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Wisconsin Player Wins Big Jackpot, But Arkansas Players Claim Millions in Prizes

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – When someone in Wisconsin won the \$750 million Powerball® jackpot Wednesday night, there had been 25 drawings in a row without a jackpot winner. An Arkansas player might not have won the big jackpot, but there have been hundreds of Powerball winners in the state since the last Powerball jackpot was won on Dec. 26, 2018. In fact, \$1,278,774 in Powerball prizes has been claimed by Arkansas lottery players in the past three months.

Just more than \$502,000 was won by six people who purchased Powerball tickets in Arkansas during that timeframe. Two of those players from West Helena and Prescott each claimed \$150,000 just this week. Two others from Bee Branch and Greenville, Mississippi, each won \$100,000 in January. During February a player from Earle won \$1,500, and another person from Searcy won \$520. Smaller tier prizes made up the remaining \$776,754 in prizes claimed.

Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) Director Bishop Woosley encourages everyone who buys Powerball tickets to always check their numbers even if they don't win the jackpot since there are eight lower-tier prizes they can win. And if they purchase the Power Play® for an additional dollar their prize is multiplied by the Power Play number that can be two, three, four, five or 10.

Woosley said high jackpots in draw games mean more sales and revenues, which equate to more proceeds for scholarships. He said right now the lottery is \$9.2 million above budget for proceeds, which would fund approximately 657 additional scholarships. He predicts that number will be higher after the figures for March are officially completed early next month.

“We have provided more than \$781 million for the Academic Challenge Scholarship program that has awarded more than 302,000 scholarships,” he said. The deadline to apply this year is July 1 by going to scholarships.adhe.edu.

With Powerball ticket sales soaring in Arkansas the past few weeks, Woosley wants to remind players to enter both winning and non-winning Powerball tickets through May into a Second-

Chance Promotion to win cash. All non-winning instant tickets that launch in March, April and May are also eligible for entry through May 31.

The promotion is called March into May Spring Cash Giveaway, and it's easy to enter to win cash prizes ranging from \$100 to \$500 by joining The Club. Go online to MyArkansasLottery.com or download the ASL Club app to join.

Drawings will be held on April 4, May 2 and June 4. For the April and May drawings, 100 people will win \$500, and 40 players will collect \$100 cash prizes. For the June drawing 100 people will win \$500, 50 will take home \$200 and 40 players will win \$100. Players are eligible to win one prize in each drawing. A total of \$172,000 will be given away.

For more information on the Spring Cash Giveaway, please visit the lottery's website, click on "The Club" and look for the Spring Cash Giveaway banner near the center of the page.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions, and other expenses in Arkansas. Since 2009, the Lottery has provided more than \$781 million for more than 302,000 college scholarships, more than \$2.8 billion in prizes to players, about \$242 million in retailer commissions and more than \$123 million state and federal tax revenue.

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