

# skybox winner



## Former Husker Wingback Wins Go Nebraska Drawing

It was truly a homecoming experience for former Cornhusker wingback Shane Swanson when he won free football tickets in the Nebraska Lottery's Go Nebraska Second Chance Contest.

Swanson received two north skybox tickets at Memorial Stadium to see the Huskers take on Oklahoma State in their Homecoming game October 13. In addition, Swanson received a Visa Gift Card valued at \$200 for travel, hotel and other miscellaneous expenses.

Swanson, who wore #17 at Nebraska, was part of the 1981 recruiting class and was an integral part of the Cornhuskers offense from 1981-1984. Swanson also played in the National Football League for the Denver Broncos.

Swanson couldn't remember where he purchased his ticket, but said he is a regular player of both Powerball and Scratch games. He told Nebraska Lottery officials that he was "shocked" when he learned he was a winner in the second chance drawing.

The Go Nebraska Second Chance promotion gave MVP Club members the opportunity to submit non-winning \$1 Go Nebraska Scratch tickets in a September 18, 2007 drawing for free Husker football game tickets. Besides Swanson, two other names were drawn for free tickets to two other Husker games. Harold Davis of Gothenburg won skybox tickets to Nebraska versus Texas A&M on October 20, and Adolph Vacek of Western won skybox tickets to Nebraska versus Kansas State on November 10.



## Doubler Promotion Produces Two Double Jackpot Winners!

The Nebraska Pick 5 Jackpot Doubler promotion ended on February 29 after two winners won double jackpots during the promotional period.

During the month of February, the Jackpot Doubler promotion doubled the Nebraska Pick 5 jackpot each time it was won. If a player correctly picked all 5 out of 5 numbers for a draw during the promotion, the winner received double the amount of the advertised jackpot.

**Mark Widman of Omaha** won the first Nebraska Pick 5 double jackpot of \$204,000 on February 2. Widman purchased his winning Nebraska Pick 5 ticket at Kwik Shop, 5306 North 103rd Street in Omaha. The ticket contained one play with all five of the winning numbers (6, 14, 17, 20, 29) from the February 2 drawing for the \$102,000 jackpot. Because of the Jackpot Doubler promotion, Widman's prize was doubled to \$204,000.

Widman wasted no time in claiming his prize, arriving at Nebraska Lottery headquarters on Monday morning following the drawing. He told Nebraska Lottery officials that he has played the same Nebraska Pick 5 numbers for several years. He learned of his win after watching the KETV Channel 7 evening news.

Widman stated that he was "excited" to learn he had won the jackpot, but wasn't aware that his prize had been doubled until he visited [nelottery.com](http://nelottery.com) to double-check his ticket. He plans to pay bills, remodel his home, and save for retirement with his winnings.

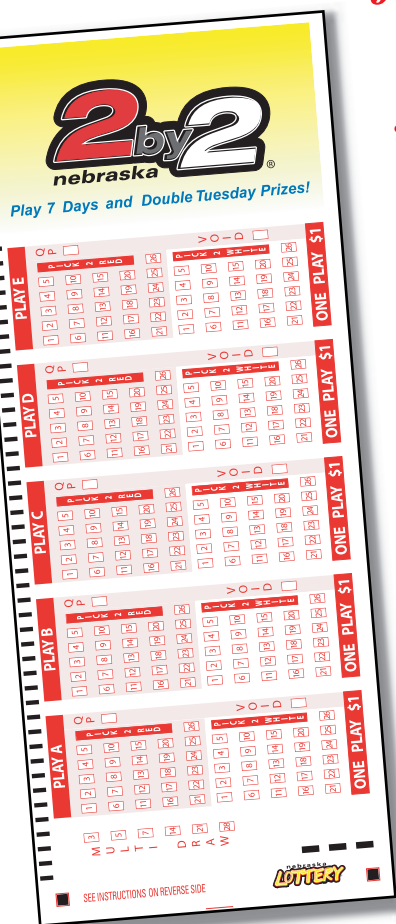
**Melissa Gaylor of Schuyler** won the second Nebraska Pick 5 double jackpot of \$140,000 on February 9.

There were more than 17,000 Nebraska Lottery Lotto winners in the Saturday, February 9, drawings. Among them was Gaylor, who purchased a quick pick Nebraska Pick 5 ticket at Oakview One Stop, 102 Colfax in Schuyler. The ticket contained all five of the winning numbers (4, 13, 29, 30, 34) from the February 9 drawing for the \$70,000 advertised jackpot. Because of the Jackpot Doubler promotion, Gaylor's prize was doubled to \$140,000.

While claiming her prize, Gaylor told Nebraska Lottery officials that she learned of her win after checking her ticket at a Nebraska Lottery retailer. She stated that she was "shocked" and that it "took a minute to sink in" after learning she had won the \$140,000 jackpot. Gaylor plans to buy new vehicles for her sister and nephew using her winnings.

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 are 1 in 8.

# new 2by2<sup>®</sup> *features*



- **Play 7 Days & Double Tuesday Prizes**
- **\$22,000 Grand Prize**
- **Drawings held seven days a week.**

We've built upon the great aspects of the 2by2 game and added some exciting features. As of February 22, 2by2 players now have the chance to double their Tuesday prizes when buying a seven-day multi-draw ticket. In addition, the grand prize has increased to \$22,000 and players can now play 2by2 seven days a week.

## **2by2 Tuesday**

When you purchase a seven-day multi-draw 2by2 ticket, you have the chance to automatically double ALL prizes won on Tuesday. The 2by2 Tuesday feature is free to players as long as they purchase a multi-draw ticket in increments of seven.

## **\$22,000 Grand Prize**

The grand prize for 2by2 has been increased from \$20,000 to \$22,000. If you have an eligible 2by2 Tuesday ticket and win the grand prize on Tuesday, you will receive \$44,000.

## **Sunday Drawings**

The Multi-State Lottery Association, which operates 2by2 on behalf of member lotteries, added Sunday drawings for 2by2. Starting February 22, players can now play 2by2 seven days a week. Sunday drawings will not be available for Nebraska Pick 5 and Pick 3.

For more information about the new 2by2 features, visit [www.nelottery.com](http://www.nelottery.com) or contact the Nebraska Lottery at 800-587-5200.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

A doppelgänger is a double or look-alike of a person--most commonly an evil twin. A recent advertisement to raise awareness of the new features of 2by2 featured a man and his evil doppelgänger that ruins a big meeting with the boss.

# **\$310 Million** *Raised For Nebraska Lottery Beneficiaries*

The Nebraska Lottery recently distributed among its beneficiary funds \$8,179,721, derived from a share of Scratch and Lotto ticket sales for the previous three months.

A total of \$310,654,986 has been distributed in quarterly transfers since the Nebraska Lottery began operation on September 11, 1993. The latest transfer, made the week of March 24, 2008, was distributed among beneficiaries in the following manner:

- **Education Innovation Fund, \$1,615,495;**
- **Nebraska Scholarship Fund, \$2,024,481;**
- **Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund, \$3,639,976;**
- **Nebraska State Fair Support and Improvement Fund, \$817,972; and**
- **Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund, \$81,797.**

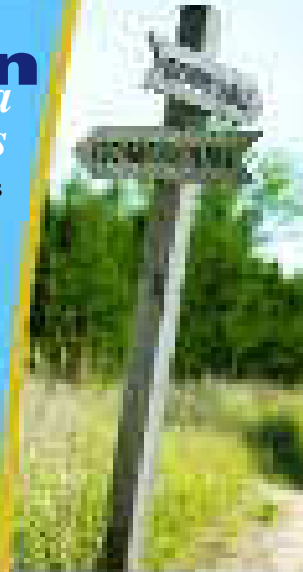
Amendment 4 passed by Nebraska voters in November of 2004 established the following distribution formula: Education as directed by the Legislature (44.5 percent) - currently divided among the Education Innovation Fund and Nebraska Scholarship Fund; Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund (44.5 percent); Nebraska 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, \$116,407,674;**
- **Nebraska Scholarship Fund, \$28,477,558;**
- **Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund, \$126,424,235;**
- **Nebraska State Fair Support and Improvement Fund, \$8,867,972; and**
- **Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund, \$7,016,551.**

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.



# **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 50,000 Nebraska State Grants to college students at dozens of Nebraska institutions.

Grants were made to 11,860 students during the 2006-07 Academic Year. With grants averaging \$876, a total of \$10,388,223 was distributed to students attending 43 different institutions of higher education in Nebraska.

Among the students who received 2006-07 grants, 7,967 attended a public institution; 2,172 attended an independent college or university; and 1,721 attended a private for profit institution.

Grants were made to 13,609 students during the 2005-06 Academic Year. With grants averaging \$729, a total of \$9,917,594 was distributed to students attending 43 different institutions of higher education in Nebraska.

During the 2004-05 Academic Year, a total of 12,139 students received grants totaling \$8,336,903. The average grant was \$687.

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 Nebraska Scholarship Fund uses a blend of funding from the United States Department of Education's LEAP/SLEAP program (5.5 percent in 2006-07), the State of Nebraska General Fund (55.4 percent in 2006-07), and Nebraska Lottery proceeds (39.1 percent in 2006-07).

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, \$310 million has been raised for Nebraska Lottery beneficiary funds.

# environmental trust

## *beneficiaries*



### The Nebraska Environmental Trust Announces 2008 Grants

At its meeting in Lincoln on February 7, the board of the Nebraska Environmental Trust recommended the funding of 75 projects for \$14,223,518 in grant awards. This is the 15th year of grants from the Trust, which has provided over \$126 million in lottery revenue to preserve and protect the air, water, and land of our state.

The Trust sought public input on the proposed grants before announcing the final awards on April 3. A list of all grants and project information is available on the Trust Web site, [www.environmentaltrust.org](http://www.environmentaltrust.org), or by contacting the Trust office.

In fulfilling its mission to conserve, enhance, and restore the natural environment of Nebraska, the Trust has worked with a broad spectrum of individuals, partners, and agencies across the state to accomplish its goal in reaching the

far corners of Nebraska and its communities, providing an avenue for all Nebraskans to appreciate their environment.

The Nebraska Legislature created the Nebraska Environmental Trust in 1992. This year the Nebraska Environmental Trust and the Nebraska Lottery are celebrating 15 years of partnership in making Nebraska a better place. Using revenue from the Nebraska Lottery, the Trust has provided grants to 1,035 projects across the state. Anyone can apply – citizens, conservation organizations, communities, businesses and individuals that want to protect Nebraska's natural habitat, air, soil, improve water quality or quantity, or find better ways to manage our waste. The Nebraska Environmental Trust works to preserve, protect, and restore our natural resources for future generations.

