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ARKANSAS PART OF MASSIVE POWERBALL JACKPOT RUN

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LITTLE ROCK – With last night's massive Powerball jackpot of \$435.3 million being won in Indiana, at least one Arkansas player was also a high-tier winner in the attention-getting draw and lengthy jackpot run. Michael Walker of Paragould today claimed \$50,000 from a ticket purchased at Kum & Go #349, 3400 Linwood Drive, in Paragould. Charles Keffer, a player from DeWitt, also claimed \$50,000 playing Powerball this week from a ticket purchased at Dodge Store in Stuttgart.

Since Powerball sales began in Arkansas in 2009, the national draw game has produced thousands of other winners in the state as well, including million-dollar Powerball winners in Uniontown, Conway, Hot Springs, Grubbs, Little Rock, De Queen, Searcy, Berryville, and Jacksonville.

As Powerball's jackpot resets to \$40 million for Saturday's draw, other jackpots are still rolling! Tonight's Natural State Jackpot top prize is \$140,000, and Friday's Mega Millions jackpot is \$64 million. There's a few days left to play the lottery's 5 Buck Bundle – a package which includes one Powerball, one Mega Millions and one Natural State Jackpot ticket, all for \$5, through February. (To get the Bundle, Arkansas players must simply buy a \$3 Powerball ticket with PowerPlay and a \$2 Mega Millions ticket with Megaplier to receive a free \$1 Natural State Jackpot ticket all February long. All three tickets will be Quick Picks. This promotion is not available from lottery TVMs or if purchased separately.)

About Powerball

Powerball is a multi-state national jackpot draw game with drawings held at 9:59 p.m. every Wednesday and Saturday. Powerball itself began in April 1992 in 15 states with jackpots that started at a guaranteed \$2 million. Since then, Powerball has grown into one of the world's biggest and most recognizable lottery games, sold today by 47 lotteries across the nation, with players buying more than \$4 billion in Powerball tickets each year. The world record jackpot was set by a Powerball jackpot run that reached \$1.586 billion and hit in Tennessee, California, and Florida.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

Since its inception in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has provided nearly \$700 million for in-state college scholarships to Arkansas students, nearly \$2 billion in prizes to players, and more than \$182 million in commissions to Lottery retailers. More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas.

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