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WEEKLY HALF GRAND TOP PRIZE CLAIMED

(AUSTIN) – Hertis Roberts of Mesquite is starting 2014 with 520,000 reasons to celebrate. A Texas Lottery® scratch-off player, Roberts won \$500 per week for 20 years for a total of \$520,000. The *Weekly Half Grand* features more than \$18 million in total prizes and overall odds of winning any prize of one in 4.58, including break-even prizes.

“Just two days into the new year, we already have our first big winner of 2014. I can’t think of a better way to start the year,” said Gary Grief, executive director of the Texas Lottery.

Roberts says she will use her winnings toward a new car and will continue to play the \$1 *Weekly Half Grand*.



The 7-Eleven Convenience Store located at 1700 W. Bruton Road in Balch Springs sold the winning ticket. Other *Weekly Half Grand* top-prize winning tickets have been sold in Dallas and Houston, and one top prize currently remains unclaimed.

About the Texas Lottery

Beginning with the first ticket sold in 1992, the Texas Lottery has generated \$21 billion in revenue for the state and distributed \$42 billion in prizes to lottery players. Since 1997, the Texas Lottery has contributed \$16 billion to the Foundation School Fund, which supports public education in Texas. As authorized by the Texas Legislature, certain Texas Lottery revenues benefit state programs including the Fund for Veterans’ Assistance.

The Texas Lottery provides several entertaining games for lottery players including *Powerball*®, *Mega Millions*®, *Lotto Texas*®, *All or Nothing*™, *Texas Two Step*®, *Pick 3*™, *Daily 4*™, *Cash Five*® and scratch-offs. For more information visit us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or at www.txlottery.org.

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