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Sister Act: Little Sister's Tip Wins *Pick 3*[™] Prize For Her And Her Sister



Sisters **Lela Bearden** and **Etta Schultz** of Lubbock know how to pick 'em -- numbers, that is.

(Austin, November 21) - Everybody's got a system for picking lottery numbers. Etta Schultz of Lubbock, 80, thinks she's got one, too, and she used it to select her numbers for last Friday's *Pick 3*[™] drawing. She was so confident in her idea that she called her 84-year-old sister, Lela Bearden, and convinced her to buy a ticket, too. They each won \$660 with the combination 1-1-9.

"What a great thing to have your sister in your corner and happy to help you win some cash," said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Reagan E. Greer. "A prize of \$660 is nothing to sneeze at and arrived just in time for the sisters' holidays."

Mrs. Schultz calculated that a number combination between 1-1-3 and 1-1-9 would emerge in Friday night's *Pick 3* drawing because the numbers for the day drawing had been 1-1-2. She spent \$10 on her tickets of different combinations.

Both women were elated to learn that one of the combinations had won when they read their numbers in the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* the next morning. They both claimed their prizes on Monday at the Lubbock Claim Center, and were so excited that they could hardly fill out the claim form.