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A big year in store

We are only two months into 2018 and it's a banner year here at Ante Up as we have some exciting new things we'd like to share with you.

First, as you may have read on the cover of this issue, AnteUpMagazine.com is getting a much-needed facelift and makeover. While our former platform was effective, it was outdated. Our new site is much more visually stimulating and welcoming while still delivering all of the great content you have come to expect from Ante Up. By the time you're reading this, we expect the new look to be in place and we are positive you will appreciate it.

And that new look brings us to our second big announcement. *Ante Up*, the magazine you have trusted over the past 10 years, will have another vehicle for bringing the most important poker news to you. Starting with this issue, readers will be able to read our magazine digitally as well as the print product. What does that mean? It means we have created an interactive edition you can download to your smartphone, tablet or desktop. This new way to read our magazine will include such things as animation and hyperlinks.

In addition to our national product, we soon will be creating regional editions of *Ante Up* for those who just want to be informed of what's going on in their area. *Ante Up* always has strived to bring you local news, but now we will be able to be hyper-local, digitally streamlining your poker-reading experience. See our story on Page 32 for all of the details to these fantastic changes.

Also, the Ante Up Poker Tour will be expanding with its foray into the Reno market, visiting the Atlantis Casino Resort in August. Read more about this exciting series on Page 12. This comes on the heels of our announcement that the AUPT will visit Arizona for the first time in March at the Vee Quiva Hotel and Casino near Phoenix, a preview of which you can read on Page 17.

And, of course, as Ante Up went to press, we were wrapping up another remarkably successful Restock The Shelves campaign, which we will recap in our March issue. It's going to be a great year. We'll see you at the tables.

— Christopher Cosenza and Scott Long

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Mar 15	Thur	12pm		Event 1 Mega Satellite - 3 seats added	\$40 + \$10 + \$10	6K	25
Mar 15	Thur	6pm	1A	No Limit Hold'em Day 1 - 100K Guaranteed	\$300 + \$40 + \$10	10K	30, 45
Mar 16	Fri	12pm		Event 1 Mega Satellite - 3 seats added	\$40 + \$10 + \$10	6K	25
Mar 16	Fri	6pm	1B	No Limit Hold'em Day 1 - 100K Guaranteed	\$300 + \$40 + \$10	10K	30, 45
Mar 17	Sat	11am	1C	No Limit Hold'em Day 1 - 100K Guaranteed	\$300 + \$40 + \$10	10K	30, 45
Mar 17	Sat	5pm	1D	No Limit Hold'em Day 1 - 100K Guaranteed	\$300 + \$40 + \$10	10K	30, 45
Mar 17	Sat	8pm		Mini Main Mega - 3 seats added	\$80 + \$10 + \$10	6K	20
Mar 18	Sun	10am		Mini Main Mega - 3 seats added	\$80 + \$10 + \$10	6K	20
Mar 18	Sun	12pm		Event 1 Restart			
Mar 18	Sun	2pm	2	One Day Mini Main NL Hold'em 25K Guaranteed	\$350 + \$40 + \$10	10K	30, 40
Mar 18	Sun	7pm		Main Event Super - 2 Seats Guar	\$90 + \$10/\$40	4K	30, 20
Mar 19	Mon	12pm	3	NL Hold'em Deepstack One Day	\$260 + \$30 + \$10	15K	30
Mar 19	Mon	7pm		Main Event Super - 2 Seats Guar	\$90 + \$10/\$40	4K	30, 20
Mar 20	Tues	12pm	4	NL Hold'em Bounty One Day	\$215 + \$25 + \$10	10K	30
Mar 20	Tues	7pm		Main Event Super - 2 Seats Guar	\$90 + \$10/\$40	4K	30, 20
Mar 21	Wed	12pm	5	Seniors NL Hold'em One Day	\$260 + \$30 + \$10	10K	30
Mar 21	Wed	6pm		Main Event Mega - 4 Seats	\$110 + \$20 + \$10	6K	25
Mar 22	Thur	12pm	6	Double Deep Monster Stack	\$300 + \$40 + \$10	40K	30
Mar 22	Thur	6pm		Main Event Mega - 4 Seats	\$110 + \$20 + \$10	6K	25
Mar 23	Fri	10am		Mega Satellite	\$160 + \$30 + \$10	6K	25
Mar 23	Fri	12pm	7A	Main Event 100K Guaranteed	\$750 + \$50 + \$10	20K	40, 60
Mar 23	Fri	3pm		Mega Satellite	\$160 + \$30 + \$10	8K	25
Mar 23	Fri	6pm	7B	Main Event 100K Guaranteed	\$750 + \$50 + \$10	20K	40, 60
Mar 24	Sat	10am		Last Chance Mega	\$160 + \$30 + \$10	6K	20
Mar 24	Sat	11am	7C	Main Event 100K Guaranteed	\$750 + \$50 + \$10	20K	40, 60
Mar 24	Sat	5pm	7D	Main Event 100K Guaranteed	\$750 + \$50 + \$10	20K	40, 60
Mar 25	Sun	1pm		Main Event Restart			
Mar 25	Sun	3pm	8	One Day Deepstack No Limit	\$165 + \$25 + \$10	15K	25

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ELK VALLEY HOSTS SERIES OF SERIES SATS

Elk Valley Casino in Crescent City, Calif., is hosting three satellites to the 2018 World Series of Poker Main Event. The dates are March 2-3, April 6-7 and May 4-5 at this Northern California property. Each satellite costs \$250 and winners earn a \$10K main-event seat and will get \$2K for travel expenses. See the ad on Page 12 for more information.

JACKSON RANCHERIA: The Jackson poker room has one of the most affordable tournament schedules in the NorCal region with a reasonable \$2 entry fee on all of its daily events.

Mondays is a \$1.5K guarantee bounty tournament with a \$60 buy-in at 7 p.m. There are two events on Tuesdays, a \$40 Omaha/8 tourney at 11 a.m. and a \$1K guarantee for \$50 at 7:30. Wednesdays host a \$30 event at 11 a.m. and a \$1K guarantee at 7:30 for \$50.

On Thursdays, look for a crazy pineapple tourney at 11 a.m. for a \$30 buy-in and a \$50 satellite at 7:30 p.m. There is only one tournament on Fridays, a \$2K guarantee for \$60 at 11 a.m. Finally, on Saturdays, a \$60 bounty event runs at 11 a.m.

Jackson Rancheria also offers quarterly Points Championship tournaments where the top 36 point-earners over the three-month period will gain entry into the \$220 event for only \$20. These events have a \$4K guarantee. The Point Championship tournaments for the rest of the year will be April 15, July 15 and Oct. 21, all starting at 1 p.m.

NAPA VALLEY CASINO: There are numerous promotions at this American Canyon property, including a New Player Bonus that gives first-time players \$60 in chips for a \$30 buy-in based on two hours of play. The room also has a \$50K Monster Bad Beat (quad eights), a \$3K Easy Bad Beat (aces full of 10s) and a \$3K Omaha/8 Bad Beat (quad 10s).

STONES GAMBLING HALL: There's a \$50K guarantee Battle of the Ages Feb. 7-11. Call for details.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

MUCKLESHOOT CASINO: The \$64K Tournament of Champions was Dec. 17 in Auburn, Wash., and brought together 80 players who qualified by winning one of the Sunday, Monday or Tuesday tournaments, 66 players who qualified by points and paid \$250, and 25 players who paid the \$400 buy-in. Muckleshoot contributed the remaining \$37.5K.

None of the top-three finishers were one of the freerollers as **Ken Churchill** of Auburn won the title and \$14K.

Looking ahead, Muckleshoot hosts its Spring Classic, which will have five tourneys, March 14-19.

CHINOOK WINDS CASINO: The PacWest Poker Classic will run

MEET ADRIANNE HALL



Poker dealer **Adrienne Hall** works at Ocean's 11 Casino in Oceanside, Calif. "I have been there about 16 months and I love it so much."

She has been playing since 2003; her dad taught her how to play Omaha on PokerStars. "I would watch him play for hours and he finally let me go and that was it. I fell in love."

Though she went to college multiple times and had a medical career, she was headed toward becoming a registered nurse when she realized, "I just wanted to play and deal poker for a living."

"My very first tournament was a limit tournament and I cashed. I cashed four tournaments in a row. What a crazy ride; I was hooked."

She recently had a nice string of successes: At the 2017 WSOP, she came in 25th in Event 1 (\$565 casino employees) for \$1,874. Hall also cashed in Event 47 (Monster Stack), finishing 412th out of 6,716 entries for \$4,235. Locally, she took sixth at the Hustler Casino's \$20K guarantee in July for (\$1,750).

"Other than poker, I love to sing. I tried out for *American Idol* in 2002 and almost made the show. I also love to play the piano." — **Kittie Aleman**

Feb. 17-25. It kicks off with a two-day \$380 event that sports a \$100K guarantee. Single-day events, all with guarantees, will be \$140 NLHE, \$330 NLHE, \$120 seniors, \$150 Omaha/8, \$100 bounty, \$150 pot-limit Big Omaha/8 and \$200 NLHE. The two-day \$500 main event begins Feb. 24 and has a \$200K guarantee.

Chinook Winds is in Lincoln, Ore., about 50 miles from Portland, and is the 13th-largest poker room in the region with seven tables. The poker room is closed Wednesdays and Thursdays but not during the series.

CLEARWATER CASINO: The Suquamish, Wash., property is a tribal casino with an eight-table poker room 18 miles northwest of Seattle that caters mostly to locals. Monthly tournaments include the \$100 Clearwater International event with \$3K added and the Clearwater888, which costs \$88 and the house adds \$888 if there are four or more tables sold.

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JAFFEE GETS HIS FIRST RING AT THE BIKE



Jared Jaffee defeated a field of 687 entries to win the World Series of Poker Circuit Main Event at Bicycle Casino in Bell Gardens. He took home \$211,220, his first WSOPC ring and a seat into the Global Casino Championship.

Jaffee, 36, has a WSOP bracelet, too. He won Event 58 (\$1,500 Mixed Max) at the 2014 WSOP and has 31 cashes for more than a million dollars in earnings.

Other winners were **William Collins** (Event 1, \$365 NLHE, \$7K); **Hermilo Vargas** (Event 2, \$365 Monster Stack, \$71,195); **Samuel Lee** (Event 3, \$365 NLHE, \$9,900); **Lang Lee** (Event 4, \$580 NLHE, \$17,560); **David Brookshire** (Event 5, \$365 Omaha/8, \$8,285); **Ryan Van Sanford** (Event 6, \$365 NLHE, \$13,135); **Xiao Ruan** (Event 7, \$1,125 NLHE, \$28,195); **Edward Liu** (Event 8, \$365 NLHE, \$12,585); **Calvin Roberts** (Event 9, \$365 NLHE, \$16,970); **Andrew Wisdom** (Event 11, \$3,250 high roller, \$72,420) and **Harry Arutyunyan** (Event 12, \$580 NLHE, \$11,250).

CITY GALA: The third annual City Gala Celebrity Poker Tournament will be March 4 at Universal Studios in Hollywood. The 8 p.m. tournament costs \$500 and that includes dinner and an open bar. For more information, go to citygala.org.

LAS VEGAS

SOUTH POINT: There's a \$50K guarantee for \$250 with two starting flights, Feb. 1 and Feb. 2, with Day 2 on Feb. 3. Players get 10K chips and play 30-minute levels. You can enter both starting flights and if you qualify for Day 2 in both flights, you'll receive a bonus payout. If 10 players or fewer qualify twice, they'll each get \$1K. If 11 or more players qualify twice, they'll split \$10K.

Qualifying for the Spring freeroll begins Feb. 1 and runs through April 30. Players need 120 hours over the three months to qualify and are eligible for bonus payouts for additional hours played. More than \$190K in prize money will be awarded.

VENETIAN: This month, the room offers a loyalty-rewards promotion. In addition to the standard \$1 per hour in comps for live play, players will earn additional comps for a minimum of 25 hours of play during the period, starting at 50 cents for 25 hours, with an additional 50 cents for every increment of 25 hours up to 250 hours. For 250 hours of live play or more during the month, the extra reward is \$3 per hour.

BOULDER STATION: **Bill Levy** is the new manager. He's been with Stations for five years and at Boulder for more than three years, recently as a day-shift supervisor.

The most popular game here is the \$4-\$8 Omaha high with a half-kill. The minimum buy-in is \$40 and the action is wild. Always running is a \$2-\$4 limit game with a \$20 minimum buy-in. A \$1-\$2 NLHE game with a \$50-\$300 min-max runs during busier periods.

Levy is intent on offering exciting promotions. On Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays, the hold'em games award \$500 for flopping quads. Wednesdays and Thursdays award \$25 or \$50 for Aces Cracked. Four Flush Fridays offer \$100 for making a

flush in each suit. Sundays offer \$200 for the high hand of the shift three times a day.

The Omaha promos are varied, too. On Mondays, the highest hand wins \$500. Progressive payouts for Steel Wheels are offered on Wednesday. High hand of the shift is worth \$200 on Thursdays. On Sunday, the highest hand is worth \$500. There's also an Omaha bad-beat jackpot and payouts for royals (\$100-\$300).

There also have been having drawings during Vegas Golden Knights games, giving away \$100 to a random hold'em player and a random Omaha player after the Knights score.

RIO: The World Series of Poker Circuit visits Feb. 16-27. The \$1,675 main event has a \$1M guarantee, with the first of its two starting flights Feb. 24. The opening event is a six-starting-flight \$365 event with a \$250K guarantee beginning Feb. 16. It has unlimited re-entry. A \$2,200 high roller wraps up things Feb. 26.

ARIA: The U.S. Poker Open runs Feb. 1-9. This is a series of high rollers. In addition to two \$10K and three \$25K NLHE events, there's a \$10K PLO event Feb. 2 and a \$25K Mixed Game Championship on Feb. 5. The \$50K main event is a three-day event beginning Feb. 9. The player who wins the most money during the series will be named the U.S. Poker Open Champion and will receive the U.S. Poker Open Cup.

WYNN: The Wynn Classic runs Feb. 19-March 11. New this time is a \$3,150 two-day NLHE event that starts Feb. 28. The \$1,600 championship event has the first of three starting flights on March 1. It has a \$1M guarantee. Most of the other tournaments have buy-ins of \$400 or \$550 with guarantees of between \$25K and \$250K. A \$400 PLO event with a \$25K guarantee runs Feb. 20.

ORLEANS: A new eight-game mix tournament runs Wednesday nights at 7:05. Players start with 15K chips and play 20-minute levels to start, going to 30 minutes beginning with Level 5. The games are NLHE, PLO, deuce-to-seven triple draw, Omaha/8, limit hold'em, stud, stud/8 and razz. The games change every six hands. This is the only regularly scheduled tournament of its type in Vegas.

BELLAGIO: **Ryan Tosoc** of Chicago won the WPT Five Diamond Classic in December, taking home nearly \$2M. **Alex Foxen** of New York took second for \$1.1M and **Michael Del Vecchio** from Las Vegas grabbed \$762K for third. The \$10,400 event drew 800-plus players and had a prize pool close to \$8M.

— **Check out Rob Solomon's blog at robvegaspoker.blogspot.com.**

RENO

NUGGET: There will be a bounty freeroll tournament April 8 at 2 p.m. Qualify for the tourney Jan. 1-March 25. The top 40 players in total hours of live play will earn an entry. Each time a player knocks out another player there will be a \$100 bounty awarded. First place pays \$599, second \$401, third \$300, fourth \$200, fifth \$100, sixth-10th \$60 and 11th-40th \$40. Visit the poker room for more details.

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	BUY-IN
Sat, 2/3			
Sat, 2/10	11AM	Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 10 players win entry to the \$460 WPT ONE DAY \$100k on 2/24 and the \$440 WPT RT SUPER MEGA on 2/25. 5 WPT PACKAGES GTD	\$100
Sat, 2/17			
Sat, 2/17	7PM		
Sun, 2/18	11AM & 7PM	Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 10 players win entry to the \$460 WPT ONE DAY \$100k on 2/24 and the \$440 WPT RT SUPER MEGA on 2/25. 3 WPT PACKAGES GTD	\$100
Mon, 2/19	2PM & 7PM		
2/20 - 2/23	11AM & 7PM		
Fri, 2/23	7PM	Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 10 players win entry to the \$460 WPT ONE DAY \$100k on 2/24 and the \$440 WPT RT SUPER MEGA on 2/25. 10 WPT PACKAGES GTD	\$100
Sat, 2/24	9AM	Multi-Table TURBO Satellite - 1 in 10 players win entry to the \$460 WPT ONE DAY \$100k on 2/24 and the \$440 WPT RT SUPER MEGA on 2/25. 4 WPT PACKAGES GTD	\$100
Sat, 2/24	11AM	ONE DAY \$100K GUARANTEED 1st through 5th win entry to the \$440 WPT ROLLING THUNDER SUPER MEGA on 2/25	\$460
Sat, 2/24	7PM	Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 5 players win entry to the \$440 WPT ROLLING THUNDER SUPER MEGA on 2/25. 10 \$440 WPT RT SUPER MEGA ENTRIES GTD	\$100
Sun, 2/25	11AM	Multi-Table TURBO Satellite - 1 in 5 players win entry to the \$440 WPT ROLLING THUNDER SUPER MEGA on 2/25. 10 \$440 WPT RT SUPER MEGA ENTRIES GTD	\$100
Sun, 2/25	11AM	WPT Rolling Thunder SUPER MEGA 20 \$3,500 ENTRIES GUARANTEED 1 in 10 players win entry to the \$3,500 WPT ROLLING THUNDER MAIN EVENT	\$440
Sun, 2/25	5:30PM	KNOCKOUT \$100 BOUNTIES	\$350

WPT ROLLING THUNDER SERIES SCHEDULE

TIME	EVENT	BUY-IN	DATE	TIME	EVENT	BUY-IN
2/26 - 3/3	All Day Single-Table Satellite - 1 player wins a \$3,500 WPT Rolling Thunder Entry	\$400				
2/26 - 3/3	All Day Single-Table Satellite - 2 players win a \$3,500 WPT Rolling Thunder Entry	\$750				
Mon, 2/26	11AM Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 10 win a \$1,100 entry 3 WINNERS OF A \$1,100 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$130				
DATE	4PM Multi-Table Step Satellite - 1 in 5 advance to a \$250 WPT - RT Satellite 5 \$250 WPT RT SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$60				
	7PM Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 5 win a \$1,100 entry 5 WINNERS OF A \$1,100 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$250				
Tue, 2/27	11AM Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 10 win a \$1,100 entry 3 WINNERS OF A \$1,100 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$130				
	4PM Multi-Table Step Satellite - 1 in 5 advance to a \$250 WPT - RT Satellite 5 \$250 WPT RT SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$60				
	7PM Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 5 win a \$1,100 entry 5 WINNERS OF A \$1,100 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$250				
Wed, 2/28	11AM Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 10 win a \$1,100 entry 3 WINNERS OF A \$1,100 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$130				
	4PM Multi-Table Step Satellite - 1 in 5 advance to a \$250 WPT - RT Satellite 10 \$250 WPT RT SATELLITE ENTRIES GTD	\$60				
	7PM Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 5 win a \$1,100 entry 10 WINNERS OF A \$1,100 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$250				
Thu, 3/1	10AM TURBO Multi-Table Satellite - 1 in 5 win a \$1,100 entry 5 WINNERS OF A \$1,100 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$250				
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Thu, 3/1	4PM Multi-Table Step Satellite - 1 in 5 advance to \$400 WPT - RT Satellite 10 WINNERS OF A \$400 ENTRY GUARANTEED!	\$100				
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ATLANTIS CASINO IN RENO TO HOST AUPT

Ante Up Poker Tour will make its Reno debut Aug. 16-26 with a \$250K guarantee main event.

The Ante Up Poker Tour will make its first stop in the Reno market when Atlantis Casino Resort Spa hosts a series Aug. 16-26.

"We are looking forward to partnering with Ante Up Poker Tour for our August series, which will feature a \$250K guarantee main event, lots of other guarantees and some new fun formats," poker room manager **Keith Dames** said. "Our tournament area is unique as it provides a view of the surrounding Sierra Nevada mountains. I call it 'Poker with a View.'"

Dames said Atlantis, which will host its annual All In Poker Tournament in March, has partnered with several other tours over the years, but Ante Up provides something unique.

"Each tour offers different benefits based on its target demographics and business model," Dames said. "We have decided to partner with Ante Up after seeing the success that their tour has had at other properties. We also look forward to being able to use *Ante Up Magazine* as an outlet to share our generous promotions throughout the year."

Scott Long, who publishes Ante Up with **Christopher Cosenza**, expects an extremely successful event at Atlantis because of how well the Ante Up Poker Tour has established itself in Northern California.

"Players throughout Northern California know to expect a great experience at an Ante Up Poker Tour series after we have hosted more than a half dozen events in the region, including our World Championship for several years now," Long said. "We are excited to bring the AUPT a few hours to the east to what is a beautiful tournament venue in a gaming-rich city."

Atlantis Casino Resort Spa is a AAA Four Diamond luxury resort, which features Reno's only Concierge Tower. All rooms in that tower and the Luxury Tower feature custom desks with a multimedia launch pad where guests can connect their laptop to the 42-inch flatscreen HDTV. Guests can choose from eight award-winning restaurants, including Bistro Napa, a winner of the Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence, and Toucan Charlie's Buffet & Grille, which has been voted Best Buffet by locals. Atlantis has a 30,000-square-foot spa, 50,000 square feet of convention space and a casino that offers 1,400 slot machines, table games, race and sports book, keno lounge and a comfortable, non-smoking poker room.

"Taking a day away from the tables? World-class alpine and cross-country skiing are close by," Dames said. "Scenic Lake Tahoe is a short drive away. Reno also features several award-winning craft breweries." ♠





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SATURDAY, MAR. 17	11 AM	\$350 + \$50 NLHE FLIGHT B – \$50,000 GTD
	5 PM	\$150 + \$20 LIMIT OMAHA-8 – \$5,000 GTD
	7 PM	\$150 + \$20 NLHE TURBO – \$5,000 GTD
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	7 PM	\$110 + \$20 MEGA SATELLITE TO MAIN EVENT – 1 IN 10 WIN
THURSDAY, MAR. 22	9 AM	\$110 + \$20 TURBO SATELLITE TO \$550 – 1 IN 5 WIN
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WINTER CLASSIC FEB. 12-14 IN AZ.

Talking Stick Resort hosts its seventh annual Winter Poker Classic in the Arena Poker Room for \$400 Feb. 12-14 at 11:15 a.m. each day. The buy-in gets you 15K chips. Also, Wacky Wednesdays will be Feb. 14 and 28.

Randall McCormick, Aaron Valencia and Ehud Giladi chopped the Dec. 9 bounty tourney, each pocketing \$2,200. McCormick also got \$3K for finishing in the top five of the Dec. 30 End of the Month event, which **Andrew Longoria** won for \$3,200. **Donald Talkowski, Joseph Fox** and **William McAndrew** also chopped for \$3K.

On Dec. 23, **Jeremy Brown** won the \$160 tourney for \$6,612, followed by **Michael Gallegos** (\$4,302), **Kyle Israel** (\$4,302), **John Hindman** (\$2,204) and **Frank Matraw** (\$1,749).



HON-DAH CASINO RESORT: Leander Barton pictured, is the latest Tournament of Champions winner.

As far as promotions, this month the Have A Heart promotion pays you cash when you complete your heart card and you'll be entered into cash drawings. See the ad on Page 16 for the details to this special.

WILD HORSE PASS HOTEL & CASINO:

High hands continue, with dates being Feb. 3 and 17, beginning at 11 a.m. The Big Game Bonanza for the Super Bowl is Feb. 4. Check with the poker room for details.

HARRAH'S AK-CHIN: The schedule for satellites into the World Series of Poker is set. They run the third Monday of every month (Feb. 19, March 19 and April 16). These \$70 events get you 10K chips. The winners receive a \$350 entry into the May 19 WSOP \$10K main-event satellite.

Wednesdays (7:30 p.m.) will be satellites to win \$1K seats. These \$90 events get you 10K chips. The winner receives a seat into any \$1K WSOP event in Vegas, plus \$200.

Sundays at 5:30, you can play for \$1,500 seats. The \$130 buy-in gets you 10K chips. The winner receives a seat into any \$1,500 event at the WSOP, plus \$250.

BUCKY'S CASINO: There are \$50 NLHE tourneys Wednesday and Thursday nights at 6 and a \$100 deepstack on Saturdays at noon. Play live and get bonus tourney chips. Full House Frenzy runs during the Super Bowl and there are bonuses for royals and straight flushes plus a bad-beat jackpot.



MEET BUDGIE

If you've ever played poker at Isleta Casino, then there's a good chance you've played with the man they call Budgie. He's a legend in the game and in New Mexico.

"It is a game that should be played with common sense," he said just before taking his favorite seat at the table. "A lot of people have got a lot of money, but they don't last long."

The Texas native's nickname came at an early age from his mother. Budgie said he's played poker around the country, a love of which began as a child while watching his father play. "My father was a very good poker player and I'd go down and watch him play." From that point, Budgie was hooked. He served in the army for 19 years and he said that's where he really learned the game, "sometimes the hard way." But over the years, poker has been good to him.

"I think I'm ahead of the game. I don't like to lose," he said. Budgie will turn 88 in May, and though players have changed, he asserts he's doing well. He said he's raised his children off of his winnings.

So, what's next for him? How about getting married? He married the love of his life in September. You could say she's his Queen of Hearts and he aims to be King of the Tables. — **Donovan Livingston**

KANSAS

BOOT HILL CASINO: Tucked into the table-games section, the four tables open for play 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 4 p.m. Friday-Sunday. This room is known for playing deep with its uncapped low stakes NLHE and pot-limit Omaha/8 games.

HOLLYWOOD CASINO KANSAS SPEEDWAY: Qualification into the next \$35K guarantee quarterly freeroll is running. The freeroll, featuring a \$10K first-place prize, is April 14.

Players qualify through 150 hours of cash-game play or being in the top 25 of the tournament leaderboard.

All qualifiers must have played a minimum of 15 hours of live play on bad-beat jackpot eligible tables.

Several games are featured throughout the week, including \$5-\$5 PLO, \$2-\$5 NLHE, \$4-\$8 half-kill Omaha/8, \$20-\$40 limit, \$25-\$50 and \$50-\$100 mixed. Common games are \$1-\$3 NLHE and \$3-\$6 limit.

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Bloyen wins title, \$4K at Sandia in N.M.

Mario Bloyen won the New Year's Eve tournament at Sandia Casino Resort in Albuquerque for more than \$4K.

Also, **Jordan Guillen** won \$2,017 for the Hot Seat drawing.

Sundays host a \$50 event at noon and a \$45 tourney at 5. Monday brings the Sprint Tournament for \$50 and on Tuesdays and Thursdays you can play a bounty tournament for \$75. Don't forget the \$60 Wacky Wednesday series, where each week's tournament may feature stud, Big O/8, ladies night, pineapple, HORSE or Omaha/8.

ISLETA CASINO RESORT: Players can qualify for the Isleta Spring Classic every Saturday through March 25. Then there are two tournaments to whittle down the field and a final tournament April 1 to determine the winner.

ROUTE 66 CASINO: Play in three tournaments daily. Most times are for NLHE, but there is a pineapple tournament on Wednesdays, plus many tournaments include bounties.

And for 2018, the Player of the Year promotion continues. Win points all year based on your tournament performance to qualify. The room gives away \$5K-plus to the top qualifiers and hosts a tournament for the top 50 players.

BUFFALO THUNDER RESORT: There's a new weekly lineup with games every night at 6:30. Buy-ins range from \$30 to \$75. Sundays and Thursdays offer unlimited rebuys for the first hour. Note on Thursdays:

They play Omaha/8. The big monthly event is the \$150 Last Saturday of the Month tournament, which starts at 1 p.m.

COLORADO

BLACK HAWK: Golden Gates recently hosted the \$1,100 Colorado Poker Championship winter series main event, drawing 307 entrants for a \$297,790 prize pool. **Matthew Grisham** earned \$68,493, followed by **Ronnie Lamb** (\$44K), **Kevin Palmer** (\$29K), **Maxwell Young** (\$21K), **Ben Keeline** (\$15K), **Steven Cahill** (\$13K), **Brian Leitch** (\$10K), **David Newton** (\$9K) and **Behrouz Keshavar** (\$7K).

In other CPC events, **Aaron Frei** overcame nearly 600 entrants to win the kickoff tourney (\$42,064). Second went to **Nader Wahden** (\$26K), followed by **Jay Daignault** (\$17K), **Aaron Williams** (\$12K), **Jordan Turoff** (\$9K) and **Adrian Sanchez-Vasquez** (\$7K). **Jessica Loyd** won the women's event for \$3,110. The high roller had 39 entrants for a \$91,650 prize pool. **Nicholas Pupulto** took first for \$36,650, second was **Connie Bruce** (\$27K) and **Theodore Skinner** was third (\$18K). The Heartland Poker Tour returns Feb. 7-19.

- At Ameristar, the descending bad-beat jackpot (quad sixes) reached \$350K at press time.

- The Isle of Capri offers a future free hotel room for six hours of live play (not active on day of play).

CRIPPLE CREEK: Promotions abound at the Midnight Rose as poker room manager **Jeff Peck** continues to offer popular weekend deepstacks. The Flopzilla starts early on Fridays at 4 p.m., and \$120 gets you 40K chips.

Saturdays bring the Fast & Furious Freezeout where \$65 provides 30K chips with no re-entry. The bad-beat runoff will start Feb. 10. Call for details.



ARIZONA'S VEE QUIVA HOSTS AUPT IN MARCH

By Scott Long

Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino not only is offering players a chance to appear on the cover of *Ante Up* for just \$300, it also is giving players less expensive ways to qualify for Arizona's first Ante Up Poker Tour event March 22-24.

"Beginning Feb. 1, we will be offering single-table shoot-out tournaments to gain entry into the Ante Up Spring Poker Classic in March," said **Zach Lansing**, poker room manager at Vee Quiva in Laveen, near Phoenix. "These shootouts will be offered not only in the Vee Quiva Poker Room, but in the Wild Horse Pass Poker Room as well."



The shootouts cost \$50, with the winner getting a seat in the \$300 Ante Up Spring Poker Classic and the runner-up cash. Multitable \$50 satellites will be at 5:30 p.m.

March 10 and 17 and late entry is allowed through Level 6.

Those who qualify will compete March 22-24 in one of four starting flights of the Ante Up Spring Poker Classic, a \$50K guarantee event where the winner not only gets lots of cash, but will appear on the cover of the April issue, get an entry into the 2018 Ante Up World Championship Main Event at Thunder Valley Casino Resort near Sacramento, Calif., and a personalized tour champion jacket.

"Ante Up is a leader in the industry and brings innovation and prestige to poker," Lansing said. "We here at Gila River Casinos want to align ourselves with entities that set the bar in the industry and set it high."

Players will start with 25K units in the Classic and can re-enter as many times as they like through the first 10 rounds of each flight, with the option to surrender and re-enter at the end of Level 10. While late entry and re-entry is available, each flight has 120 maximum entries. Each flight will play through Level 10 or to the top 15 percent of the field, whichever comes first.

More details on the event and satellites, including structures, can be found at anteupmagazine.com/veequiva.

Before or after tournament play, players can hone their skills in cash games in the 14-table poker room, where \$3-\$6, \$4-\$8 and \$6-\$12 limit games regularly are spread, with occasional

games of spread-limit Omaha/8 and stud/8. The poker room offers many promotions, including Quads or Better, where guests get \$50 for making quads, \$200 for straight flushes and \$1K for royals. Guests earn \$1 in comps for every hour played in a live game.

"Our philosophy is 'guest service first,'" said **Phillip Nunez Jr.**, guest-service coordinator at Vee Quiva. "Our goal is to make our players feel welcome and appreciated for choosing us for their gambling experience. We want to make sure as soon as they walk through that door, they are greeted with a warm smile and sincere hello."

Said **Justin Sullivan**, director of marketing: "We pride ourselves on our customer service. Our friendly dealers know many of our guests by name and we go out of our way to provide the best poker experience in the Valley."

Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino is one of three casinos in the Gila River Hotels & Casinos enterprises, owned and operated by the Gila River Indian Community. Its casino features a 14-table poker room, 36 table games, more than 900 slot machines and a 550-seat bingo hall. The resort offers 90 luxurious hotel rooms, outdoor pool with poolside suites, event center, four bars and lounges and six restaurants, including a Ditka's Restaurant from the legendary Chicago Bears coach.

"Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino lies at the foot of the beautiful Estrella Mountains. The sunset views from our VQ Live Bar and Lounge can't be beat," Lansing said. "Guests of the Ante Up tournament can't miss the three-course Hall of Fame Meal at our Ditka's Restaurant. Featuring a choice of twin bone-in filet and crab cake, Manchego Chicken or Day Boat Scallops. This is a meal that can't be beat."

And there's plenty to do in the Phoenix metro area for players who want to arrive early or stay after the Ante Up Spring Poker Classic.

"This tournament comes at a perfect time for our out-of-town guests. March offers amazing weather, spring-training baseball and some of the best golf courses in the country," Lansing said. Book your stay and your place in the tournament early. March is a popular time of year in the area and rooms will fill quickly. Book all three nights and receive a rate of just \$100 per night. This limited time offer won't last long and once you see all that Vee Quiva has to offer we promise you won't want to leave." ♠

SHERRILL CAPTURES REINDEER WIN IN OK.

The annual Reindeer Games series at Cherokee Casino West Siloam Springs in Oklahoma ran Dec. 8-17. **Ricky Sherrill** defeated a field of 146 to take down the \$350 main event for \$12K. **Gerrit Koch** and **Jose Nunez** won \$125 single-shot events; **Jose Baires** won the \$75 event; **Jay Maybry** and **Zachary Reinbold** won \$135 events.

Feb. 4 will be Super Sunday Splash Pots. Hold'em games will be splashed with \$200 for touchdowns, \$100 for field goals and \$300 for safeties. The number of tables splashed will be determined by the number of cash games running.

HARD ROCK CASINO: A busy immediate future awaits players. The Tulsa-based RunGood Poker Series kicks off its spring tour with a series that runs Feb. 6-11. The WSOPC also returns March 16-26. The first appearance of the tour last year, according to poker room manager **Byron Long**, drew more entries than all but three other circuit stops. This upcoming main event will feature a \$1M guarantee. During the series, a shuttle will run to nearby hotels as the Hard Rock's hotel sells out quickly. Three new hotel properties are being built in the immediate area.

DOWNSTREAM CASINO: The RunGood Poker Series returned Dec. 12-17. **Michael Beatty** dominated the final table, leading nearly from start to finish, to overcome a field of 293 entries to capture the \$560 main event for \$31,695. Beatty also chopped the series deepstack with **Julie Cornelius**, **Li Wu** and **Andre Allen**. Other winners were **Cheng Zheng**, **Travis Walden** and **Isaac Hiteshow**. The RunGood Poker Series returns April 10-15.

KANSAS STAR CASINO: On Thursdays (5-midnight), any full house triggers a \$100 splash pot for the next hand. The room's bad-beat jackpot was at nearly \$137K at press time.

AMERISTAR CASINO: The 13-table room is offering a new tournament promotion. The top five in tournament leaderboard points for the month will earn a free entry into the last Saturday of the month \$160 special.

Tuesday mornings will spread \$4-\$8 HO. This game complements well the \$3-\$6 limit and \$4-\$8 half-kill/\$5-\$10 kill Omaha/8 games that are featured throughout the week. The room's weekly tournament schedule consists of Monday Survivor, Wednesday and Sunday bounty, Tuesday turbo and noon tournaments on Fridays and Saturdays.

INDIGO SKY CASINO: The Indigo Sky Poker League Championship is Feb. 7 for \$50. The room is closed Mondays. Thursday \$50 events have a \$500 guarantee with a 10-entry minimum.

HARRAH'S NORTH KANSAS CITY: This 13-table enclosed room has a \$10K quarterly freeroll, but you need to qualify. Call for details. The bad-beat jackpot was \$124K-plus at press time. A royal-flush promotion continues and amounts range from \$1,100 to nearly \$2,500. The RunGood Series returns May 1-5.

WINSTAR WORLD CASINO: The area's largest room is expected to offer a Presidents Day River Series (Feb. 15-19). All events allow re-entry. The 2017 series featured a \$600 main event with 40-minute levels. ♠

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But that's not all. The winner of the Feb. 10 event will appear on the cover of the March issue of Ante Up as the winner of 2018's inaugural Ante Up Poker Tour Set Sail Series.

Players can win their way into this event in the Beat the Boat promotion every Tuesday through Saturday at 1 p.m.

For more information on this promotion, please visit TGT Poker's website at tgtpoker.com.

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TAMPA BAY DOWNS: The Silks Poker Room has a new spade-royal tournament bonus. Subject to change by the management, starting at \$1K and increasing by \$1 per tournament entry, any spade royal hit in the tournament wins you the pool. You must use both hole cards and once hit, it will reset to \$1K.

HARD ROCK TAMPA: The recent Winter Poker Open had three



Farid Jattin

multiday tournaments, a \$350-\$100K guarantee, a \$570-\$300K guarantee and a \$1,650-\$500K guarantee, and several single-day events, including turbos and PLO.

The multiday tournaments all made their guarantees, but the main event was special, reaching \$1M. There were 671

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MEET PAUL MCGUIRE



Paul McGuire was born and raised in St. Louis. An avid Blues fan, he works in sales by day and usually plays \$5-\$10 NLHE, but also enjoys playing Omaha, his favorite game, whenever he gets a chance. The 32-year-old made his first HPT final table at Ameristar, coming into the day fifth in chips. He was fairly active, putting himself in several situations that could have propelled him to the win. He even made a royal flush, but failed to get much value from his hand because of his opponent's mediocre holding.

"That might be the first royal flush I've ever seen at an HPT final table," tournament director **Jeremy Smith** said on the mike. He finished fifth for \$24,478, his largest score.

How long have you been playing poker? How did you get started? I've been playing poker since I was 16. Started at friends' houses on the weekends, then joined a bar league. I would watch poker daily on ESPN and was counting down the days down until I turned 21 so I could play in the casino.

What are some of your goals in poker? To keep playing in main events and cashing. I'm also planning to play in the World Series of Poker Main Event next year. It will be my first time. I'm very excited.

What are some of your interests and hobbies outside of poker? I'm a very avid racquetball player. I play competitively and have won state two years in a row. — **Todd Lamansky**

players and the final table was a who's who: Hard Rock Tampa ambassador **Michael Laake**, November Niner and WSOP bracelet-holder **John Racener**, Tampa pro **Filipp Khavin** and Colombian pro **Farid Jattin**. In the end, it was Jattin who came out ahead of the field and took down the \$240K and coveted guitar. Jattin, who has a WSOPC ring and several other victories, wasn't supposed to be playing the event, but sneaked it in to play an event before the end of 2017.

The rest of the final-10 payouts were **Witold Wassik** (\$135,878), **Scott Caracciolo** (\$85,553), **Joseph Skarzynski** (\$69,449), Khavin (\$55,358), Racener (\$45,796), **Satish Surapaneni** (\$36,737), **Kevin O'Donnell** (\$27,679), Laake (\$19,124) and **Tom Nguyen** (\$13,085).

MELBOURNE GREYHOUND PARK: The Club 52 Poker Room hosts the \$100K Championship Weekend Feb. 2-3. See the ad on Page 39 for more details.



\$450,000

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EVENT SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event	Buy-in	Chips	Guarantee
Friday, March 2	12:00pm	Event #1 NLH Flight #1	\$360	20,000	\$100,000
	6:00pm	Event #1 NLH Flight #2	\$360	20,000	
Saturday, March 3	12:00pm	Event #1 NLH Flight #3	\$360	20,000	
	5:00pm	Event #2 All in or Fold Hold'em w/\$50 Bounties	\$200	10,000	
Sunday, March 4	6:00pm	Event #1 NLH Flight #4	\$360	20,000	
	12:00pm	Event #1 Final Day - LIVE STREAMED			
Monday, March 5	1:00pm	Event #3 NLH w/\$100 Bounties	\$350	10,000	
	6:00pm	Event #4 NLH Flight #1	\$200	12,000	
	12:00pm	Event #4 NLH Flight #2	\$200	12,000	
Tuesday, March 6	6:00pm	Event #4 NLH Flight #3	\$200	12,000	
	12:00pm	Event #4 NLH Flight #4	\$200	12,000	
Wednesday, March 7	6:00pm	Event #4 NLH Flight #5	\$200	12,000	
	12:00pm	Event #4 Final Day - LIVE STREAMED			
	1:00pm	Event #5 Limit Omaha 8 or Better	\$240	10,000	
Thursday, March 8	3:00pm	Event #6 NLH	\$240	10,000	
	12:00pm	Event #7 NLH 6 Max	\$350	10,000	
Friday, March 9	12:00pm	Main Event NLH Day 1A	\$1,500	25,000	
Saturday, March 10	12:00pm	Main Event NLH Day 1B	\$1,500	25,000	
	3:00pm	Event #8 Big O 8 or Better	\$350	10,000	
	7:00pm	Event #9 NLH Turbo w/\$50 Bounties	\$240	10,000	
Sunday, March 11	12:00pm	Main Event Day 2			
	3:00pm	Event #10 NLH w/\$100 Bounties	\$350	10,000	
	7:00pm	Event #11 NLH Turbo	\$240	10,000	
Monday, March 12	2:00pm	Main Event Final Day - LIVE STREAMED			\$300,000

MEGA SATELLITE SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event	Buy-in	Chips	Guarantee
Saturday, February 3	12:30pm	MEGA Satellite into WPTDS Main Event	\$350	10,000	10 Seats
Thursday, February 15	6:00pm	MEGA Satellite into WPTDS Main Event	\$350	10,000	10 Seats
Friday, February 23	6:00pm	MEGA Satellite into WPTDS Main Event	\$350	10,000	10 Seats

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WSOPC COCONUT CREEK FEB. 8-19

After seven years and nine tournament series played at the Palm Beach Kennel Club in West Palm Beach, the WSOPC moves to Seminole Casino Coconut Creek for the first time Feb. 8-19. The kennel club was a spot for several exciting moments over the years, including a \$1M guarantee for the opening event in the second year. That tourney drew a massive crowd of 2,607 entrants, the largest tournament in Florida at that time.

Past champs from South Florida such as **Darryll Fish**, **Tristan Wade**, **Mukul Pahuja** and **Maurice Hawkins** likely will return for the \$1,675 main event, which has opening sessions Feb. 16-17 at noon and will feature a \$1M guarantee and one re-entry allowed per flight. Seminole Gaming General Manager of Poker Operations **Larry Frank** is thrilled to see the event arrive in Coconut Creek.

“The World Series of Poker is the largest and most historic name in the industry. As we continue to grow our poker brand throughout Florida and globally, the partnership with WSOP proves a natural fit for Seminole Gaming, further establishing our position as a premier destination for top poker play.”

WSOP executive director **Ty Stewart** also expressed excitement at moving to the new venue.

“The poker pulse is strong in Florida and our partnership with Seminole Gaming has helped us expand our brand in the Sunshine State by working with two of its premiere properties,” he said. “With a \$1M guaranteed main event taking place during peak season, the Seminole Casino Coconut Creek series is one of our most anticipated of the year.”

The 12-day series will have a \$300K guarantee for Event 2 with four flights and a \$365 buy-in, plus a \$3,250 high roller (\$100K guarantee) and a \$365 PLO event with \$100 rebuys.

ISLE CASINO: The Pompano Beach poker room closed out the year with the 20-tournament Isle Classic with a distinctly different look, as the main event opened the series in the first week of December. The \$1,500 opener carried a \$300K guarantee and fell just short of that number, attracting 196 entries.



Joseph Marchese of Ft. Lauderdale took home the trophy and \$65K-plus after agreeing to a chop with **Kevin Chan** of Coconut Creek (\$58,660).

Surprising news greeted tournament players as director of poker **Stan Strickland**, who had served in the position since April 2013, left the Isle. Strickland worked for six years at the Borgata in Atlantic City before coming to South Florida and had apparently taken a position at the Del Lago Casino in Waterloo, N.Y. before New Year’s.

Isle officials began the year looking for a new manager. Long-time floor manager **Vinny Gatto**, who started at the room when it opened in 2007, is serving as interim manager and hopes to be considered for the job. He told *Ante Up* plans are in the works to host the popular Battles at the Beach series in March.

HARD ROCK HOLLYWOOD: The facility closed out 2017 with a small six-event series called Fun in the Sun during the busy week between Christmas and New Year’s Eve.

Bill Farnan, 57, of Jupiter, captured the \$560 main event and collected \$21,848 after agreeing to a chop with **Nathaniel Anderson**. **Dani Dayan** of Miami Beach, known for bringing her teacup puppy to the felt, won Event 5, a \$130 deepstack turbo, then made the final table of the main, finishing fifth.

Tournament Director **Tony Burns** is bringing back his Escalator series this month, an event that will play on four consecutive weekends, beginning with Event 1 Feb. 21-25 with a \$150 buy-in. The price points for Escalator II go up from there, with a \$250 buy-in in Event 2 (Feb. 28-March 4), a \$350 Event 3 (March 8-11) and a \$560 final event (March 15-18). The four tourneys combined will total \$1M-plus in guarantees and players who make the final table of the first three events will receive an entry into the following week, while the winner of each event will receive a free buy-in to April’s \$3,500 WPT Showdown Championship.

BEST PLAYER AT PBKC? After finishing second to **Mitchell Smith** in October for Player of the Month, **Victor Walker** captured back-to-back honors in November and December, and at the end of the first week of January, held the early lead, too.

MISSISSIPPI

HORSESHOE CASINO: At the northern end of the state in Tunica, the Horseshoe has a \$50K guarantee coming up just in time for Valentine’s Day. The \$165 buy-in runs Feb. 9-11. The three-flight event begins on Friday at 6 p.m., with two more flights on Saturday at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The structure, found at caesars.com/horseshoe-tunica, is slow-moving and allows for a lot of play. Players may enter multiple times and take their largest stack to the restart Feb. 11. These events rarely have an overlay and instead often exceed the guarantee. Contact the poker room for info about discounted room rates.

BEAU RIVAGE: In Biloxi, poker room manager **Henry Garrison** is keeping promotions rolling and tournaments fun. Every Monday night at 6 is a Military Monday Tournament where the house adds \$20 to the prize pool for every military ID shown during buy-ins.

Thursday nights feature one of the only regularly running PLO tournaments in the area. For only \$50 and with a \$1,500 guarantee, this is an awesome and affordable opportunity to work on a game that isn’t frequently spread in a tournament format outside circuit events.

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The Beau also showcases a lengthy list of promotions for live games, upcoming events and daily tournaments. The lineup changes frequently, but the website is updated with a monthly calendar of events. For more information or to view the calendar, visit beaurivage.com or see our Where to Play section in the back of this issue. Call for a poker-room rate.

SCARLET PEARL: Big Slicks Poker Room closed. If you are owed any fees associated with February tournaments, they will be refunded by check. Call the casino if you have questions.

COUSHATTA CLASSIC CHOPS IN LA.

The Coushatta Winter Classic at Coushatta Casino in Kinder, La., had a great turnout with 365 entries for a \$75,500 prize pool, paying 41 places. The event chopped five ways, paying \$8,231 each to **Gene McDowell, Niels Lenz, Mike Troung, Scott Sanford** and **Ward Pawlowski**.

There are a bunch of promos for cash-game players, including a mini-bad-beat jackpot, Aces Cracked, Kings Cracked and high hand bonuses. Call the poker room for details.

GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES: At press time, the bad-beat jackpot was \$294K. Other promotions include high hands such as paying royals (\$200) and straight flushes (\$100) around the clock. See our Where to Play section in this issue or call the poker room for more info.

L'AUBERGE CASINO BATON ROUGE: Seniors receive a \$20 food voucher for 2.5 hours of play in a jackpot-qualifying game.

BOOMTOWN CASINO NEW ORLEANS: The room has a new \$65 Omaha/8 tournament every Monday with registration opening at 5:30 and closing at 8:30. The bad-beat jackpot was \$165K at press time and there are other promotions, such as Faces Cracked and Splash the Pot. Call for details.

HARRAH'S CASINO NEW ORLEANS: The bad-beat jackpot at press time was \$108K and the mini-bad beat is 10 percent of the main. The Power Hand promotion still runs.

Two random cards are drawn every hour from midnight until 4 a.m. Win with exact match and get \$150, but win any suit of the same cards and get \$100. Rules are posted in the poker room.

L'AUBERGE CASINO RESORT LAKE CHARLES: Ask about the \$28K freeroll that runs each month on the 28th. Players also get paid for certain high hands. Ask about details at the poker room.

HORSESHOE BOSSIER CITY: The room features a mini-bad-beat jackpot of \$5K for aces full of 10s beaten. Also, there are other promos, such as Aces Cracked, Splash Pots and daily high hands.

ISLE LAKE CHARLES: Look for plenty of promotions here, including Queens Cracked, Kings Cracked, Aces Cracked, high hands and Saturday's Fun Flop (1 p.m.-3 a.m.) where, if you flop an ace-high flush, you have a chance to win \$1K.

MISSOURI

AMERISTAR ST. CHARLES: The Heartland Poker Tour wrapped up its season Nov. 29-Dec. 12 with more than 3,400 tournament entries over the course of the 10-day, 10-event series.



Ari Engel topped a field of 316 players in the \$2,500 championship event to take home his second HPT title and \$162,154. The victory also garnered him just enough points to overtake **Gary Herstein** in the Player of the Year race, who would've taken home those honors if Engel had lost his heads-up match to fellow pro **Jake Bazeley**, who went back to Cincinnati with \$102,647. As POY, Engel will receive buy-ins to six HPT main events plus hotel accommodations this year.

St. Charles' **Neil Patel** was the last local standing before losing to Engel and going to the rail in fourth place for \$47,940.

Patel knocked out the other St. Louis pro at the final table when his pocket eights held up against the A-Q of **Josh Turner** who, despite six WSOPC rings and \$1.2M-plus in lifetime tournament earnings, has yet to win an HPT title Turner added another \$23,829 to that tally with his seventh-place finish.

Local attorney **Bill Byrnes**, who won a satellite to get into the event, was the next player to bust, finishing sixth for \$28,200.

NORTH FLORIDA

CREEK GREYHOUND PARK: The December monthly \$10K tournament finished in a chop between **Bryan Eiler** and **Adam Wells**. This month's \$10K will be 1 p.m. on Feb. 17.

Other guarantees this month include a \$2K on Feb. 3 and a \$5K on Feb. 23. Satellites into the \$10K are available multiple times each week.

Cash games feature daily promos and Feb. 10 sports an hourly \$200 high-hand bonus. See the ad on Page 41 for more info.

EBRO GREYHOUND PARK: Cash-game high hands and royal-flush bonuses run daily.

Guarantees this month are a \$5K on Feb. 9, a \$10K event on Feb. 18 and a \$2K on Feb. 27. Each Thursday of the month is a \$3K. Call for details.

BESTBET ORANGE PARK: The December deepstack exceeded the \$30K guarantee as 277 players created a prize pool of \$44,320 and paid 34 places. Six players, including **Brian Washington, John Redlitz, Neil Autrey, Nicholas Raio, Daniel Cosenza** and **Robert Rawlins**, agreed to a chop as each received \$4,787.

There's a four-flight, \$200 deepstack Feb. 9-10 (two seatings per day). The survivors will finish the tournament Feb. 11. Call for details. Also, cash-game high hands are each Thursday with a special promo Feb. 18.

BESTBET JACKSONVILLE: The December \$50K saw **Kevin Theel** of Fayetteville, N.C., take the \$10K top prize as 494 entries created a prize pool of \$79,040 and paid 54 spots.



The WPT DeepStacks Festival begins in March and the February calendar shows three \$350 mega-satellites into the main event and four \$90 satellites into the festival package.

On Feb. 17, there's a one-day \$30K for \$350 at 11 a.m. Cash-game promos are available daily, too.

DATYONA BEACH RACING AND CARD CLUB: **Raymond Steadman** won December's Great American Poker Tournament \$330 Extravaganza. He took home \$4,868 and a coveted 2018 GAPT championship seat.

ORANGE CITY RACING AND CARD CLUB: Tournaments are twice a week on Monday and Tuesday nights. Call for details or see our Where to Play section in the back of this issue.

PENSACOLA GREYHOUND TRACK: **Tom Augustine, Tami Terrana, Shane Watts** and **Ryan McLane** each pocketed \$3,390 after a four-way chop in the December \$20K, which paid 18 spots.

This month's \$20K has Day 1 flights Feb. 22, 23 and 24 with Day 2 Feb. 25. Satellite tournaments into this event are available throughout the month. See the ad on Page 41 for more information. ♠

HOFFMAN CAPTURES MEGA WIN IN CT.



Another successful MegaStack Challenge is in the books at Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Conn., and this time it was **Max Hoffman** of Cambridge, Mass., who took top honors in \$1,650 main event, collecting \$63,555 for the victory.

Steven Song of Greenwich, Conn., earned \$41,310 as runner-up as there were 168 entries for a tournament that had a \$250K guarantee. **Ovi Mih** (fourth) took home \$20,532.

Mark Schumacher and **Michael Dobbs** earned \$72,047 after a chop in Event 1, a \$600 tourney. Schumacher of Hopkinton, Mass., earned the trophy and Dobbs, a New York resident, was second. **Christopher Smith** of Wallingford, Conn., was third (\$37,223).

With a \$500K guarantee, the competition drew 959 participants. The fourth-place finisher, **Christopher Orme**, received \$25,884, while **Anthony Dicom** (fifth) got \$17,995.

Other event winners included **Alfred Poon** (Event 2, \$300 Omaha/8), **Jose Tronilo** (Event 3, \$250 Super Stack Turbo), **Ted Driscoll** (Event 4, \$250 Super Stack Turbo), **Jeff Yanchek** (Event 5, \$300 Big Stack), **Cynthia Gast** (Event 6, \$300 Seniors), **Soukha Kachittvong** (Event 7, \$400 NLHE), **Stephan Siebold** (Event 8, \$500 Big Stack), **Cheryl Sloane** (Event 9, \$230 Ladies Only), **Justin Gamache** (Event 11, \$250 Super Stack Turbo) and **Luis Vazquez** (Event 12 \$300 Big Stack).

The Foxwoods Poker Classic runs March 9-26.

MOHEGAN SUN: **Vito Masi** of Troy, N.Y., won the opener of the Fall Showdown in Uncasville, Conn. The \$200 event drew 416 entries for a \$69K prize pool, paying Masi \$8,602.

Other winners in the series were Worcester, Mass., resident **Sean Thomson**, who captured the first \$300 NLHE title for \$4K, and **Stephen Brunell** of Stonebridge, Mass., who won the second \$300 NLHE event in a chop for \$2,800. He chopped with **Tom Ratkovich** and **Sidney Farber**.

TURNING STONE RESORT & CASINO: **Joseph Elhage** got by **Chris Damick** to win the \$570 main event of the Superstacks Hold'em Series in Verona, N.Y. The victory was worth \$25,314.

Damick, along with **Cyrus Sami** (third), earned \$15K. The prize pool for the NLHE tourney, which had 212 participants, was \$106K. Syracuse resident **Fady Khabbaz**, who finished fourth, earned \$14K.

RESORTS WORLD CATSKILLS: The casino-resort in Monticello, N.Y., will have a soft opening Feb. 8. The property, about 90 miles from Manhattan, is expected to have a poker room

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MEET KAREN GIMBRONE



Karen Gimbrone, the poker manager at Seneca Gaming & Entertainment's Salamanca Poker Room, wanted to learn about poker. Her curiosity created a career.

How did you start working for Seneca Gaming? I started out as a dealer. I wasn't looking for a job, but I kind of fell into it. Three years later, I sold my store and did poker on a full-time basis. This was going to be a social job. It turned into a career. And I love it.

What got you interested in poker? I started playing poker right before I started working here. I started watching poker on TV and wanted to learn about it. I love to play poker. I love to watch poker.

Do you have any upcoming tournaments in Salamanca? Our biggest tournament is on the third Thursday of every month. It's a \$5K guarantee deepstack. The first Friday of the month, at 7 p.m., we have a tournament. On Saturdays and Sundays, we have a standard noon tournament. We also offer daily promotions such as high hands, splash pots and game starters. We have a bad beat jackpot, which is capped at \$25K. — **Dave Lukow**

as part of its 150 live table games. The grand opening is set for May, but you can call 833-586-9358 for more information.

MID-ATLANTIC

LIVE CASINO HOTEL: There are a lot of promotions this month, including Valentine's Day Heart Flush and the February Grind. See the ad on the next page for more on these and some fine high-hand promotions.

DOVER DOWNS HOTEL & CASINO: Presidents Day Weekend features \$53K in guaranteed prizes for the poker room. Four NLHE tournaments, including one with a \$30K guarantee, run Feb. 16-19. The schedule is as follows: Feb. 16, 11:15 a.m., \$10K guarantee, \$125 buy-in, 25-minute blinds; Feb. 17, 11:15 a.m., \$30K guarantee, \$225 buy-in, 30-minute blinds; Feb. 18, 11:15 a.m., \$10K guarantee, \$125 buy-in, 25-minute blinds; Feb. 19, 11:15 a.m., \$3K guarantee, \$45 buy-in, 20-minute blinds.

WORLD SERIES OF CHARITY POKER DC: The schedule includes: Feb. 3, Pre-Super Bowl Game at Arena Stage and Feb. 11, the main event, which is a deepstack tournament at Hill Country. For more info, visit, allinenterprises.org.

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12:00AM - 1:00AM	\$1,000

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DAY	TIME	AMOUNT	FREQUENCY
SUNDAY	11:00AM - 11:00PM	\$500	20 Minutes
MONDAY - THURSDAY	11:00AM - 11:00PM	\$500	60 Minutes with Royal Reset*
DAILY LATE NIGHT**	11:00PM - 11:00AM	\$100	30 Minutes with Rollovers

*Royal Reset is if a Royal Flush is hit, it will be automatically paid, and a new High Hand can be made in that time period.

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NEW CASINOS ARE HOPING TO REVIVE ATLANTIC CITY

Atlantic City will be facing multiple new developments this year in hopes of reviving the city from its economic deficit. The Boardwalk will see major changes in preparation of two new casinos: the Hard Rock and the Ocean Resort Casino, which should open this summer. The casinos are focusing on ways to bring business to the city by offering heightened entertainment attractions, a music memorabilia museum and sports gambling.

Though half of Atlantic City's casinos have closed over the past decade, there still are six casinos operating in spite of more casinos rising in the surrounding regions.

The city is looking for ways to revive its economy by increasing property assets and management toward boosting the community.

The former Showboat Casino had a \$220M transformation and became Stockton University and the demolition of the former Trump Plaza most likely will be this year to revitalize the property at the center of the Boardwalk.

OCEAN RESORT CASINO: Revel, which opened in 2012 and had a poker room, went bankrupt after two years. The \$2.4B property was picked up by **Glenn Straub**, a Florida businessman, for \$82M in 2015 then recently sold for \$200M to **Bruce Deifik** of Integrated Properties Inc., in 2017.

Deifik plans to establish a sportsbook facility, pending U.S. Supreme Court's approval. Atlantic City is making a slow recovery through online gaming, which has been yielding gaming revenue growth over the years.

Boardwalk casinos stay hopeful with the outlook of new amenities and sports gambling in the near future. The Ocean Resort could employ 3,000 people.

HARD ROCK: New management of the casino once known as Trump Taj Mahal began after New Jersey Casino Control Commission approved gaming operations.

The property will get a \$500M renovation, likely with a poker room, for its reopening as Hard Rock Hotel & Casino on Memorial Day Weekend. The project should generate 1,000 construction jobs and 3,000 permanent jobs.

BORGATA: **Fernando Lima** of Severn, Md., and **Suresh Suryawanshi** of Charles Town, W.Va., chopped the \$100K guarantee deepstack on Dec. 30 for nearly \$30K each.

The \$400 event drew 436 players for a \$152,600 prize pool. At press time, the Winter Open was running and wraps Feb. 2.

HARRAH'S CASINO: The World Series of Poker Circuit returns March 8-19. In the meantime, the poker room hosts \$65 events at 8:15 p.m. on Sundays and Wednesdays with \$2,500 guarantees.

VALLEY FORGE CASINO RESORT: Recent passed legislation allows this Philadelphia-area property to add 250 slot machines and 15 poker tables. It also can apply for online gaming and sports-betting licenses as they become available.

The casino has a 40,000 square-foot gaming floor and two hotel towers. Stay tuned for updates. ♠



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AURORA TOC GOES TO SCULLY IN ILLINOIS



The Hollywood Aurora Tournament of Champions is one of Chicagoland's most unique tournaments, as weekly tournament winners and the runners-up advance to the TOC every December.

Ryan Scully, who has been a familiar sight at these final tables, recently won \$7K-plus and the huge TOC trophy.

In other tourney news, every Wednesday at noon Hollywood runs its \$160 tournament, which is Chicagoland's longest running tournament, starting in March 2005.

INDIANA NEWS: Penn National Gaming has acquired Ameristar East Chicago and Belterra Casino, along with 14 other Pinnacle Entertainment gaming and entertainment facilities in 10 states for \$2.8B.

Penn National Gaming, which owns Hollywood Casino in Lawrenceburg, sold Belterra to Boyd Gaming, overcoming a regularity hurdle in Indiana. Boyd Gaming, which owns Blue Chip, will have two poker rooms in Indiana.

MAJESTIC STAR: There's a new weekly tournament lineup with improved blind structures. See the Where to Play section in the back of this issue for more info. Also, the bad-beat jackpot at press time was nearly \$70K (aces full of kings).

MICHIGAN

FIREKEEPERS CASINO: The poker room has a few exciting changes for 2018. The Fifth Sunday Four Hundred will become the Fifth Sunday Five Hundred. The tournament will be 10 a.m. on April 29, July 29, Sept. 30 and Dec. 30. Registration will open seven days in advance of each tournament.

The Thursday 6:30 tournament has changed to \$60 (PLO-NLHE) and the Saturday noon event is a \$60 Survivor. Both have one re-entry and 20-minute levels.

On Feb. 17, the poker room hosts its third annual Valentine's Mixed Doubles tournament at 2 p.m. (\$50 per player, 8K stack). One re-entry is allowed through Level 4. The teams will combine chips at the break and will alternate play beginning with the fifth level.

On Feb. 18, there's a \$350 Black Chip Bounty event at 11 a.m. (20K chips, one re-entry through Level 4). Registration opens Feb. 11. There's also \$100 hot seats every 30 minutes Feb. 19 (11 a.m.-11 p.m.).

MGM DETROIT: The poker room hosts two bounty tournaments each week: a \$220 event on Saturdays at 2 and a \$120 event on Sundays at 2.

MOTOR CITY: A \$250 event is at 4 p.m. every first Sunday of



MEET BRANDON TEMPLE

Before moving to Wisconsin, 32-year-old **Brandon Temple** spent a decade playing and dealing poker in Kentucky. Nowadays, he runs local bar tournaments in Madison while serving as a live reporter for the Mid-States Poker Tour.

When and how did you learn to play poker? When I was 10, my dad had a bunch of his work friends come play five-card draw for loose change in his garage. I asked to play and quickly made \$30 before Dad kicked me out. I was instantly hooked, and that little garage game was a major catalyst for where I'm at and what I'm doing now.

What's your proudest poker accomplishment? I recently did live reporting for the 2017 MSPT Wisconsin State Poker Championship, and afterward, the amount of people that have come up to me has just been nothing short of amazing. It's incredibly fulfilling to know that my writing is appreciated, especially by people I interact with on a daily basis.

What's your poker goal or something on your bucket list? I don't get to play as much as I used to, but I want to play a few WSOP bracelet events next year, mainly PLO/8 and dealer's choice. I like to pretend that I'm pretty decent at non-traditional games, so it'll be fun to take my home-game talents to Vegas and see how I stack up. — **Chad Holloway**

the month and \$150 tournaments are the other Sundays. The bad-beat jackpot (quads) hit for a U.S.-record \$1.06M at press time. The "loser" got a whopping \$427K, the winner \$213K and four other players at the table got \$106K each.

OHIO

JACK CASINO CLEVELAND: The MSPT held its \$1,100 event Jan. 25-28; look for a recap in next month's issue.

HOLLYWOOD CASINO TOLEDO: The Hollywood Spring Poker Open runs March 15-25. The Irish Derby hold'em event features a \$50K guarantee for \$130. Eight starting flights will be played March 15-17, with the tournament wrapping up March 18. The \$350 main event features a robust \$100K guarantee, with six starting flights (three each on March 23 and 24) and the conclusion March 25. Other events include a \$110 HORSE (March 18), an \$80 PLO with \$15 bounties (March 20) and a \$110 senior event with a \$10K guarantee (March 25).

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MARSH WINS RECORD EVENT IN MINNESOTA

Ben Marsh of Duluth, Minn., won his second Mid-States Poker Tour title after besting a record-setting field of 493 entries at Canterbury Park in Shakopee, Minn.

Marsh, a 32-year-old pro, took home his largest career cash of \$102,493 from the \$476,710 prize pool. He beat the largest field in a \$1K-plus event in Minnesota history. Marsh also became the ninth player to win more than one MSPT title, winning his first at Treasure Island Resort and Casino in 2011.

"I am feeling pretty great," said Marsh, who spends most of his time playing online. "I haven't played a ton of live poker this year and didn't have any luck when I did. This is only my second tournament since the World Series in Las Vegas."

Marsh faced a tough final table filled with local pros and tough amateurs, including **Jonathan Hanner, Rajae Wazwaz, Brian Berthiaume, Vladimir Revniaga** and **David Gonja**. Marsh got heads-up with Hanner with roughly even stacks, but Marsh quickly pulled ahead with a decent lead. Hanner raised with A-K and Marsh defended with 10-9. The flop came 9-4-K and Hanner bet; Marsh called. The turn was a nine. Marsh led out and Hanner called. An inconsequential five came on the river. Marsh moved all-in and Hanner hesitantly called off his remaining stack.



RUNNING ACES: **Zachary Waldvogel** of Minneapolis won \$13,106 and the trophy at the Cold Hard Cash tournament. The event featured six \$280 Day 1 flights and offered a \$1,200 buy-back of small stacks if a player made it to Day 2 with multiple stacks. There was an eight-way chop, at which time Waldvogel was the shortest stack, leaving a little money and the trophy for first place.

Robert Van Syckle of St. Paul took second. The event drew 703 players and generated a \$143,031 prize pool.

IOWA

HORSESHOE COUNCIL BLUFFS: The RunGood Poker Series runs Feb. 20-25. There will be a mix of NLHE events, including satellites, bounty, deepstacks, turbo and the main event.

PRAIRIE MEADOWS CASINO: World Series of Poker Main Event satellites are running again. If you'd like a chance at winning the \$10K seat along with \$2K for expenses, the next satellite is Feb. 18 with a \$200 buy-in. While there, join in a cash game for your chance at the \$162K bad-beat jackpot.

RIVERSIDE CASINO: The poker room also had an enviable \$171,177 bad-beat jackpot that fell in the wee hours on



Jan. 11. **Dave Raduechel** was never so happy to lose a pot with the second nuts when his quad sixes got smashed by a royal. He took home \$85,591 for the loss.

DIAMOND JO WORTH: The bad-beat jackpot was \$160K-plus at press time.

WISCONSIN

WSOPC: The World Series of Poker Circuit returns Feb. 1-12 to Potawatomi Hotel & Casino in downtown Milwaukee. The stop, which marks the second time at the venue, will feature 12 ring events, including a \$365 buy-in, \$150K guarantee Feb. 2-4.

Other highlights include Event 7 (\$365 Monster Stack, \$100K guarantee) on Feb. 7; \$2,200 High Roller on Feb. 8; and the four-day \$1,675 main event (\$750K guarantee) beginning Feb. 9.

In addition, there will be two \$250 senior events (Feb. 4, 10 a.m. and Feb. 11, 10 a.m.). On Feb. 9 at 5 p.m., there's a \$135 women's event. Those events are not ring events.

In the inaugural WSOPC at Potawatomi, **Josh Reichard, Travis Lauson, Nadya Magnus, Alex Aqel** and **Byron Ziebell** were among those to take home rings.

POKER FOR A GOOD CAUSE: On Dec. 10, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin Dells hosted a \$300 Holiday Bounty event. The tournament had 63 entries and resulted in a seven-way chop with **Dan Crawford, Aaron Olson, Derek Harvey, Jason Raymer, Jon Driver, Brandon Olstad** and **Matthew Anderson** each receiving \$2,160. In addition, \$630 was raised for the Lake Delton Fire Department. ♠



Dan Crawford, Aaron Olson, Derek Harvey, Jason Raymer, Jon Driver, Brandon Olstad and **Matthew Anderson** chopped the Holiday Bounty event at Ho-Chunk Wisconsin Dells for \$2,160. Plus, the tournament raised money for the Lake Delton Fire Department.



WHAT A COOL TIME, MON!

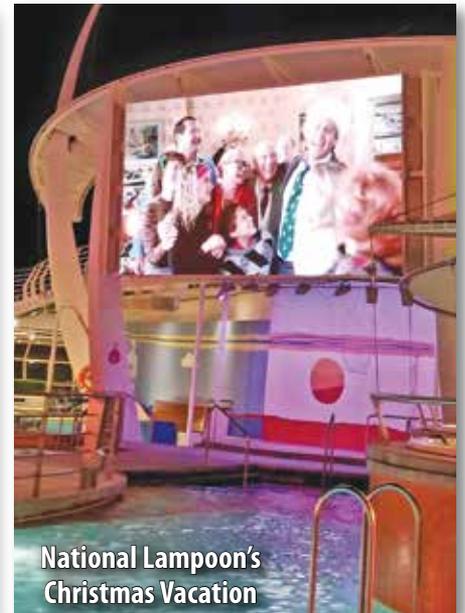
It was a festive Ante Up Poker Cruise in December, as Santa Claus came to visit. Passenger **Chris Hancock**, who dresses up like Santa Claus for nursing homes during the holiday season, brought holiday cheer to the five-night sailing to Jamaica and Haiti.

Adam Payne of Eureka, Calif., won the main event for \$1,310, while **Jo Cain** won a future cruise in tournament action. And dealer **Rob Branson** showed he was a good sport, accepting a wager from the staff to wear a Jamaican dress while he dealt.

Ante Up Poker Cruises, which transforms the conference center aboard regularly scheduled Royal Caribbean sailings into a professionally staffed and equipped poker room, complete with cash games, tournaments, free poker classes and an open-bar cocktail party, sails March 8 out of Tampa to Cozumel on a four-night “weekend warriors” cruise. And on April 13, we set sail from Miami to the ABC Islands of Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao for nine nights. Two more sailings, including one to Cuba, are on the 2018 schedule. For more information or to book, visit AnteUpCruises.com. ♠



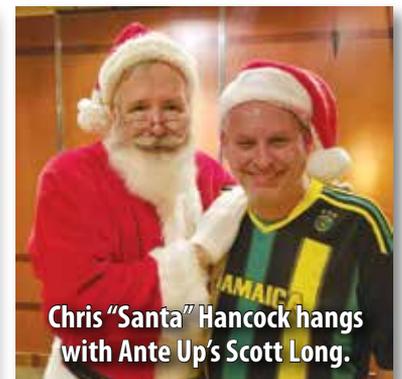
Main-event winner
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Dealer Rob Branson in a Jamaican dress.



Chris “Santa” Hancock hangs
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NEW LOOK FOR ANTEUPMAGAZINE.COM

The redesigned website opens up a world of possibilities, including regional digital editions of *Ante Up*.

Ante Up Poker Media LLC soon will launch a redesigned and re-imagined website, as well as new digital regional editions of *Ante Up Magazine*.

“We started *Ante Up Magazine* nearly 10 years ago with just the two of us and very limited resources,” said **Scott Long**, who owns Ante Up Poker Media LLC with **Christopher Cosenza**. “We knew then that we couldn’t afford to build the website that we wanted to, so we focused on making *Ante Up* the best source of news for everyday players and their poker rooms. Thanks to the support of our readers and advertisers, and vast changes in technology, we’re excited to be able to bring news that no other poker media company is reporting to our fans in ways that we had always hoped to do.”



AnteUpMagazine.com is getting transformed by Santa Cruz Webmasters of California, the same company that recently reimagined the website for Hold’em Radio, an Ante Up partner. When launched, the website will have a cleaner, more modern look and will categorize content better so readers can get to what they want quickly and easily. The number of subpages will be trimmed, with content that had been spread among several pages consolidated together, drop-down menus will be added to ease navigation and the website will be optimized for whatever device users choose.

“We have always been proud that our team of nearly two dozen Ante Up Ambassadors across the country have produced so much great content,” Long said. “AnteUpMagazine.Com, going forward, will be organizing that content by region, just as we do in our print magazine, so readers can go directly to the news of most interest to them.”

As part of that effort, Ante Up Poker Media LLC also will soon launch digital regional editions of its magazine, using new technology from Adobe Systems that will make reading news in a magazine format digitally easier and more engaging. Readers will be able to click on links within pages to take them to additional content, and animation will add new life to content.

“While many of our readers enjoy reading about players and poker rooms all across the country, those who prefer to focus more on the players and rooms closest to their homes will now have a more direct way to get that news,” Long said, “with an added benefit of *Ante Up* being able to feature more players on ‘covers’ of the digital editions.”

The changes to the website and the addition of regional editions also are a reflection of desires from *Ante Up*’s advertisers and partners to reach players in more direct ways with news and offers that will make playing poker even more fun. “We’ve always looked at advertising as additional content,” Long said. “With these new products, Ante Up will be able to provide a host of additional exciting content to readers in new ways. The more engaged poker players are with the game we love, the more poker rooms have the ability to offer a better experience to players. And that’s always been the goal of *Ante Up*.”

HAVE YOU GIVEN UP YOUR RESOLUTIONS?

Many of us approach the New Year thinking of improving our lives. We resolve to lose weight, find a new relationship or make more money this year. Those of us who are poker players resolve to improve our game. By February, maybe even the second week of January, most of those resolutions have fallen to the wayside.



STEVE
BLAY

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POKER INSIDER

NEVER TRY TO BLUFF A CALLING STATION

Even the best players can't convince "calling stations" to fold as they are incapable of understanding or realizing this concept. So the best advice would be to curtail your efforts and take steps to avoid wasting your time and chips. Tactics work better on players who consciously notice pot odds, know whether their starting hands have worth or expected improvement possibilities, concepts that avid calling stations don't consider.



AL
SPATH

Let's be clear about bluffing and semibluffing, and define what we mean. A bluff entails making a sizeable bet that's designed to make your opponent fold and your hand has no chance of winning the pot if called. To semibluff means you have a hand that has potential of improving and winning if called, however, you are attempting to win the pot on that round of betting.

Should you fail to convince your opponent to fold, you have outs to improve and still win the hand, or if you miss, to bluff and try to win the hand anyway.

When you play against players oblivious to your strategies,

they will ruin your attempts to control the pot and manipulate the table into doing what you want. Therefore, making these moves against a calling station will result in frustration for the bettor and hilarious comments at the table or in the chat box.

Players who play any ace and any two suited cards or basically any two cards, usually are lurking at your table, whether online or live, and identifying your common opponents will make your task a bit easier and save you chips.

On the flip side, when you're up against a calling station, you can extract extra value on those hands when they don't connect. Overcharge them to stay; remember, you don't want lots of them in your pot holding one pair. And when you lose (occasionally), show sportsmanship and realize you'll have chances to get your money back and more if that player stays at your table. Nothing creates more tilt at the tables than losing to calling station with two awful cards, so it becomes your priority to not let it happen.

— **Al Spath** live broadcasts on TwitchTV: ([PositivePokerInsiders](https://www.twitch.tv/PositivePokerInsiders)), and streams from JaoPoker.com (signup using referral code: [ppiposse](https://www.jaopoker.com/?ref=ppiposse)). Contact Al directly at alspath@alspath.com with questions and coaching inquires.

A LIST OF THINGS YOU NEVER SHOULD DO

When you're a recurring presence in your home poker room, people get to know you and some may look up to you. It's extremely important to become a role model for aspiring pros and avoid being a pariah. Here's how:



**BRENT
PHILBIN**

DON'T BERATE PLAYERS: I've harped on this before, but I believe in it so much. There's absolutely no good reason to berate players. Control yourself and act like an adult, and say "nice hand," ironically.

DON'T YELL AT THE DEALER: You became a pro, remember? You clearly understand variance and that a dealer has nothing to do with that, right? Oh, and if you've ever thrown cards at a dealer, just quit poker. Save your ire for dealers with a bad attitude.

SHOW YOUR CARDS AT SHOWDOWN: Yeah, I get it. You want the most information possible. Causing a standoff by refusing to show your cards "until it's your turn" only hurts your game and your bottom line, and you'll gain little information. If the floor ever needs to get involved, you are 100 percent in the wrong. Remember, you're the pro.

STOP WHINING: Invariably, during every session you play, someone will gripe about not seeing a beverage server for 45 minutes. They were there and you weren't paying attention. How

is this possible? Well, you're a pro so you're watching the game at all times and trying to gain information. Unless a server happened to come by during the shuffle, you were busy.

DON'T SAY DEALER: Every dealer has a name tag. If you need to address them, use it to discover their secret identity. If you can't ascertain it, use something else to get their attention. The way you're saying it is derogatory and it's often followed up with a suggestion on how they do their job.

DON'T TANK: Tanking has gotten slightly better, but tanking is an absolute epidemic to which you should not contribute. Once one person has annoyed the table with a tank, it will entice a reciprocal tank and eventually you're playing six hands an hour. There will be, once in a blue moon, a decision that requires you to take a while to think. Apologize to the table and take your time. Don't tank for tank's sake.

DON'T YELL ACROSS THE ROOM: If you feel the need to celebrate after a win, you're not a pro. Running around the room screaming "One time!" (Of course, you didn't even say that until after the river card came out, which is clearly not how it works.) when you win a pot makes you the butt of every joke in the room for five minutes. Stop it.

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COACH'S CORNER

HERE'S A MENTAL EXERCISE TO PLUG LEAKS

I enjoy receiving emails from players, so if you happen to be reading this column while at the table, make a mental note to shoot me an email. By the time players see this, it might be four or five weeks after we have made our poker resolutions.



**MARK
BREMENT**

There's a strong chance that if you're an aspiring player or even a high-stakes pro, there are resolutions that were made that, after two or three weeks, you started to get back into your old habits.

Remember my last column that focused on old habits dying hard? I have a few fresh ideas on how to go about changing a few habits that will prove effective.

Imagine we have five resolutions and while we have made some headway, we know that in our heart of hearts, we could be doing better and our promises are turning in to empty ones. This will be a profitable exercise even if you didn't make resolutions.

IDEA 1: Many of us start the year with a whole bunch of ideas

and, while our plan looks great on paper, when we're over-tasked, we tend to get paralyzed. It's sort of like tilt. Our brains simply shut down. Let's organize our "needs improvement areas" into a top five.

When we have our notions bullet-pointed, show them to your poker peers or mentors at an appropriate time and ask help in ranking these items in order of importance.

Don't forget to make a case for each area being identified as the most crucial leak to eliminate in 2018. Sell each idea hard and make sure all are given equal consideration. Ask peers to order the leaks in which they think are most important. After you get votes tallied, resolve yourself to tackle each leak one at a time. If you perform this task, your hourly earn rate will improve, maybe even skyrocket.

IDEA 2: Send me your list and remember to sell each point as if it were a matter of life or death. I'd like to be part of your team to help yourself prioritize which leaks come first. Happy hunting and may 2018 bring you lots of stacks.

— Mark Brement has spent 15 years teaching and coaching all facets of poker, including at Pima CC. Email him at brementmark@gmail.com.

CALL THE FLOOR

YOU'RE NOT GOOD ENOUGH TO WIN WITH ONE CARD?

We were in a tournament in an Atlantic City casino and I was dealt just one card. I asked the dealer where my other card was and she said, "I don't know, look for it."

I looked everywhere but couldn't find it. The floor said it was on me and I could fold or call the 1,300 bet in front of me. Everyone got a laugh. As a goof, I called the bet and the player next to me high-fived me. I did not improve on the flop and folded. — **Brian Taylor, via email**



**ELLIOTT
SCHECTER**

ELLIOTT SAID: How very generous of that dealer to let you continue with only one card. Most times, too many or too few cards in a hand render that hand dead.

If you started the hand with two cards, where did the other card go? I'm sure the supervisor and the gaming commission are at least a little curious. In a tournament, it would have been a misdeal. After the action starts, any player that knowingly plays a hand with too many or too few cards, has a dead hand and forfeits any chips bet in that hand. This player usually has surveillance watching them closely for the rest of the session, to boot. "Players must protect their hands at all times" is just a long way of stating, "Pay attention!"

It's all about timing

The dealer deals everyone's hole cards and after all are dealt,

Seat 5 looks at his cards and says he thinks he saw a face card dealt to Seat 3. The dealer asks Seat 3 to look at his cards and if he had a face card to muck it. Seat 3 throws out a queen and the dealer gives him a new card.

Why did Seat 5 announce after he looked at his cards? What if Seat 3 had two face cards? Player 5 couldn't identify the card he said he saw other than it was paint. — **Frank Simone, via email**

ELLIOTT SAID: This did not go well for the players at the table. First, the proper time to call attention to a mistake is when it happens. Waiting until the cards were all out makes it appear more pot-shot than correction.

You didn't say other players spoke up so I'm going to assume none did. That isn't insignificant. Second, why did the dealer do anything other than call for the supervisor? This isn't a simple case of replacing an exposed card.

The situation entered ruling territory with the delay in calling attention to the card, the virtual inability of anyone being able to identify the card and the absence of any corroboration of a card being exposed.

Based upon your brief description of what happened, I believe the correct call would have been to let the card stay in the player's hand and to continue.

— **Elliott Schecter is poker room manager at Hollywood Casino Toledo.**
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DESERT DIAMOND (520) 342-1810 • ddcas.com	Monday & Thursday (\$35, 9:30a); Tuesday & Wednesday (\$35, 7p).	Splash Pots.
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HARRAH'S PHOENIX AK-CHIN (480) 802-5000 • harrahsakchin.com	Tuesday Omaha/8 (\$25, 7:30p); Wednesday (\$80, 7:30p); Thursday (\$20, 7:30p); Saturday \$500 guarantee (\$50, 12:30p).	\$25 Splash Pot Bonanza (daily, every half-hour); 6-4 Cracked wins a Rack; Aces Cracked wins \$50.
HON-DAH (928) 369-0299 • hon-dah.com	Mon. (\$25 w/rebuy and add-on, 6p); Tue. (\$15, 6p); Wed. (\$40, 6p); Thurs. 0/8 (\$40, 6p); Fri. KO (\$45, 6p); Sat. (\$30, 4p); Sun. crazy pineapple (\$30 w/rb & add-on, 4p).	Hot Seat Drawings pay \$50-\$100. See ad on Page 16.
VEE QUIVA HOTEL & CASINO (800) 796-7777 • wingilariver.com/vee-quiva	M (\$50, 7:30p); W (\$40 w/add-on, 7:30p); Sa (varies, 11:15a); Su (\$30, 11:15a); SNGs, Feb. 1-March 20; Ante Up Spring Classic, March 22-24. See ad on Pages 2-3.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Quads or better board; Red or Black Aces Cracked; Graveyard High Hand; Sports Splash Pot.
WILD HORSE PASS HOTEL AND CASINO (800) 946-4452 • wingilariver.com/wild-horse-pass	Monday-Thursday (\$30, noon); Tuesday-Wednesday (\$50, 7:30p); Sunday (\$30, 3:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, stud and Omaha.

ARKANSAS

SOUTHLAND PARK GAMING AND RACING (870) 735-3670 • southlandpark.com	Mon. & Thurs. (\$45, one table, 7p); Tue. (\$10, 7p); Wed. (\$40, 7p); Fri. (\$10, 9p); Sat. (\$40, 3p); 1st Sun. freeroll (3p); 2nd-last Sun. (\$40, 3p).	\$5K bad-beat jackpot; Handemonium (Friday & Saturday); Wheel of Wonder (Tuesday & Wednesday).
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CALIFORNIA

AGUA CALIENTE CASINO (888) 999-1995 • hotwatercasino.com	Sunday-Friday (\$50 w/\$20 rebuys, 11a); Saturday (\$100 w/\$50 rebuys, 11a); Tuesday & Thursday (\$75 w/\$25 rebuys, 6:30p).	Splash the Pot.
ARTICHOKE JOE'S (650) 589-3145 • artichokejoes.com	Monday (\$28, 11a); Tuesday (\$25, 11a); Wednesday HA (\$50, 6:45p); Thursday (\$48, 11a); Sunday (\$49, 6:45p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
AVIATOR CASINO (661) 721-7770 • theaviatorcasino.com	Wednesday Mexican Poker (\$30 w/\$10 rebuys and add-on, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
BANKERS CASINO (831) 422-6666 • bankerscasino.net	Monday (\$65 w/\$60 rebuy & add-on, 6p); Tuesday (\$45 w/\$40 rebuy & add-on, 6p); Saturday (\$55, 11a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royal flush jackpots.
BARONA RESORT (619) 443-2300 • barona.com	Tuesday & Wednesday \$1.2K guarantee (\$40, 6:30p); Saturday & Sunday \$1.2K guarantee (\$40, 10:15a).	Progressive jackpots in hold'em and Omaha.

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BAY 101 CASINO (408) 451-8888 • bay101.com	Monday-Thursday (\$150, 9:30a).	No jackpots.
BICYCLE CASINO (562) 806-4646 • thebike.com	M-F, noon; T & W, Quantum, 5p & 6:30p, F, 4p, 5:30p & 7p, Sa, noon, 2p & 4p & Su, noon, 1:30p & 3p); M & Th, 5p; Mexican Poker (Th, 8p); Th-Sa, 10p.	Numerous jackpots (call for details).
BLUE LAKE CASINO AND HOTEL (707) 668-9770 • bluelaquecasino.com	Monday & Tuesday (\$30); Wednesday & Thursday (\$40); Friday-Sunday (\$50).	Players earn points for cash promo tickets.
CACHE CREEK CASINO (530) 796-3118 • cachecreek.com	No tournaments.	\$5K bad-beat jackpot; Aces Cracked.
CALIFORNIA GRAND CASINO (925) 685-8397 • calgrandcasino.com	Sunday (\$50, 10:30a) w/\$500 added to the prize pool.	Progressive bad-beat double jackpot.
CAPITOL CASINO (916) 446-0700 • capitol-casino.com	Monday-Friday (\$30, 10a); 1st Saturday (\$100, 11a); 2nd Saturday (\$220, 11a); 3rd & 4th Saturday \$3K guar. (\$60, 11a); Sunday \$3K guar. (\$60, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
CASINO M8TRIX (408) 645-0083 • casinom8trix.com	Monday (\$200, 7p); Tuesday (\$160, 7p); Sunday (\$300, 5p).	No jackpots.
CHUKCHANSI GOLD RESORT & CASINO (866) 794-6946 • chukchansigold.com	Monday & Tuesday (\$20).	Aces Cracked.
CHUMASH CASINO RESORT (805) 686-1968 • chumashcasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, 10:15a); Mon. (\$10 w/rebuys, 7p); Tue. (\$60, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$40, 7p); Fri. (\$150, 7:15p); Sat. (\$120, 1:15p); Sun. KO (\$100, 1:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
CLUB ONE CASINO (559) 497-3000 • clubonecasino.com	Monday-Saturday (\$20-\$40, 10:15a); Monday-Friday (\$60-\$70, 7:15p); Saturday Omaha/8 (\$20, 10:15a); Sunday \$5K guarantee (\$75, 1:15p)..	Royal Flush Progressive Jackpot.
COMMERCE CASINO (323) 721-2100 • commercecasino.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
ELK VALLEY CASINO (707) 464-1020 • elkvalleycasino.com	Mon. Omaha (\$45, 6p); Tue. Omaha/8 (\$45, 6p); Wed. (\$60, 6p); Thurs. Big O (\$45, 6p); Fri. freeroll (\$10 rbs, 6p); Sat. KO (\$125, 4p); Sun. (\$35, 4p). Ad Page 12.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em. See the ad on Page 20 for details on the \$45K Poker Stamped.
FOLSOM LAKE BOWL SPORTS BAR & CASINO (916) 983-4411 • flb365.com	Wednesday (\$35 w/\$15 rebuy, 2K chips, 6:30p); Saturday \$1K guarantee (7p).	Players get paid \$120 for a \$100 buy-in (Friday); call for details.
GARDENS CASINO (562) 860-5887 • thegardencasino.com	Daily (\$30-\$150); Monday-Friday (1p & 6:45p); Saturday (10a & 1p); Sunday (2:15a & 1p).	Daily jackpots; Aces Cracked.
GOLDEN WEST CASINO (661) 324-6936 • goldenwestcasino.net	Monday (\$45, 6:15p); Wednesday (\$80, 6:15p); Friday (\$45, 10:15a); Saturday (\$65, 12:15p); Sunday KO (\$65, 2:15p).	Mega hold'em jackpot; Omaha jackpot.
GRATON RESORT & CASINO (707) 588-7100 • gratonresortcasino.com	Mon., Wed. & Fri. (\$60, 10a); Mon. KO (\$150, 6:30p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$35, 10a); Sun. KO (\$140, 10a); 3rd Sat. of month (\$550).	Progressive Bad-Beat Jackpot.
HARRAH'S RESORT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (760) 751-3100 • harrahsmcon.com	Friday \$1K guar. (\$35, 8p) Saturday & Sunday \$1.75K guar. (\$40, noon); Saturday \$2.5K guar. (\$55, 8p); Sunday \$1.75K guar. (\$40, 8p).	Bonus Wheel; monthly cash drawings.
HOLLYWOOD PARK (310) 330-2800 • playhpc.com	Daily (\$60); Monday-Friday (noon & 7p); Saturday (noon & 7p); Saturday Big O event (\$60, 3p); Sunday Special, Feb. 4.	\$100K Cash Drawings; Aces Cracked.
HUSTLER CASINO (310) 719-9800 • hustlercasinola.com	Monday-Tuesday (\$150, 7p); Wednesday (\$185, 7p); Thursday KO (\$185, 7p); Friday (\$100, 7p); Sunday (\$250, 3p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
JACKSON RANCHERIA CASINO RESORT (209) 223-1677 • jacksoncasino.com	M \$1.5K guar. KO (\$60, 7p); T O/8 (\$40, 11a) & (\$50, 7:30p); W (\$30, 11a) & (\$50, 7:30p); Th crazy pinee (\$30, 11a) & sats (\$50, 7:30p); F \$2K guar. (\$60, 11a); S KO (\$60, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

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LAKE ELSINORE CASINO (951) 674-3101 • lercasino.com	Monday-Thursday & Saturday (\$20 w/rebuys, 10a); Thursday \$2.5K guarantee (\$60, 6:40p); Friday KO (\$30, 10a); Sunday \$5K guarantee (\$60 w/\$25 rebuys, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
LIMELIGHT CASINO (916) 446-2208 • limelightcardroom.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
LIVERMORE CASINO (925) 447-1702 • livermorecasino.net	Mon.-Fri. (\$45 w/\$20 rebuys and add-on, 11a); Tue. & Sun. (\$100, 7p); Sat. & Sun. (\$100, 11a); Mon. & Wed. (\$45, 7p); third Saturday (\$175, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
LUCKY CHANCES CASINO (650) 758-2237 • luckychances.com	Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday (\$120, 9:30a); Tuesday (\$200, 9:30a); Thursday (\$65 w/\$50 rebuy, 9:30a); Sunday (\$250, 9:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha & stud. February Guarantee, Feb. 25 (\$350).
LUCKY LADY CASINO (619) 287-6690 • luckyladycardroom.com	Daily (\$25 w/\$20 rebuy and add-on, 10a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
MORONGO CASINO (888) 667-6646 • morongocasinosort.com	Tuesday (\$25 w/\$20 rbs and add-on, 10a & \$90); Thursday \$2K guar. (\$65, 10a); Saturday \$3K guar. (\$60 w/\$10 add-on, 11a); Sunday (\$20 w/\$20 add-on, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and Omaha.
NORMANDIE CASINO (310) 352-3400 • normandiecasi.com	Friday \$3K guar. (\$40, 7p); Saturday \$2.5K guar. (\$40, 5p); Sunday \$1.5K guar. (\$15, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
OAKS CARD CLUB (510) 653-4456 • oakscardclub.com	Monday KO (\$150, 6:15p); Wednesday (\$185, 6:15p); Saturday (\$130, 11a); Sunday (\$235, 1p); 1st Saturday (\$340, 11a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha, and stud.
OCEAN'S 11 CASINO (760) 439-6988 • oceans11.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
PALA CASINO (760) 510-5100 • palacasino.com	Friday \$2K guarantee (\$50, 7:15p); Saturday Super Deepstack (\$125, 3p).	Cash or Splash Drawings; High Hand of the Hour; High Hand Frenzy; Chase for the Dough.
PARK WEST CASINO CORDOVA (916) 296-7477 • cordovacasino.com	No tournaments.	\$5K Mini Bad Beat Jackpot.
PARK WEST CASINO LODI (209) 334-9777 • thelodicasino.com	Monday (\$40, 7:20p); Tuesday (\$25, 10:20a); Thursday (\$25, 10:20a) & (\$45, 7:20p); Saturday (\$25, 10:20a); Sunday freeroll (1p).	Progressive jackpots in hold'em.
PARK WEST CASINO SONOMA (707) 795-6121 • the101casino.com/casino	No tournaments.	Bad-beat in HE (aces full) and Omaha (quad 8s); PLO (Wed., 2p); high hand for Omaha/Big O; buy-in bargain for HE & Omaha/Big O w/free meal; royal-flush bonus in hold'em.
PASO ROBLES CENTRAL COAST CASINO (805) 226-0500 • pasoroblescasino.com	Tuesday (\$20, 11a); Wednesday (\$25, 6p); Thursday (\$40, 6p); Friday freeroll (6p); Saturday (\$25, 11a); Sunday freeroll (noon); 1st Saturday (\$120, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
PECHANGA RESORT (951) 693-1819 • pechanga.com	Monday \$3K guar. (\$45, 10a); Tuesday \$3K guar. (\$45, 10a); Wednesday \$2K guar. (\$25, 10a); Thursday \$4K guar. (\$50, 10a); Friday \$4K guar. (\$50, 10a).	Jackpots in hold'em and Omaha.
PLAYERS CASINO VENTURA (805) 643-1392 • pcventura.com	Mon. (\$55, 11a & \$80, 7p); Tue. (\$25, 11:45a & \$70, 7p); Wed. (\$130, 11:45a); Thurs. KO (\$70, 7p); Sat. (\$130, 11a); Sun. (\$100, 11a & \$55, 5p).	No jackpots.
RANCHO'S CLUB (916) 361-9186 • ranchosclub.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
RED HAWK CASINO (530) 677-2580 • redhawkasino.com	Mon. (\$40, 10a & 6:15p); Tue. (\$40, 10a & \$80, 6:15p); 1st & 3rd Wed. (\$100, 6:15p); Thurs. (\$40, 10a & 6:15p); Fri.-Sun. (\$40, 10a); 2nd & 4th Sat. (\$100, 10a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; Royal Flush Progressive Jackpot; High Hand Bonus (Fri.-Sun.); Straight Flush, Quads, Ship Wrecked (Mon.-Thurs.).
SAN MANUEL CASINO (800) 359-2464 • sanmanuel.com	Monthly \$24K tournament (qualify by playing live hold'em events; call for details).	Double jackpots; Money Wheel.
STONES GAMBLING HALL (916) 735-8440 • stonesgamblinghall.com	M-F (\$55, 10a); T & Th (\$75, 6:30p); Sa \$10K guar. (\$130, 11a); last Su \$40K guar. (\$350, 11a); Big Game Splash, Feb. 4; \$50K guarantee Battle of the Ages, Feb. 7-11.	Rack Attack; Aces Cracked.
SYCUAN CASINO (619) 445-6002 • sycuan.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$30, 10a); Mon.-Tue. (\$40, 6:30p); Wed. (\$40, 6:30p); Fri. (\$10, 10a) & (\$40, 6:30p); Sat. (\$30, 10a) & (\$40, 6p); Sun. (\$70, 6p).	Progressive jackpots in hold'em and Omaha and stud.
TACHI PALACE CASINO (559) 924-7751 • tachipalace.com	Monday KO (\$60, 7:15p); Tuesday (\$50, 7:15p); Wednesday KO (\$60, 7:15p); Friday (\$50, 11:15a); 1st Saturday WSOP satellite (\$225); last 2 Saturdays WSOP sats (\$50).	Aces Cracked; progressive bad-beat jackpot; high hands. See ad Page 37.
THUNDER VALLEY CASINO RESORT (916) 408-7777 • thundervalleyresort.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$60, 11a); Mon. (\$25 w/\$10 rbs, 7p); Wed. Omaha/8-PLO/8-HORSE (\$60, 7p); Fri. (\$160, 6p); Sat. (\$100, 11a); Sat. (\$60, 7p); Sun. KO (\$100, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands. See ad on Pages 10-11.
TURLOCK POKER ROOM (209) 668-1010 • turlockpoker.com	Daily (9a); M (\$20, 6p); T KO (\$25, 6p); W Omaha (\$20, noon & 6p); Th KO (\$25, 9a & \$40, 5p); F (\$25, 9a & \$85, 5p); Sa (\$20, noon); Su Omaha (\$45, 11a) & sats (\$125, 4:30p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royal flush progressive jackpot; high hands.
WIN-RIVER RESORT & CASINO (530) 243-3377 • winrivercasino.com	Monday \$1K Madness (\$20, 5p); Tuesday \$2K deepstack (\$75, 5p); Wednesday \$1K Stack Attack (\$20, 5p); Sunday \$1K deepstack (\$55, 4p).	Progressive straight flushes.

COLORADO

AMERISTAR BLACK HAWK (720) 946-4108 • ameristar.com/Black_Hawk.aspx	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot; mini descending bad-beat jackpot.
GOLDEN GATES CASINO (303) 582-5600 • goldencasinogroup.com	Daily (\$40, 10a); Mon.-Thurs. (\$80, noon); Fri. & Sun. (\$200, noon); Sat. (\$300, noon); Sun., Mon.-Thurs. (\$60, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$140, 7p).	High hands pay up to \$50/hour (daily) and \$100/hour; Friday pays \$500 & Saturday pays \$600.
ISLE CASINO BLACK HAWK (303) 998-7777 • black-hawk.isleofcapricasinos.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot; Aces Cracked; high hands.
LADY LUCK CASINO (303) 582-2141 • isleofcapricasinos.com	Friday (\$60, 7p); Saturday (\$60, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
MIDNIGHT ROSE HOTEL & CASINO (719) 689-2446 • triplecrowncasinos.com	Friday (\$120, 4p); 2nd & 4th Saturday (\$65, 12:30p); Sunday (\$120, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot and mini bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

CONNECTICUT

FOXWOODS RESORT CASINO (800) 369-9663 • foxwoods.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$80-\$160, 10a); Wed. \$15K guar. (\$120, 6p); Fri. 10K guar. (\$160, 6p); Sat. \$20K guar. (\$300, 11a); Presidents Day Weekend, Feb. 17-19.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em is quad eights in hold'em and quad deuces in stud.
MOHEGAN SUN CASINO (860) 862-8000 • mohegansun.com	Daily (\$50-\$150); Monday-Thursday (10a, 2p & 7p); Friday (11a & 2p); Saturday (11a); Sunday (11a & 5p).	High hands pay up to \$600.

DELAWARE

DELAWARE PARK (302) 355-1050 • delawarepark.com	Daily (\$45-\$100); Monday-Wednesday (noon & 7p); Thursday (noon & 7p); Friday (noon, 7p & 10p); Saturday (9a, noon, 7p & 10p); Sunday (9a, noon, 3p & 7p).	Hourly high hands.
DOVER DOWNS HOTEL & CASINO (302) 674-4600 • doverdowns.com	Tue.-Fri. (\$35, 11a & 7:15p); Mon. (\$35, 11:15a & \$25, 7:15p); Sat. (\$100, 11:15a & \$35, 7:15p); Sun. (\$10, 11:15a & \$35, 7:15p); Presidents Day Weekend, Feb. 16-19.	High hands; bad-beat hands; \$100 High Card.
HARRINGTON RACEWAY (888) 887-5687 • harringtonraceway.com	Tuesday & Thursday (\$60, 11a); Wednesday Omaha NL (\$60, 11a); Saturday (\$60 w/rebuy and add-on, 11a); Sunday KO (\$60, 1p).	High hands; Aces Cracked.

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BESTBET JACKSONVILLE (904) 646-0002 • bestbetjax.com	Daily \$40-\$155 (noon & 7p). See ad on Page 21.	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em; \$500 high hand every 15 min. (call for details).
BESTBET ORANGE PARK (904) 646-0002 • bestbetjax.com	Tuesday (\$50, 7p); Sunday (\$50, noon).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em.
CASINO AT DANIA BEACH (954) 920-1511 • casinodaniabeach.com	Monday \$6K guarantee (\$130, 7p); Friday \$10K guarantee (\$150, 6p).	Numerous jackpots and promotions.
CREEK ENTERTAINMENT GRETNIA (850) 875-6930 • creekentertainment.com	Wednesday \$2.5K guarantee (7p); Friday & Saturday \$2K guarantee (\$60, 7p).	Earn cash toward free play up to \$3/hour for live play. See ad on Page 41.
DAYTONA BEACH RACING AND CARD CLUB (386) 252-6484 • daytonagreyhound.com	M (\$65, 3p); T (\$65, 3p); W (\$35, 1p, \$65, 3p, \$120, 7p); Th (\$65, 3p, 7p/8p); F (\$140, 7p); Sa (\$65, 10a, & \$125, 7p); Su (\$65, 5p); 1st Su \$10K guar. (\$90, 1:10p).	High hands. Last Sunday of the Month is a \$15K guar. (\$200, 12:10p).
DERBY LANE (727) 812-3339 x7 • derbylanepoker.com	 Daily (\$20-\$340) at 9a, 1p & 6p.	Player Rewards Program. Call for details on Ante Up Poker Cruise giveaways.
EBRO GREYHOUND PARK (850) 234-3943 • goebro.com	Tue. (\$40, 6:30p); Wed. (\$120, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$40, 6:30p) & (\$30, 8:30p); Fri. (\$120, 6:30p); Sat. (\$25, 1p), (\$60, 6:30p) & (\$30, 8:30p); Sun. (varies).	Bad-beat jackpot is quad deuces.
FT. PIERCE JAI-ALAI & POKER (772) 464-7500 • jaijai.net/poker.php	Monday (\$65, 6p); Wednesday (\$65, 6p); Friday (\$35, 7p); Saturday (\$110-\$130, 3p); Sunday (\$50, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
GULFSTREAM PARK (954) 457-6336 • gulfstreampark.com	Daily (7p); Mon. \$1.5K guar. (\$70); Tue. \$1.5K guar. (\$90); Wed. \$1.5K guar. PLO (\$30 w/\$10 rebuys); Thurs. \$3K guar. (\$110); Fri. \$2.5K guar. (\$70); Sat. (\$50); Sun. (\$70).	High hands; royals pay \$1K.
HIALEAH PARK CASINO (305) 885-8000 • hialeahparkcasino.com	Monday \$5K guarantee (\$75, 7p); Wednesday \$10K guarantee (\$100, 6p); Saturday \$5K guarantee KO (\$100, 7p).	High hands.
ISLE CASINO AT POMPANO PARK (954) 972-2000 x5123 • theislepompanopark.com	Mon. (\$80, 11a & \$20, 7p); Wed. (freeroll, 10a & \$100, 7p); Thurs. (\$20, 11a & \$160, 7p); Fri. (\$130, 7p); Sat. (\$100, 11a & \$75, 7p); Sun. (\$70, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands.
KINGS COURT KEY JAI-ALAI AND POKER ROOM (786) 787-2575 • kingscourtkey.com	Open Sunday-Thursday, noon-3a & Friday-Saturday, noon-5a.	\$200 hourly high hands; \$100 high hands pay every half-hour.
MAGIC CITY CASINO (305) 649-3000 • flaglerdogs.com	Monday \$1.5K guarantee (\$80, 8p); Thursday \$1K guarantee (\$50, 2p).	Big Slick Red Royal pays \$20K plus \$500 table share; high hands.
MARDI GRAS CASINO (877) 557-5687 x3167 • playmardigras.com	Daily (7p); Monday, Wednesday & Thursday \$1.5K guar.; Tuesday \$1.5K guar.; Friday & Sunday 2.5K guar.; Saturday \$2.5K guar.; Sunday freeroll (1p). Call for information.	Call for details.
MELBOURNE GREYHOUND PARK (321) 259-9800 • mgpark.com	Monday (\$60, 7p); Tuesday (\$60, 7p); Wednesday (\$70, 7p); last Friday of month PLO (\$70, 11a) & (\$60, 7p); Sunday (\$75, 1p). See ad below.	Straight flushes pay \$150; royals pay \$500.
MICCOSUKEE RESORT & GAMING (877) 242-6464 • miccosukee.com	Tuesday & Thursday freeroll (7p); Saturday Crazy Pineapple freeroll (2p); Sunday freeroll (2p).	High hands; Splash the Pot.
NAPLES-FT. MYERS GREYHOUND TRACK (239) 992-2411 • naplesfortmyersdogs.com	Daily at noon and 7p (buy-ins vary); 1st & 3rd Sat. KO (\$290, noon).	Big Slick Royal pays minimum of \$10K; all other royals pay \$500.
OCALA GAINESVILLE POKER (352) 591-2345 • ocalagainesvillepoker.com	Monday (\$45, 7p); Tuesday (\$35, 7p); Wednesday (\$55, 7p); Thursday Omaha (\$55, 7p); Friday (\$80, 7p); Saturday (\$55, 5p); Sunday (\$55, 4p).	High hands; get paid for quads and straight flushes.
ORANGE CITY RACING & CARD CLUB (386) 252-6484 • orangecitypoker.com	Monday (\$75, 7:10p); Tuesday (\$100, 7:10p).	\$100K Bad Beat High Hand Bonus; high hands.
OXFORD DOWNS (352) 347-2273 • betoxford.com	Daily, including Sun. (\$100, 12:15p, but 1st & 3rd Sun. is \$230 deepstack; \$55, 6:15p); Mon. (\$30 seniors, 11:15a) and Last Sat. of month (\$150 NLO/8, 11:15a).	High-hand jackpot in hold'em.

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FLORIDA (Continued)

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PALM BEACH KENNEL CLUB (561) 683-2222 • pbkennelclub.com	M (\$70, 12:15 & 6:30p); T & Th (\$100, 12:15 & 6:30p); W (\$100, 12:15 & 6:15p); F (\$120, 12:15) & (\$30 w/rbs, 6:30); Sa (\$120, 12:15) & (\$5 w/rbs, 6:30); Su (\$100, 12:15).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot.
PENSACOLA GREYHOUND TRACK (850) 455-8595 • pensacolagreyhoundtrack.com	Sunday-Monday (\$60, 7p); Wednesday (\$120, 7p); Tuesday & Thursday-Friday (\$60, 7p) & Sunday (\$60, 1p); Saturday \$2K guar. (\$60, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em. See ad on facing page.
SARASOTA KENNEL CLUB (941) 355-7744 x1054 • skcpoker.com	Daily at 1p & 6:30p (\$40-\$120). Sun. (\$120, 1p & \$60, 5p).	Quads, straight flushes and royals all pay bonuses.
SEMINOLE CASINO COCONUT CREEK (866) 222-7466 • seminolecoconutcreekcasino.com	M (\$130, 6p); T (\$60, noon & \$80, 6p); W 0/8 (\$110, noon) & (\$130, 6p); Th (\$60, noon & \$100, 6p); F (\$80, noon) & HA (\$100, 6p); Sa (\$100, 6p); Su (\$80, noon & 6p).	High hands; WSOPC, Feb. 8-19.
SEMINOLE HARD ROCK HOLLYWOOD (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrockhollywood.com	Monday-Friday (\$100-\$300, 11a & 6p); Saturday (\$100-\$200, 11a & 4p); Sunday (varies, 11a & 6p); Escalator II, Feb. 21-March 18 w/\$400K guar., March 15 (\$560).	High hands.
SEMINOLE HARD ROCK TAMPA (866) 502-7529 • seminolehardrocktampa.com	M (\$70, 11a & \$150, 7p); T (\$70, 11a & \$125, 7p); W (\$150, 11a & \$230, 6p); Th (\$110, 11a & \$230, 6p); F (\$125, 11a & \$230, 6p); Sa (\$150, 11a); Su (\$110, noon).	High hands (Monday-Thursday); Hot Seats (Friday-Sunday).
TAMPA BAY DOWNS (813) 298-1798 • tampabaydowns.com	Daily, ranging from \$25-\$225 w/guaranteed prize pools from \$1K-\$10K. See ad Page 47.	Early bird; carry over high hands payout starts with a minimum qualifier of aces full; quads and higher hands win cash (daily).
TGT POKER & RACEBOOK (813) 932-4313 • tgtpoker.com	Monday (\$50, 7p); Tuesday (\$50, 7p); Wednesday (\$40, 7p); Thursday (\$50, 7p); Friday (\$55, 7:30p); Saturday (\$55, 7:30p); Sunday (\$35, 7p).	High hands. Call about Ante Up Set Sail Series and poker cruise giveaways, including Feb. 10 tourney.

ILLINOIS

GRAND VICTORIA ELGIN (847) 531-7753 • grandvictoria-elgin.com	Wednesday (\$100, 12:30p); Sunday (\$150, 12:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands.
HARRAH'S JOLIET (815) 740-7480 • harrahsjoliet.com	Thursday \$2K guarantee (\$125, 7p); Saturday varies (\$125, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO AURORA (630) 801-7471 • hollywoodcasinoaurora.com	Wednesday (\$120 w/rebuys, 8K chips, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO JOLIET (815) 927-2175 • hollywoodcasinojoliet.com	Thursday \$2K guarantee (\$125-\$140, 7p); Saturday (\$125-\$140, noon); call about Sunday events.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
JUMER'S CASINO & HOTEL (309) 756-4600 • jumerscr.com	Monday (\$40, 7p); Tuesday turbo (\$40, 7p); Wednesday (\$40, 7p); Sunday (\$100, 1p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
PAR-A-DICE HOTEL CASINO (309) 698-6693 • paradicecasino.com	Sunday (\$125, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
ROCKFORD CHARITABLE GAMES (800) 965-7852 • rctgpoker.com	Daily (\$40, 2p), (\$70, 4:30p), (\$40, 6:30p) & (\$125, 8p).	Select quads and hourly drawings win cash (call for details).

INDIANA

BELTERRA CASINO RESORT (812) 427-7777 • beltterracasino.com	Thurs. (\$40, 12:15p) & (\$65, 7:15p); Fri. (\$65, 12:15p & 7:15p) & (\$40, mid.); Sat. (\$40, 11:15a) & (\$65, 7:15p); Sun. (\$40, 11:15a) & (\$65, 5:15p).	Splash the Pot.
BLUE CHIP (219) 861-4820 • bluechipcasino.com	Monday (\$125, 6:15p); Tuesday (\$40 w/rebuys, 6:15p); Wednesday (\$60, 6:15p); Thursday (\$40 w/rebuys, 6:15p); Saturday & Sunday (\$80, 12:15p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO LAWRENCEBURG (812) 539-8000 • hollywoodindiana.com	Friday & Saturday \$5K guarantee (7:15p); last Saturday \$10K guarantee (\$150, 4:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HORSESHOE HAMMOND (219) 473-6065 • horseshoehammond.com	Call for information.	Call for information.
HORSESHOE SOUTHERN INDIANA (812) 969-6000 • horseshoe-indiana.com	Monday (\$51, noon); Tuesday (\$50, noon & \$80, 7p); Wed. (\$61, noon & \$80, 7p); Thursday (\$50, noon); Friday (\$60, mid.); Saturday (\$80, noon); Sunday (\$81, 3p).	Bad-beat jackpots in no-limit and limit hold'em.
MAJESTIC STAR II (219) 977-7777 x7444 • majesticstarcasino.com	Tue. (\$85, 7p); Thurs. (\$120, 7p); Fri. (\$90, noon) & (\$130, 7p); Sat. (\$90, noon) & (\$110, 7p); Sun. (\$180, 3p); 1st Sun. seniors (\$150, noon); 2nd Sat. \$10K guar. (5p).	\$100 hourly drawings.
TROPICANA EVANSVILLE (812) 433-4000 • tropevansville.com	Wednesday (\$50, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

IOWA

DIAMOND JO CASINO NORTHWOOD (641) 323-7777 • diamondjo.com	Tuesday (freeroll, 7p); Thursday KO (\$65, 7p); Friday turbo (\$30, 2p); Saturday (\$45, noon); Sunday (\$65, noon); 2nd & last Saturday of the month (\$160, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and was \$250K-plus at press time; straight-flush jackpot.
GRAND FALLS CASINO (712) 777-7777 • grandfallscasinosort.com	Monday Omaha/8 (\$40, 6p); Wednesday (\$40, 1p); Thursday (\$40, 6p); Saturday (\$60, noon); Sunday (\$100, 1p).	High hands.
HORSESHOE COUNCIL BLUFFS (877) 771-7463 • horseshoecouncilbluffs.com	Monday & Wednesday (\$65, 10a); Tuesday (\$65, 7p); Thursday KO (\$100, 7p); Saturday (\$150/\$250, 10a); Sun. (\$50, 10a & 2p); RPS, Feb. 20-25.	Win \$500 for a steel wheel in Omaha/8; 10 progressive straight flushes in hold'em.
MESKWAKI CASINO (641) 484-2108 • meskwaki.com	Tuesday (\$20 w/rebuys, 7p); Wednesday Omaha (\$20, 7p); Thursday (\$30 w/re-entry, 7p); Saturday & Sunday (\$30, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
PRAIRIE MEADOWS CASINO (515) 967-8543 • prairiemeadows.com	Thursday (\$55, 6p); Friday (\$40, 3p); Sunday (\$80, 1p).	Straight and royal flush progressive jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
Q CASINO (563) 585-2964 • qcasinolandhotel.com	Mon. (\$30, 6p, 8K chips); Wed. (\$40, 6p, 8K chips); Last Sunday (\$100, 1p, 12 chips).	Call for information.
RHYTHM CITY CASINO (563) 328-8000 • rhythmcitycasino.com	Tuesday (\$30, noon); Wednesday (\$30, 7p); Sunday (\$60, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
RIVERSIDE CASINO (319) 648-1234 • riversidecasinoandresort.com	Monday Omaha/8 (\$30, 11a); Tuesday (\$25, 7p); Thursday (\$30, 6p); Friday Omaha/8 (\$30, 11a); Saturday (\$30, 1p); Sunday (\$50, 2p); last Saturday (\$100, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
WINNAVEGAS (712) 428-9466 • winnavegas.biz	Tuesday & Wednesday (\$50, 7p); Friday (\$25, 7p); first Saturday (\$125, 2p); Sunday \$400 freeroll (noon).	Tournament bad-beat jackpot.

KANSAS

BOOT HILL CASINO (877) 906-0777 • boothillcasino.com	No tournaments.	Hold'em and Omaha/8 games spread on live tables.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO (913) 288-9300 • hollywoodcasinokansas.com	Monday (\$65, 11:15a); Tuesday (\$65, 7:15p); Thursday (\$65, 11:15a) & KO (\$85, 7:15p); Saturday & Sunday (\$125, 11:15a); last Sunday of month (\$235, 11:15a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
KANSAS STAR CASINO (316) 719-5000 • kansasstarcasino.com	Tuesday (\$100, 7:00p); Wednesday (\$45, noon); Friday (\$45, noon); Sunday (\$85, 2p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.



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February 23rd at 7pm

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\$2,500 GUARANTEED TOURNAMENTS

Wednesdays at 7pm

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February 22nd through February 24th at 1pm

Day 2 • February 25th at 1pm

FULL HOUSE PROMOTIONS

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Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7pm • Sundays at 1pm

\$60 BUY-IN OMAHA HI-LO SPLIT TOURNAMENT

February 10th at 1pm

\$70 BUY-IN BOUNTY TOURNAMENT

February 17th at 1pm



LOUISIANA

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BOOMTOWN NEW ORLEANS (800) 366-7711 • boomtownneworleans.com	Tuesday (\$10, 11a); Wednesday-Thursday (\$35, 7p).	High hands.
COUSHATTA CASINO (800) 584-7263 • couchattacasinoresort.com	Daily, including Saturday (\$200, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
ELDORADO CASINO SHREVEPORT (318) 220-5274 • eldoradoshreveport.com	Wednesday (\$145, 6:30p); Thursday (\$165, 6:30p); Friday (\$130, 6:30p); Saturday (\$120, 11a); Sunday (\$145, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; royals pay \$500.
GOLDEN NUGGET LAKE CHARLES 337-508-7777 • goldennugget.com/lakecharles	Monthly freerolls (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands.
HARRAH'S NEW ORLEANS (504) 533-6000 • harrahsneworleans.com	Wednesday (\$130, 11a); Saturday (\$130, 11a).	High hands.
HORSESHOE CASINO BOSSIER CITY (800) 895-0711 • horseshoebossiercity.com	Monday (varies); Wednesday (\$105, noon); Thursday (6:30p).	Aces Cracked; high hands.
ISLE OF CAPRI LAKE CHARLES (337) 430-2407 • lake-charles.isleofcapricasinos.com	Monday (\$60, 6:30p); Wednesday KO (\$70, 6:30p); Friday (\$50, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
JENA CHOCTAW PINES CASINO (318) 648-7773 • jenachoclawpinescasino.com	Wednesday (\$40, 7p); Sunday (\$40, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
L'AUBERGE BATON ROUGE CASINO (225) 215-7777 • lbatonrouge.com	Monday & Wednesday (\$60, 11a); Sunday (\$100, 11a).	Player promotions for live hold'em.
L'AUBERGE DU LAC CASINO (337) 395-7777 • ldlcasino.com	Monday (\$50, 11a); Wednesday (\$50, 11a); Saturday (\$90, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
PARAGON CASINO RESORT (800) 946-1946 • paragoncasinoresort.com	Thursday (\$18, 1:30p); Friday (\$60, 7p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot.

MARYLAND

HOLLYWOOD CASINO PERRYVILLE (410) 378-8500 • hollywoodcasinoperryville.com	(Sun.-Fri., 9:30a); Mon. (\$30, noon & \$40, 7p); Tue.-Wed. (\$40, 7p); Thurs. (\$30, noon & \$40, 7p); Fri. (\$75, 7p); Sat. (\$40, 4p & \$75, 9p); Sun. (\$40, 1p & \$40, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HORSESHOE BALTIMORE (443) 931-4200 • caesars.com/baltimore	M & T (\$75, 11a); T O'8 (\$100, 7p); W (\$235, 11a) & (\$75, 7p); Th KO (\$150, 11a & 7p); F (\$150, 11a) & KO (\$200, 7p); Sa KO (\$250, 11a); Su KO (\$150, 11a & 7p).	High hands; get paid for royal flush.
LIVE CASINO (443) 445-2500 • marylandlivecasino.com	Daily, from \$65-\$500, times vary so call for schedule.	Late night high hands pays \$500 every hour up to \$1.5K. See the ad on Page 25 for all kinds of high-hand promos.
MGM NATIONAL HARBOR (301) 971-5700 • mgmnationalharbor.com	Monday-Thursday (\$120, 11a).	Royals pay \$500.

MICHIGAN

FIREKEEPERS CASINO (269) 962-0000 • firekeeperscasino.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$40, noon); Mon.-Wed. (\$40, 6:30p); Thurs. PLO (\$40, 6:30p); Fri. (\$40, noon); Sat. (\$80, noon); 1st and 3rd Sun. (\$120, noon); 2nd & 4th Sun. (\$240, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
GREEKTOWN HOTEL & CASINO (313) 223-2999 • greektowncasino.com	Monday (\$40, noon); Wednesday (\$50, 7:30p); Thursday (\$60, 7:30p); Saturday (\$30, 11:30a); Sunday (\$40, 11:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.
MGM GRAND DETROIT (313) 465-1777 • mgmgranddetroit.com	Saturday KO (\$210, 2p); Sunday KO (\$110, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
SOARING EAGLE CASINO (989) 775-7777 • soaringeaglecasino.com	Monday (\$60, 6:30p); Tuesday (\$13, 6:30p); Wednesday (\$60, 6:30p); Thursday (\$60, 6:30p); Sunday (\$60, 12:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
TURTLE CREEK CASINO & HOTEL (231) 534-8937 • turtlecreekcasino.com	Monday (\$40, 7p); Wednesday (\$40, 7p); Thursday No Frills (\$70, 7p); Sunday (\$100, 2p); first Saturday (\$175, 1p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

MINNESOTA

CANTERBURY PARK (952) 445-7223 • canterburypark.com	Mon. (\$35, 10:30a & \$150, 6:30p); Tue. (\$55, 10:30a & \$50, 6:30p); Wed. (\$50, 10:30a & \$235, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$35, 10:30a & vaies, 6:30p); Fri. (\$50, 10:30a); Sat. (\$180, 10:30a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Quads Board (Mon.); Aces Cracked (Tue. & Wed.); Aces Full (Wed.); MSPT, Feb. 23-25.
RUNNING ACES CASINO AND RACETRACK (651) 925-4600 • runningacesharass.com	Daily (times and buy-ins vary, call the poker room for schedule).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha and stud; Aces Cracked.
TREASURE ISLAND RESORT & CASINO (651) 388-6300 • treasureislandcasino.com	Thursday (\$100, 6:30p); Friday (\$50, 6:30p); Saturday (\$60, 10:30a); Sunday (\$70, 12:30p).	Aces Cracked wins up to \$300; straight flushes pay \$50; royal flushes pay \$100.

MISSISSIPPI

AMERISTAR CASINO VICKSBURG (601) 630-4999 • ameristar.com/vicksburg	Sunday \$2K guarantee (\$65, 4p).	Player rewards for live play.
BEAU RIVAGE RESORT AND CASINO (228) 386-7092 • beaurivage.com	Daily (call for details).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
GOLDEN NUGGET BILOXI (228) 436-7967 • goldennugget.com/biloxi	Monday-Thursday \$1K guarantee KO (\$50 w/rebuy, 7p); Saturday \$2K guarantee (\$60, 2p); Sunday \$2K guarantee (\$60 w/rebuy, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpots in hold'em, Omaha, and tournaments; Aces Cracked w/bonus Splash the Pot.
HARD ROCK BILOXI (228) 374-7625 • hardrockbiloxi.com	Call for information.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HOLLYWOOD CASINO TUNICA (800) 871-0711 x5005 • hollywoodtunica.com	Friday (\$40, 7p); Saturday (\$40, 2p); Sunday (\$20, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud; high hands.
HORSESHOE CASINO TUNICA (662) 357-5608 • horseshoetunica.com	Monday-Thursday (\$50, noon & 7p); Friday (\$50, noon & \$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Saturday \$10K guarantee (\$150, noon); Sunday (\$90, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
IP CASINO RESORT & SPA (888) 946-2847 x8554 • ipbiloxi.com	Daily (\$60, noon).	Aces Cracked; High Hand of the Hour.
PEARL RIVER RESORT (601) 663-1040 • pearlriverresort.com	 Monday (\$35 w/rebuy and bounty, 7p); Friday (\$50, 2p); Saturday (\$50, noon) & (\$125, 5p); AUPT Spring Poker Classic, March 15-25. See ad Page 7.	Splash the Pot (Monday-Friday); Hot Seats (Wednesday & Thursday); Sunday Drawings pays \$1K in prizes; high hands in hold'em (Monday & Tuesday).

MISSOURI

AMERISTAR ST. CHARLES (636) 949-7777 • ameristar.com	Mon. Survivor (\$120, 7p); Wed. KO (\$85, 7p); Fri.-Sat. (\$65, noon); Sun. KO (\$85, noon); last Sat. (\$160, noon); first Sun. KO (\$175 w/\$50 bounty, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands; HPT Mini Series, Feb. 21-25.
AMERISTAR KANSAS CITY (816) 414-7000 • ameristar.com	Mon. (\$65, 7p); Wed. (\$85, 7p); Fri.-Sat. (\$65, noon); Sun. (\$85, noon); last Sat. of month (\$160, noon); first Sun. of month (\$175, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HARRAH'S NORTH KANSAS CITY (816) 472-7777 • harrahsnk.com	Mon. (\$30, 11a & \$60, 7p); Tue. (\$75, 11a & 7p); Wed. (\$85, 11a & \$60, 7p); Thurs. (\$65, 11a & 7p); Fri. (\$65, 11a); Sat. (\$120, 11a); Sun. (\$50, 11a & 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot; high-hand jackpot (daily).
HOLLYWOOD ST. LOUIS (314) 770-8100 • hollywoodcasinostlouis.com	Monday-Friday varies (1p & 7p); Friday (\$60, 11p); Saturday (\$75-\$300, noon & 7p); Sunday (varies, 1p & 5p).	\$2.5K in special high-hand jackpots available (daily); bad-beat jackpots in hold'em and Omaha.



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MISSOURI (Continued)

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ISLE CASINO CAPE GIRARDEAU (573) 290-3017 • cape-girardeau.isleofcapricasinos.com	Thursday (\$65, 1p); Sunday (\$65, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
LUMIERE PLACE (314) 881-7777 • lumiereplace.com	Friday-Sunday (\$60, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands; Aces Cracked.

NEVADA

ARIA (866) 359-7111 • arialasvegas.com	Monday-Thursday (\$125, 1p); Monday-Sunday (\$125, 7p); Friday-Sunday (\$240, 11a); U.S. Open, Feb. 1-11.	No jackpots.
ATLANTIS CASINO RESORT SPA RENO (800) 723-6500 • atlanticasino.com	Daily (\$30 w/\$20 rebuys, 11a); see ad on Page 13 for \$200K guarantee main event All In Poker Series.	Bad-beat jackpot; \$4/hour comps (24/7); progressive high hands.
BALLY'S LAS VEGAS (702) 967-4111 • ballyslasvegas.com	Daily; \$500 guar. (\$55, 5K chips, 9a); \$1K guar. (\$75, 8K chips, noon); \$500 guar. (\$55, 5K chips, 3p); \$1K guar. (\$75, 8K chips, 8p).	High hands (call for details).
BELLAGIO (702) 693-7111 • bellagio.com	Daily (\$200, 2p) w/shot clock structure.	No jackpots.
BINION'S GAMBLING HALL (702) 382-1600 • binions.com	Sunday-Friday (\$100, 1p); nightly (\$75, 7p); Saturday \$10K guarantee (\$160, 1p).	High hands of \$50 for quads, \$100 for straight flushes and \$250 for royal flushes.
BOOMTOWN RENO (775) 345-6000 • boomtownreno.com	Open Friday-Monday (10a) and at 4p on Thursday.	Quads pays \$25, straight flush pays \$100 and royals pay \$250.
BOULDER STATION HOTEL & CASINO (702) 432-7777 • boulderstation.com	No tournaments.	\$500 Omaha high hand (Sunday-Monday).
CACTUS PETES RESORT CASINO (775) 755-6471 • cactuspetes.com	Wednesday (\$30, 7p); Thursday (\$30, 7p); Friday (\$75, 7p).	Aces Cracked; high hands.
CAESARS PALACE (702) 731-7110 • caesarspalace.com	Daily \$1.5K guarantee (\$100, 10a); \$2.5K guarantee (\$150, 2p); \$2K guarantee (\$125, 6p); \$2.5K guarantee (\$150, 9p).	High hands; get paid for quads (\$100), straight flushes (\$200) and royals (\$500).
CLUB CAL NEVA RENO (877) 777-7303 • clubcalneva.com	Monday-Thursday (\$10, 11a, 2p, 6p); Friday-Sunday (\$10, 11a, 2p, 6p & 9p); 1st Saturday of month (\$50, 4p).	High hand progressive jackpots during tournaments.
EXCALIBUR HOTEL AND CASINO (702) 597-7777 • excalibur.com	Daily (\$40, 9a) & (\$45, 1p, 5p & 8p).	Aces Cracked.
FLAMINGO LAS VEGAS (702) 733-3111 • flamingolasvegas.com	Six tournaments daily w/guarantees (\$70, 1p, 6p, 9p, mid.) & (\$60, 10a & 4p); Friday \$6K freeroll; \$15K freeroll (monthly).	Get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100), and royals (\$300).
GOLDEN NUGGET LAS VEGAS (702) 385-7111 • goldennugget.com	Daily (\$70, 11a), (\$50, 3p), (\$70, 7p); (\$50, 10p); Sunday \$5K guarantee (\$125, 11a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands.
GRAND SIERRA RESORT (775) 789-2000 • grandsierraresort.com	Sunday-Friday (\$25 w/\$20 rebuys, 11a & 6:30p); Saturday KO (\$65, 11a) & KO (\$100, 6:30p).	Aces Cracked.
GREEN VALLEY RANCH (702) 617-7777 • greenvalleyranchresort.com	Daily \$1K guarantee (\$50, 10a); Monday (\$50, 6:30p); Monday & Wednesday Mystery KO (\$50, 6:30p).	Bad-beat jackpot; progressive high hand cash prizes.
HARRAH'S LAS VEGAS (702) 369-5000 • harrahsvegas.com	Sunday-Thursday \$500 guarantee (\$65, 9a, noon, 3p, 7p & 10p); Friday-Saturday \$1K guarantee KO (\$100, 7p).	Get paid for quads (\$50), straight flush (\$100) and royals (\$300).
HARVEYS LAKE TAHOE (775) 588-6611 • harveystahoe.com	Daily (\$40, 10a); Monday & Wednesday (\$50, 6p); Tuesday & Thursday (\$75, 6p); Friday (\$95, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
MANDALAY BAY (702) 632-7777 • mandalaybay.com	Monday-Sunday (\$65, 11a, 3p & 10p).	High Hands; Hot Seats; Shift Specific Rolling High Hands 3X (daily).
MGM GRAND LAS VEGAS (702) 891-1111 • mgmgrand.com	Daily \$2K guarantee (\$80, 15K chips, 11a & 7p) & (\$60, 2p & 10p).	Progressive Picture Pyramid; High Hand of the Day (daily, 4a-11a & 4p-11p).
MIRAGE (702) 791-7111 • mirage.com	Monday-Thursday (\$65, 11a, 2p, 7p & 10p); Friday-Sunday (\$120, 11a); Friday-Saturday KO (\$100, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Aces Cracked.
THE ORLEANS (702) 365-7111 • orleanscasino.com	Mon.-Thurs. various (\$75, 12:05p & \$100, 7:05p); Fri. (\$75, 12:05p) & (\$125, 7:05p); Sat. Omaha (\$75, 12:05p & 7:05p); Sun. (\$75, 12:05p) & HORSE (\$100, 7:05p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot.
PALACE STATION (702) 367-2453 • palacestation.com	No tournaments.	High Hand of the Hour (Monday-Friday).
PEPPERMILL RESORT CASINO (775) 826-2121 • peppermillreno.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$45-\$55) at noon & 6:30p; Fri. (\$45, noon); Sat. (\$120, noon); Sun. (varies, noon, 2p & 6:30p); 2nd Sat. (\$235, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; quads (\$75), straight flush (\$150) and royals (\$400).
PLANET HOLLYWOOD (702) 785-5555 • planethollywoodresort.com	Call for details.	Call for details.
RED ROCK CASINO (702) 797-7777 • redrock.sdlv.com	M & Th (\$60, 12:05p) & KO (\$100, 6:35p); Tue. & Wed. (\$60, 12:05p) & KO (\$60, 6:35p); F (\$60, 12:05p); Sat. KO (\$100, 12:05p); Sun. (\$125, 12:05p) & (\$60, 6:35p).	High hands.
RIO HOTEL & CASINO (702) 777-7777 • riolasvegas.com	Daily \$500 guarantee (\$60, 10a, 1p, 4p, 9p); Saturday & Sunday \$2K freeroll (9a); WSOPC, Feb. 16-27.	Royal flushes pay \$500, straight flushes pay \$100.
SAM'S TOWN LAS VEGAS (702) 456-7777 • samstownlv.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$23, 10a, \$30 w/\$10 rb, 1p & \$35, 7p); Fri. (\$23, 10a, \$30 w/\$10 rb, 1p & \$25, 7p); Sat. (\$23, 10a, \$30 w/\$10 rb, 1p & \$55, 7p); 2nd and 4th Sat. (\$105, 7p).	Amazing Aces.
SANTA FE STATION CASINO (702) 658-4900 • santafestationlasvegas.com	Monday-Sunday (\$45, noon); Sunday-Thursday (\$45, 7p); Fri. & Sat. (\$45, 6p).	Progressive Aces Cracked; get paid \$500 for flopped quads.
SILVER LEGACY RESORT CASINO (702) 796-7111 • southpointcasino.com	Daily (\$40, 10a); Tuesday & Wednesday (\$45, 6p).	Bad-beat jackpots; get paid for quads, straight flush and royal flush.
SOUTH POINT HOTEL CASINO (702) 796-7111 • southpointcasino.com	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday KO (\$60, 10a, 2p & 7p); Wednesday & Sunday (\$60, 10a & 2p); Wednesday & Sunday (\$100, 6p); \$50K guar. Super Tourney, Feb. 1-3.	High hands.
STRATOSPHERE CASINO, HOTEL & TOWER (702) 944-4915 • stratospherehotel.com	Monday-Sunday (\$50 w/\$20 add-on, 7p).	Get paid for quads (\$100), straight flush (\$250) and royals (\$500).
SUNCOAST HOTEL & CASINO (702) 636-7111 • suncoastcasino.com	Mon. & Tue. (\$45, 10a & 7p); last Tue. (\$100, 6p); Wed. & Thurs. (\$45, 10a & 7p); Fri. (\$45, 10a & \$100, 6p); Sat. & Sun. (\$45, 10a & 7p).	Cash bonuses.
TREASURE ISLAND (702) 894-7111 • treasureisland.com	Daily (\$40-\$75) at 11a, 2p, 7p and 10p.	Get Paid to Play, earn \$12/hour from live play.
VENETIAN RESORT (702) 414-1000 • venetian.com	Daily at noon and other times with various buy-ins.	Deep Stack Extravaganza until Feb. 25. Daily events are suspended during DSE.
WENDOVER NUGGET (775) 664-2221 • wendovernugget.com	Wednesday & Thursday (\$10, 8:30p); Friday & Saturday \$1K guarantee (\$50, 8:30p); Sunday (\$50, 1p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
WESTGATE LAS VEGAS (702) 732-5111 • westgateresorts.com	Monday-Saturday (\$40, 11a); Friday (\$60, 6p & 10p); Saturday (\$60, 6p & 10p); ask about freerolls.	Player rewards.
WYNN LAS VEGAS (702) 770-7000 • wynnlasvegas.com	Mon.-Thurs. (\$140, noon); Fri. & Sun. \$10K guar. (\$200, noon); Sat. \$25K guar. (\$225, noon); Wynn Classic, Feb. 19-March 11 w/\$1M guar., March 1 (\$1,600).	No promotions.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE

HAMPTON FALLS (603) 601-2486 • hamptonfallspoker.com	M (\$70, 5:30p); T (\$50, 5:30p); W (\$50 w/rb & add-on, 5:30p); Th (\$80, 5:30p); F (\$90, 1p & \$80, 5:30p); Sa (\$90, 1p, \$70, 5p); Su (\$50 w/add-on, 1p & \$100, 4p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
MANCHESTER POKER ROOM (603) 668-6591	Tuesday KO (\$20 w/rebuys, 5:30p); Thursday \$50/\$50/\$50 (5:30p).	High hands; bad-beat jackpot (Sunday).
RIVER CASINO (603) 249-5548 • therivercasino.com	Monday (\$10, 6p); Wednesday (\$5, 6p); Thursday \$2K guarantee (\$50, 6p); Friday (\$10, 4p & \$70, 6p); Saturday (\$20, 12:30p); Sunday (\$10, 1p).	Spin the Wheel.

NEW JERSEY

BALLY'S ATLANTIC CITY (609) 340-2000 • ballysac.com	Monday, Wednesday & Sunday (\$55, 7p); Tuesday & Thursday (\$55, 7p); Friday-Sunday (\$40, 3p); Friday & Saturday \$5K guarantee (\$65, 7p).	High hands pay up to \$350.
BORGATA HOTEL CASINO AND SPA (609) 317-1000 • theborgata.com	M (\$100, 11a & 7p); T (\$100, 11a & 7p); W (\$120, 11a & 6p); Th. (\$100, 11a & \$220, 7p); Fri. (\$230, noon & \$120, 6p); Sat. (\$120, 11a & \$220, 6p); Sun. (\$115, 10a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; WPT Winter Open runs until Feb. 2.
GOLDEN NUGGET ATLANTIC CITY (800) 777-8477 • goldennugget.com/atlanticcity	Daily, times and buy-ins vary, call the poker room. Last Saturday \$10K guar. (\$180, 12:15p).	High hand; Splash the Pot.
HARRAH'S ATLANTIC CITY (609) 441-5000 • harrahsresort.com	Wednesday & Sunday (\$65, 8:15p); Saturday (\$65, 1:15p).	High hands.
TROPICANA ATLANTIC CITY (609) 340-4000 • tropicana.net	Monday-Sunday (\$50, 11:15a & 7:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

NEW MEXICO

BUFFALO THUNDER RESORT & CASINO (505) 455-5555 • buffalothunderresort.com	Mon. (\$30 w/rb, 6:30p); Tue. (\$40 w/rb, 6:30p); Wed. (\$50 w/rbs, 6:30p); Th. 0/8 (\$30 w/rbs, 6:30p); Fri. & Sat. (\$75, 6:30p); Su. (\$30 w/rbs, 5p); last Sa. (\$150, 1p).	High hands.
INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS CASINO AND RESORT (575) 464-7777 • innofthemountaingods.com	Friday (\$120, 6p); Saturday Second Chance (freeroll, must play Friday event); Sunday (\$75, 2p). See ad on Page 18.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; Poker Squares through Feb. 22.
ISLETA RESORT & CASINO (505) 724-3800 • hardrockcasinoabq.com	Mon. & Wed. (\$20, 2p & \$25, 7p); Tue. (\$25, 7p); Thurs. (\$15, 7p); Fri. (\$25, 2p & \$100, 7p); Sat. (\$20, 2p & \$30, 7p); Sun. (\$20, 2p & \$25, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
ROUTE 66 CASINO (505) 352-7866 • rt66casino.com	Sun.-Thurs. (\$28, noon & 3p); Sun. & Wed. (\$28, 7p); Mon., Tue. & Thurs. (\$14, 7p); Fri. (\$28, noon & 5p) & (\$33, 8p); Sat. (\$33, noon) & (\$28, 5p & 8p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
SANDIA RESORT & CASINO (505) 796-7500 • sandiacasino.com	Monday (\$55, 7p); Tuesday & Thursday KO (\$75 w/\$25 bounties, 7p); Sunday (\$50, noon) & (\$45, 5p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha.

NEW YORK

RIVERS CASINO & RESORT (518) 579-8800 • riverscasinoandresort.com	Monday (\$75, 10a) & (\$100, 6:30p); Tuesday KO (\$100, 10a) & (\$140, 6:30p); Wednesday (\$75, 10a); Thursday KO (\$100, 10a). Presidents Day deepstack, Feb. 17-19.	\$300 High Hands (Wed. & Thurs., every half hour, 5p-mid.); \$500 High Hands (Sat., every hour, 11a-7p).
SENECA NIAGARA (877) 873-6322 • senecaniagaracasino.com	Mon. (\$100, 7p); Tue. (\$40, 10a & 7p); Wed. (\$160, 7p); Thurs. (\$60, 10a & 7p); Fri. (\$100, 10a); Sat. (\$60, 10a & \$150, 11a); Sun. (\$60, 10a & \$125, 6p).	High hands pay up to \$500.
SENECA SALAMANCA (877) 860-5130 • senecagames.com	Room open Wed., Thurs. & Sun. (10a-3a); Fri. & Sat. (10a-5a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em, Omaha and stud.
TIOGA DOWNS (888) 946-8464 • tiogadowns.com	No tournaments.	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands.
TURNING STONE RESORT (800) 386-5366 • turningstone.com	M-Th. (\$15-\$105) at noon, 7p & 8p & 8:30p; Fri. (\$100, noon & \$105, 7p); Sat. (\$95, 11a & \$155, 4p); Sun. (\$90, 11a & \$90, 4p); 1st Sun. (\$230, 11a); 3rd Sun. (\$330, 11a)	Cash giveaways; high hands (Monday-Wednesday).

NORTH CAROLINA

HARRAH'S CHEROKEE (N.C.) (828) 497-7777 • harrahscherokee.com	M (\$80, 7p & \$45, 10p); T (\$80, 7p & \$45, 10p); W (\$80, 7p & \$45, 10p); Th (\$80, 7p & \$45, 10p); F (\$135, 7p & \$80, 10p); Sa (\$380, 4p); Su (\$80, 10a & 7p) & (\$250, 2p).	Player rewards for tournament players.
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OHIO

HOLLYWOOD COLUMBUS (614) 308-3333 • hollywoodcolumbus.com	Monday & Thursday \$5K guar. (\$75, 7:15p); Friday \$5K guar. (\$140, 12:15p); Saturday \$6K guar. survivor (\$125, 12:15p); Sunday \$10K guar. (\$150, 12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
HOLLYWOOD TOLEDO (419) 661-5200 • hollywoodcasinotoledo.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$60, 10:15a); Mon. (\$60, 7:15p); Tue. (\$60, 7:15p); Wed. KO (\$75, 7:15p); Sat. (\$130, 12:15p); Sun. (\$120, 12:15p) & KO (\$75, 7:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
JACK CLEVELAND CASINO (216) 297-4777 • horseshoecleveland.com	Daily at 12:15p and 7:15p (buy-ins vary), plus last Sun. \$50K guar. (\$500, 12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em and Omaha; high hands.
JACK CINCINNATI CASINO (877) 975-3436 • horseshoecincinnati.com	Mon.-Fri. (\$75, 11:15a); Mon. (\$75, 6:15p); Tue. & Thurs. (\$110, 6:15p); Wed. (\$150, 6:15p); Sun. (\$150, 11:15a); 1st Sat. \$50K (\$390, 11:15a); 2nd-5th Sat. (\$75, 11:15a).	Bad-beat jackpot starts at \$25K.
SHARK TANK POKER CLUB (614) 459-2678 • sharktankpokerclub.com	Mon. & Tue. (\$65, 7p); Wed. (\$75, 7p); Thurs. (\$70 w/rebuys, 7p); Fri. (\$125, 7p); Sat. (\$65, noon) & (\$80, 6p); Sun. (\$60, 6p).	Ask about WSOP satellites into the main event.

OKLAHOMA

CHEROKEE WEST SILOAM SPRINGS (800) 754-4111 • cherokeecasino.com	Mon.-Sun. (\$30 w/rebuys, 10a); Tuesday (\$30 w/rebuys, 7p); Wednesday (\$50, 7p); Thursday (\$30 w/rebuys, 7p); Friday KO (\$60, 7p); Sunday deepstack (\$75, 2p).	Earn player reward points based off of the buy-in of the tournament.
CHOCTAW RESORT CASINO (580) 920-0160 • choctawcasinos.com	Monday-Thursday (\$60, 1p & 7p); Friday KO (\$115, 1p & 7p); Saturday \$10K guarantee (\$180, noon); Sunday (\$60, 3p).	\$25K bad-beat jackpot in hold'em (daily); mini bad-beat jackpot (daily); \$5K Omaha bad-beat jackpot (daily).
COMANCHE NATION (580) 250-3030 • comanchenationcasino.com	Saturday (\$40, noon); room open Sunday-Thursday (noon-2a) & Friday-Saturday (noon-4a).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
COMANCHE RED RIVER HOTEL CASINO (580) 250-3060 • comancheredrivercasino.com	Open Thursday-Monday (noon-2a) & Friday-Saturday (noon-4a); Thursday (\$20, 5p); Sunday (\$50, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot coming soon.
DOWNSTREAM CASINO RESORT (918) 919-6000 • downstreamcasino.com	Tuesday (\$40, 7p); Wednesday (\$75, 7p); Friday (\$60, 7p); Saturday (\$60, 2p) & (\$120, 5p); Sunday crazy pineapple (\$45, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
GRAND CASINO HOTEL & RESORT (405) 964-7263 • firelakegrand.com	Mon. (\$35, 11a & \$40 w/rbs, 7p); Tue. (\$40 w/rbs, 7p); Wed. (\$50, 7p); Thurs. (\$50, 7p); Fri. (\$35, 11a & \$50, 6p); Sat. (\$90, 4p); Sun. (\$70, 4p).	Aces Cracked; high hands.
HARD ROCK TULSA (918) 384-6648 • hardrockcasinotulsa.com	Sun.-Fri. (\$35, 10a); Mon. (\$25, 4p); Tue. (\$50, 7p); Wed. (\$60, 7p); Thurs. (\$100, 7p); Fri. (\$70, 7p); Sat. (\$125, noon) & (\$60, 7p); Sun. (\$80, 7p).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot in hold'em. RPS, Feb. 6-11 w/\$100K guar., Feb. 9 (\$675).
INDIGO SKY CASINO 888-992-7591 • indigoskycasino.com	Mon. (closed); Tue. Omaha (\$40, 7p); Wed. seniors (\$35, 2p) & deuces wild (\$40, 7p); Thurs. (\$25, 7p); Fri. KO (\$50, 7p); Sat. (\$20, 2p & \$50, 7p); Sun. crazy pineapple (\$35, 3p).	High hands.
OSAGE CASINO TULSA (877) 246-8777 • osagecasinos.com	Monday-Friday (\$30, 2p); Tuesday & Thursday (\$40, 7:30p); Wednesday (\$40, 7:30p); Saturday (\$60, noon).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
RIVER SPIRIT CASINO (918) 299-8518 • creeknationcasino.com	Daily (\$50, 9:30a); Monday (\$50, 7p); Tuesday, Thursday & Sunday KO (\$75, 7p); Wednesday seniors (\$25, 5p) & (\$50, 7p); Friday (\$65, 7p); Saturday (\$50, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
RIVERWIND CASINO (405) 322-6000 • riverwindcasino.com	Monday-Friday (\$40, 11a); Saturday (\$90, 11a); Sunday (\$115, 11a); Monday-Wednesday (\$40, 7p); Thursday & Saturday (\$90, 7p); Sunday (\$40, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
WINSTAR WORLD CASINO (580) 276-4229 • winstarcasinos.com	Monday-Thursday (\$65, 1p & 7p); Friday (\$120, 11a); Saturday (\$175, 11a); Sunday KO (\$230, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.

OREGON

LOCATION	TOURNAMENTS/SPECIAL EVENTS	JACKPOTS/PROMOTIONS
CHINOOK WINDS CASINO (541) 996-5825 • chinookwindscasino.com	Monday (\$40, 6p); Friday (\$100, 4p); Saturday (\$95, 2p); Sunday (\$80, 6p); closed Wednesday-Thursday.	Tournament royal flushes pay \$200.
SPIRIT MOUNTAIN CASINO (503) 879-2350 • spiritmountain.com	Mon. \$350 freeroll (10:30a & 7p); Tue. stud/8 (\$30, 10:30a); Wed. Omaha/8 (\$30, 10:30a); Thurs. (\$40, 10:30a & 7p); Fri. \$500 added (\$70, noon); Sat. KO (\$90, noon).	High hands; Spin the Wheel.
WILDHORSE RESORT (541) 278-2274 • wildhorseresort.com	Tuesday (\$35, 6:30p); Thursday (\$55, 6:30p); Saturday \$300 added (\$110, 1p); Sunday \$100 added (\$35, 1p).	Rolling High Hand.

PENNSYLVANIA

HARRAH'S PHILADELPHIA (800) 480-8020 • harrahshchester.com	Daily at 11:30a & 7p; Mon. (\$55 & \$75); Tue. (\$65 & \$75); Wed. (\$65 & PLO \$85); Thurs. (\$65 & \$95); Fri. (\$55 & \$65); Sat. (\$55 & \$65); Sun. (\$65).	High hands.
HOLLYWOOD PENN NATIONAL (717) 469-2211 • hcpn.com	Monday, Wednesday & Friday (\$80, 11:15a); Saturday & Sunday (\$120, 11:15a); Monday-Thursday (\$80, 7:15p).	High hands.
MEADOWS CASINO (724) 503-1200 • meadowsgaming.com	Daily at 11:15a and 7:15p (buy-ins are \$31-\$96).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; progressive high-hand jackpot in hold'em.
MOHEGAN SUN POCONO (570) 831-2100 • mohegansunpocono.com	M (\$30, noon & \$50, 7p); T (\$50, noon & 7p); W (\$50, noon & \$60, 7p); Th (\$50, noon & 7p); F (\$50, noon & \$125, 7p); Sa (\$30, 11a & \$75, 7p); Su (\$60, 11a & \$50, 7p).	High-hand jackpot.
PARX CASINO (215) 639-9000 • parxcasino.com	Monday (\$120, 7:15p); Tuesday (\$120, 7:15p); Wednesday (\$80, 12:15p); Thursday (\$120, 7:15p); Saturday (\$230, 12:15p); Sunday (\$100, 12:15p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
PRESQUE ISLE DOWNS & CASINO (814) 866-8379 • presqueisledowns.com	Thursday (\$75/\$100, 7:30p); 1st Saturday (\$75, 12:30p); 2nd Saturday (\$100, 12:30p); 3rd Saturday (\$230, 2:30p); Sunday (\$50/\$65, 12:30p).	Super high hand (Friday-Sunday, 4p-midnight).
RIVERS CASINO (412) 231-7777 • theriverscasino.com	Mon., Tue. & Thur. (\$50, 12:15p & 7:15p); Wednesday (\$50, 12:15p & \$100, 7:15p); Friday (\$70, 12:15p & \$125, 7:15p); Saturday (\$50, 9a, \$260, 12:15a & \$100, 7:15p).	High hands.
SANDS CASINO BETHLEHEM (877) SANDS-77 • sandsbethworks.com	Daily (\$50-\$300); Monday, Wednesday & Friday-Sunday (11a); Tuesday (7p). Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em; high hands.	
SUGARHOUSE CASINO (877) 477-3715 • sugarhousecasino.com	Monday (\$100, 7:15p); Wednesday (\$100, 7:15p); Saturday (\$40, 12:30p & \$100, 7:15p); Sunday (\$55, 12:30p & \$85, 7:15p).	High hands.

RHODE ISLAND

TWIN RIVER CASINO (401) 723-3200 • twinriver.com	No tournaments.	Player rewards.
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SOUTH DAKOTA

CADILLAC JACK'S (605) 578-1500 • cadillacjacksresort.com	Monday-Thursday & Sunday (\$20, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
LODGE AT DEADWOOD (605) 571-2135 • deadwoodlodge.com	Mon. (\$12, 6:30p); Tue. (\$23, 6:30p); Wed. (\$45, 6:30p); Thurs. (\$34, 6:30p); Fri. (\$34, 6:30p); Sat. (\$23, 1p); Sun. (\$111, 2p); last Sun. (\$221, 2p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
SALOON #10 (605) 578-3346 • saloon10.com	Wednesday (\$60, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
SILVERADO FRANKLIN (605) 578-3670 • silveradocasino.net	Saturday (\$125, 6:30p); Sunday (\$30, 3p).	Spin the Wheel.

TEXAS

KICKAPOO LUCKY EAGLE CASINO HOTEL (830) 752-4545 • kickapooluckyeaglecasino.com	Tuesday \$500 added (\$25, 7p); Thursday (\$45, 7p); Sunday (\$120, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
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WASHINGTON

CLEARWATER CASINO (360) 598-8700 • clearwatercasino.com	Daily (\$35, 11a); Wednesday (\$55 w/\$20 add-on, 6p).	Royal-flush jackpot.
LITTLE CREEK CASINO (360) 427-7711 • little-creek.com	Monday (\$25 w/rebuys, 7p); Tuesday (\$40, 7p); Wednesday (\$45, 7p); Thursday (\$55, 7p); Friday (\$110, 7p); Saturday KO (\$35, 5p); Sunday Omaha/8 (\$35, 5p).	High hands (Saturday-Sunday, noon-3p), (Monday-Wednesday, 9p-midnight) & (Monday-Friday, noon-4p).
MUCKLESHOOT CASINO (253) 804-4444 • muckleshootcasino.com	Monday (\$120, 7p); Tuesday (\$150, 7p); Wednesday & Thursday (\$65, 7p); Friday (\$35, noon); Saturday (\$40 w/rebuys, noon); 2nd Sunday of month (\$215, noon).	\$500 high hands.
NORTHERN QUEST CASINO (509) 242-7000 • northernquest.com	Daily \$600 guarantee (10:30a); Sunday-Thursday (7p).	Beginner lessons available (call for details).
SNOQUALMIE CASINO (425) 888-1234 • snocasino.com	Monday-Saturday \$300 added (\$35, 10:30a).	Hot Seats; Monte Carlo Board.
TULALIP RESORT CASINO (360) 716-6000 • tulalipresort.com	Monday-Friday (\$20, 10:30a); Monday (\$40, 7p); Tuesday (\$80, 7p); Wednesday (\$50, 7p); Thursday (\$150, 7p); Saturday (\$40, 11a); Sunday (\$50, 11a).	Progressive bad-beat jackpot; high hands.
UBET CASINO (360) 501-4328 • ubet360.com	Daily tournaments available (call for details).	No promotions.

WEST VIRGINIA

HOLLYWOOD AT CHARLES TOWN (800) 795-7001 • hollywoodcasinocharlestown.com	Daily at noon and 7p, including Sat. (\$325, noon & \$150, 7p) and Sun. (\$150, noon & \$100, 7p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
MOUNTAINEER RIVER POKER ROOM (304) 387-8458 • mountaineerpoker.com	Monday (\$45, 7:30p); Wednesday (\$55, 10:30a) & KO (\$75, 5p); Friday (\$55, 10:30a); Sunday (\$55, 2p).	High hands.

WISCONSIN

HO-CHUNK GAMING AT WISCONSIN DELLS (608) 356-6210 • ho-chunkgaming.com	Tuesday (\$55, 1p); Thursday (\$55, 6:30p); Saturday (\$38, 3p); Sunday (\$85, 1p); 1st Sunday of month (\$170, 1p).	Bad-beat jackpot in hold'em.
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January was a big month for some of poker's biggest celebrities and here's our take on the latest from Vanessa Selbst, Daniel Negreanu, Kevin Hart and Jason Mercier.

SELBST QUILTS POKER



Vanessa Selbst is giving up poker to become a hedge-fund trader and will no longer be on Team PokerStars. She cited the time required to keep up with the changing game and the toll constant travel was having on her.

SCOTT SAID: Why don't we see this happen more often?

To the degree that we have seen it, it's with players who have passions outside of poker or find whatever it is that they loved about poker elsewhere. So I think the ones we don't see do this are the ones who have focused 100 percent of their lives on poker and have no other options than making poor investments in friends' stupid business plans. If you have no other option, it's tougher to quit.

CHRIS SAID: But she's not giving up poker; she's giving up professional poker. She's going to keep it, as she says, "an awesome hobby on the side." So she can still go down to the local casino and make \$6K a night just fooling around in a \$2-\$5 game.

MERCIER LEAVES STARS



Jason Mercier did not renew his contract with Team PokerStars so can spend more time with his wife, **Natasha**, and their 3-month-old child. He'll continue to play near his home in Florida and at the World Series of Poker.

SCOTT SAID: Mad props to Jason for stepping down and understanding he wants to see his child grow up. People in a lot of professions, and not just poker, wake up someday with the *Cat's in the Hat* song playing and have missed out on all that.

CHRIS SAID: Have you noticed? Two spots have opened up on Team PokerStars. There's you and me! These players are stepping aside so you and I can reach our potential!



Comedian Kevin Hart reacts when he realizes he misread his hand and just won a huge cash pot with king-high.

DID IT TAKE A LOT OF HART?

In what's being called the "greatest hand in poker history," comedian **Kevin Hart** made a hero call with king-high to felt a player who was bluffing with six-high. Did Hart misread his hand? Or was he operating on a higher level as he claims?

CHRIS SAID: I watched the hand. I laughed, I cried. He had to know. He had to think he had a straight. He would've folded with king-high on every street, no matter how much he thought she was bluffing. He's a comedian. I think he was being entertaining.

SCOTT SAID: She ran a really good bluff with six-high, I think. This wasn't the famous **Barry Greenstein** story where he put his opponent on a busted straight draw, so he knew he had six high so his hand was better. There is no way you could have put this woman on six-high here. Impossible.

NEGREANU'S LOSING YEARS

Daniel Negreanu posted on his blog that he has lost money in tournaments each of the past two years, but is still up nearly \$9M over the past five years.

SCOTT SAID: This shows the variance involved in being a tournament poker player, and there are very few better tournament players than Daniel Negreanu. You have to be able to deal with those swings.

CHRIS SAID: It's ridiculous. One of the things he talks about is that high-roller buy-ins are killing him. The average buy-in for his tournaments was \$40K. This is why it's amazing that you don't see more people doing what Vanessa Selbst did: the travel, the buy-ins, the swings.

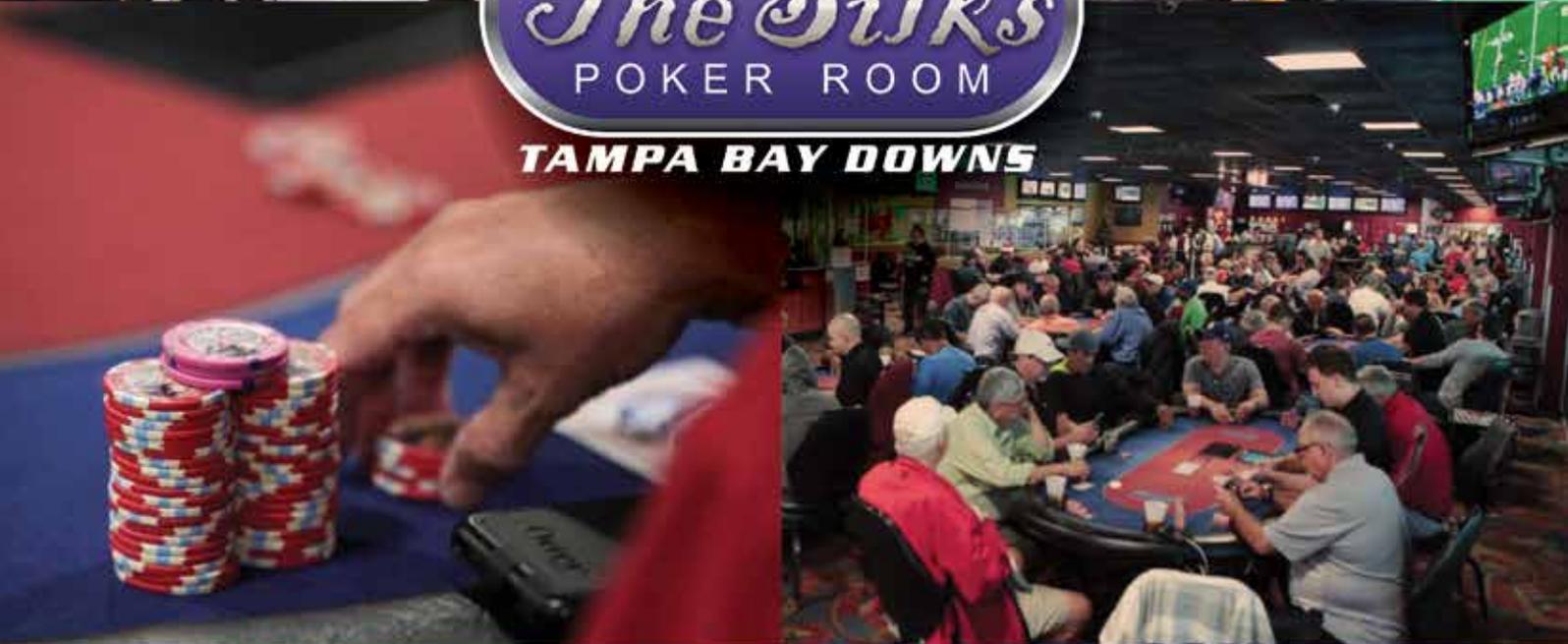


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