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Lottery Winners Claim Big Today

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – Two lucky Arkansans are starting the week right by claiming big prizes today at the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) Claim Center.

Gary McVay of Jacksonville claimed a \$500,000 prize he won on a \$20 200Xtra scratch-off ticket, and Jerry Perkins Jr. of Pine Bluff won \$310,000 playing Natural State Jackpot (NSJ).

Perkins purchased his \$1 Quick Pick NSJ ticket at SR Quick Mart at 5001 Dollarway Road in Pine Bluff for the Feb. 20 drawing. The winning numbers for Saturday night were 9, 11, 13, 28, and 30. Perkins, who regularly plays the lottery, checked his numbers at midnight after the drawing was held earlier in the evening.

“I was really shocked when I discovered that I was a winner. I kept checking my numbers over and over again. Honestly, I’m scared to go to work or tell my friends about the win,” he laughed.

McVay, a retired Coast Guardsman, bought his ticket at Shell Gravel Ridge, 14508 AR-107 in Jacksonville. He plans to help his children and disabled sister with his winnings.

“I like to keep up with the odds of winning on scratch-off tickets,” McVay said. “When I first found out that I was a winner, I immediately prayed to the Lord and asked Him to make me a good steward of this money. I’m blessed to win this large amount of money.”

The Natural State Jackpot stands at \$50,000 for tonight’s drawing. The Mega Millions® jackpot for tomorrow night’s drawing is \$22 million. The Powerball® jackpot for Wednesday night’s drawing is \$90 million.

Currently, ASL is offering the 5-Buck Bundle special promotion. For just \$5, a player receives a Powerball® ticket with Power Play®, a Mega Millions® ticket, and a free Natural State Jackpot ticket. The promotion ends Feb. 28.

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 more than \$1 billion in proceeds for scholarships. More than 600,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$3.5 billion in prizes to players, about \$302 million in retailer commissions, and provided more than \$141 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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