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ARKANSAS SCHOLARSHIP LOTTERY ANNOUNCES 50th MILLIONAIRE

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LITTLE ROCK— The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) has reached a milestone in a club most everyone wants to join – the ranks of millionaires. Last week, Jeff Hornback of Jonesboro became **the 50th million-dollar prize winner** since the Lottery began seven years ago.

Hornback actually purchased a non-winning instant game ticket at the Parker BP convenience store on West Parker Drive in Jonesboro, but then he entered the ticket number into his free ASL *Play it Again* Rewards Club account which gives players a second chance to win with losing tickets. On March 28, his ticket was drawn to win the \$1,000,000 prize in the Platinum Payout *Play it Again* Drawing Number 49. Still overwhelmed when he claimed his prize March 30, Hornback said he plans to invest some of his prize money, spend some on his grandchildren and help others with the rest.

Randall Irvin of Uniontown was the first million-dollar ASL winner, with his Jan. 22, 2010 win, just months after the Lottery's 2009 launch. In between, the Lottery has made millionaires all over the state – in Atkins, Pearcy, Bono, Sulphur Rock, Grubbs, Diaz, Hamburg, Lepanto, Marmaduke, McRae and beyond. Below is a complete list of winners and their hometowns.

ASL Director Bishop Woosley said this is just “the first” 50 ASL millionaires – noting that nearly \$2 billion overall has been awarded to Lottery players.

“The state of Arkansas has 50 more millionaires now than before the Lottery's launch,” Woosley said. “Their lives have changed forever, and hopefully our winners will always have financial security. We're proud of them. We're also proud of the scholarships our players and retailers provide to college students in the state, since obtaining a college degree is the surest way to financial security.”

About Scholarships

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Act of 2009 provided for revenue raised by a state lottery to provide for college scholarships, to be administered by the Arkansas Department of Higher Education (ADHE). As a result, tens of thousands of Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarships are awarded to Arkansas residents for in-state colleges and universities across the state annually.

Lottery officials encourage both traditional and nontraditional students in the state to apply for the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship at ADHE before the June 1 deadline: www.adhe.edu.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

Since Lottery sales started in Arkansas in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has accumulated more than \$573 million in net proceeds for scholarships, Lottery players have won nearly \$2 billion in prizes, and Lottery retailers have earned more than \$162 million in commissions. More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships and retailer commissions in the state.

Visit www.myarkansaslottery.com for more information on scholarships, winners, games, odds, promotions, and to join the free *Play it Again* Rewards Club. To get help with problem gambling, contact the National Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-522-4700. To hear winning numbers, call the Winning Numbers Hotline at 501-682-IWON (4966).

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The First 50 Arkansas Millionaires from the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

01/22/2010 – RANDALL IRVIN **\$1 MILLION** FROM UNIONTOWN – 1ST
02/01/2010 – HAROLD BAILEY **\$12.1 MILLION** FROM CONWAY – 2ND
12/30/2010 – CARLA TEER **\$1 MILLION** FROM NORTH LITTLE ROCK – 3RD
03/22/2011 – MARY DARTT **\$1 MILLION** FROM HOT SPRINGS – 4TH
04/08/2011 – ROBERT ATCHLEY **\$1 MILLION** FROM PEARCY – 5TH
04/08/2011 – GENE SIMPSON **\$1 MILLION** FROM SULPHUR ROCK – 6TH
05/04/2011 – HERMAN CLARK **\$1 MILLION** FROM DIAZ – 7TH
06/27/2011 – CAROL MANNING **\$1 MILLION** FROM LITTLE ROCK – 8TH
07/18/2011 – SHARON JONES **\$1 MILLION** FROM BEEBE – 9TH
08/04/2011 – RANDY WAGNER **\$1 MILLION** FROM GRUBBS – 10TH
11/03/2011 – RICHARD SPENCER **\$1 MILLION** FROM LITTLE ROCK- 11TH
01/05/2012 – RUTH SIMCOX **\$1 MILLION** FROM CABOT – 12TH
01/20/2012 – MARY HARPER **\$1 MILLION** FROM LITTLE ROCK – 13TH
02/10/2012 – APRIL BURNSIDE **\$1 MILLION** FROM HAMBURG – 14TH

03/29/2012 – PAULETTE HODGES **\$1 MILLION** FROM BLYTHEVILLE – 15TH
04/03/2012 – HUEY HICKS **\$1 MILLION** FROM PLATTSVILLE – 16TH
07/17/2012 – FRANKIE WILLIAMS **\$1 MILLION** FROM FORREST CITY – 17TH
07/27/2012 – FRANK KARNES **\$1 MILLION** FROM WEST FORK – 18TH
11/05/2012 – TAT WONG **\$1 MILLION** FROM MARION – 19TH
12/31/2012 – SHERRY MILLER **\$2 MILLION** FROM DE QUEEN – 20TH
02/04/2013 – STEVE WEAVER **\$1 MILLION** FROM STUTTGART – 21ST
03/15/2013 – MARTHA RUSK **\$1 MILLION** FROM HOT SPRINGS – 22ND
03/25/2013 – LINDA WAFFORD **\$2 MILLION** FROM MAYFLOWER – 23RD
06/24/2013 – KEITH NICHOLS **\$2 MILLION** FROM SEARCY – 24TH
07/03/2013 – ROBIN WHEELER **\$1 MILLION** FROM ALMA – 25TH
07/03/2013 – AMY WATSON **\$1 MILLION** FROM SEARCY – 26TH
08/13/2013 – BILLY BEALER **\$1 MILLION** FROM PINE BLUFF – 27TH
10/09/2013 – DONALD DUKE **\$1 MILLION** FROM MARMADUKE – 28TH
12/26/2013 – KENNETH DENNIS **\$1 MILLION** FROM RUSSELLVILLE – 29TH
01/06/2014 – GARY HOWARD **\$1 MILLION** FROM FAYETTEVILLE – 30TH
02/05/2014 – DONALD HILL **\$2 MILLION** FROM MORRILTON – 31ST
03/05/2014 – HAROLD THOMPSON **\$1 MILLION** FROM LITTLE ROCK – 32ND
03/18/2014 – MIRANDA HUFFMAN **\$3 MILLION** FROM LEPANTO – 33RD
04/07/2014 – NANCY SILVERS **\$1 MILLION** FROM BERRYVILLE – 34TH
04/14/2014 – JAMES OSBORN **\$1 MILLION** FROM ATKINS – 35TH
08/19/2014 – DAVID DAHLQVIST **\$1 MILLION** FROM BELLA VISTA – 36TH
09/04/2104 – SUSAN GRAY **\$1 MILLION** FROM BRYANT – 37TH
10/07/2014 – SHEPEKA FLOYD **\$1 MILLION** FROM EL DORADO – 38TH
02/05/2015 – JAMES BRINKLEY **\$1 MILLION** FROM BRINKLEY – 39TH
02/27/2015 – DRITON KRASNIQI **\$1 MILLION** FROM VAN BUREN – 40TH
04/23/2015 – ROY MOODY **\$1 MILLION** FROM LONOKE – 41ST
06/02/2015 – CYNTHIA JOHNSON **\$1 MILLION** FROM PINE BLUFF – 42ND
06/11/2015 – OWEN COCHRAN **\$2 MILLION** FROM MORRILTON – 43RD
07/08/2015 – PHYLLIS ROLLER **\$3 MILLION** FROM BEEBE – 44TH
07/13/2015 – LARRY EDLEMON **\$1 MILLION** FROM BONO – 45TH
08/28/2015 – TERESA WILLIAMS **\$1 MILLION** FROM JACKSONVILLE – 46TH
01/14/2016 – LARRY BRYAN MORSE **\$1 MILLION** FROM MAUMELLE – 47TH
02/22/2016 – STEVE DE PRIEST **\$2 MILLION** FROM BENTON – 48TH
02/23/2016 – LONNIE FAY MAY **\$1 MILLION** FROM MCRAE – 49TH
03/30/2016 – JEFF HORNBACK **\$1 MILLION** FROM JONESBORO- 50TH