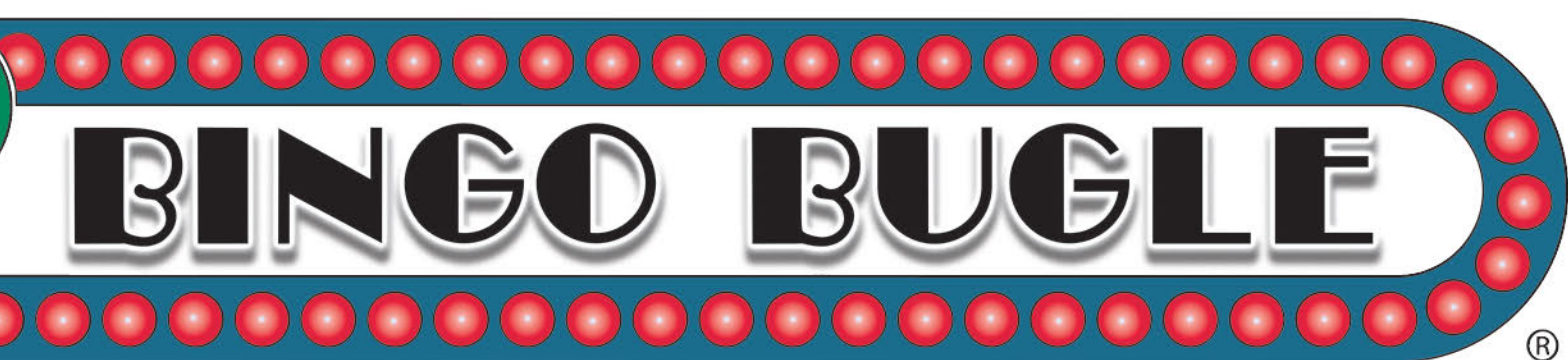


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NEWS FROM THE REAL WORLD & CYBERSPACE

Bingo Capital of the U.S.?

No, it's not Las Vegas. In fact, even considering the entire state, Nevada isn't close. A report by gambling.com pegs Montana as the easy bingo capital of the U.S. and likely the world, with 28.4 bingo halls per 100,000 residents. Vermont is a distant second at 8.2 bingo halls. Montana has 324; Pennsylvania has the most at 702. Nevada? It ranks 45th in the U.S. with just 24 bingo halls, which is .7 per 100,000 residents. Hawaii and Tennessee have no bingo halls.

Death Bingo?!

We receive quite a few questions about bingo variants around the world and online. The following information aims to answer all the questions in one go!

At the heart of North American bingo culture lies the 75-ball variant, known for its creative patterns that players aim to complete on their 5x5 grid with 25 squares.

Across the pond, 90-ball bingo reigns supreme, especially in the UK, Australia, and parts of Europe. Characterized by its 9x3 grid (27 squares total); this version unfolds over three stages: one line, two lines, and finally, a full house, where all numbers on a card are called. The gradual build-up and multiple winners make 90-ball bingo a fun social experience.

Less common Bingo variations include:

- Speed bingo: primarily played online: with 30 balls and a compact 3x3 grid, games are fast-paced and can be completed in just a few minutes.
- 80-ball bingo: this version emerged in the U.K. and is now particularly popular on online platforms there; it consists of a 4x4 grid with 16 squares; balls are divided into four color-coded groups.

World Series Poker Winner

Poker superstar Michael Mizrachi won this year's World Series of Poker in July, raking in a cool \$10 million, raising his lifetime tournament winnings to \$29 million, and earning his eighth WSOP bracelet. He'd already won the WSOP Poker Players Championship this year for the fourth time. Mizrachi was down to three blinds on Day 8, just this close to being eliminated, when he mounted an epic comeback, making the final table with the second highest chip count. On Day 2 of the Final Table, he busted out two of the remaining four players in the first two hands and took down the championship in 24 total hands. Leonore "Leo" Margets, only the second woman to reach the final table in WSOP history, was eliminated in seventh place, winning \$1.5 million; she had the fifth highest chip count at the beginning of Day 1.

Gaming Hall of Fame Inductees

This year's inductees to the American Gaming Association's Gaming Hall of Fame are David Berman, Ann Simmons Nicholson, and Charles Lombardo. The Hall of Fame "honors the visionaries who've shaped today's gaming industry." Berman is gaming merg-

er-and-acquisitions specialist with more than 100 M&As under his belt worth more than \$125 billion. Nicholson is strategic planning and organizational consultant who, over a 40-year career, has worked with nearly every major gaming company, supporting more than 60 property openings, expansions, and acquisitions. And Lombardo's career spans more than 50 years in slot operations and game innovation; he's held senior leadership roles at Caesars Palace, Bally's, Paris, and Seminole Gaming.

Joey Chestnut Does It Again

Joey "Jaws" Chestnut made a triumphant return to the Nathan's July 4th Hot Dog Eating Contest after a year's absence due to a contract dispute. He scarfed 70.5 hot dogs in the allotted 10 minutes in front of a lively crowd at Coney Island and took back the Mustard Belt, plus the \$10,000 first-place prize. It was his 17th win in the contest and his 10th in the last 11 years, but he didn't beat his own record of 76 hot dogs in 2021. Patrick Bertoletti, who won last year's competition, was a distant second, downing a mere 46.5 dogs and buns. In the women's contest, reigning champion Miki Sudo won again by eating 33 dogs, way short of her record 51 last year.

Vegas Prices Too High?

A recent edition of the venerable London-based *Times* has an article titled *Viva Las Vegas? Tourists shun Sin City over 'ridiculous prices.'* Here are the first three paragraphs: "On a sweltering morning as tourists line up for pictures with the famous welcoming sign, one topic of conversation dominates: When did Las Vegas become so expensive? Hannah Warren, a 50-year-old assistant costume designer from Essex, was still reeling from paying \$33 for coffee and a bagel at Fontainebleau. Gary Langlois, a 65-year-old retired salesman from Minneapolis, paid \$40 for two coffees and a couple of croissants. That is on top of the resort fees, parking charges, and various other costs that have become a fact of life for Las Vegas tourists." The early conclusion: "Now, after a post-pandemic boom, there are signs the Strip has pushed visitors to a tipping point" and then come the numbers we all know and love, the ongoing drop in visitation and gross gaming revenue. The "ridiculous prices" in the headline are a direct quote from Anthony Curtis, the most widely recognized and quoted expert on Las Vegas in the world, who was interviewed for the story.

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- Flash Fives (52-5 bingo) where players are dealt hands from a deck of cards, and the goal is to cover five cards on their ticket as the dealer reveals the deck card by card. Available at some bingo locations and online sites/apps.
- U-Pick'Em Bingo, where players select their own numbers on a bingo card. Often played in conjunction with traditional bingo games, U-Pick'Em is found at various bingo locations, online and off.
- Death Bingo: In the shadowy corners of the bingo world lies Death Bingo, a variant that mixes dark humor with a dash of suspense. Here, the stakes are high, and tensions tend to rise, as the first person to shout "Bingo!" is, ironically, eliminated from the game. This twist keeps players on the edge of their seats, as they balance the

thrill of nearing victory with the looming threat of elimination. Perfect for Halloween parties, Death Bingo turns the traditional goal of bingo on its head. But maybe a better name would be White Out Bingo?

Bingo Blessings Go to the Dogs

Hartford, Wisconsin – The Friends of Slinger Dog Park and Bingo Blessings raised \$2,200 for a new dog park at Breuer Park in Slinger during its Bingo

fundraiser. "We were honored to have Bingo Blessings host an event to support the future Dog Park at Breuer Park in Slinger bringing us \$2,200 closer to our goal," said Jennie Stonehouse, of the Friends of Slinger Dog Park. The Friends of Slinger Dog Park are still working toward its goal of raising \$150,000 for the construction of a new dog park at Breuer Park, 345 Arthur Road, Slinger. The proposed dog park will sit on 6 acres on the northwest side of Breuer Park.



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Horoscopes for September 2025

ARIES (MAR 21-APR 20): Your ruler in your opposite sign this month allows you to step into another person's shoes and get a clear idea of what they are experiencing and struggling with. That view will be useful, as diplomacy rather than insensitivity will take you far now.

Lucky Days: 5 - 14
Lucky Numbers: 23 - 44

TAURUS (APR 21-MAY 21): You'll want to keep a diligent eye on finances and practice some serious budgeting this month. Any extravagant energy you have at your disposal should be channeled into creative projects. Preferably endeavors that put you out into the natural world where you thrive.

Lucky Days: 3 - 13
Lucky Numbers: 7 - 17

GEMINI (MAY 22-JUN 21): With the full Moon on the 6th, you might feel as though you're being challenged on several fronts simultaneously: work, home, and partnerships. Don't overthink things now. Pause, and watch and wait for the dust to settle so you can see clearly your next move.

Lucky Days: 5 - 6
Lucky Numbers: 29 - 55

CANCER (JUN 22-JUL 22): You're toggling between two energy extremes this month. Fortunately, you have an easier time maneuvering what would be contradictory situations for others. Pay attention to when you need to push. And when it's time to wait in the wings. Timing is everything right now.

Lucky Days: 4 - 30
Lucky Numbers: 55 - 58

LEO (JUL 23-AUG 23): Your customary upbeat nature gets a boost this month with Venus, the charm planet, in your sign. This is also a reminder that with all your endeavors, sweetness and optimism have a magnetic effect on those in your circle. It's not magic; it's just the power of positivity.

Lucky Days: 10 - 27
Lucky Numbers: 34 - 51

Savvy Senior

by Jim Miller

Dividing Possessions Without Dividing Family

Dear Savvy Senior,

Do you have any suggestions on divvying up my personal possessions to my kids after I'm gone without causing hard feelings or conflict? I have a lot of jewelry, art, family heirlooms and antique furniture, and four grown kids that don't always see eye-to-eye on things.

— Conflicted Parent

VIRGO (AUG 24-SEP 23): The full Moon on the 6th pulls your attention into ways you can improve communication within your existing relationships. Consider bringing elements of surprise into the mix; anything to dispel the feeling that things are trapped in a same old same old pattern.

Lucky Days: 3 - 28
Lucky Numbers: 5 - 33

LIBRA (SEP 24-OCT 23): This is a dynamic month where the urge to strike out on your own challenges your domestic scene. You'll need to find a compromise if you wish to maintain the status quo. But should you be looking to explore new worlds, go ahead and forgo the peace and quiet.

Lucky Days: 4 - 10
Lucky Numbers: 9 - 19

SCORPIO (OCT 24-NOV 22): You always prosper when you finally release yourself from the things you've been reluctant to forgo. It sounds counterintuitive, but it's really just a simple law of the universe. Namely, when one door closes, another one opens. Make that your theme this month.

Lucky Days: 7 - 20
Lucky Numbers: 3 - 18

SAGITTARIUS (NOV 23-DEC 21): September finds you reminiscing on old times and friends. Why not rearrange your schedule to reach out to the people who have meant the most to you in your life? Don't just send an email; give them a call, or better yet visit them in person. This will gladden your heart.

Lucky Days: 5 - 11
Lucky Numbers: 23 - 33

CAPRICORN (DEC 22-JAN 20): Don't limit yourself to one idea or approach. And don't stop with the first answer that you find. Dig deeper and reconsider what you might have passed on earlier. This is a month for rethinking and rearranging affairs to allow for the surprising to take root and, well, surprise you!

Lucky Days: 1 - 7
Lucky Numbers: 55 - 60

AQUARIUS (JAN 21-FEB 19): Don't play it safe now; if anything, push against barriers and remake the borders that define your world presently. You're entering a new seven-year cycle that will remake your world, but you need to prepare and train yourself for what it feels like to be a rule-breaker.

Lucky Days: 6 - 10
Lucky Numbers: 3 - 57

PISCES (FEB 20-MAR 20): The full Moon on the 6th occurs in your sign and brings with it a pressure to untangle yourself from limitations. What isn't supporting your finest efforts should be abandoned. It may take strategizing, but clear sailing lies ahead when you gather the courage to break free.

Lucky Days: 3 - 21
Lucky Numbers: 5 - 55

Dear Conflicted,

Divvying up personal possessions among adult children or other loved ones can often be a tricky task. Deciding who should get what without showing favoritism, hurting someone's feelings or causing a feud can be difficult, even for close-knit families who enter the process with the best of intentions. Here are a few tips to consider that can help you divide your stuff with minimal conflict.

Sweating the Small Stuff

For starters, you need to be aware that it's usually the small, simple items of little monetary value that aren't mentioned in your will that cause the most conflicts. This is because the value we attach to the small personal possessions is usually sentimental or emotional, and because the simple items are the things that most families fail to talk about.



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Family battles can also escalate over whether things are being divided fairly by monetary value. So, for items of higher value like your jewelry, antiques and art, consider getting an appraisal to assure fair distribution. To locate an appraiser in your area, try ISA-appraisers.org, Appraisers.org or AppraisersAssociation.org.

Dividing Fairly

The best solution for passing along your personal possessions is for you to go through your house with your kids or other heirs either separately or all at once to find out which items they would like to inherit and why. They may have some emotional attachment to something you're not aware of. If more than one child wants the same thing, you'll have to make the ultimate decision.

Then you need to sit down and make a list of who gets what on paper, signed, dated and referenced in your will. You can revise it anytime you want. You may also want to consider writing an additional letter or create an audio or video recording that further explains your intentions.

You can also specify a strategy for divvying up the rest of your property. Here are some popular methods that are fair and reasonable:

Take turns choosing: Use a round-robin process where your kids take turns choosing the items they

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would like to have. If who goes first becomes an issue, they can always flip a coin or draw straws. Also, to help simplify things, break down the dividing process room-by-room, versus tackling the entire house. To keep track of who gets what, either make a list or use adhesive dots with a color assigned to each person to tag the item.

Have a family auction: Give each person involved the same amount of play money or use virtual points or poker chips to bid on the items they want.

Use online resources: For families who want help or live far apart, there are web-based resources like Fair-Split.com that can assist with the dividing process.

For more tips, see *Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?* – a resource created by the University of Minnesota Extension Service that offers a free video and detailed workbook for \$12.50 that gives pointers to help families discuss property distribution issues and lists important factors to keep in mind that can help you avoid or manage conflict.

It's also very important that you discuss your plans in advance with your kids so they can know ahead what to expect. Or you may even want to start distributing some of your items now, while you are still alive.

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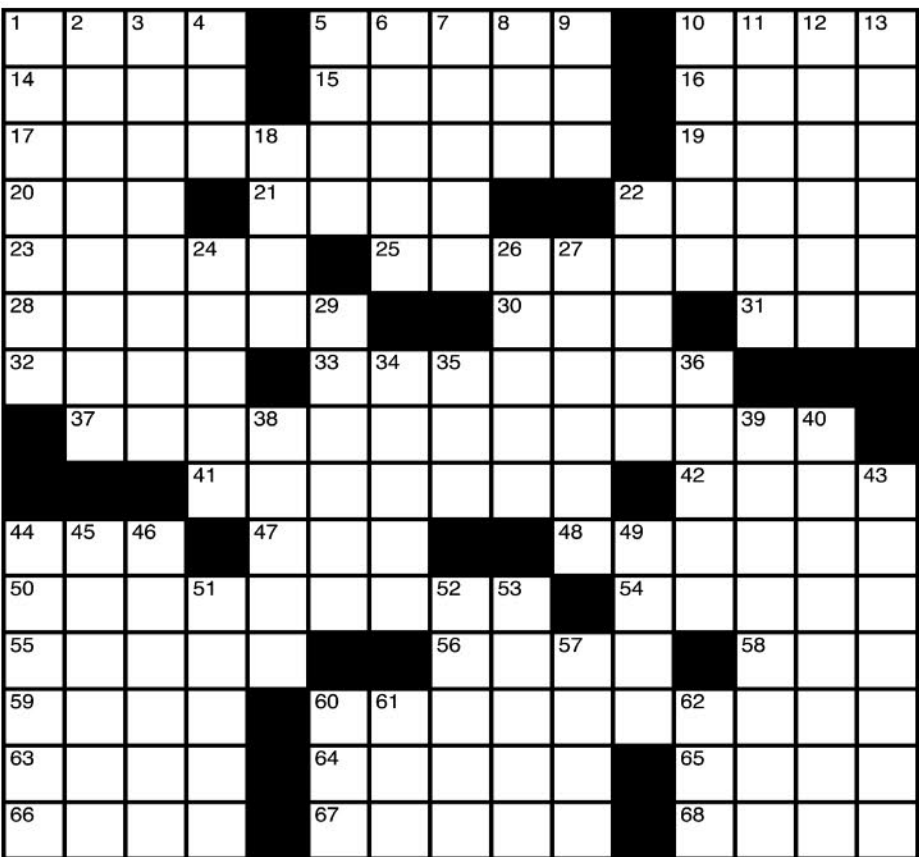
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BINGO BUGLE CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Unlike this clue, obviously
 - 5 Driving force?
 - 10 Bar regulars, and then some
 - 14 Bible book before Romans
 - 15 One-named singer with 10 Grammys
 - 16 William of “Broadcast News”
 - 17 Does well at the casino?
 - 19 On
 - 20 URL ending
 - 21 Bridge call
 - 22 Hang loosely
 - 23 Star’s statuette
 - 25 Cereal box factoid
 - 28 Mushroom cloud makers
 - 30 Pale
 - 31 ___ shadow
 - 32 Tip to one side
 - 33 Etiquette expert Baldrige who was Jackie Kennedy’s social secretary
 - 37 Concert finale ... and what 17-, 25-, 50- and 60-Across have in common
 - 41 Comes back with
 - 42 Hardly scads
 - 44 Beer choice, briefly
 - 47 Part of un mes
 - 48 Ready for the piano recital
 - 50 Opera house level
 - 54 “Ugh!”
 - 55 Climbed aboard
 - 56 Some Neruda poems
 - 58 Hawaiian tuna
 - 59 Snack since 1912
 - 60 Bullied
 - 63 Musée Marc Chagall city
 - 64 Ancient Greek region
 - 65 Conversation piece?
 - 66 ___ chair
 - 67 Minute
 - 68 Archer of myth
- DOWN**
- 1 Researcher’s garb
 - 2 Puzzle with a quote
 - 3 Recent medical research subject
 - 4 Org. operating full-body scanners
 - 5 Prepare, as avocados for guacamole
 - 6 Ancient theater
 - 7 “Tradition” singer
 - 8 “Bravo!”
 - 9 “You eediot!” speaker of cartoons
 - 10 Ventriloquist Lewis
 - 11 Delighted state?
 - 12 Prize in a case



- 13 Fla. city
- 18 Go-___
- 22 Overalls material
- 24 Financier aboard the Titanic
- 26 Strong string
- 27 1960s dance
- 29 Add sneakily
- 34 China’s Zhou ___
- 35 “In Here, It’s Always Friday” letters
- 36 Diminish
- 38 Enterprise choice
- 39 Academic figure
- 40 Southwestern farm owner
- 43 Rear ends
- 44 “See ya!”
- 45 Everycity, USA
- 46 Tenochtitlán natives
- 49 Where to see IBM and JNJ
- 51 Deschanel of the musical duo She & Him
- 52 Whom to trust, in “The X-Files”
- 53 Astronomer Hubble

- 57 PayPal’s former parent
- 60 Morsel
- 61 Salmon eggs
- 62 More than impress

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Cover is missing from waiter’s tray. 2. Straw is missing. 3. Exit sign is lower. 4. Back of chair is different. 5. Apron is missing. 6. Strip is added to sleeve.

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



CryptoQuote

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Check out the new, free JUST JUMBLE app

THE NEW APARTMENT BUILDINGS WERE VERY CONFUSING. IT WAS A —

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

Jumbles: EXCEL CLAMP OPOSE EXEMPT
Answer: The new apartment buildings were very confusing. It was a — COMPLEX COMPLEX

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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★ HAPPY ★

LABOR DAY

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Bingo

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM

RECEIVE ONE **FREE KABOOM STRIP GAME!**
\$100 PRIZE

PAPER BINGO ONLY - LIGHTNING - FLASHBOARD

SNACK BAR - FREE PARKING

FLASHBOARD PRIZES AS HIGH AS \$1,199

5 PM LIGHTNING & FLASH | 6:30 PM 10 REGULAR GAMES
\$400 PRIZES | TWO SPECIAL GAMES \$500

2ND AND 4TH FRIDAY

BINGO BUY-IN

1 PACK REGULAR GAME: \$30 | 2-3 PACKS \$40

4-5 PACKS \$50 | ADDITIONAL \$10

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32975 ALVARADO NILES ROAD

UNION CITY, CA 94587

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BINGO EVERY TUESDAY
AFTERNOON

Southside Community Center

Bingo

5585 COTTLE ROAD
SAN JOSE
FOR MORE INFO CALL:
408-629-3435

1:30PM - 4PM

PRIZE PAYOUTS \$90 - \$140

PACK COSTS: 1 FOR \$6

ADDITIONAL PACKS \$3 EACH

Doors open
at 1pm

BINGO ON "HOT BALL" & WIN UP TO \$250

DRAWING FOR QUEEN OR KING OF BINGO

GOOD NEIGHBOR GAME

DOWN LINE & FLASH GAMES

END OF THE MONTH DRAWING

San Martin
Lions Club
BINGO

Great News

We are now

Accepting

Credit & Debit

Cards

Join us every Wednesday
evening for BINGO the way you
love to play it. We have regular
paper bingo, which pays \$340,
strip games, flashboards, and
even cherrybells.

Buy in is just \$30 for a two pak,
additional paks are \$5 each.
Three early bird games for just
\$5 and a lucky buck for \$1.

Doors open at 4 pm
Early bird games start at 5:45 pm
Regular bingo starts at 6:30 pm

Come for the fun!

12415 Murphy Ave.
San Martin, CA
(669) 437-1767

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Afternoon Bingo

40 & 8 Bingo

2120 Walsh Avenue, Santa Clara, CA

Doors Open 11:00 AM

Games Start at 12 Noon to 3:00 PM

EVERY
WEDNESDAY

"HOT BALL"

Starting in April, 2025

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ALL REGULAR GAMES PAY \$120 EACH

\$250 BLACK OUT GUARANTEED

Minimum Buy-In is 2 Packs \$7.00

Each Additional Pack is \$3.50

5 All Number Games

14 Regular Games

\$3.00 & \$5.00 Script Games - Flash Boards

Color Monitors

SMALL CROWDS

GREAT ODDS TO WIN

WE DO BIRTHDAYS!

Must Show ID and Be the Current Calendar Week

of the Bingo Session

\$1.00 for 1st Pack

Additional Packs \$3.50 Each

Free "Happy Birthday" Dauber

DURANT SQUARE BINGO

BUY-IN: \$40 OR DOUBLE UP FOR: \$20 MORE

Mon-Thurs: regular games pay \$500 + bonus balls
Fri & Sat: regular games pay \$500 + bonus balls
(D/A C/C \$500 into Blackout \$500)

	DOORS OPEN	GAME STARTS
MONDAY	3:30 PM	7:00 PM
TUESDAY	3:30 PM	7:00 PM
WEDNESDAY	3:30 PM	7:00 PM
THURSDAY	3:30 PM	7:00 PM
FRIDAY	3:30 PM	7:00 PM
SATURDAY	11:00 AM	2:00 PM
SUNDAY	CLOSED	CLOSED

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DURANT BINGO
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SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNTS
Available to Everyone 65 & Up
(Must Show I.D.)

BIRTHDAY DISCOUNTS
on the Week of the Birthday
\$25 Machine
Free Second Machine (Worth \$25)

Labor Day Special September 1st

**\$100 Buy-In
Day Session**

Regular Games Pay \$2500
Double Action Pays \$2000
Blackout \$1500
Oddballs Pays \$2000
Mystery Strip Up to \$3000
Flashes Up to \$3000
U Pick Must Go \$1000

Doors Open 10 am
Selling Starts 12 noon
Games Start 2 pm

**Reservations at
Front Desk**