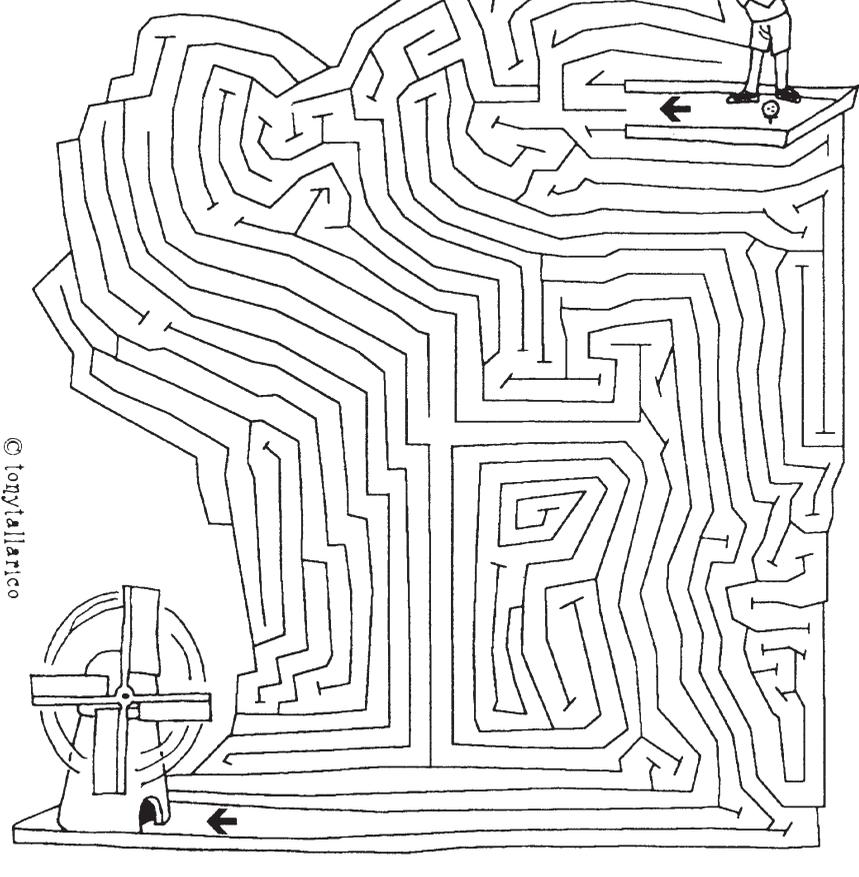


**Bonnie Moody playing at
Scraper's Bingo in Roanoke ..
New Tuesday night game
starts here in July ...**



**Ernest Goodwin at
E&H Bingo in Roanoke**

Miniature golf anyone?



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Speedier VA Claims

Why would a veteran not send in all supporting evidence at the time of filing a claim with the Department of Veterans Affairs? Apparently it happens, because to help get faster decisions, the VA now is setting up a new initiative, and a new acronym: FDC, for Fully Developed Claim.

Until now, you've had a choice of different types of claims: Original Disability, New Disability, Reopened Disability, Increased Disability, Secondary Disability and Special. Each has different requirements and evidence. Now veterans can "simply submit all required records and documentation at the time they make their claim and certify that they have no further evidence," according to the VA website. Veterans Service Officers with the American Legion and Disabled American Veterans will provide assistance.

It sounds good: The FDC is an "effective way to ensure a Veteran's claim never reaches the backlog," says the VA, and can cut in half the time it takes to process a claim.

Meanwhile, the VA has begun to prioritize claims. Veterans whose claims have been sitting for more than a year have been given provisional decisions so they can begin collecting compensation. They have one year to submit additional information. Additionally, overtime has been mandated to process claims for homeless veterans, the terminally ill, former prisoners of war, Medal of Honor recipients—and the Fully Developed Claims.

For step-by-step instructions on creating a FDC, go online to www.benefits.va.gov/fdc/ and follow the walkthrough link on the right. Best bet: File electronically at eBenefits.va.gov. If you need to do it by paper, you'll need VA Form 21-526EZ, available at your VA regional center. Call 1-800-827-1000 to get started and to find the location of your nearest accredited Veterans Service Officer (VSO) to help with your claim.

Freddy Groves regrets that he cannot personally answer reader questions, but will incorporate them into his column whenever possible. Send email to columnreply2@gmail.com.

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2. YOUR MAILING ADDRESS
3. YOUR PHONE NUMBER
4. YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

You may enter only ONE time each month.

See prize list on page 16 ...

ENTER TODAY!

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SATURDAY NIGHT BINGO

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DOOR OPENS AT 5:00 P.M.
EARLY BIRD GAMES AT 6:30 P.M.
REGULAR GAMES AT 7:00 P.M.
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BIG TIME TRAVEL

Destination: Seattle

■ *North America's 'Emerald City'*

There is literally no end to the things a visitor can see and do in beautiful Seattle, Washington. As the largest city in the Pacific Northwest and one of the fastest-growing in the United States, Seattle ranks as the 15th largest metropolitan area and the eighth largest port city in the country.

Throughout the year, Seattle is festival central. Among the city's prominent annual fairs and festivals are the 24-day Seattle International Film Festival, Northwest Folklife during Memorial Day weekend, numerous Seafair events in July and August, foodie favorite Bite of Seattle, one of the largest Gay Pride festivals in the United States, and the art and music festival Bumbershoot, which programs music as well as other art and entertainment over the Labor Day weekend. Other significant events include Native American pow-wows and ethnic festivals, many associated with Festal at Seattle Center.

Seattle can be dubbed tour central as well, and features such excursions as food tours, walking tours, wine tours, brewery tours, museum and arts tours, and more. Other annual events range from the Seattle Antiquarian Book Fair & Book Arts Show; an anime convention, Sakura-Con; the Penny Arcade Expo gaming convention; a two-day, 9,000-rider Seattle to Portland Bicycle Classic; and a host of specialized film festivals.

Beyond these and many other events, Seattle offers attractions galore. The Space Needle, dating from the 1962 Century 21 Exposition, is Seattle's most recognizable landmark. Other notable landmarks include The Seattle Great Wheel, Pike Place Market, the Fremont Troll (an 18-foot stone troll lurking beneath a local bridge), and the Science Fiction Museum and Hall of Fame. The National Register of Historic Places has more than 150 Seattle listings.

Other attractions include Chihuly Garden and Glass, the Seattle Museum of Flight, Olympic Sculpture Park, Kerry Park, Green Lake Park, Safeco Field (home of MLB's Seattle Mariners), CenturyLink Field (home of the NFL Seattle Seahawks), the Washington State Ferries, Discovery Park, Alki Beach, Volunteer Park Conservatory, Washington Park Arboretum, Golden Gardens Park, Columbia Center Sky View Observatory, Japanese Tea Garden, Kubota Garden, the architecturally stunning Seattle Public Library, Seattle Art Museum, the water-side Museum of History & Industry, Woodland Park Zoo, and at least 1,000 more.

Not surprisingly, Washington State is no stranger to the good times that can be found with Bingo and other gaming. In fact, Seattle is the birthplace of the Bingo Bugle Newspaper franchise.

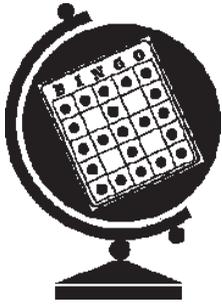
Currently there is a rebirth in the popularity of Bingo in metro Seattle. One of the driving forces behind the trend is Rainbow Bingo held at the Southeast Seattle Senior Center (206-722-0317), with calling and entertainment provided by a famous local drag star—Sylvia O'Stayformore. The Southeast Seattle Senior Center offers its own games as well, as does the Northwest Seattle Senior Center in Ballard/South Seattle and the West Seattle Senior Center in West Seattle.

Two great Bingo games not to be missed are 2220th Street Bingo in Mountlake Terrace, WA, (425-776-1900) which is north of Seattle, and Imperial Bingo Connection in Renton, WA (425-656-5257) which is south of Seattle.

Washington State is no stranger to casino gaming. Tribes in the area that offer Bingo and other gaming are the Tulalip in Marysville, the Swinomish in Anacortes, and BJ's Bingo in Fife, WA. There are other casinos in the state that offer gaming without Bingo.

For the dates and times of the best Bingo in Washington State, phone 206-453-5756 (Seattle, Everett), 360-798-0391 (Tacoma), or 888-478-3088 (Eastern Washington).

For other things to see and do in Seattle, check out visitseattle.org, seattle.gov/visiting or seattleattractions.com.



BINGO LAND

This month: A treasured game show launches on Facebook

Bingo Benefits Boston Marathon Bombing Victim

Nazzaro Community Center in Boston's North End hosted a Bingo fundraiser for Roseann Sdoia, an area resident who was injured at the Boston Marathon. Sdoia suffered serious injuries as a result of the explosions and lost a leg at the knee, North End Waterfront.com reported. She underwent several surgeries with more to follow. The sell-out event ran for three hours. A \$30 admission fee included three Bingo cards, a ticket for a door prize raffle and refreshments.

Electronic Bingo in Minnesota

Minnesota's newest attempt to fund the Vikings stadium is electronic linked Bingo. It makes Minnesota the first state to launch statewide electronic bingo systems allowing players at dozens of locations to compete for some serious jackpots. It began with gaming devices in 90 bars and restaurants. If all goes as planned, the system should be able to connect with players across Minnesota, vying for \$1,000-plus jackpots and potentially attracting a new wave of gamblers. That's what charitable gaming officials, lawmakers and the Vikings are counting on, the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* has reported. Proceeds from new electronic gaming devices are supposed to drive Minnesota's \$348 million share of the Vikings stadium, but the first games—electronic pulltabs—have so far been a bust. Slow sales forced the state to slash its forecast for what those games would raise by the end of this year from \$35 million to \$1.7 million.

The Price is Right Bingo

Online games developer Ludia, a division of FremantleMedia, has launched The Price is Right Bingo on Facebook. The Price is Right Bingo combines popular elements from the hit TV show with the traditional game of Bingo, with players matching randomly drawn numbers with those on their Bingo cards in order to progress to 'Contestants' Row' for bonus prizes and a chance at spinning the legendary Big Wheel. "The team at Ludia continues their tremendous track record of taking The Price is Right, one of the most treasured game shows in history, and creating new and engaging gameplay experiences around it," said Nicholas Dale, senior manager of interactive and mobile at FremantleMedia. "Both Bingo and The Price is Right are inherently social experiences and this combination will undoubtedly prove a winner with gamers and fans of the show." *The Price is Right* is the longest-running game show in television history and remains the number one show in daytime in the U.S. where it is hosted by Drew Carey and produced by FremantleMedia North America. Passage aboard the Bingo Bugle's World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise was awarded as a prize on *The Price is Right* several years ago.

Burlesque Bingo in Alaska

Rachel Blackwell and her theater company, Naked Stage Productions, offered up a sexy good time with a touch of good, clean salacious fun during a night of Burlesque Bingo at Tubby's Alaska BBQ Grill & Sport's Bar at the Regency Hotel in Fairbanks, Alaska. Players won prizes for Bingoing on cards that sold for \$5 each. Tubby's served up food and drink as part of the event.

The Next Bonus Drawing for the Bugle Sweepstakes is on SEPTEMBER 5.

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Bugle Sweepstakes

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Entry Form on Page 16

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Computer FREE Bingo

Games Played At:

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PLUS

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JOIN US ON MONDAY NIGHT

YOU WILL HAVE FUN AND HOPEFULLY WIN!





Under attack

■ *Dreamer maybe unhappy*

Dear Dream Lady,

I dreamed that a man was going to attack me. I ran to a building and two ladies were there. We thought the man had a gun, but he had a knife. I took it away from him and stabbed him many times. He should have died, but did not. In another dream I went to get candy for a little girl and a man attacked me. I beat him and put him in a burlap bag. I thought he was dead, but he was not. I drug him out to concrete and beat him again, but he did not die. Why am I trying to kill people and they will not die?

Mary D., Rushville, Indiana

Dear Mary,

These are extremely disturbing dreams. All of the unknown people in your dream are parts of yourself. It sounds like you are deeply unhappy and possibly clinically depressed or potentially suicidal. I hope I am wrong, but you are clearly trying to kill parts of yourself that you do not like. You do not mention your age. Teenagers often go through an extremely difficult time and benefit from counseling. If you can afford a counselor, please call one; if not, call your

county office and see if they offer counseling services on a sliding scale. A counselor can give you tools to learn to like yourself. If you cannot like yourself, it is difficult for you to like others. My heart goes out to you. Please keep in touch. —*Dream Lady*

Dear Dream Lady,

What does it mean in my dream when a man comes into my house and says "I'm sorry, I'm sorry" then turns around and walks out? Shirley B., Rushville, Indiana

Dear Shirley,

See the dream by Mary – an unknown person reflects an aspect of you. You have done something to yourself that you feel bad about and you are apologizing to yourself. Most people are hard on themselves. You might want to read the classic self-help book, *I'm OK, You're OK* by Thomas Harris, M.D., a pioneer in self-help books, to get you started on being kind to yourself. It is a step-by-step process that will help you immensely. Let me know how you do in a few months.

Dear Dream Lady,

I woke in May for a "Christmas Memorial Weekend." My calendar was marked with orange pumpkins. Festivities alternated between a large picnic where we shot off rockets to a New England-style church where I helped with a candlelight service.

Julie H., Madison, Wisconsin

Dear Julie,

All your symbols tell me life is good for you. Pumpkins symbolize rapid growth and increased learning. Picnics symbolize a pleasant life. Church symbolizes spiritual peace. You sound like you are in a time of learning and/or spiritual awakening. I wish the best for your progress. —*Dream Lady*

Please send your dreams to Dream Lady at P.O. Box 414, Entiat, WA 98816. Enclose an SASE if you want a personal reply before publication. Not all dreams are published due to space limitations.

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- ★ Count the letters in your first name.
- ★ If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4.
- ★ If the number is less than 6, add 3.
- ★ The result is your key number.
- ★ Start at the upper left-hand corner and circle your key number, left to right.
- ★ Read the special message spelled out for you.

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Letter Box

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by Linda Thistle

Letter Box solution

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"Your smart phone has a lot of apps, but my Swiss army knife has even more."

"SAVVY SENIOR"

YOU ASK THE SENIOR QUESTION
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■ Help for those nearing retirement

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you recommend some good resources that can help me decide when to start my Social Security retirement benefits? I'll be 62 early next year and want to carefully weigh all my option, but could use some help.

Nearing Retirement

Dear Nearing,

Figuring out the best age to start claiming your Social Security retirement benefits is an important financial decision. The difference between a good decision and a poor one could cost you tens of thousands of dollars over your retirement, so doing some homework and weighing your options now is a very smart move.

What to Consider

As you may already know, you can claim Social Security any time from age 62 to 70, but the longer you wait, the

larger your monthly check. But there are actually many factors you need to take into account to help you make a good decision, including your current financial needs, your health and family longevity, whether you plan to work in retirement, whether you have other retirement income sources, and if you're married, your spouse's situation.

To help you compare your options and make an informed decision, there are a number of resources and services available depending on how much assistance you need.

SSA Tools

A good place to start is at the Social Security website. Just go to socialsecurity.gov and click on the "Retirement" tab at the top of the page and access their "Plan for Retirement" tools where you can estimate your benefits at different ages and get guidance based on your personal situation.

Or, if you would rather have face-to-face assistance, call 800-772-1213 and schedule an appointment to visit with a claims representative at your nearby Social Security office.

The Social Security Administration also offers a bevy of free publications (see ssa.gov/pubs) that you can have mailed directly to you. *Retirement Benefits*, *When To Start Receiving Retirement Benefits* and *How Work Affects Your Benefits* are three popular publications for those nearing retirement.

Other Resources

If you need help in addition to what the

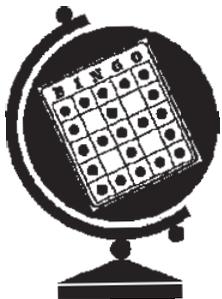
government offers, some good resources include the *Social Security Claiming Guide*—which is published by the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College. This easy-to-read 24-page guide sorts through all the options, spells out how much you can get, and answers frequently asked questions. Go to socialsecurityclaimingguide.info to read it online or to print a copy for free. Another good publication is *When to Take Social Security Benefits: Questions to Consider* (see whentotakesocialsecurity.info). Offered by the National Academy of Social Insurance, a nonprofit research and educational group, this 16-page booklet uses a question-and-answer format to guide you through the key issues. To get a free hardcopy mailed to you, call 202-452-8097.

You can also get help online at websites like analyzeNOW.com, which offers a free tool called "Social Security Planner" that helps singles and couples calculate the best time to take their retirement benefits. And AARP's new Social Security Benefits Calculator (www.aarp.org/socialsecuritybenefits), which lets you estimate how much you'll receive in monthly and lifetime benefits, based on your salary and your age when you file. Or, for a \$40 annual fee, maximizemysocialsecurity.com provides a comprehensive new tool to help retirees, spouses and survivors make decisions to maximize their benefits.

If, however, you'd like more personal-

ized help, there are financial advisors and investment advisor firms that for a fee can assist you by taking you through the specific claiming strategies. One such firm is Social Security Solutions (socialsecuritysolutions.com, 866-762-7526), which offers three levels of service including their "Premium Plus" plan that runs multiple calculations and comparisons, recommends a best course of action in a detailed report, and gives you a one-on-one session with a Social Security specialist over the phone to discuss the report and ask questions. Fees for their services range between \$20 and \$125.

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



CRUISE STORIES

Cruiser interviews

Most people are familiar with the term "Bucket List"—a list of things a person wants to see and do before they "Kick the Bucket."

Since retiring from the Navy, best friends and roommates Mary Jo Rhein and Donna Gaudet of Bella Vista, Arkansas, have been chipping away at their bucket lists and having a great time doing it. "One of the things on our lists is to play Bingo in every state," Mary Jo says. "Toward the end of last year we were at close to 20 states."

Among those states is Oklahoma, where the women frequently travel in order to play casino Bingo. And it was during one of those excursions—to Indigo Sky Casino in Wyandotte, Oklahoma—that the women came across a copy of the *Bingo Bugle* and first learned of the

World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise.

"A cruise was a great bucket list item, and being able to combine it with a Bingo tournament sounded fantastic to us," Mary Jo says. "I retired from the navy, but I was only ever at sea on an aircraft carrier for one week. It was funny to have to wait until after retirement from the Navy to be on a ship again!"

The women further added to their states-where-we've-played-Bingo list by driving between Arkansas and Florida instead of flying, which allowed them to motor through—and play Bingo in—Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, and Florida. This bumped up list of states to 23. "We really made it an event!" Mary Jo says with a laugh. Mary Jo and Donna found their 2012 cruise experience fun and exciting, which is why they quickly signed up for this year's 25th Annual World Championship Bingo Tournament & Gaming Cruise. "The Bingo tournament was awesome, and all the activities on the ship were wonderful," Mary Jo says. "One of our favorite things to do was to go to the late night buffet and meet lots of people, then head to the theater for a show. We also liked the ports and land excursions, and we did a lot of walking and shopping. It was a great experience." Mary Jo estimates that

she and Donna walked away with about \$750 in winnings from pull tabs, late night Bingo and the ship's games.

There are only two months remaining before the 2013 Tournament Cruise sets sail. Our host ship will be Carnival Cruise Line's *Conquest*, the epitome of pampered elegance. *Conquest* boasts an array of exciting features including twin two-deck-high formal restaurants, a "boulevard" of shops & boutiques, a 15,000-square-foot health & exercise facility, an expansive two-level poolside eatery, and the Carnival Seaside Theater, a massive LED screen located on the ship's Lido Deck that shows movies and other entertainment.

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Belize. Whether zip-lining through the forest, tubing through Maya

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Cozumel, Mexico. This tranquil island is one of the world's top five Caribbean destinations due to its stunning coral reefs and deep, crystal clear ocean waters. It's also a great place for touring, shopping and exploring.

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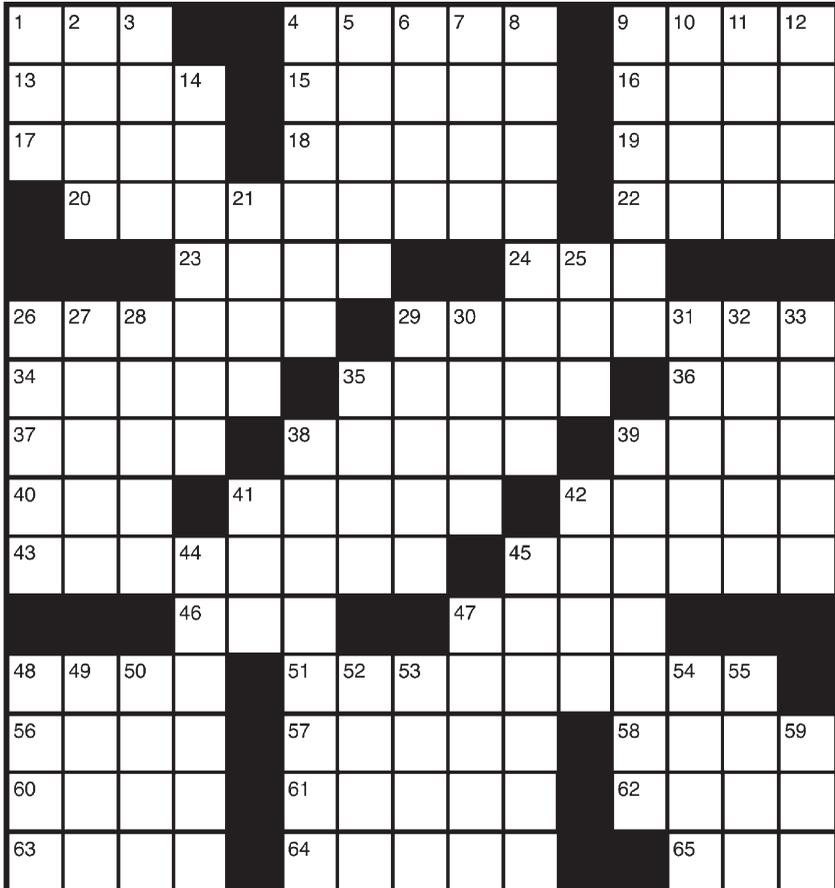
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BUGLE CROSSWORD



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ACROSS

- 1 Cereal grain
- 4 Broad neck scarf
- 9 Q-tip, for one
- 13 Knitting stitch
- 15 Depart
- 16 Bee colony
- 17 Peter, Paul and Mary, e.g.
- 18 Bodies of water
- 19 Muhammad and Laila
- 20 Enjoyment
- 22 Part of a three-piece suit
- 23 Chihuahuas and collies
- 24 Feasted
- 26 Plot
- 29 Specialist in plant life
- 34 Rub out
- 35 Nobleman
- 36 Neither's partner
- 37 Mom's sister
- 38 More modern
- 39 Cafe list
- 40 Zodiac lion
- 41 Tiny beginnings
- 42 Like some cases of meningitis
- 43 So wet that you might lose your footing
- 45 Eclair, for one
- 46 Owned
- 47 Remarked
- 48 Fragrance
- 51 Nobility; height
- 56 __ Scotia
- 57 Boo-boo
- 58 Sour-tasting
- 60 Utilizes
- 61 Landscape or seascape
- 62 Woman
- 63 Withered
- 64 Filled to contentment
- 65 Buzzing insect

DOWN

- 1 Make a choice
- 2 Ambience
- 3 Brief haircut
- 4 Assert without proof
- 5 Stitched joinings
- 6 Angel food __
- 7 Microwave
- 8 One who leaves a will
- 9 Clean-__; smooth-faced
- 10 Stratagem
- 11 Hertz rival
- 12 Most excellent
- 14 Noisiest
- 21 Partial amount
- 25 Sunbathe
- 26 Official stamps
- 27 Very mean
- 28 Capital of Vietnam
- 29 Risque
- 30 Crude metals
- 31 Sluggish; still
- 32 Detection device at sea
- 33 "Yours __"; letter closing
- 35 Brewed drink
- 38 Unnecessary
- 39 Pass out cards incorrectly
- 41 Jacuzzi
- 42 Conceited
- 44 Saying; idiom
- 45 Matched
- 47 Smooth rock
- 48 Burden
- 49 Two teaspoons, for example
- 50 Above
- 52 Killer whale
- 53 Guitar ridge
- 54 Strikebreaker
- 55 __ with; support
- 59 Prepare Easter eggs

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BUGLE WORD GAME

HOW TO PLAY: Read the list of words. Look at the puzzle. You'll find these words in all directions—horizontally, vertically, diagonally, backwards. Draw a circle around each letter of a word found in the puzzle, then strike it off the list. Circling it will show a letter has been used but will leave it visible should it also form part of another word. Find the big words first. When letters of all listed words are circled, you'll have the given number of letters left over. They'll spell out your MAGICWORD.

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Brookville Band

Sharon Hutzell
Roanoke
Scrappers



Hiccups in Reno

■ Bingo road trip Part II

The next day we proceeded on to Reno. I am amazed at how the city has grown from being “The Greatest Little City on Earth” to being a gambling metropolis. Casinos line the streets while signs of every variety try to lure you in. We chose a likely looking place and proceeded to gamble,

but it wasn’t much fun and we went early to our beds. The next day we headed to Carson City where I did some touring. I love looking at all the silver on display and I headed below ground to look at an old time silver mine. I was distressed by all the water that dripped in the passages and wondered why some of it couldn’t have been on the surface where it was needed. It was such dry country, but apparently water was near at hand. That evening we found Bingo. We discovered a lovely game, not too crowded, that played in a room off a casino and we had great luck right from the start. My cards were so good that I got the hiccups and needed to control them as well as play Bingo. The first time I won, I yelled “Bing-hic-o” to the delight of the crowd and my hiccups, seeming to be encouraged by the attention, just would not go away. Kate laughed along with everyone else and was no help to me except to tell me to “drink out of

the wrong side of the glass.” This meant I had to have a glass of something. Fortunately a worker brought me a glass of water, but drinking out of the wrong side didn’t help at all except to titillate the onlookers. This group also played empty space—which I had come to like, but they played it double empty space. In other words, you won if you had one empty space in the perimeter and again if you filled it in before anyone else. I won the first game but not the second and my hiccups persisted. I came to put my hand over my mouth so that they would not be so loud, but after about a dozen muffled, they had to pop out and a really big one would emerge. By this time, Kate was doubled over with laughter she could not suppress. It was all she could do to daub her cards and she kept wiping tears of laughter from her eyes. She won the final blackout and the worker came to pay her off and asked her name. “Maurinelda Fancypants,” she replied.

“Why on earth would you say that?” I asked. “Oh, I don’t know. I just felt like it,” she replied. “By the way, where are your hiccups?” She was right. They had disappeared in my concern over the weird name. That proved to be the funnest evening as my niece would say. From Carson City we headed back north to the cooler climes. We found one game along the way, but didn’t win anything and found it rather dull after all the excitement of my hiccupy game as we had come to call it. “I must look up hiccups on the internet,” I said. “I need to know what triggers them and about the distraction that cures.” “You won’t do that,” replied Kate. “You enjoy the mystery.”

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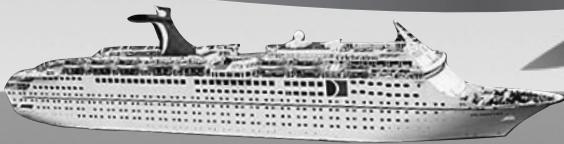
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BUGLE PLAYERS' GUIDE

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TAURUS
Gather your courage and simply ask people for what you want. It will work!
Lucky Days: 17-26
Lucky Numbers: 23-60

GEMINI
You're in high demand this month, everyone is eager to bask in your charisma and quick intellect.
Lucky Days: 23-27
Lucky Numbers: 19-46

CANCER
Promotion is the key to sharing your new idea, project or creation. Put the word out!
Lucky Days: 6-21
Lucky Numbers: 39-60

LEO
It's so hard when you *have* to, and so easy when you *want* to. Your intuition knows best!
Lucky Days: 2-18
Lucky Numbers: 24-68

VIRGO
You're like a magnet this month, attracting whatever you set your heart on. Lucky you!
Lucky Days: 2-12
Lucky Numbers: 28-59

LIBRA
To achieve peace of mind, bring your soothing touch to issues of money and security this month.
Lucky Days: 4-15
Lucky Numbers: 44-59

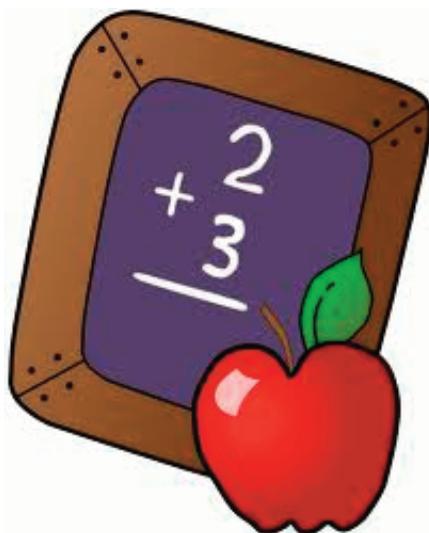
SCORPIO
A tree's branches reach as high as its roots go deep; it's the hidden and mysterious side of life that offers what you need now.
Lucky Days: 13-26
Lucky Numbers 17-65

SAGITTARIUS
Don't make money your goal. Instead, pursue what you love, and everything else will follow.
Lucky Days: 3-30
Lucky Numbers: 28-65

CAPRICORN
This is the month to dive in to your unconscious and recover some of its hidden gems.
Lucky Days: 3-30
Lucky Numbers: 28-65

AQUARIUS
Craftiness is required in August, don't hesitate to use it. Play your cards!
Lucky Days: 14-26
Lucky Numbers: 22-66

PISCES
Start with the end in mind and allow your instincts to progress naturally towards the outcome.
Lucky Days: 4-14
Lucky Numbers: 3-27



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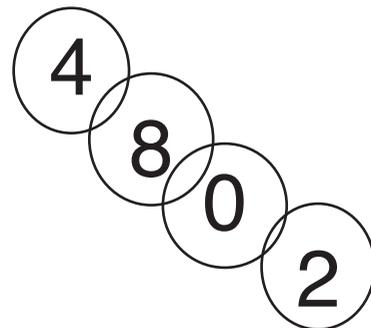
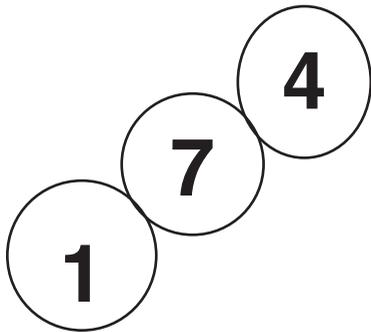
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NEW HOUSE NUMBER

B.C. of Lynchburg moved into a new home (#926) in May, 2013. Should he play the house number in Pick 3? It is OVERDUE B.C. The last Exact hit on 9-2-6 was on JULY 4, 2005!

RECENT CLOSED SCRATCHERS

The following 3 Scratch Games have closed due to all top prizes being claimed.

#1332 Crossword \$3.00

#1306 \$100,000 Cash Cyclone \$10.

#1295 Cash Line Bingo \$3,00

MORE SCRATCH INFO

Jackpots remaining unclaimed as of 7/20 ...

29 X the Money - 1 if 3

10 X The Money - 4 of 8

Monopoly - 1 if 4

3-3-1 PLAYER

T. J. of Roanoke played 331 in Pick 3 while living in another state. When was the last Exact hit in Virginia? It was out in Exact Order on December 13, 2012. Also hit several times in Any Order in the last year too.

LUCKY LOTTO

NEWS

Lucky Lotto News

■ **An over-the-top spending plan**

Winners going anonymous?

The days of North Carolina lottery winners posing with giant checks might be numbered, according to a story reported by WTAL-TV. State law now requires that the names of lottery winners be publicized, but House Bill 516 would disclose their names only if they consent. Also, the names would be handed over to state and federal tax authorities and to the courts in cases where there is an outstanding judgment against a winner. Legislators introduced the bill as protection against winners being targeted by scam artists. North Carolina Education Lottery officials question the sudden need to keep winners' names under wraps, saying releasing the names goes hand-in-hand with being a public agency. "For that information to suddenly be secret, we think would raise questions about the lottery," lottery

spokesman Van Denton said. "Our players want to know who wins those prizes. They are entering a contest, and one of the most frequent questions we get when we have drawings is, 'Who are the winners?'" The bill likely won't be considered until 2014.

Brit lotto winner spending big

Once you've bought your £100,000 Jaguar XKR-S (US \$152,000), paid off Dad's mortgage and given your best friend more than £1 million (US \$1.5 million), how do you start spending the rest of a £45 million (US \$69 million) lottery win? According to a story by the *Guardian of London*, the answer for Matt and Cassey Topham, a former decorator and supermarket worker from Nottingham who scooped the EuroMillions jackpot last year, is to erect a futuristic mansion on a suburban avenue with all the trappings of a James Bond villain's lair. The couple submitted a planning application for a sinuous solar panel-clad home in Nottinghamshire—which will be 16 times larger than the average three-bedroom family house. The project is likely to be one of the most ambitious new homes to be built in the UK—if planners grant consent. It will feature a garage screened by a waterfall, a botanical garden and a grotto swimming pool as well as eight bedrooms, all at an estimated cost of £5 million (US \$7.6 million).

Woman busted for bogus tickets

A Des Moines, Iowa, woman tried to cash voided Iowa Lottery tickets she stole while working at a company hired to shred old tickets, police said. The Des Moines Register reported that the 38-year-old woman was charged with forgery of a lottery ticket. She worked at International Paper, which has a document destruction and recycling division in Des Moines, police reports show. An Iowa Lottery employee told police that International Paper employees picked up a large quantity of lottery tickets from their warehouse. The tickets should have been destroyed, police said. The woman allegedly tried cashing two of those tickets at a convenience store and at lottery headquarters, authorities said. She told detectives she bought the tickets from another International Paper employee, but investigators determined she had acted alone, officials said.

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"LL" NUMBERS TO WATCH FOR AUGUST, 2013

PICK 3

3-5-9 - 9-7-3

2-8-8 - 0-0-8

PICK 4

0-3-1-1 - 8-3-6-5

Cash 5

01-05-09-17-33

03-11-13-19-32

Powerball

09-43-56-57-59 +24

01-16-17-30-50 +14

Good Luck!



Changing Machines

By Henry Tamburin

One of the most controversial topics amongst video poker players is changing machines. I'm going to throw my two cents into this issue and share with you a slightly different perspective from Frank Kneeland, who is the author of the book *The Secret World of Video Poker Progressives*.

Many video poker players will change machines when they are losing. They believe that their machine is "cold" and by switching to another machine, they, hopefully, will land on a "hot machine." Here's my two cents on switching machines. There are some perfectly good reasons for switching, but doing it "to change your luck" isn't one of them.

The cards on a video poker machine are selected randomly. The cards don't know (and don't care) whether you are on a cold (or hot) streak. Therefore, from a strictly mathematical viewpoint, changing machines from a game you are currently playing to another machine to play the same game with the same pay table isn't a guarantee that your luck will change. You will get most likely, different results in the short term on your new machine, but you don't know beforehand whether it will be better or worse.

However, there are some other reasons why you might consider switching machines. The include a "sticking" button on the machine, a blurry screen, cold air blowing on you from an overhead air conditioner vent, smoke being blown in your direction from a smoker, or having an "overly chatty" player next to you. However, the bottom line is this: If the expected return (ER) for the game you are playing on machine A is the same as machine B, from a mathematical viewpoint, it doesn't make any difference which machine you play.

I often add this caveat: If you don't have an expected return (ER) over 100%, changing machines could lower your hourly loss because it will decrease the number of hands you play per hour (this assumes you would hop around from one machine to another several times during a session). In addition, by pausing from the action and giving your brain a rest when you switch machines, it could help you avoid making playing mistakes, which often occurs when players play video poker machines non-stop for long periods.

As you can see, I take a rather hard-line, scientific view on the topic of switching

machines. (I am a trained scientist, after all.) Enter Frank Kneeland, who wrote an article about changing machines as a strategy in the August issue of the *Blackjack Insider Newsletter* titled *The Lucky Underwear Phenomena*. I've summarized below what he had to say on this topic.

When a player is sure he will do better after changing machines, they really have no data to compare with simply because they can't clone themselves and continue playing on the first machine, and then compare the results with the second machine.

If a player happens to get "better" results after changing machines, he will point to this fact as proof that changing machines makes a difference. This is a natural human tendency to overrate how much control a player thinks he has over an event, such as the output of the results of the random number generator (RNG) in a video poker machine (this is known in psychological circles as Illusionary Control).

Toss in Hindsight Bias, which is the tendency to see past events as more predictable than they really were, and you have a nearly complete picture of why players, in retrospect, believe changing machines is anything other than a waste of time.

The common advice to players goes something like this: "It doesn't matter if you change machines or not, because the machines are random and each hand is an independent event. Furthermore, it is neither good nor bad, so do it if you like." I disagree for this reason. According to Dr. William G. McCown, who is the author of a book on gambling psychology, cognitive distortions are a risk factor for problem gambling. Therefore, knowing this, there is simply no reason to tempt fate.

Our less-than-perfect human minds are primed to look for patterns. Suppose instead of changing machines, you changed underwear. Some of your underwear will result in a "hot session" while other result in a "cold session." You might start favoring your "lucky" underwear when you play video poker. I hope you realize that your choice of underwear doesn't affect what hands you are dealt or what draw cards you get when you play video poker. Neither does changing machines.

So there you have two views on changing machines with a similar recommendation: Changing machines as a playing strategy won't work in the long run. Note: You can read Frank Kneeland's entire insightful article (*The Lucky Underwear Phenomena*) by going to www.bjinsider.com/changemachines.

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By Guy Williams

Bingo drama

■ Fueling fires

Hi Guy,

I make it a point to get to Bingo early for all the obvious reasons...to get my paper before there's a long line, to get a seat at a table I want, and to have time to spread out and set up my drink, my lucky doodads, and get my Bingo paper laid out.

The last time I was at Bingo it was a busy night and the hall was crowded, which again made me glad I had gotten there early to set up. As it got closer and closer to the start of the games, people were still arriving and rushing around to find seats. My table filled up fast, and the only chair left was next to me.

That is when a rather large, loud woman came charging into the hall shouting "Oh dear, don't start, don't start, wait for me..." and waddling her way through the hall to buy her Bingo paper. She then began walking through the hall, pushing through the aisles she was too fat for and looking for a seat.

Lucky me, she saw the chair next to me and bolted for it. When she reached the table she dumped all her Bingo junk with a thud, bumped me and the woman on the other side of her several times, then plopped her big butt into the chair. Right then the caller turned on the Bingo machine and began making announcements. "Oh no, oh no, I'm not ready!" the woman shouted, and she began flailing her Bingo paper around and digging into her bag for daubers. I finally got sick of her antics and spoke up. "Do you mind?" I asked her. "We were all here on time and are ready to play and really don't appreciate this scene you're making."

The obnoxious woman went nuts. "How dare you speak to me like that!" she said. "I have just as much right to be here as you!" She then began flailing around again, this time even more, until she found a dauber. She then banged her Bingo bag on the table and spread her Bingo paper across the table, making sure it overlapped my paper as well as the paper of the player across from her and the woman next to her.

I shoved her paper back at her and told her to keep it off my paper. (I admit this was not the smartest move.) The woman threw a fit, shouting at me for "harassing" her and calling for the manager.

The start of the games was brought to a stop and a couple of volunteers and the Bingo manager came to our table to find out what the problem was.

The woman was practically spitting as she ranted about how the players at her

table were giving her trouble and that the workers needed to do something about it. After what seemed like a very long time, they found another place for her and invited her to move there. "I'm not moving!" she snapped. "Move HIM!"

She of course was pointing and glaring at me.

At first I was embarrassed, but then I realized that moving was better than sitting next to this obnoxious cow for two hours. "My pleasure," I said as I stood up and casually gathered up my belongings and moved to my new seat.

I am still astonished when I think of all the drama this woman caused, right up to the point of holding several hundred people hostage by delaying the games for almost half an hour. I get angry every time I think of it. I haven't been back to that hall since that night. And to add insult to injury, the obnoxious woman won a \$500 jackpot. —DD, California, via email

Hi DD,

What a nightmare. You do everything right in order to prepare for a pleasant evening of Bingo, then a diva shows up and spoils everything.

To be honest, however, if you look back at how the incident evolved, the trigger moment was not when this woman showed up at your table, but when you scolded her for her tardiness.

Up to that point, she was just a silly woman enjoying her self-induced dramatic moment. Had you stayed silent, she would likely have settled down and Bingo would have proceeded without incident.

But because you chose to admonish her, you fueled her fire, empowering her to create an even bigger scene—which is just what this type of person lives for. I would like to know if other readers agree with me. Did DD in fact trigger the woman's outburst? Or am I being unfair by blaming him for this woman's behavior? What would you have done in this same situation? Have you ever seen/experienced such an incident yourself? Please drop me a line and share your opinion. —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. Be sure to include your name and address (you may request that your name not be published), as typically Guy will not include anonymous letters in his columns.



Grill It!

During the summer, many people enjoy cookouts with family and friends. Grilling outdoors is particularly popular in my home state of Texas.

While cooking outdoors is a wonderful way to prepare tasty, delicious dishes from meats to vegetables to desserts, it can be hazardous to your health if certain safety guidelines aren't followed. Here are some tips for safe grilling:

Preparing Meats for the Grill:

- Buy ground meat and poultry no more than one to two days in advance. If it is going to be longer, freeze them. Larger cuts of meat, like steaks, should be grilled or frozen within four days of purchase.
- Thaw frozen meat in the refrigerator or microwave before grilling. Meat thawed in the microwave must be

- cooked immediately. Food should never be thawed on the counter.
- Marinate meat and poultry in the refrigerator. During grilling, avoid brushing the food with marinade that touched the raw meat.
- Wash your hands before and after handling raw meat and poultry.
- Hamburger patties should be made about 1/2-inch thick and 4 inches in diameter to help them cook fully and evenly.

Transporting:

- Transport meat and poultry in a cooler with ice, and pack the cooler just before leaving. Open the cooler as little as possible.
- In order to prevent cross-contamination, raw meat and poultry should be kept separate from cooked foods and foods eaten raw, like fruits and vegetables. Pack drinks in a separate cooler.
- The cooler should stay in an air-conditioned car during transportation and in a shaded spot once you've arrived. Only take out the amount of food you can grill at one time.

Grilling:

- To kill microorganisms, scrape and heat the grill before putting on the meat or poultry.
- Grilled foods brown on the outside quickly, so the only way to correctly determine doneness is to check the internal temperature with a thermometer. Place the thermometer in the thickest

part of the meat • away from bone, fat or gristle • near the end of the cooking time. Wash the thermometer between testing different meats and before and after each use.

Recommended safe minimum internal temperatures are as follows:
145 degrees F for steaks, roasts and fish

160 F for ground beef and pork
165 F for whole poultry, chicken pieces or ground patties

- Do not flip steaks with a fork; it can puncture the meat and cause bacteria to get inside.

- Remove food from the grill with clean utensils, and put it on a clean serving dish to prevent cross-contamination.

- Discard any food, cooked or uncooked, left out of refrigeration for more than two hours, or one hour if the temperature is above 90 F.

Try my recipe for Spicy Herb Butter as a topping for your grilled meats, grilled seafood and vegetables. It makes an 8-inch-long tube of herb butter that will keep for up to a month in the freezer.

SPICY HERB BUTTER

- 1/2 pound unsalted butter, softened
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 tablespoon plus 2 teaspoons finely minced green

- onions, whites and green parts
- 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon minced flat-leaf parsley leaves
- 1 tablespoon minced oregano leaves
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper

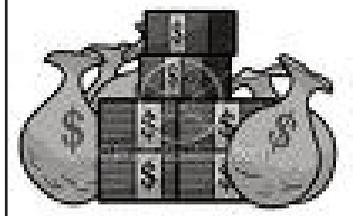
1. In a large bowl, mix the butter, oil and all other ingredients with a rubber spatula until evenly combined. Lay about a foot long section of plastic wrap on a work surface. Put the herb butter on the bottom center of the plastic wrap, and form into a mound about 8 inches long.

2. Fold the bottom edge of the plastic wrap over the butter and roll the enclosed butter forward until completely wrapped, forming a tube of butter about 1-1/2 inches in diameter. Twist the ends together like a party favor. Refrigerate until firm, or freeze for up to 1 month. Sliced as needed and serve atop grilled meat, seafood or vegetables as desired.

(Additional information provided by Christeena Haynes, MS, RD, LD, Nutrition and Health Education Specialist, Dallas County, University of Missouri Extension.)



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Saving seats

■ A race to get a seat

Dear Aunt Bingo,

I am an avid Bingo player here in Michigan. Recently I arrived at the Bingo hall 30 minutes early to get the seat of my choice. About 25 minutes later the Bingo hall staff arrived.

One of the floor workers arrived and sat by the hall's door. When the owner arrived and opened the door, the Bingo hall worker took off like a bat out of hell!

I realized that she was going for the side of the hall where I was heading, and I kicked into third gear and went for the table that I wanted.

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Social Security

■ Help for those nearing retirement

Dear Savvy Senior,

Can you recommend some good resources that can help me decide when to start my Social Security retirement benefits? I'll be 62 early next year and want to carefully weigh all my options, but could use some help.

Nearing Retirement

Dear Nearing,

Figuring out the best age to start claiming your Social Security retirement benefits is an important financial decision. The difference between a good decision and a poor one could cost you tens of thousands of dollars over your retirement, so doing some homework and weighing your options now is a very smart move.

What to Consider

As you may already know, you can claim Social Security any time from

When the worker realized that I was going to beat her to that table, she screamed: "I got that table!" I hurried and put my Bingo bag down at the table. The worker stopped in her tracks and immediately started telling three other ladies who were in the hall that "She took that table from me!" It was hilarious!

The thing is, this worker works at many different halls around our area and I have witnessed her getting to the Bingo hall extra early to save anywhere from 7 to 15 seats. Seriously!?

My question to you is: Is it fair for Bingo hall workers to save seats for Bingo players who may not even show up...and save so many? It should be first come, first serve among the players. —*A.F.S., Michigan*

Dear A.F.S.,

As people who regularly read this column know, I am NOT a fan of seat saving. It shows favoritism to a select few "insiders" and causes resentment among the majority of people who are not in one of the seat-saving cliques. This resentment is compounded when the people saving the seats are Bingo workers. But your question is whether seat saving is "fair." And the answer to that comes not from me, but from hall policy. If the folks running the age 62 to 70, but the longer you wait, the larger your monthly check. But there are actually many factors you need to take into account to help you make a good decision, including your current financial needs, your health and family longevity, whether you plan to work in retirement, whether you have other retirement income sources, and if you're married, your spouse's situation. To help you compare your options and make an informed decision, there are a number of resources and services available depending on how much assistance you need.

SSA Tools

A good place to start is at the Social Security website. Just go to socialsecurity.gov and click on the "Retirement" tab at the top of the page and access their "Plan for Retirement" tools where you can estimate your benefits at different ages and get guidance based on your personal situation.

Or, if you would rather have face-to-face assistance, call 800-772-1213 and schedule an appointment to visit with a claims representative at your nearby Social Security office.

The Social Security Administration also offers a bevy of free publications (see ssa.gov/pubs) that you can have mailed directly to you. *Retirement Benefits, When To Start Re-*

show feel it is appropriate for workers and players to reserve seats for others, then yes it is fair. Anyone who finds it objectionable can simply do what you did—get there early and outrun the saver!

By the way, the mental image of you and this floor worker speed-racing your way across the empty hall to be the first to grab a coveted seat is indeed hilarious! The only thing missing from the story was the person who was losing the race lobbing her Bingo bag over the head of the winner and landing it on the coveted table and shouting "MINE!" Maybe you can try that next time. —*Aunt Bingo*

Dear Aunt Bingo,

Recently, a Bingo hall had an end-of-the-month drawing for a 52-inch television. For each Bingo session buy-in during the month, you received one drawing ticket.

A friend of mine gave me the 13 tickets he earned throughout the month. He indicated that he had no need for a new TV and would not be in attendance the night of the drawing. (One rule of the drawing was that you must be present to win.) I ended up winning the TV drawing, which upset a couple Bingo players who felt I was wrong for accepting drawing tickets I had not earned myself. Management said it is perfectly

Other Resources

If you need help in addition to what the government offers, some good resources include the *Social Security Claiming Guide*—which is published by the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College. This easy-to-read 24-page guide sorts through all the options, spells out how much you can get, and answers frequently asked questions. Go to socialsecurityclaimingguide.info to read it online or to print a copy for free.

Another good publication is *When to Take Social Security Benefits: Questions to Consider* (see whentotakesocialsecurity.info). Offered by the National Academy of Social Insurance, a nonprofit research and educational group, this 16-page booklet uses a question-and-answer format to guide you through the key issues. To get a free hardcopy mailed to you, call 202-452-8097. You can also get help online at websites like analyzenow.com, which offers a free tool called "Social Security Planner" that helps singles and couples calculate the best time to take their retirement benefits. And AARP's new Social Security Bene-

fits Calculator (www.aarp.org/socialsecuritybenefits), which lets you estimate how much you'll receive in monthly and lifetime benefits, based on your salary and your age when you file. Or, for a \$40 annual fee, maximizemysocialsecurity.com provides a comprehensive new tool to help retirees, spouses and survivors make decisions to maximize their benefits.

I feel I won the TV fair and square, while a few others beg to differ. Whose side are you on? —*Jim Metzger, Portland, Oregon*

Dear Jim,

I'm totally on your side for this one. These folks can gripe all they want to; the bottom line is they are just jealous you won and they didn't. Management said it was perfectly fine for you to accept another player's tickets. End of story. Enjoy that fabulous new TV! —*Aunt Bingo*

Share your views! Write to Aunt Bingo c/o the Bingo Bugle, P.O. Box 527, Vashon, Washington 98070, or email her at STENGL456@aol.com. Be sure to include your name and address (you can request that your name not be published), as typically she will not include anonymous letters in her columns.

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If, however, you'd like more personalized help, there are financial advisors and investment advisor firms that for a fee can assist you by taking you through the specific claiming strategies. One such firm is Social Security Solutions (socialsecuritysolutions.com, 866-762-7526), which offers three levels of service including their "Premium Plus" plan that runs multiple calculations and comparisons, recommends a best course of action in a detailed report, and gives you a one-on-one session with a Social Security specialist over the phone to discuss the report and ask questions. Fees for their services range between \$20 and \$125.

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



Lucky Predictions for August 2013

ARIES: March 21 to April 20

1st thru 6th...
Nice one on RED 5th/6th\$
7th thru 12th...
Nope.
13th thru 18th...
Fired up to win the 15th\$!!
19th thru 24th...
You're at center stage the 19th!\$!
25th thru 31st...
You can be commended the 28th!

TAURUS: April 21 to May 21

1st thru 6th...
Feels good to get it right the 3rd\$!
7th thru 12th...
A heady, lucrative bet the 8th!!
13th thru 18th...
Hard cards on top 17th\$\$
19th thru 24th...
More fish in that sea 21st\$\$\$
25th thru 31st...
Make it so 26th and 31st\$

GEMINI: May 22 to June 21

1st thru 6th...
Bet prudently 1st and 6th\$
7th thru 12th...
Give it your best shot 10th-11th!
13th thru 18th...
Not feelin' it 'til the 19th\$
19th thru 24th...
Bank it on RED 23rd-24th\$
25th thru 31st...
Make it your own the 28th\$\$

CANCER: June 22 to July 22

1st thru 6th...
You know where it's at the 3rd!
7th thru 12th...
Loud and proud the 12th!\$!
13th thru 18th...
Still got it goin' on the 13th!\$
19th thru 24th...
Heaping on \$\$\$ 21st-22nd!
25th thru 31st...
Play for keeps 26th and 31st!

LEO: July 23 to Aug. 23

1st thru 6th...
Mighty good 1st and 6th!
7th thru 12th...
Fire's been fanned 10th-11th!\$!
13th thru 18th...
RED's what's happenin' 15th\$\$
13th thru 18th...
On the winnin' end the 24th!\$
25th thru 31st...
Ding-ding-ding\$!\$ the 28th!\$

VIRGO: Aug. 24 to Sept. 23

1st thru 6th...
Hand over fist the 3rd\$\$!
7th thru 12th...
Well lah-dee-dah 8th and 12th!
13th thru 18th...
While the gettins' good 17th!
19th thru 24th...
Break time.
25th thru 31st...
Fortunate 26th, 30th and 31st!

LIBRA: Sept. 24 to Oct. 23

1st thru 6th...
Long-shot luck 1st and 6th!
7th thru 12th...
Better to wait.
13th thru 18th...
Rewards late 15th/16th\$!
19th thru 24th...
PURPLE blessings 19th-20th\$
25th thru 31st...
In for a treat the 28th!

SCORPIO: Oct. 24 to Nov. 22

1st thru 6th...
It's your pick the 3rd!!
7th thru 12th...
Multiple wins 8th and 12th\$!
13th thru 18th...
Keep doin' that thing the 13th\$
19th thru 24th...
Exceptional win 21st\$\$
25th thru 31st...
Lots goin' your way 30th-31st!

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 23 to Dec. 21

1st thru 6th...
Finally a break on the 6th!
7th thru 12th...
A friend has right idea the 10th\$!
13th thru 18th...
A step higher the 15th!\$!
19th thru 24th...
Don't ignore instincts the 19th!
25th thru 31st...
Keep a lid on it.

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 to Jan. 20

1st thru 6th...
Delay to another day.

7th thru 12th...

Must play to win 8th and 13th!
13th thru 18th...
You've got it tied up 13th\$\$
19th thru 24th...
More for than against you on the 21st!
25th thru 31st...
On the verge of \$\$\$ 26th!\$

AQUARIUS: Jan. 21 to Feb. 19

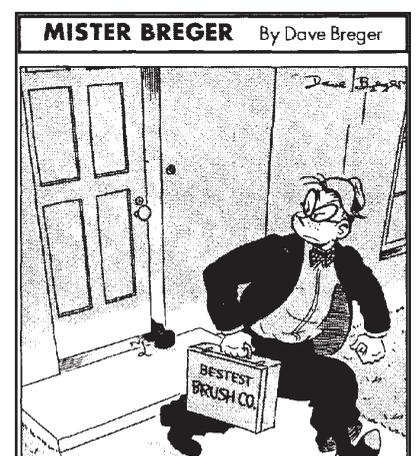
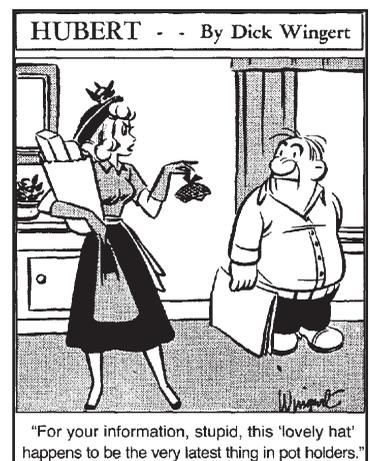
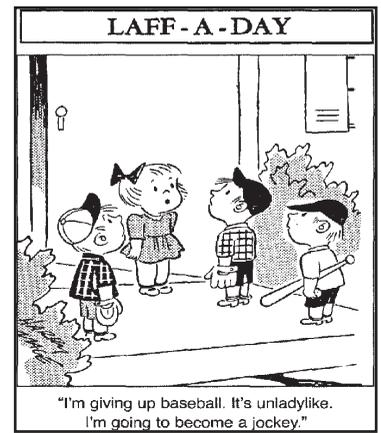
1st thru 6th...
Get in line the 1st (surprise 'em)\$\$
7th thru 12th...
Fair (not great) 10th-11th.
13th thru 18th...
ORANGE/RED luck the 15th!
19th thru 24th...
Stay with it 19th-20th!!\$
25th thru 31st...
Modest yet noticeable 28th\$

PISCES: Feb. 20 to March 20

1st thru 6th...
All of it counts the 3rd\$\$
7th thru 12th...
BLUE/GREEN "on" the 12th\$
13th thru 18th...
Cuttin' it close the 17th!
19th thru 24th...
You know what to do 21st!
25th thru 31st...
Ride the wave 30th/31st!\$!

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

Funny Toons





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Tuesday

Friday

Doors Open: 5:30

Doors Open: 5

Game Starts: 7PM

Free Warm Ups: 6

PAPER ONLY!

Early Birds: 6:30

26 Games

Regular: 7PM

\$1,000 Jackpot!

\$20 COMPUTERS!

3 Progressives!

33 Games

Use of Proceeds: 16%

\$1,000 Jackpot

Play Local, Stay Local!

3 Progressives!