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Weekly Grand Just The Ticket For Jasper Top-Prize Winner



Amanda Scott of Jasper claimed the top prize in the Texas Lottery® Weekly Grand scratch-off game.

(Austin, June 28) - Amanda Scott of Jasper today claimed the top prize – \$1,000 a week for 20 years – in the Texas Lottery® *Weekly Grand* scratch-off game. The total amount of the prize before taxes is \$1,040,000. Scott, who purchased her ticket from a self-service terminal at an H-E-B grocery store, also learned a valuable lesson: Don't scratch and drive!

"After I got the tickets, I got back in my car and started driving," said Scott. "When I scratched off the winner, I got so excited I almost ran a guy over!"

"Congratulations to Ms. Scott for claiming the 70th *Weekly Grand* top prize" said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Reagan E. Greer. "I always enjoy meeting our

lucky winners, and I also enjoy reminding all of our players that every ticket they buy helps support public education in our state. With more than \$7.3 billion in transfers since 1997, the Foundation School Fund is our biggest winner of all."

Scott says she's a regular scratch-off player; in fact, she recently won \$200 on *Break the Bank* to help fund her trip to Texas Lottery headquarters in Austin to claim her *Weekly Grand* prize. Scott shouldn't have to worry too much about travel expenses for the next 20 years or so. Still, she says she's not quite ready to give up her job as a waitress just yet.

"I think we'll spend the next year catching up and decide how to go from there," said Scott. "Besides, I really love my job!"

Scott purchased her \$2 <>winning ticket at the H-E-B #266, located at 420 E. Gibson St. in Jasper. The retail owner is eligible to receive a bonus of \$10,000 for selling the winning ticket.

Tuesday's *Mega Millions*™ jackpot is an estimated \$52 million. Wednesday's *Lotto Texas*® jackpot is worth an estimated \$15 million.

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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