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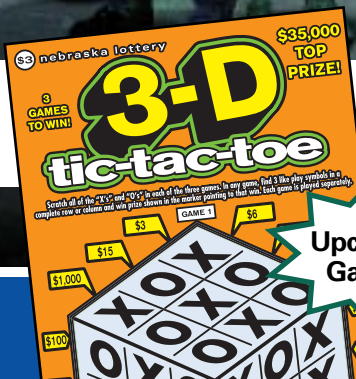
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402-370-3333*

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308-535-8250*

*Omaha, Nebraska State Office Building, 1313 Farnam-On-The-Mall,  
402-595-2065*

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# a look back *at the record jackpot*

At 3:09 p.m. on February 17, 2006, a Powerball ticket was sold at the U-STOP at 110 West O Street in Lincoln that would eventually make history.

The next night, that five-play quick pick ticket was found to have a combination of numbers matching the winning numbers drawn for the largest Lotto prize in U.S. history.

As word spread, members of the media began arriving at the store.



Three days later, a group of eight coworkers at the ConAgra Foods plant in Lincoln claimed the record \$365 million jackpot from the February 18, 2006, Powerball drawing.

The group elected to take the cash option on the jackpot, valued at \$177.3 million. Their respective shares were \$22,162,500. After withholding of 25 percent federal and 5 percent state tax, they shared \$124.11 million or \$15.5 million, respectively.

The members of the group are:

**Quang Dao, 56**  
**David Gehle, 53**  
**Alain Maboussou, 26**  
**Chasity Rutjens, 29**  
**Robert Stewart, 30**  
**Michael Terpstra, 47**  
**Dung Tran, 34**  
**Eric Zornes, 40**

The group was represented by Lincoln attorney, James H. Hoppe.

Before an assembled crowd of hundreds, and a worldwide live media audience, the group



answered questions and received their big check from Governor Dave Heineman. Heineman noted the attention generated by the record jackpot and said, "I am pleased to have an opportunity to meet this lucky group of hard-working Nebraskans and present them with their share of these winnings."



*"Ladies and gentlemen, life just got a bit more interesting for eight Nebraskans."*

Members of the group told Nebraska Lottery officials that

some of them have been playing Powerball for up to five years, pooling their resources to buy multiple tickets whenever the jackpot eclipses \$45 million. Each has contributed \$5 at a time to buy a total of eight five-play quick pick tickets for each drawing. They noted the irony of waiting to play when their respective shares of the prize after taxes will be just more than \$15 million, which is the minimum starting jackpot for Powerball.

Since claiming their prize, the winners have made a number of local business investments, and several area charities have benefited from their generosity.

The odds of winning the Powerball jackpot are 1 in 146,107,962 while the overall odds are 1 in 36.60.

*(Cover story and photo courtesy of the Lincoln Journal Star)*

## DID YOU KNOW?

Nine jackpots ranging from \$2.5 million to \$365 million have been won in Nebraska since the Nebraska Lottery began offering Powerball in July of 1994. The highest recorded Powerball jackpot was in February 2006 when a group of eight coworkers at the ConAgra Foods ham and corned beef plant in Lincoln split a \$365 million jackpot.

# upcoming games and promotions

The Nebraska Lottery is planning two Scratch products and promotions for summer 2007 – Orange County Choppers and the popular Truck\$ & Buck\$.

## Orange County Choppers Giveaway



Featuring Paul Sr., Mikey and Paulie Teutul from the popular television series *American Choppers*, the \$2 Orange County Choppers™ Scratch game offers players the chance to win a custom Orange County Choppers™ motorcycle. Two motorcycles will be available in the game in



addition to \$783,000 in cash prizes and five prizes of \$600 worth of Ethanol-Enriched Fuel.

The custom motorcycles will be designed and built by Orange County Choppers™ and signed by the Teutuls. The motorcycle prize is valued at \$87,857, which includes state and federal withholding paid by the Nebraska Lottery of \$4,300 and \$21,500 respectively.



Odds of winning the Orange County Choppers™ top prize are 1 in 300,000 while the overall odds of winning are in 1 in 3.86.

The Orange County Choppers™ Scratch game began shipping to Nebraska Lottery retailers in March.

Another chance to win a custom bike is to enter the “Roads to Riches” second chance promotion. During the months of March, April, May and June, players who send in \$10 worth of non-winning \$2 Scratch tickets will be entered for a chance to win a custom Orange County Chopper™. The second-chance drawing will be held during



an event at the Nebraska State Fairgrounds on June 23.

As a special feature of the Roads to Riches OCC™ Giveaway, the Teutuls of Orange County Choppers™ will appear on June 23 during the Power Up Biker Rally at State Fair Park in Lincoln. Visit the Nebraska Lottery web site, [www.nelottery.com](http://www.nelottery.com), to enter the second chance contest, view photos of the custom motorcycles as they are built and to receive more information about the Orange County Choppers™ game and the Power Up Biker Rally.

### Upcoming Scratch Games:

The Nebraska Lottery has several new Scratch games coming up for spring and summer 2007.

10 Times Lucky, a new \$10 game, offers a top prize of \$200,000. The game offers low

overall odds (1 in 2.68) and the opportunity to multiply prizes by 10 times.

3D Tic Tac Toe is a \$3 Scratch game featuring a Tic Tac Toe play style. The top prize in 3D Tic Tac Toe is \$35,000; overall odds are 1 in 3.53. 3D Tic Tac Toe is scheduled to begin shipping to retailers this May.

The popular Truck\$ & Buck\$ Scratch game returns for an eleventh year with new prizes. The \$2 game will offer three top prizes of a 2007 Toyota Tundra 4x4 Double Cab truck. As in past years, a Truck\$ & Buck\$ second chance promotion is planned to accompany the Truck\$ & Buck\$ Scratch game, with a final contest drawing during the 2007 Nebraska State Fair. Look for the 2007 edition of Truck\$ and Buck\$ to ship to retailers starting in June.



# holiday promotion

## Five Nebraska Lottery Players Win Cash Prizes in Holiday Promotion

Five semi-finalists drew for the chance to win up to \$12,000 during a special Nebraska Lottery event on January 18.

The Home-Free for the Holidays Promotion allowed Nebraska Lottery players to send in a combination of \$10 in non-winning holiday Scratch tickets for a chance to win one of five cash prizes from \$250 to \$12,000. Approximately 19,000 entries were received during the promotion in December 2006 and January 2007. The Nebraska

Lottery held five preliminary drawings to select the five semi-finalists for the Grand Prize Drawing at the new Cabela's in La Vista.

After randomly choosing envelopes containing checks of various prize amounts, the five contestants opened the envelopes to reveal their prizes.

Pam Hasselman of Grand Island selected the Grand Prize of \$12,000. Hasselman told Nebraska Lottery officials that she planned to use her prize to remodel her home.

Also receiving prizes were Shirley Kelley of Broken Bow (\$1,000), Lois Woods of Lincoln (\$750), Sherita Harlow of York (\$500), and Janita Seaman of Seward (\$250).



# spotlight on *central nebraska*

**Central Nebraska holds a variety of attractions for every visitor. From crane watching on the Platte to experiencing the history of Nebraska, there is something for everyone.**

## **Bird Watching**



Bring the binoculars because there are some excellent bird-watching locales in Nebraska. Each spring a multitude of migratory birds converge on the

Platte River Valley, and among them are half a million sandhill cranes.

*Forbes* magazine deemed Grand Island as the “#1 place in the world for bird-watchers” and it’s easy to see why. Each year from mid-February to early-April, half a million cranes travel to the Grand Island and Kearney area to rest and refuel as they complete their annual migration. The 60-mile stretch in central Nebraska along the Platte River transforms into a gathering place for the largest concentration of sandhill cranes in the world—nearly 80 percent of the world’s population of sandhill cranes makes a stop in Nebraska. For many of the cranes, this long break comes in the middle of their 10,000-mile migration to Canada and the Arctic Circle.

Rowe Sanctuary and the Nebraska Bird Observatory at the Crane Meadows Visitors Center are two locations that offer a variety of tours and programs along with breathtaking views of these graceful birds. Crane Meadows Visitor Center: (308) 382-1820 [www.crane-meadows.org](http://www.crane-meadows.org), Rowe Sanctuary: (308) 468-5282 [www.rowesanctuary.org](http://www.rowesanctuary.org)

## **Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer**



The Stuhr Museum of the Prairie Pioneer is one of the nation's

top ten living history museums. Over sixty 100-year-old buildings have been restored to provide an authentic experience to visitors from around the world. The museum grounds features 12 distinct periods of time including a Pawnee earth lodge, the 1890s Railroad Town, and an 1893 farmstead. Open from May 1 to September 30. [www.stuhrmuseum.org](http://www.stuhrmuseum.org)

## **Great Platte River Road Archway Monument**



The monument certainly isn’t typical nor were the courageous men and women who traveled the many trails that converge near present-day Kearney. The real experience comes inside the monument where cutting-edge interactive exhibits and dioramas tell the story of the Platte River Valley’s enormous impact on the country’s westward expansion. Visitors enjoy interactive exhibits that depict the Platte River Valley’s



westward expansion from the early 1800s to the present. As you pass through the museum, bison charge, riders gallop, a racing steam engine casts sparks and Model Ts rumble. (877) 511-2724 [www.archway.org](http://www.archway.org)

## Museum of Nebraska Art



Beautiful artwork housed in a picture-perfect setting—that's what you'll discover at the Museum of Nebraska Art in Kearney. The museum is located in a restored post office in a stone-and-brick

Renaissance Revival-style building. The permanent collection includes 5,000 pieces and spans more than 175 years of the best creations by Nebraskans or about the state. It's also home to Nebraska's official art collection. Visitors can relax and stroll outdoors through the Cliff

Hillegass Sculpture Garden and browse through the museum shop for that perfect gift. (308) 865-8559 [monet.unk.edu/mona](http://monet.unk.edu/mona)

## Pioneer Village



More than 50,000 historic items from one of the largest

and most comprehensive private collections of Americana resides at Harold Warp Pioneer Village in Minden. The collection, dating back to 1830, is arranged in chronological order, enabling the progression to occur right before your eyes. Twenty-eight buildings house this unique collection including 350 antique autos, an operating 1800s steam carousel, 20 historic aircraft, 100 tractors and seven generations of kitchens. (800) 445-4447 [www.pioneervillage.org](http://www.pioneervillage.org)

## Nebraska Events Calendar

### Mid March–Mid April

Sandhill Crane Migration – Kearney/Grand Island

### April 27–29

5th Annual Wine, Writers & Song Festival Brownville

### April 27–29

135th Annual Arbor Day Festival – Nebraska City

### May 12

Spring Wine & Music Festival – Springfield

### May 19

James Arthur Vineyards Renaissance Festival – Raymond

### June 1–3

Sugar Valley Rally – Scottsbluff

# PLAYERS\$ *Paradise*

## She Sat In Disbelief

Carolyn Sharearm sat in disbelief as she watched the winning numbers 01, 04, 08, 11, 16 for the March 1, 2006 draw run across the screen. She couldn't have imagined that she had \$194,000 sitting in front of her on the coffee table. The winnings were in the form of a Nebraska Pick 5 ticket that she had purchased earlier that day. She had won smaller amounts in the past but nothing that large. Sharearm is a resident of Omaha and plans to use the winnings for a trip to Thailand. Nebraska Pick 5 from the Nebraska Lottery offers players four chances to win and has overall odds of 1:8. The odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot are 1 in 501,942.



## Buying Diapers Turned Into A Winning Experience



Paul Warner of Alliance won \$20,000 playing 2by2 from the Nebraska Lottery. Warner purchased his ticket for the March 1, 2006 draw at his local Pamida while buying diapers. He found out he had won by calling the Nebraska Lottery Player's Hotline at 800-224-LUCK. Although his reaction was elated he was excited when it finally hit him that he had won. His plans for the winnings are to remodel his home and possibly buy a fifth wheel camper. 2by2

offers four ways to win with overall odds of 1 in 3.59. The odds of winning the Grand Prize are 1 in 105,625.



## DID YOU KNOW?

There are currently 12 ethanol plants in Nebraska with a combined capacity of 676 million gallons per year. That creates a market for more than 300 million bushels of corn each year. Another 11 ethanol plants are currently under construction. Every major automaker in the world approves the use of 10% ethanol-enriched fuel (E-10 Unleaded.)

## Winning Ticket Hard to Believe

Mark Siske of Lincoln won \$138,000 playing Nebraska Pick 5 on May 5, 2006 but he didn't believe it.

Siske visited the Nebraska Lottery website, nelottery.com, to check his numbers on the \$2 ticket he had purchased earlier that day at Osco Drug on South 48th Street. The ticket consisted of two plays. One play was his own numbers and the other was a computer generated quick pick. The first set of numbers didn't match but the second set matched all five.

Not believing that he had the winning ticket, Siske said he checked the winning numbers at least four or five more times. Still in disbelief, he asked his wife to check the numbers. Having just woken up, she at first glance, thought the ticket was for the wrong date. A second look however confirmed that they had just won the game's top prize. The winning numbers were 05, 06, 07, 11 and 20.

Siske told Nebraska Lottery officials that he plans on using the winnings to pay bills, make a down payment on a house, and to go back to school to get his teaching certificate.

The overall odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot are 1 in 501,942. The odds of winning anything playing the game are 1 in 8.



## Triple Play of the Day

Good things come in threes if you're Robert Moore of Ogallala. Moore who is an avid Nebraska Pick 3 player plays the same three sets of numbers every week, on three separate tickets.

On May 13, 2006 that strategy paid off with the winning numbers 5, 8 and 4. Because Moore selected the Straight/Box bet on each of his three tickets, each ticket was worth \$350 for a total prize of \$1,050.

Moore purchased his winning tickets from Pump & Pantry #19, 730 East 1st and Kwik Stop #8, 217 East 1st.

The odds of winning a \$350 Nebraska Pick 3 prize are 1 in 1,000 while the odds of winning any prize vary with the bet type selected.



## Weekly Player Wins \$10,000 with Powerball



Buying a quick-pick Powerball ticket every week paid off for Mickey Stewart of Norfolk. Stewart matched four of the five white balls and the Powerball in the April 29, 2006 drawing to win \$10,000.

Stewart purchased the winning five dollar quick-pick ticket at Shopper's Express, 810 Norfolk Avenue.

The winning numbers for the April 29 Powerball drawing were 19, 30, 35, 40, 41 and 14.

The odds of winning \$10,000 playing Powerball are 1 in 584,432.



## \$150,000 Worth the Wait

Some things are worth the wait, as Elayne Morris of Omaha found out when she discovered that a free Nebraska Pick 5 quick pick ticket she received was worth \$150,000.

Morris won the free ticket for the June 27, 2006 draw at a Kabredlo's location near 56th & West Center in Omaha. The ticket contained the winning numbers 05, 16, 19, 21, 24 and was the only jackpot winning ticket sold. Because it was a free play, Morris said she didn't think about checking the numbers. It was several months before she realized that she had the winning ticket.

When Morris was claiming her prize at the Nebraska Lottery office, she told Nebraska Lottery officials that she screamed loudly when she found out she was a \$150,000 winner and stated that she was planning to use her winnings to pay bills.

The odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot are 1 in 501,942.



## Twin Tickets Double Prize for Lincoln Man

Identical tickets lead to a double win for Jose Rodriguez of Lincoln, who won a total of \$2,300 playing Nebraska Pick 3.

Rodriguez purchased two tickets for the November 4, 2006 drawing at Michael Mart, 2801 NW 48th Street in Lincoln. Each ticket contained three plays using the winning numbers 0, 7, 0. Because he selected the Straight, Straight/Box and Box bet types respectively on the plays, each winning ticket was worth \$1,150 for a total of \$2,300.

Rodriguez is a regular Nebraska Lottery player and has previously won prizes playing Nebraska Pick 5 in addition to Nebraska Pick 3. When claiming his prize, Rodriguez told Nebraska Lottery officials that he couldn't believe he had won and that he planned to use his winnings for holiday gifts.

The odds of winning with the Straight/Box and Box bet are 1 in 1,000.



## Osceola Woman Wins \$2,000 Playing Freezing Your Bucks Off

Helen Johnson of Osceola won \$2,000 playing the \$1 Scratch game Freezing Your Bucks Off.

Johnson is an occasional Nebraska Lottery player that purchases Scratch tickets when grocery shopping. She bought her winning Freezing Your Bucks Off ticket at the Country Market, 223 Vine Street in Silver Creek. The ticket contained matching dollar amounts for \$2,000. There are two \$2,000 prizes available in the game.

When claiming her prize on December 18, 2006, Johnson told Nebraska Lottery officials that at first she didn't know if she had won a prize, so she gave the ticket to a store clerk for validation. When they told her she had won \$2,000, she said it gave her "goose bumps." Johnson planned to use her winnings for holiday gifts.

The odds of winning a \$2,000 prize in Freezing Your Bucks Off were 1 in 720,000 while the overall odds of winning a prize were 1 in 3.59.





## Omaha Woman Wins \$35,000



Martha Johanson of Omaha was pleasantly surprised on November 1, 2006 when she discovered that the \$3 Bonus Crossword Scratch ticket she purchased was worth the top prize of \$35,000. Johanson purchased the ticket at a Bag N Save location near 156th and Q Street in Omaha and originally thought the ticket was worth \$100. But after trying to redeem the ticket at the store, she realized that she had formed 10 words with the let-

ters on her Scratch ticket to win the \$35,000 prize.

Johanson is a regular player of Nebraska Lottery games, playing Powerball and Nebraska Pick 5 in addition to Scratch. When redeeming her prize, Johanson told Nebraska Lottery officials that she planned to use her winnings for family expenses and to support charitable causes during the upcoming holiday season.

The odds of winning the \$35,000 Bonus Crossword top prize are 1 in 960,000 while the overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 3.39.



## Arcadia Man Wins \$7,000 Quick 7's Prize

Jamie Hurlburt of Arcadia won \$7,000 playing the \$1 Quick 7's Scratch game from the Nebraska Lottery.

Hurlburt purchased his ticket at Fast Phil Plaza, 405 Second Ave in Kearney. When scratching the ticket, he revealed seven "7" symbols with corresponding prize amounts of \$1,000 for a total prize of \$7,000. There are three \$7,000 prizes in Quick 7's; Hurlburt was the final person to win the \$7,000 top prize in the (green) edition of the game.

When claiming his prize on December 11, 2006, Hurlburt told Nebraska Lottery officials that he is an occasional Scratch player and that this was the first time he had won a significant prize. He plans to purchase a new car with his winnings.

Quick 7's is a \$1 Scratch game from the Nebraska Lottery that appeals to occasional players who pick games that are simple to play. The odds of winning the \$7,000 top prize in Quick 7's are 1 in 960,000 while the overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 3.60.



## **\$500,000 Scratch Prize Claimed by Two Seward Men**

Two Seward men split the first \$500,000 top prize in the \$20 Scratch game \$500,000 Cash Jubilee.

Dean Schultz and Herbert Folkerts purchased four Cash Jubilee tickets around 8:30 am on December 12, 2000. They purchased the tickets at Gas N Snaks, 541 Jackson Avenue in Seward. One of the four tickets contained the matching numbers for a total prize of \$500,000.



Schultz and Folkerts wasted no time in claiming their prize; less than an hour later, they were at Nebraska Lottery headquarters. The two men told Nebraska Lottery officials that they were "excited" about their win and already had plans for the prize money. Schultz will use his share to purchase a new truck, a plasma television and to build a garage; Folkerts will use his share to pay bills.

\$500,000 Cash Jubilee is the first \$20 Scratch ticket from the Nebraska Lottery. There are two \$500,000 top prizes available in the game and a total of \$4 million in cash prizes. The odds of winning the \$500,000 top prize in Cash Jubilee are 1 in 150,000 while the overall odds of winning are 1 in 3.25.



## **Lincoln Powerball Winner Doubles Prize with Power Play**

Lincoln resident Cheston Coffin turned a \$10,000 winning Powerball ticket into \$20,000 by adding Power Play to his Powerball purchase. Coffin purchased the ticket for the November 1, 2006 drawing at a U-STOP location near 56th and Holdrege in Lincoln. The \$2 ticket contained one play with Power Play.



The Powerball numbers for the November 1 drawing were 7, 8, 13, 46, 54 and Powerball 35. Coffin matched 4 of the white ball numbers and the red Powerball number for \$10,000. But because he added the \$1 Power Play to his purchase, the prize amount was doubled by the Power Play ball number 2 for a total of \$20,000.

Coffin told Nebraska Lottery officials that he was excited about his win and plans on using his prize money to fund his upcoming wedding.

Adding Power Play does affect the odds of winning. The odds of winning \$10,000 playing Powerball are 1 in 584,432.



## David City Man Wins \$20,000 2by2 Top Prize



Charles Dischinger of David City recently won the \$20,000 top prize in 2by2.

Dischinger purchased a multi-draw 2by2 ticket for the December 19 and 20, 2006 draws at Didier's Grocery, 340 D Street in David City. The ticket contained the winning red numbers 6, 9 and white numbers 5, 8 from the December 19 draw for a total prize of \$20,000. Over 120 players have won the 2by2 top

prize since 2002.

Dischinger is a regular Nebraska Lottery player that calls the Nebraska Lottery Player's Hotline (800-224-LUCK) every morning for the winning numbers. He told Nebraska Lottery officials that he was excited about his win and "probably woke up the neighbors" after discovering that he had won the \$20,000 prize. He plans to use his winnings to purchase a new vehicle.

2by2 is run by the Multi-State Lottery Association and was introduced in June 2002. Players in Kansas, Nebraska and North Dakota have the opportunity to win up to \$20,000 Monday through Saturday by playing 2by2. The odds of winning the \$20,000 2by2 top prize are 1 in 105,625.



## \$1,000 E-10 Unleaded with Ethanol Winner

High gas prices seem to be affecting everyone, but one Nebraska Lottery Truck\$ & Buck\$ Scratch ticket player won some relief. Fredrick Trumpe of Clark won the game's second tier prize of \$1,000 worth of Ethanol-Enriched Fuel in June 2006.

Trumpe purchased his winning ticket at Kwik Stop located on Highway 30 in Clarks.

2006 marked the tenth anniversary of Truck\$ & Buck\$ and the first time three prizes of \$1,000 worth of Ethanol-Enriched Fuel appeared in the game's prize structure. The Ethanol-Enriched Fuel prizes are the result of a partnership between the Nebraska Lottery and the Nebraska Ethanol Coalition.

The odds of winning the game's second tier prize of Ethanol-Enriched Fuel were 1 in 280,000. The overall odds of winning anything playing the game were 1 in 3.67.



## A Double Jackpot for Omaha Nebraska Pick 5 Player

A player who spreads around his buying of lottery tickets, bought the right ticket at the right time and the right place.

Lance Copeland of Omaha won the Nebraska Pick 5 Jackpot on the last day of February. The jackpot for February 28 was \$162,000 but, due to the February Nebraska Pick 5 Doubler promotion, the jackpot was doubled and Copeland took home a check worth \$324,000.



Copeland told Nebraska Lottery officials he normally buys one quick pick ticket when he stops to get gas, gum or pop. It was a stop for a bottle of pop at Bucky's Amoco, 102nd and Maple in Omaha that turned into a winning stop for him. His ticket contained all five winning numbers (02, 03, 08, 20, 27) for the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot.

Copeland also told Nebraska Lottery officials that he's not a traveler so a trip is not in the plans for his winnings. He plans to pay off bills, help his son and is undecided what to do with the remainder. Nevertheless, he said, "I'm sure I'll figure something out after this all sets in."

Nebraska Pick 5 is Nebraska's unique Lottery game: all the proceeds from Nebraska Pick 5 stay in Nebraska, and all the winning tickets are sold in Nebraska at Nebraska Lottery Lotto game retailers. The odds of winning the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot, which starts at \$50,000 and grows by \$4,000 each drawing that it is not won, are 1 in 501,942. The overall odds of winning a prize in the game, which has drawings six nights a week, are 1 in 8.



### DID YOU KNOW?

In a recent poll on the Nebraska Lottery website ([nelottery.com](http://nelottery.com)), 418 visitors responded to the poll question, "Have you played Nebraska Pick 5 in the past 30 days?"

**Yes**, I played during February because of the Doubler promotion.  27.03 percent

**Yes**, I play regularly.  55.74 percent

**No**, but I have played Nebraska Pick 5 in the past year.  6.94 percent

I don't play Nebraska Pick 5, but prefer other Lotto games.  10.9 percent

## **North Loup Woman Wins \$5,000 Playing \$500,000 Cash Jubilee**

Linda Griess of North Loup recently won \$5,000 playing the \$20 Scratch game \$500,000 Cash Jubilee from the Nebraska Lottery.

Griess purchased her winning Cash Jubilee ticket at Pump & Pantry, A Street & Hwy 11 in North Loup. The ticket contained five matching numbers with corresponding dollar amounts of \$1,000, making Griess' total win \$5,000. There are three \$5,000 prizes available in the game. With Griess' win, one \$5,000 prize remains unclaimed.

\$500,000 Cash Jubilee is the first \$20 Scratch ticket offered by the Nebraska Lottery. The game offers players the chance to win \$4,200,200 in cash prizes from \$20 to \$500,000. The odds of winning \$5,000 playing \$500,000 Cash Jubilee are 1 in 150,000 while the overall odds are 1 in 3.25.



## **\$10,004 Powerball Prize for South Sioux City Woman**

Sandra DeHarty of South Sioux City recently won \$10,004 playing Powerball from the Nebraska Lottery.

DeHarty purchased a quick-pick Powerball ticket for the December 23, 2006 draw at the Hy-Vee Food Store, 2501 Cornhusker Plaza in South Sioux City. The ticket contained five plays. One of the plays matched four of the five white ball numbers and the Powerball number for a \$10,000 prize.

Another play on the ticket matched one white ball number and the Powerball number for a prize of \$4, making the ticket worth a total of \$10,004.

The odds of winning a \$10,000 Powerball prize are 1 in 584,432 and the odds of winning a \$4 Powerball prize are 1 in 127. The overall odds of winning any prize are 1 in 36.61.





## Kearney Woman Wins \$200,000 Powerball Prize

There were more than 20,000 Nebraska Lottery Lotto winners in the Saturday, February 17, drawings. Among them was Leesa Clinch of Kearney, who won \$200,000 playing Powerball from the Nebraska Lottery. Clinch purchased a two-play Powerball ticket for the February 17 draw at Pump & Pantry, 4311 Second Street in Kearney. Using the quick-pick option, one play on the ticket contained all five of the white ball numbers (1, 15, 35, 37, 45) for the \$200,000 prize.



Clinch wasted no time in claiming her prize, presenting her ticket at Nebraska Lottery headquarters shortly after 8:30 am on February 20. She told Nebraska Lottery officials that, after checking the winning numbers on the Nebraska Lottery web site, she couldn't believe she had won the \$200,000 prize. She has no plans for her winnings at this time.

The odds of winning \$200,000 in Powerball are 1 in 3,563,609 while the overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 36.60.



## Murray Woman Wins First \$10,000 Top Prize in Jack Frost

Deanna Filkins won the first \$10,000 top prize in the \$2 Jack Frost Scratch game from the Nebraska Lottery.

Filkins is a regular Nebraska Lottery player, playing all of the Nebraska Lottery Lotto games in addition to Scratch games. She purchased her winning Jack Frost ticket at Dakota Food & Fuel, 515 N 14th Street in Dakota City. The ticket contained three matching "eight" cards in hand seven for a corresponding prize of \$10,000.

There are two \$10,000 top prizes available in the Jack Frost game. Filkins is the first player to win a top prize playing Jack Frost.

Jack Frost is a \$2 Scratch game that offers players the opportunity to win \$624,400 in cash prizes from \$2 to \$10,000. The odds of winning the \$10,000 top prize in Jack Frost are 1 in 240,000 while the overall odds of winning a prize are 1 in 3.53.



# more winners

winners from  
october 2006 to january 2007  
claimed at nebraska lottery claim centers

## January – 2007

**\$500,000 Cash Jubilee - \$1,000**

Donald Wiezonek, Gibbon  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$550**  
Charles Simmons, Superior  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$600**  
Leslie Wentz, Plattsmouth  
Karleen Stutzman, Raymond  
Judy Wagner, Lewiston  
Roxanna Jokela, Omaha  
Barbara Elliott, McCook  
Thomas Mann, Lincoln  
Shirlene Omer, Lincoln  
Jack Wilburn, Omaha  
Cindy Montgomery, Wilber  
Scott Kaluza, LaVista  
Greg Carlson, Fremont  
Dave Rutledge, Kimball  
Sandra Smetter, Doniphan  
Amos Reed Jr., Omaha  
Darnell Thomas, Swanton  
Kem Crocker, Omaha  
Ed Varejcka, Lincoln  
Russell Richards, Torrington, WY  
Todd Manes, Beatrice  
Gail Phipps, Omaha  
Virginia Bill, Lincoln  
Dawn Thumser, Plattsmouth  
Emelia Poster, LaVista  
Sharon Dixon, Hastings  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$700**  
Jorge Vasquez, Fremont  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$909**  
Charles Peklo, Omaha  
Cathleen Wagner, Beaver City  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$950**  
Dorothy Thiem, North Platte  
Michael Hamilton, Bellevue  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - 1,202**  
Robert Perkins, Bellevue  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,050**  
Clint Brewer, Blair  
**Press Your Luck - \$1,000**  
Karen Beckman, Plattsmouth  
**Nebraska Pick 5® - \$54,000**  
Kenneth Spencer, Omaha  
**Nebraska Pick 5® - \$66,000**  
Wayne Wilde, Lincoln  
**Nebraska Pick 5® - \$78,000**  
Dionisia Padilla, Omaha  
**Nebraska Pick 5® - \$170,000**  
Trudy Gruidel, Omaha  
**Jack Frost - \$10,000**  
Deanna Filkins, Murray  
**Winner Green - \$50,000**  
Christopher Ludwig, Gering

**Jackpot Riches - \$50,000**

Bradley Uhrich, Grand Island  
**Powerball® - \$10,000**  
Alan Belka, Lincoln  
Pham Johnson, Lincoln  
Sandra DeHarty, South Sioux City  
**Powerball® - \$50,000**  
Janice Urban, Schuyler  
Jim Shaffer, Omaha  
**Powerball® - \$200,000**  
Jacci Corbett, Omaha  
Gary Reiber, Hastings  
**Diamonds Are Forever - \$35,000**  
Manuel Portillo, Shelton  
**\$35,000 Bingo - \$35,000**  
Troy Richardson, Adams  
**\$10 Quarterly Drawing - 30 \$10 tickets**  
Clifford Higgins, Alliance  
**Password - \$35,000**  
Noel League, Trenton  
**\$10 Quarterly Drawing - \$2,500**  
Mel Irish, North Platte  
**Cash Vault - \$50,000**  
Lori Muegerl, Ravenna  
**\$35,000 Bingo - \$1,000**  
Joni Jamison, Tecumseh  
**\$10,000 Diamonds - \$1,000**  
John Little, Grand Island  
**Bonus Crossword - \$1,000**  
Paula Hardison, Valentine  
**Password - \$1,000**  
Virgil Becker, St. Paul  
**Candy Cane Cash - \$50,000**  
Mat Higgins, Holdrege

## December – 2006

**Nebraska Pick 5® - \$262,000**  
Susan Porter, Ainsworth  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$600**  
Kem Crocker, Omaha  
Brandy Swarthout, Lincoln  
Lyle Meyer, Norfolk  
Carol Steele, Minatare  
James D'Agosta, Omaha  
Lee Haman, Omaha  
Sheri Sehi, Oakdale  
Anthony Pitollo, Trenton  
Brad Pacas, Lincoln  
James Kaufman, Hastings  
Cody Vance, Crete  
Linda Schumacher, Omaha  
Robert Perkins, Bellevue  
Robert Royster, Lincoln

Thomas Mann, Lincoln  
Darren Wallace, McCook  
Thomas Darnell, Joelton, TN  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,200**  
Deborah Quinn, Concord  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,500**  
Michael Berry, Papillion  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,800**  
Valerie Pember, Plattsmouth  
**\$500,000 Cash Jubilee - \$500,000**  
Dean Schultz, Seward  
**\$35,000 Bingo - \$1,000**  
Julie Winkelbauer, Omaha  
Fushia DeLoss, Lincoln  
**Powerball® - \$10,000**  
Art Longoria, Lincoln  
Harold Chessmore, Hayes Center  
Nancy Witthuhn, Fremont  
Elias Tavitl, Omaha  
**\$35,000 Bingo - \$35,000**  
Debbie Meyer, Omaha  
**What's Your Number? - \$4,000**  
Sarah Pistone, Omaha  
**Jacks In The Box - \$3,000**  
Matthew Lordemann, Omaha  
**Candy Cane Cash - \$1,000**  
Gina Clark, Clay Center  
Thomas Cadwalader, Grand Island  
**Freezing Your Bucks Off - \$2,000**  
Marcelyn Garrison, Fremont  
Helen Johnson, Osceola  
**2by2® - \$20,000**  
Charles Dischinger, David City  
Cheri Setlak, Plattsmouth  
**Lucky Day - \$35,000**  
Shane Bazer, Ralston  
**Candy Cane Cash - \$50,000**  
Rose Anderson, Kimball  
**Password® - \$1,000**  
Jason Wyscarver, Omaha  
**Quick 7's - \$7,000**  
Jamie Hurlburt, Arcadia  
Jerry Huebner, Dannebrog

## November – 2006

**Lucky Day - \$1,000**  
Ericka Holder, Lincoln  
**Mini Bingo - \$3,000**  
Guillermo Fraire, Doniphan  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$600**  
Sharon Bonacci, Omaha  
Bobby Martin, Kimball  
Arturo Mustelier, Norfolk  
Patricia Krause, Lincoln

Mark Hughes, Mead  
 Dale Schumacher, Waverly  
 Ann Miller, Blair  
 Jaixen Thomas, Omaha  
 Erwin Swiney, Omaha  
 Lynnette Lampert, Norfolk  
 William Pool, Omaha  
 Kevin Christensen, Holdrege  
 George Ladovich,  
   Maple Heights, OH  
 Mona Ward, Scottsbluff  
 Mitchell Helmuth, Cozad  
 Donald Graham, Omaha  
 Jean Morris, Genoa  
 Jose Castillo, Omaha  
 Elizabeth Vaughn, LaVista  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$700**  
 Mario Montoya, Nickerson  
 Alvin Motley, Omaha  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,200**  
 Karleen Stutzman, Raymond  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$1,150**  
 Imogene Shupe, Omaha  
 Robert Friend, Bellevue  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$2,300**  
 Jose Rodriguez, Lincoln  
**Nebraska Pick 3® - \$3,800**  
 Charles Verges, Omaha  
**Cash Vault - \$50,000**  
 Wesley Kalkas, Shenandoah, IA  
**Family Feud - \$50,000**  
 Patrick Dougherty, Hershey  
**Lucky 7's Blackjack - \$10,000**  
 Donald Eschliman, Columbus  
**Pac-Man - \$2,000**  
 Stephanie Myers, Grand Island  
 Bert Barta, Littleton, CO  
**Bonus Crossword - \$35,000**  
 Martha Johanson, Omaha  
**2by2® - \$20,000**  
 Lisa Tobey, Waco  
 Bob Sorensen, Lincoln  
**Powerball w/Power Play - \$20,000**  
 Cheston Coffin, Lincoln  
**Powerball® - \$10,000**  
 Courtney Lewis, Columbus  
 Jon Rolf, Albion  
 Terrie Jackson, Franklin  
 Stacy Dorn, Cortland  
 Carolyn Weistlock, Omaha  
 Gary Keller, Hastings  
**Bonus Crossword - \$1,000**  
 Janice Klug, Norfolk  
 Elizabeth Freeman, Lincoln  
**Big Bingo - \$50,000**  
 Michael Wiedenfeld, Norfolk  
**Nebraska Pick 5® - \$450**  
 George Taylor III, Beatrice

## October - 2006

**\$10,000 Diamonds - \$1,000**  
 Judy Bennett, Palmer  
**Nebraska Pick 3**  
 Scott Harmon, Trumbull - **\$550**  
 Ronald Black, York - **\$600**

Adrian Cisneros, Beaver, PA - **\$600**  
 Marcus Polk, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Shannon Gensler, Springfield - **\$600**  
 John Harding, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Victor Kramer, North Platte - **\$600**  
 Rusty Colexi, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Terry Thomas, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Isiah Jackson, Omaha - **\$600**  
 William Earlywine, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Linda Jeffrey, Aurora - **\$600**  
 Orestes Barahona,  
   Grand Island - **\$600**  
 Barbara Elliott, McCook - **\$600**  
 Jean Mayfield, Exeter - **\$600**  
 Norman Mumford, Hebron - **\$600**  
 Duane Schlenz, Norfolk - **\$600**  
 MaryAnn Dhaenens, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Leslie Trombly, Bellevue - **\$600**  
 Carrol Tetschner, Burwell - **\$600**  
 Kimberly Worley, Oakdale - **\$600**  
 Jodi Novak, Dorchester - **\$600**  
 David Dimas Jr., Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Scott Farmer, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Thomas Rogers, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Jason Lee, Firth - **\$600**  
 Jim Ourhda, Osceola - **\$600**  
 Amos Reed, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Ronald Allgood, Nebraska City - **\$600**  
 Billjoe Shaver, York - **\$600**  
 Roland Ledesma, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Bob Meyer, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Edwin Weaver, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Glen White, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 John Law, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Lateacia Monroe, Norfolk - **\$600**  
 Wilmer Ogren, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Linda Schumacher, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Theresa Hail, Council  
   Bluffs, IA - **\$600**  
 Ricky Straw, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Julie Scott, Gothenburg - **\$600**  
 Patsy Hall, Hastings - **\$600**  
 Arvester Chapman, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Shirleen Sedoris, Dorchester - **\$600**  
 Mary Hancock, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Derrick Moore, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Melanie Parker, Bellevue - **\$600**  
 Olivia Bond, Omaha - **\$600**  
 William Hoselton, Hastings - **\$600**  
 Albert Ford, Bellevue - **\$600**  
 Sharon Conrad,  
   Beaver Crossing - **\$600**  
 Lanayn Layman, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Carol Peters, Grand Island - **\$600**  
 Eva Harper, Otoe - **\$600**  
 Sherry Denetelli, Omaha - **\$600**  
 George Kistner, Oakdale - **\$600**  
 Kris Mitchell, Louisville - **\$600**  
 Michele Jimerson, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Mary Kistner, Oakdale - **\$600**  
 Lamont Robinson, Omaha - **\$600**  
 David Allen, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Brenda Ebert, Bellevue - **\$600**  
 Larry Kennedy, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Roy McKinney, Lincoln - **\$600**  
 Herbert Milani, Omaha - **\$600**

Tim Wilson, Omaha - **\$600**  
 David Metschke, Fremont - **\$600**  
 Jeremy Witt, Lyman - **\$600**  
 Deborah Zalud, North Platte - **\$600**  
 Karen Kraft, Hastings - **\$600**  
 Kevin Kovac, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Sharon Bonacci, Omaha - **\$600**  
 Roderick Steele, Omaha - **\$650**  
 Bryan Stack, Omaha - **\$700**  
 Cecil King, Omaha - **\$700**  
 Richard MacDonald, Clatonia - **\$800**  
 Michael Berry, Papillion - **\$1,000**  
 Lyle Meyer, Norfolk - **\$1,200**  
 Charli Stutzman, Lincoln - **\$1,200**  
 Sanford Ratzlaff, Benedict - **\$1,200**  
 Raphael Granger, Omaha - **\$1,200**  
 Wynne Norsworthy,  
   Gothenburg - **\$1,200**  
 Alberta Cotton, Omaha - **\$1,200**  
 Royce Haines, Hastings - **\$1,200**  
 Peter Jones, Papillion - **\$1,550**  
 Jerry Dean Motley, Bellevue - **\$1,800**  
 Beverly Staley, Omaha - **\$10,800**  
**Big Bingo - \$50,000**  
 Patricia Roper, Geneva  
**Ruby Red 7's - \$10,000**  
 Patricia Huffman, Omaha  
**\$35,000 Bingo - \$1,000**  
 Lyle Miller, Lincoln  
 Leonardo Ramirez, Lexington  
**Powerball**  
 Veronica Jetensky,  
   Creighton - **\$200,000**  
 Douglas Larsen, Ralston - **\$10,000**  
 Joyce Nordell, Omaha - **\$10,000**  
 Tally Herbig, St. Paul - **\$550**  
 Agustin Rivera, Lincoln - **\$515**  
**Criss Cross 7's - \$2,777**  
 Fern Norris, Homer  
**Big Bingo - \$1,000**  
 Arthur Kirsch, Omaha  
**\$10 Second Chance Scratch**  
**Quarterly Drawing - \$2,500**  
 Daniel Garza, Lincoln  
**\$10 Second Chance Scratch**  
**Quarterly Drawing - 300 \$10**  
**Scratch Tickets**  
 Mark Johnson, Lexington  
**Nebraska Pick 5**  
 Elayne Morris, Omaha - **\$150,000**  
 Evelyn Schaaf, Ord - **\$94,000**  
 Robert Sullivan, Wahoo - **\$900**  
 Roma Redlan, Lincoln - **\$450**  
**2by2 - \$20,000**  
 Gloria Jelinek, Lincoln  
**Lucky \$500 - \$500**  
 Eric Pelland, North Platte  
**\$10,000 Diamonds - \$10,000**  
 Michael Beck, Clarks  
**Password - \$35,000**  
 Randi Hromas, Lincoln

# beneficiary *update*



## Beneficiary Funds See More Than \$281 Million



In late March the Nebraska Lottery distributed among its beneficiary funds \$8,382,364 derived from a share of Scratch and Lotto ticket sales for the previous three months.

A total of \$281,408,168 has been distributed in quarterly transfers since the Nebraska Lottery began operation on September 11, 1993. The latest transfer, made the week of March 26, was distributed among beneficiaries in the following manner:

**Education Innovation  
Fund, \$1,655,517;**

**Nebraska Scholarship  
Fund, \$2,074,635;**

**Nebraska Environmental  
Trust Fund, \$3,730,152;**

**Nebraska State Fair Support  
and Improvement Fund,  
\$838,236; and**

**Compulsive Gamblers  
Assistance Fund, \$83,824.**

Amendment 4 passed by Nebraska voters in November of 2004 established the following distribution formula: Education as directed by the Legislature (44.5 percent) - currently divided among the Education Innovation Fund and Nebraska Scholarship Fund; Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund

(44.5 percent); Nebraska State Fair (10 percent); and the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund (1 percent, plus the first \$500,000 in fund proceeds each fiscal year).

The funds' respective totals to date are:

**Education Innovation  
Fund, \$110,730,177;**

**Nebraska Scholarship  
Fund, \$21,362,720;**

**Nebraska Environmental  
Trust Fund, \$113,631,901;**

**Nebraska State Fair Support  
and Improvement Fund,  
\$5,993,291; and**

**Compulsive Gamblers  
Assistance Fund, \$6,145,259.**

Prior to July 1, 1997, the Solid Waste Landfill Closure Assistance Fund received proceeds totaling \$18,460,996. In 2004, the Legislature directed that a one-time transfer of \$5 million be made to the State General Fund.

Criteria for proceeds distribution are established by the beneficiary funds in accordance with legislative mandates. Every county in Nebraska has received service through grants funded with Nebraska Lottery proceeds.

The Nebraska Lottery marked \$1 billion in total sales (since 1993) in March of 2006.

# nebraska lottery

## *street team*



They don't need a goofy name, a gimmick, or some crazy outfits to stand out. They are who they are. And they like to have a good time.

The Street Team is a hip, young group of individuals whose purpose is to promote the Nebraska Lottery, its games and image to an emerging market of individuals who are 19-29 years old. Their job is to interact with this new target market and to show people that not only play is good but a lot of fun.

Don't be surprised if you find The Team at many of the events and locations you go to this spring and

summer. They travel to events in a totally tricked out Scion XB, immerse themselves into their target market and interact on a personal level. Along the way, The Team offers chances to learn about and play some Nebraska Lottery Scratch and Lotto games. Or you can always challenge them to a match of Opposing Thumbs or Lightning Reaction.

In case you missed the Street Team at previous events or you just want to learn more about the Team, log on to [www.playisgood.com](http://www.playisgood.com).

## DID YOU KNOW?

Since the Nebraska Lottery began operations on September 11, 1993, sales have totaled over \$1 billion. Over \$281 million in proceeds has been distributed to Nebraska Lottery beneficiary funds in quarterly transfers since 1993.



## **Jim Haynes Named Nebraska Lottery Director**



On December 18, 2006 Nebraska State Tax Commissioner Douglas A. Ewald announced the appointment of James M. Haynes as Director of the Nebraska Lottery.

Haynes has served as Acting Lottery Director since February 2004, and will continue serving as Charitable Gaming Administrator within the Nebraska Department of Revenue. During his tenure with the Department of Revenue he also served as Personnel Manager and Lottery Investigations Supervisor.

He currently serves as Midwest Regional Director of NAGRA (North American Gaming Regulators Association) and serves on the Board of Directors for the Multi-state Lottery Association and the North American Association of State and Provincial Lotteries.

Prior to joining the Department of Revenue in 1991, Haynes was an officer with the Lincoln (Nebraska) Police Department. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

## **Fun Zone Feature on \$2 Scratch Games Ending**



The Nebraska Lottery is discontinuing the Fun Zone feature of its \$2 Scratch games. When Lucky 7's BlackJack closes, select \$2 Scratch games will no longer include the Fun Zone as a special code for MVP Club website contests.

The Fun Zone feature allowed Nebraska Lottery Scratch players to enter a special nine-digit number hidden on the front of various \$2 Scratch games for a chance to win prizes at nelottery.com. Prizes included daily instant prizes and periodic grand prize drawings.

With the discontinuation, the online Fun Zone has been expanded to include free games as one aspect of the MVP Club. Contests for featured games, including \$2 Scratch games, will continue to be offered for MVP Club members. For more information or to become an MVP Club member, visit nelottery.com.

# scratch & lotto

## *simulator contest winners*



The Nebraska Lottery occasionally uses research surveys to develop future Lotto and Scratch games. During the month of October 2006, MVP Club members were asked to vote on future \$1 Scratch games. Members who completed the survey were entered to win a \$2,500 prize. MVP Club Member, JoAnne Whitmire of Alma, was selected for the Grand Prize.

During November and December, 2006 MVP Club members were asked to provide their input on future Lotto games for a chance to win one of three \$1,000 VISA gift cards. Deborah Barton of

Papillion, Karen Pelz of Fremont and Jimmie Brannan of North Platte were selected for the three VISA gift cards.

Thank you to everyone who entered the contests by completing the survey. Be sure to visit the MVP Club often for future survey opportunities.

If you are not yet a member of the MVP Club, and would like to be eligible for future contests like this one, visit [www.nelottery.com](http://www.nelottery.com) and click on Join the MVP CLUB at the top of the page.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Nebraska provides a critical "rest stop" for migratory birds. Each spring, 5 to 15 million ducks and geese stage on the wetlands of the Rainwater Basin and Platte River in central Nebraska before migrating north to prairie and arctic breeding grounds. Nebraska also plays host to 80% of the total Sandhill crane population during both fall and spring migration.

# power 'up *bike rally*

**See the  
Teutuls**  
at  
State Fair Park



Mark your calendars to attend a new event coming to State Fair Park – the Power 'Up Bike Rally, June 22-24, 2007. Activities on June 23 will include the Nebraska Lottery second chance OCC™ custom chopper giveaway, OCC™ Cast Members Charity Bike Run (with proceeds going to the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund), appearances by the Teutuls of Orange County Choppers and a concert performed by the OCC™ Band.

The Power 'Up Bike Rally will include a weekend packed full of entertainment including a free concert in the Open Air Auditorium featuring the national artists FireHouse and Warrant and the Xfest Production – M.O.B. FMX & Team Extreme Street Stunts. For a chance to win great prizes, bike

enthusiasts will have an opportunity to enter their bike into the Power 'Up Bike Show, participate in the Poker Run, or challenge their skills in friendly competitions such as hot dog and ice cream eating contests. The event promises plenty of food, fun, and of course, shopping for bike accessories of all kinds.

Tickets to attend the Power 'Up Bike Rally can be purchased online at [www.statefair.org](http://www.statefair.org), at the State Fair Park ticket office, or by calling 402-473-4105 now through June 21. Advance tickets are \$15 per person for a day pass, or \$35 per person for a weekend pass. Day passes during the event will be available for \$20 per person, and weekend passes for \$35 per person. Children 12 and under are free with a paid adult. Parking is free.



STATE FAIR PARK, LINCOLN  
Friday, June 22 – Sunday, June 24

**Friday:** Free Concert featuring FireHouse/Warrant

**Saturday:** Nebraska Lottery OCC™ Custom Bike Giveaway

OCC™ Cast Members Charity Bike Run

Photo session and Question & Answer session with the Teutuls

Free Concert performed by the OCC Band

**Sunday:** Poker Run - Proceeds benefit 1868 Nebraska State Fair Foundation

**Saturday and Sunday:** Custom Bike Show

# **scholarship** *fund benefits*



Among the various efforts funded by Nebraska Lottery proceeds is the Nebraska Scholarship Fund, which is administered by the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education under the Nebraska Scholarship Act.

With the help of the Nebraska Lottery, the Nebraska Scholarship Act has been able to award more than 25,000 Nebraska State Grants to college students at dozens of Nebraska institutions.

Grants were made to 12,139 students during the 2004-05 Academic Year. With grants averaging \$687, a total of \$8,336,903 was distributed to students attending 42 different institutions of higher education in Nebraska.

Among the students who received 2004-05 grants, 8,400 attended a public institution; 2,307 attended an independent college or university; and 1,432 attended a private for profit institution.

During the 2003-04 Academic Year, a total of 13,031 students received grants. Grant awards were divided evenly between dependent (traditional) and independent (non-traditional) students, with the average grant being worth \$671.

The 2003-04 grants helped students at 42 institutions of higher education across the state. These institutions included: all the state's 14 public 4-year and 2-year institutions, 12 private for profit institutions, and 16 private independent colleges.

Schools select students as potential recipients, and the Coordinating

Commission for Post-Secondary Education approves the students and distributes funds to the institutions. Grants are made based on financial need, and students are not guaranteed to receive the grant every year they are enrolled.

The maximum grant that could be awarded during the 2004-05 Academic Year was \$2,389, which was the equivalent of 50 percent of fees and tuition for a full-time Nebraska resident undergraduate student at the University of Nebraska Lincoln (UNL). The maximum for the 2003-04 Academic Year was \$1,032, which was the equivalent of 25 percent of tuition and mandatory fees at UNL. For grants made to students for Academic Year 2005-06, the Legislature has set the maximum possible grant at 50 percent of fees and tuition at UNL.

The Nebraska Scholarship Fund uses a blend of funding from the United States Department of Education's LEAP/SLEAP program (7 percent in 2004-05, 12 percent in 2003-04), the State of Nebraska General Fund (68.5 percent in 2004-05, 65.5 percent in 2003-04), and Nebraska Lottery proceeds (24.5 percent in 2004-05, 22.5 percent in 2003-04).

Nebraska Lottery proceeds are being used in many ways to help people and projects across our state, supporting efforts focused on areas such as education, the environment, compulsive gamblers assistance, and the Nebraska State Fair. So far, \$280 million has been raised for Nebraska Lottery beneficiary funds.



Pheasant hunters have a passion for their sport. With its diverse upland game bird numbers, Nebraska is a featured destination for hunters from across the country. In Nebraska, 114,000 pheasant hunters annually generate over \$41.8 million for the state's economy. To ensure that upland wildlife remains a part of our landscape, Pheasants Forever (PF) has established thousands of acres of habitat for pheasants, quail and other wildlife with the assistance of the Nebraska Environmental Trust.

Local PF chapters are working with landowners to establish high-quality habitat on the corners of center pivot irrigated fields. Through the Corners for Wildlife program, these less-productive areas can provide needed habitat for Nebraska wildlife when planted with grasses, shrubs and trees. Willing landowners sign a five-year contract and receive an annual rental payment and cost-share assistance. By the end of the contract, the landowner has a complete wildlife habitat area and the knowledge to maintain it in the future.

Benefits of the Corners for Wildlife are numerous; restored corners provide food and cover for a variety of Nebraska birds and

wildlife, reduce soil erosion and protect water supplies from agricultural runoff. The Corners for Wildlife program has been highly successful, with landowner demand exceeding the available projects each year. The Nebraska Environmental Trust has provided support for the Corners for Wildlife program since 1994. Trust funding allowed for the enrollment of 185 corners in 2006, the most projects ever enrolled in a single year. To date over 6,698 acres of habitat have been plant-

ed on 1,183 projects by local PF chapters and their partners.

PF chapters have also partnered with the Nebraska Environmental Trust to purchase no-till grass drills for wildlife habitat plantings. A no-till grass drill is needed to handle the fluffy seeds associated with many grasses, wildflowers, forbs and legumes used in habitat plantings. This specialized equipment is typically unavailable for most landowners in the state. Trust funding has allowed for the purchase of 45 no-till drills across Nebraska since 1994, resulting in the establishment of over 67,000 acres of habitat across the state. The drills are available for landowners to use at a nominal fee. To learn the location of a no-till grass drill near you, log on to [www.NebraskaPF.com](http://www.NebraskaPF.com).





# hershey man wins *getaway giveaway*



As tens of thousands of fairgoers made their way through the Nebraska State Fair on September 3, 2006, 25 semi-finalists in the Getaway Giveaway second chance contest gathered to determine who would win cash and merchandise prizes.

The semi-finalists, selected from among more than 41,295 entries in the contest for Nebraska Lottery \$2 Scratch games, were joined by their family and friends for the Getaway Giveaway game show that took place at the main intersection of State Fair Park.

Through a series of elimination rounds at the fair grounds, the field of 25 was narrowed until two contestants remained.

In the end, Mike Summers of Hershey won the Grand Prize valued at \$72,000.

Summers drove home a 2006 Toyota Tundra 4X4 Double Cab truck, a 2006 Fun Finder X210 travel trailer, and a 2006 Yamaha

VX110 WaveRunner personal watercraft, and received \$100 worth of E-10 Unleaded courtesy of the Nebraska Ethanol Coalition.

Summers squared off against Richard Arnold of Sidney. In the final elimination round they took turns drawing keys from a blind box and attempting to start the engine of the Tundra. Arnold went first, followed by Summers. After two rounds of keys, the contest came down to two final keys. Summers' key started the truck, and he won the Grand Prize.

Arnold and nine other semi-finalists who were eliminated in earlier rounds received \$1,000. They are:

**Judy Johannsen of Fremont**  
**Diane Jelkin of Hildreth**  
**Misty Koperski of Grand Island**  
**Donna Sisley of Omaha**  
**Deb Borer of Albion**  
**George Newill of Fremont**  
**Dirk Allen of Fremont**  
**Crystal Horky of Kearney**  
**Charlette Casey of Ogallala**

**Watch for the 2007 edition of Truck\$ & Buck\$ coming in June.**

# **compulsive gamblers** *assistance*

## **When Gambling Becomes a Bad Bet.....**

The Gamblers Assistance Program was established in 1992. Since that time the GAP has worked to assist those negatively affected by problem gambling. The GAP contracts with individuals throughout Nebraska to provide treatment services to problem gamblers and their family members.

Gambling is a recreational activi-

ty enjoyed by the majority of adults in Nebraska. There are some, however, with whom gambling is more than recreational and is in fact addictive and destructive. The devastation of the gambler and their family is well documented. What is less known is how families can protect themselves from the devastation of gambling and the gambler.

**Below is a self survey to discover whether you or someone you know has a gambling problem**

- *Have you ever lost time from work because of gambling?*
- *Has gambling ever made your home life unhappy?*
- *Have you ever felt remorse for gambling?*
- *Do you ever borrow to finance your gambling?*
- *Are you reluctant to use "gambling money" for normal expenditures?*
- *Does gambling cause you to have difficulty sleeping?*
- *Have you ever considered self-destruction as a result of your gambling?*
- *Do you often gamble until your last dollar is gone?*
- *Do you ever gamble longer than you planned?*
- *After winning, do you ever have a strong urge to return and win more?*

**(Most problem gamblers answered yes to at least 3 out of these 10 questions.)**

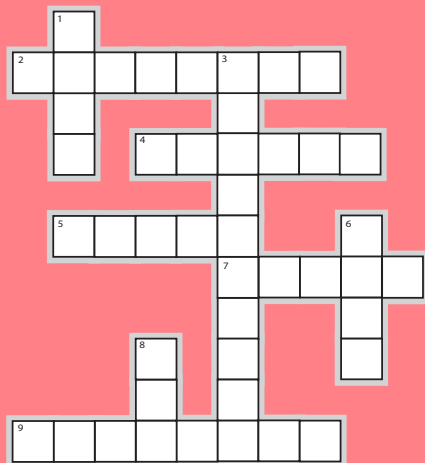
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## Crossword Contest

Complete this crossword puzzle for a chance to win great prizes.

Then mail\* this entire page to Nebraska Lottery Digest Players Paradise, P.O. Box 94878, Lincoln, NE 68509 4878.

At noon on each of the drawing days (June 1 and June 29) we will draw 25 entries. For each word/phrase identified, those entries will each receive one (1) coupon for a free \$1 Scratch ticket and one coupon for a \$1 free play of each of the four Lotto games. That's the equivalent of \$5 worth of free tickets for each word/phrase correctly identified—maximum total prize value \$45.



### Across

2. \_\_\_\_\_ cranes migrate through central Nebraska every year.
4. New \$1 Scratch ticket, Spin the \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ Museum of the Prairie Pioneer, located in Grand Island.
7. The Street Team travels in a tricked-out \_\_\_\_\_ XB.
9. Orange County \_\_\_\_\_ is a new \$2 Scratch ticket.

### Down

1. Winning Lotto tickets must be claimed within 180 \_\_\_\_\_ of the drawing.
3. Major Nebraska thoroughfare, \_\_\_\_\_ 80.
6. Soon, select \$2 Scratch tickets will no longer contain the Fun \_\_\_\_\_.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Club members can enter special web promotions at [www.nelottery.com](http://www.nelottery.com).

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E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Nebraska Lottery Retailer \_\_\_\_\_

**\*ONLY ENTRIES SUBMITTED THROUGH THE MAIL WILL BE ELIGIBLE. ENTRIES ARE NOT OPENED BEFORE DRAWINGS AND SHOULD BE IN SEPARATE ENVELOPES. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ENTRIES WITH ANY OTHER CORRESPONDENCE. YOU ONLY NEED TO SUBMIT ONE ENTRY, AS THOSE NOT DRAWN WILL BE RETAINED FOR THE NEXT DRAWING.**

Winners will receive \$1 Nebraska Lottery Scratch tickets from currently active games, and coupons for free quick picks in Nebraska Lottery Lotto games.

You must be 19 years or older to participate. You can win only once in the contest.

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