## . LOTTERY SELLS 500,000 RAFFLE TICKETS; SCHOLARSHIPS GROW OVER \$1 MILLION

LITTLE ROCK - April 7, 2011, 12:01 a.m. - The Arkansas Million Dollar Raffle reached its sales goal of $\$ 5$ million when all tickets were sold late Wednesday night. Players who purchased the tickets will now be eagerly awaiting the posting of lucky winning numbers for the $\$ 3$ million in prizes. But the real winners will be the Arkansans who are attending college on lottery funded scholarships.

Ticket sales for the Raffle game commenced last year and the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) announced the last day to buy tickets, April 6th, early in 2011. Daily sales volume increased dramatically after the end-of-game announcement and peaked this week when over $\$ 900,000$ in tickets were sold during the last three days.

The mission of the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery is to fund scholarships for Arkansans attending two- and four-year colleges and universities in the state. The success of the Raffle will contribute to ASL accomplishing its mission.

Arkansas Million Dollar Raffle tickets cost $\$ 10$ each and there will be 1,142 winning Raffle ticket numbers drawn on Thursday, April 7th: two (2) \$1,000,000 prizes; 540 $\$ 1000$ prizes; and $600 \$ 100$ prizes. The drawing will be conducted by ASL Security and certified by the Arkansas Division of Audit.

The drawing results will be posted at www.myarkansaslottery.com [http://www.myarkansaslottery.com](http://www.myarkansaslottery.com) as soon as possible this afternoon. Players who do not have access to a computer can scan their tickets at any Arkansas lottery retailer as soon as the results are available.

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