We may be in the midst of a global pandemic, but that doesn’t mean that all celebrations have ground to a halt!

In the charitable gaming industry, we are learning how to continue with our gradual openings in a world where social distancing is in effect and masks are mandated in so many areas and venues. With our creativity and compliance, we can still begin to look forward to fall and its entertaining occasions, among them Halloween and Thanksgiving. There will always be things worth celebrating, even during a global crisis! Why shouldn’t the enjoyment of bingo and pull tab tickets be among them!

How about a B-SAFE bingo event! Advertise your bingo hall and all that you have done and continue to do to sanitize regularly and enforce the local requirements for social distancing and masking!

Host an extraordinary ‘fall’ game coverall using one of the fall colored bingo papers – and make the reward something fall-related, perhaps donated from a local vendor!

People will be doing less travel and looking for local activities, and your bingo event can be a prime attraction – for an entire family! Consider Family Bingo Night – where your regular patrons are encouraged to bring family members – to whatever the limit is allowed at one table. You may create some new bingo players!

Check out our Halloween ink dabbers – and incorporate them into your fall bingos! Host a costume night and have the players vote on the best costume – and reward that player with, of all things, a new cloth mask – perhaps fall-themed/Halloween themed!

Host a Halloween mask night – and instead of a full costume, ask that players only make a costume around their mask – and again, vote for the best – and reward with yet another mask!

At the end of the evening, ask the winners from the various games to come forward for a bean bag toss – and the receptacle is a pumpkin – either plastic or real and carved! Award the winner with a prize, in addition to the pumpkin! OR...

Consider using a witch’s hat for a similar winners’ finale: you can buy an inexpensive inflatable witch’s hat and rings – online – and then have a ring toss, again, to determine the winner of winners – who, in turn, wins the inflatable witch’s hat and rings!

Most importantly: check our web sites for ideas as to how you can reinforce the cleanliness and safety of your venue – and welcome your players – as we celebrate the fall season!

Don’t hesitate to ask your local businesses for gifts you can use for prizes! It’s great advertising for your local business owners!