## **TEXAS LOTTERY COMMISSION News Release**

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## SCHULENBURG RESIDENT WINS \$2.4 MILLION MONTHLY BONUS PRIZE; NOTED RETAIL OUTLET SELLS SECOND BIG-PRIZE TICKET

(Austin) – William E. Srubar of Schulenburg said it had not hit him yet that he won the top prize of \$10,000 per month for 20 years in *Monthly Bonus*, a Texas Lottery<sup>®</sup> scratch-off ticket. The difference between the time he bought the ticket and the time he got to Lottery headquarters in Austin was only a few hours.

"But I didn't have a bad day," Srubar said. "I bought the ticket at 10 o'clock in the morning and got to the Lottery as fast as I could with a friend."

On the way over, Srubar got "dozens" of phone calls, he said, from well-wishers and friends in Schulenburg, where he is well-known as a part-time police officer. He also owns a 25 percent interest in a local business, and raises cattle when he has a few minutes to spare.

"When I bought the ticket, the guys at Leo's told me I turned red after I scratched the ticket," he said. "I told the clerk that I thought I had won the big one, \$10,000. He thought that was a pretty good prize, but I had to correct him and tell him it was \$10,000 per month for 20 years. Well, then all the other guys in the store had to look at the ticket."

Srubar was in Leo's Stop-N-Shop, known for being the retail outlet that sold the first-ever *Lotto Texas*<sup>®</sup> jackpot to be claimed. The store, located at 1306 Lyons Avenue, sold a \$21.7 million *Lotto Texas* ticket claimed by another Schulenburg resident, Janie Kallus. (more)

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"This retail outlet has a deservedly noteworthy story, being the location that sold the first-ever *Lotto Texas* jackpot-winning ticket," said Texas Lottery Commission Deputy Executive Director Gary Grief. "It is now eligible to receive a bonus of \$10,000 for selling this ticket. This was the first of the four top prizes offered in this game to be claimed. We also wish Mr. Srubar all the best with his many activities and recognize him for buying a winning ticket at a store that is part of Texas Lottery lore."

Srubar requested minimal publicity.

Tonight's *Mega Millions*<sup>®</sup> jackpot is an estimated \$56 million. Tomorrow's *Lotto Texas*<sup>®</sup> jackpot is an estimated \$47 million, and the *Powerball*<sup>®</sup> jackpot is an estimated \$40 million.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official Web site at http://www.txlottery.org.

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