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# Never a Gamble...always a Sure Bet

I have lived an incredible life. Some would even call it lucky. For me, life is Never a GAMBLE, it's Always a sure Bet. I look back over everything that I've been able to accomplish in my storied career in the Sports and Cable industries. I owe it all to one specific source. That source is Central State University a Historic Black College & University (HBCU) centered in Southern Ohio. The impact, influence, and income that was derived as a direct result of my association with that HBCU experience transformed my life. As I look back and realize the constant care, concern and cajoling my professors, administrators and staff gave me, I appreciate the support and guidance that made a difference in my life. My greatest goal was to play college basketball. Their greatest goal was for me to graduate and become a productive member of society. Both goals have been met. This book is an expression of how they were met. As I look back over my life I recognize how I excelled because of my incredible HBCU experience. I was nurtured and groomed to become successful. This is all because of my HBCU experience. I also look back at the lives of many others that had no other choice but to attend an HBCU. Today there are many other choices.... but is that true? Today's African-American youth are graduating from inner-city, suburban and rural schools that are largely segregated. Those students find themselves having difficulty matriculating through mainstream institutions of higher learning. Today more than ever there's a need for HBCU's. These are schools where black students are nurtured, supported as well as receive "tough love." HBCU's now are becoming more and more culturally diverse which reflects society today and gives these students of color an opportunity to achieve in a safe and nurturing environment. More importantly, they will be prepared to enter the workforce with confidence. Join this journey with me as I share the value and significance of Historically Black Colleges and Universities. It is my hope that you will both understand and experience why HBCU's are Never a GAMBLE and indeed they are Always a sure BET!

# It Was Never a Gamble

It Was Never A Gamble is a true-life story of an early 1900's gambler and hustler. It chronicles the life of Jimmy James. Born in 1900 and leaving home at the age of 14, he made a living by taking advantage of other's greed. He learned early that to get ahead he might have to bend a few rules. But, in a time when the rules were few and the enforcement was often left to one's own conscious, there could be big rewards for the person with the intestinal fortitude to bend the rules. From the worn down storefront street games to the most luxurious hotels and clubs of the times, Jimmy James was able to operate freely and feel at home. He was able to mingle with the common street grifters and rub shoulders with some of the most influential people of the times as he made his way across the country. This is a story of one man's life journey through many adventures, twists and turns, ups and downs. Cards, dice, roulette, no game was safe; no game was ever a gamble. This is the story of Jimmy James, hustler and gambler.

The Business Guide, Or, Safe Methods of Business

This book presents a comprehensive method for justifying norms of morality and proposes a system by which people's conflicting moral intuitions can be adjudicated. It is based on giving each individual's interests equal consideration and as developed is applicable to norms of all social values.

# **Equal Consideration**

Discover how to transform stress and other unwanted states into resilience, clarity, and improved wellbeing with this insightful new book Resilience By Design: How to Survive and Thrive in a Complex and Turbulent World delivers the world's most detailed and research-backed how-to manual to integrate advances from neuroscience and complexity theory with real world expertise, providing practical techniques that you'll want to use every day. Alongside well explained scientific theory, each chapter contains dramatic, real-life stories of people from frontline services, elite sports, and everyday survivors who learned to thrive in high pressure, demanding, and often deadly situations. You'll discover how resilience isn't just the ability to tough it out; it's dependent upon an interconnected set of skills, techniques, creative processes, and new understandings of how we think, act, and interact with our environments and each other. If you or someone you care about experiences unwanted stress, anxiety, decision fatigue, overwhelm, or burnout, by applying the step-by-step techniques in this book, you'll learn to develop resilience, clarity, improved energy, wellbeing, and overall performance. You'll also learn: There's no such thing as an inherently stressful situation, workplace, or event. How to appreciate and benefit from the hidden information in your unconscious signals and intuitions How to adapt your decision making to meet the challenges of uncertainty, from the complicated and complex, to the outright chaotic When to define your limits and 'line in the sand' so that you never expose yourself to unmanageable risk or potential burnout What is it to, 'Know Thyself', through techniques that change perspective and bring clarity even in uncertain, turbulent times Techniques that can be easily taught to people you care about Lifelong resilience and being at your best is available to each of us, no matter what life throws at you. Resilience By Design was derived from the experiences of hundreds of people on the frontline of emergency services, defense, Olympic level sports, business, art, science, and many other areas of expertise—from firefighters and paramedics to social workers and athletes. This book is written for students and teachers, parents and children, caregivers and patients, athletes and coaches, managers and employees, entrepreneurs, and fortune 500 CEOs, and anyone who wishes to know how to survive and thrive in an ever more complex and turbulent world.

## Resilience By Design

This underground classic, written in no-nonsense language by a craps player for a craps player,not a theorist or mathematician includes some of the most profitable craps advice ever put into print. You'll learn professional plays and sane money management strategy, honed from 60 years at the table, from the greatest craps player of all time. You'll learn powerful techniques like finding Qualified Shooters, Converted Come Bets, locking up wins, finding legitimate winning streaks, controlling and protecting your bankroll, and how to make 5 to 10 times more on a hot roll than a weaker bettor starting with the same bets! Grafstein also reveals all the professional plays made at craps his core moves 21 winning strategies covering both sides of the dice! The new edition of this "Super System" of craps includes 30 professional charts and tables.

## **Dice Doctor**

The most complete book on beating the slots ever written not only shows players how to get comps galore, including cash rebates, but also presents more than twenty actual winning strategies, many for the first time ever! Close to one hundred pages of strategies cover multipliers, multi-paylines, mega paylines, Big Berthas, buy-your-play, mega progressives, multiple progressives, and Wild Symbol, plus chapters on slots misconceptions, percentages, money management, history, and extensive coverage on slot clubs.

# Secrets of Winning Slots

CASINOS COULD NOT FIGURE OUT WHY HE NEVER LOST.Paul Lawrence weaves a fascinating tale of gambling, romance, adventure, history, football, and betting basics in Monday's Edition--a football gambler's odyssey through a season of trips to Las Vegas and Reno to try to beat the system. Taking on this normally impossible task is Martin Adams, a 55-year-old computer technician and confirmed bachelor with an unbelievable secret weapon... Armed with technological know-how and top-secret advantage, Martin's life is about to change in a big way--and not just financially.Follow this modern-day

Robin Hood's incredible trials and treks to the gambling capital of the world in Monday's Edition. It's a sure bet Paul Lawrence has been to Las Vegas more than thirty times. He has played all the casino games, bet in many sports books, and has come home a winner three times. Monday's Edition is his first novel.""A terrifically entertaining page-turner."" -- Small Press Bookwatch

# Monday's Edition

This volume offers a comprehensive review of experimental methods in economics. Its 21 chapters cover theoretical and practical issues such as incentives, theory and policy development, data analysis, recruitment, software and laboratory organization. The Handbook includes separate parts on procedures, field experiments and neuroeconomics, and provides the first methodological overview of replication studies and a novel set-valued equilibrium concept. As a whole, the combination of basic methods and current developments will aid both beginners and advanced experimental economists.

# The Business Guide

Lara Buchak sets out a new account of rational decision-making in the face of risk. She argues that the orthodox view (expected utility theory) is too narrow, and suggests an alternative, more permissive theory: one that allows individuals to pay attention to the worst-case or best-case scenario, and vindicates the ordinary decision-maker.

# Problem Gambling: Summarizing Research Findings and Defining New Horizons

Eight all-new stories of high-rolling excitement and intrigue are collected, with tales by such bestselling authors as Lawrence Block, Donald E. Westlake, Jeff Abbott, and Leslie Glass. Original.

#### What Casinos Don't Want You to Know

A compelling insight into how legendary gambler Barney Curley pulled off the greatest horse betting scams in history. THE BOOKIES ALWAYS WIN. Yet, for over four decades Barney Curley has proved himself a rare exception. The country's most renowned and fearless gambler, a man who will back his judgement to win £100,000 and more on a single day, has consistently emerged triumphant from bloody skirmishes with the old enemy. In the summer of 1975 Curley masterminded one of the most spectacular gambles of all time, with a racehorse named Yellow Sam, costing Irish bookmakers around £300,000; the equivalent of some £2m today. No-one believed anything similar could be staged again this century. Bookmakers now have communications and technology in place to thwart any renewed attempts. But challenges inspire Curley and he was determined to beat the system -- again. Thirty-five years later from his first coup, Curley set about staging an ambitious sequel to his Yellow Sam scheme. Curley has never divulged the full details of what happened. Now, for the first time, The Sure Thing reveals the complete story of the months of planning and preparation, with all the trials and tribulations, that went into the biggest organised gamble in racing history.

# Handbook of Research Methods and Applications in Experimental Economics

Counselling and support for people with a gambling problem is a rapidly growing area. This book offers the reader an opportunity to experience the person-centred encounter and appreciate the difficulties associated with problem gambling whilst taking into account the most recent developments within the gambling industry. Counselling for Problem Gam

## Risk and Rationality

Presents a collection of short stories by Zane Grey that reflect the author's love of the outdoors.

# **High Stakes**

Frontier Gambling: The Games, The Gamblers, and the Great Gambling Halls of the Old West is an entertaining look at one of the integral facets of the American West - gambling. Rich in detail and jargon, yet written in an easy to understand style, the book tells how the games were played, legitimately and otherwise; it provides sketches of some of the infamous gamblers and con men of the era; and it covers the notorious saloons and gambling houses where fortunes were wagered night and day in the untamed West.

# The Sure Thing

A study of the lively street culture in Chengdu from 1870 to 1930, this book explores the relationship between urban commoners and public space, the role of community and neighborhood in public life, and how the reform movement and Republican revolution transformed everyday life in this inland city.

# Counselling for Problem Gambling

The bad news: suicide is a large and growing public health problem. Human beings are the only creatures in the natural world that can suffer from a hopelessness so deep that suicide seems like the only relief from the anguish. Human beings are also the only species that fall prey to chemical dependence and an associated downward spiral of mental health that can end in suicide. This book presents the stories of individuals struggling with terminal illness, grief, alcoholism, prison, drug addiction, compulsive gambling, PTSD, depression, and abuse (including cyberbullying). All of these individuals find themselves at a decision point where they must choose to find a way to Survive or take their own life through Suicide. Almost everyone has fleeting thoughts of suicide at least once during their lifetime. Most people do not want to discuss their thoughts of suicide with anyone for fear of being negatively judged or labeled by others. The good news: the vast majority of people with suicidal thoughts can be treated with therapy and/or medication. This book is intended to be a reference guide with information about depression, alcoholism, addiction, and associated therapy avenues.

### The Artist

This unique book delves into a number of intriguing issues and addresses several pertinent questions including, should gambling markets be privatized? Is the 'hot hand' hypothesis real or a myth? Are the 'many' smarter than the 'few' in estimating betting odds? How are prices set in fixed odds betting markets? The book also explores the informational efficiency of betting markets and the prevalence of corruption and illegal betting in sports.

### How to Beat Three Card Poker

The Best I Could traces the life and career of Subhas Anandan, an advocate whose tireless devotion to the Singapore criminal justice system is legendary. In this highly personal autobiography, first published in 2009, Subhas describes not only the many sensational cases he covered, including those of Took Leng How, Anthony Ler and Ah Long San, but also his views on mandatory death sentences and 'police entrapment'. Subhas Anandan, who passed away in January 2015 surely was the face of criminal defence in Singapore. But why did he choose to represent clients who were to all intents and purposes guilty? And were the criminals he represented the monsters they were made out to be? Did he ever feel sorry for the clients he represented? What were his views on the death penalty, and which parts of the legal system did he want reformed? Read all about this in The Best I Could.

## The Business Guide, Or, Safe Methods of Business

When Declan Sinclair wins Caya Pendarvis in a wager with her brother, he knows he's met the woman of his dreams. There's just one problem: she's been promised to another to pay off her brother's debts. It seems her nasty brother isn't above gambling away his sister. Twice. But Declan's not giving up the beauty. He'll have to convince her he's worth more to her than just settling a debt. Time to run through his rusty, and albeit limited, flirting skills, because it's time to win his lady's heart. Caya has no time for Declan and his ridiculous claims she's "the one." She has to settle her brother's gambling debts, even if that means marrying a terrible man. Being a woman means not having a choice in the matter, doesn't this big oaf get that? But the more time she spends with him, the more she wants to tell her brother to go to hell and follow her heart. But she's met the man her brother is indebted too, and one thing's for sure: he's not going to let her go without a fight. Each book in The Highlanders of Balforss series is STANDALONE: \* Tying the Scot \* Betting the Scot \* Forgetting the Scot \* Saving the Scot

# The Best of Zane Grey, Outdoorsman

Almost the only indisputable fact about Colonel Tom Parker is that he was the manager of the greatest performer in popular music: Elvis Presley. His real name wasn't Tom Parker †â€œ indeed, he wasn't an American at all, but a Dutch immigrant called Andreas van Kujik. And he certainly wasn't a proper military colonel: he purchased his title from a man in Louisiana. But while the Colonel has long been acknowledged as something of a charlatan, this book is the first to reveal the

extraordinary extent of the secrets he concealed, and the consequences for the career, and ultimately the life, of the star he managed. As Alanna Nash' prodigious research has discovered, the Colonel left Holland most probably because, at the age of twenty, he bludgeoned a woman to death. Entering the US illegally, he then enlisted in the army as â€Tom Parker'. But, with supreme irony for someone later styling himself as Colonel, Parker's military career ended in desertion, and discharge after a psychiatrist had certified him as a psychopath. He then became a fairground barker, working sideshows with a zeal for small-scale huckstering and the casual scam that never left him. And by the height of Elvis's success, Parker had become a pathological gambler who, at the same time as he was taking, amazingly, a full 50% of Presley's earnings, frittered away all his wealth in the casinos of Las Vegas. As Nash shows, therefore, the often baffling trajectory of Elvis Presley's career makes perfect sense once the secret imperatives of the Colonel's life are known. Parker never booked Presley for a tour of Europe because of the dark secret that ensured he himself could never return there. Even at his most famous, Elvis was still being booked to play out-of-the-way towns in North Carolina †â€œ because the former fairground barker (who shamelessly negotiated as such even with top record company and film executives) knew them from his days on the circus circuit. And Elvis was trapped playing years of arduous seasons in Las Vegas †â€œ two shows nightly, seven days a week, until boredom and despair brought on the excessive drug use that killed him †â€œ because for Parker he was "an open chit� whose huge earnings prevented his manager's losses at the gambling tables being called in. Alanna Nash knew Parker towards the end of his life, and has now uncovered the whole story, improbable, shocking, and never less than compelling, of how this larger-than-life man made, and then unmade, popular music's first and greatest superstar.

### **Breathe**

Molly Compton is going home for Christmas to spend the holidays with her family, but this is not such a joyful time that she's actually looking forward to it after what happened to her last year. For Molly is adamant that she will 'grin and bear it' and get through it with the aid of the odd glass of wine come, hail or snow. Even if it means digging up ghosts from her past to sort out the present and help with the future, then she will cope somehow. So with a sprig of mistletoe to hand and a will of iron, Molly Compton is determined to enjoy all the fun of the festivities if it kills her and that is only if she doesn't kill someone else first. WARNING: This book contains (1) No guaranteed fuzzy feelings of a sentimental nature. (2) No recipes whatsoever to be found written inside its pages. (3) No religious explanations are in this story about the true meaning of Christmas. However, it does contain plenty of Christmas cheer and merriment and yuletide yearnings in this festive funny tale about an ordinary woman who dreads having a Christmas from hell. Only, could she end up having the time of her life instead? This British short novel is the first in a Christmas Comedy Trilogy and to complete the trio of books, just look out for Mistletoe And Wine 2 followed by Mistletoe And Wine 3.

### Frontier Gambling

"This is an inspiring story about transformation from I canÊt to I canDeach of us is capable of this, but we need these stories to nourish us. Thank you Karim for sharing‰ Russell Simmons "Karim is an example of how faith in GOD can take you from crying tears of despair to crying tears of joy‰ Reverend Run

## Parliamentary Debates

This collection of twenty-four short stories focuses on diverse experiences in small Michigan communities during the second half of the twentieth century. It addresses such topics as racial conflict and harmony, white collar crime, college life, family dynamics, tragedy, aspirations of young athletes, growing up, personal rejection, dishonesty in academia, unusual mentors, less than ethical policemen, class conflict, and career triumphs of a twice unhappily married woman. Michigan's Polish, Finnish, Irish, Hispanic, and Asian cultures are highlighted. The stories present the human side of life in American small towns from the relative ease of physical entry into these communities to the psychological difficulty of exit.

## Street Culture in Chengdu

The Choice