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Cabot Woman Claims \$1 Million Lottery Prize

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – Bridget Putt of Cabot hadn't slept since Saturday when she discovered she had won \$1 million in the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery's Play It Again® Second-Chance Drawing. She is now the 63rd Arkansas Lottery-made millionaire.

Lottery officials had tried to contact Putt last week to give her the good news. However, the telephone number she had listed in her Lottery Club account had changed, and she did not check her email last week. On Saturday, she received the letter from the Lottery that was mailed to her.

"I thought it might be a scam," Putt said. "So I confirmed the phone number in the letter to call three times before calling back this morning when Lottery offices opened at 8 a.m."

Putt said she hasn't bought many scratch-off tickets lately because she was broke.

"But I'm not broke now!" she exclaimed. When asked what it feels like to be a millionaire, Putt said she doesn't know yet, because it hasn't really sunk in.

Putt said she hadn't had a car in six years until about a month ago when she bought a car for \$500. Now she plans to buy a new car and to travel some.

"I want to go see my brother in Florida," she said.

The million-dollar winner and her 13-year-old son have been living with her parents, but now plan to move out. Her mother laughingly said she was looking forward to an empty nest.

Every Arkansas Scholarship Lottery instant game qualifies for entry into a PLAY IT AGAIN® drawing. The PLAY IT AGAIN® prize winner is then randomly selected from all eligible entries for each drawing.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions, and other expenses in Arkansas. Since 2009, the Lottery has provided more than \$781 million for more than 275,000 college scholarships, more than \$2.6 billion in prizes to players, about \$224 million in retailer commissions and more than \$116 million state and federal tax revenue.

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