

## Texas Lottery Commission Press Release - June 17, 2005

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### It's A Pflugerville Phenomenom

(Austin, June 17) - There's something Pfunny going on in Pflugerville today. The Texas Lottery® has presented two different winners, both from the area, with cash prizes equaling a million dollars or more, before taxes. Michael Huckabay presented his *\$1,000,000 CLUB* scratch game to lottery officials this afternoon, just hours after Da Huu Pham claimed his instant ticket prize of \$10,000 a month for 20 years - in the Texas Lottery *Monthly Bonus* (game #534) scratch-off game (prize totaling \$2,400,000).

"I had begun to stop buying this one, but when I went in the store to get a couple of sodas, all I had with me is a \$100 bill," explained Huckabay. "I was going to have to wait for change, so I told him to give me the last \$1,000,000 Club game he had in the dispenser. I even dropped it on my way out to the truck."

Huckabay scratched the ticket while in the parking lot. When he realized he might have won the \$1 million top prize, he said he immediately called his wife. "I couldn't dial the number, I couldn't breathe right. It's overwhelming," he said.

"What a pfine way to end the week," said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Reagan E. Greer. "Besides adding some cash to our players wallets this month, we've added an additional \$95,000,000 to the state's coffers, bringing the Fiscal Year 2005 total to equal more than \$748,000,000 transferred to the Foundation School Fund, which helps support public education in Texas."

Huckabay purchased his ticket at Wag A Bag, located at 2500 FM 1431 in Round Rock. The retail owner is eligible to receive a bonus of \$10,000 for selling the ticket.

As of today, there is still one top cash prize of \$1 million to claim in the *\$1,000,000 CLUB* scratch game. Other cash prizes in the game range from \$25 to \$20,000. The overall odds of winning, including break-even prizes are 1 in 2.79.

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

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