



## WINNER NEWS

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### **El Dorado Woman Claims \$410,000 in Lottery's Natural State Jackpot**

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – Today, Catherine Dopson of El Dorado claimed a \$410,000 lottery prize at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) Claim Center. She purchased the winning \$1 Natural State Jackpot (NSJ) ticket at Little's Grocery, located at 2702 Haynesville Highway in El Dorado, for the Oct. 28 drawing.

The winning numbers for that night's drawing were 4, 18, 20, 23, and 27. Dopson regularly plays the dates of her wedding anniversary, her birthday, and children's birthdays.

Dopson was at Little's Grocery last Saturday and noticed someone had won the jackpot. She didn't realize she was the winner until she visited the store Monday morning to grab a few items and check her ticket.

"I can't believe this," was Dopson's first thought when she realized she had a winning ticket. "I was in total shock! I almost didn't buy a ticket for that night's drawing, but my gut and the Lord told me to go ahead and get one, and it paid off," she told lottery officials.

Dopson first told her husband about her win. She is a retired licensed practical nurse and tattoo artist. She plans to pay bills, help her family, and donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital with her winnings.

Retailers receive a 1 percent commission from the sales of winning lottery products. Little's Grocery will receive \$4,100 in commission for selling the winning ticket.

"We are ecstatic that our NSJ winner has claimed her prize, and we thank Little's Grocery for being our retail partner," said Eric Hagler, ASL executive director. "With the help of our retailers across the state, we have funded more than 650,000 college scholarships totaling more than one billion dollars!"

The NSJ, which is exclusive to Arkansas, draws at 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The jackpot for tonight's drawing is \$80,000. NSJ starts at \$50,000 and increases by \$5,000 every drawing until it hits \$150,000. After that, it grows by \$10,000 every drawing until it's won.

For more information on how to play, visit [MyArkansasLottery.com](https://myarkansaslottery.com).

### About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of ASL revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions, and other expenses in Arkansas. Since 2009, the lottery has raised nearly \$1 billion in proceeds for scholarships. More than 650,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$3.7 billion in prizes to players, about \$326 million in retailer commissions, and provided more than \$148 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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