

# CROSSWORD CONTEST

Enter to win up to \$56 in Lottery coupons.

Complete the crossword puzzle below, then mail\* this entire page to Nebraska Lottery Digest Players Paradise, P.O. Box 94878, Lincoln, NE 68509-4878.

At noon on the drawing day (May 21), we will draw 25 entries. For each word/phrase identified, those entries will receive one (1) coupon for a free \$1 Scratch ticket and one coupon for a \$1 free play of

each of the six Lotto games. That's the equivalent of \$7 worth of free tickets for each word/phrase identified -- maximum total prize value \$56.

*\*ONLY ENTRIES SUBMITTED THROUGH THE MAIL WILL BE ELIGIBLE. ENTRIES ARE NOT OPENED BEFORE DRAWINGS AND SHOULD BE IN SEPARATE ENVELOPES. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ENTRIES WITH ANY OTHER CORRESPONDENCE*

## Across

3. MVP Club members at nelottery.com can register their lotto group using the Lotto \_\_\_\_\_ feature.
6. You can purchase Lotto tickets for up to twelve weeks of drawings using the \_\_\_\_\_-draw option.
7. The social network \_\_\_\_\_ is ranked as the most used social network by worldwide monthly active users.
8. Winning number information can be accessed at the Nebraska Lottery Players \_\_\_\_\_ (800-224-LUCK).

## Down

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ Millions game holds the record for the largest recorded U.S. jackpot -- \$390 million on March 6, 2007.
2. March is the first month of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. \$3 Scratch game with a map theme; \_\_\_\_\_ Hunter.
5. The city of \_\_\_\_\_ has dyed its river green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day since 1961.

Enter To Win

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

You must be 19 years or older to participate. You can win only once in the contest.

# WHEN GAMBLING BECOMES A BAD BET.....

Gambling is a recreational activity enjoyed by the majority of adults in Nebraska. There are some, however, for whom gambling is more than recreational and is in fact addictive and destructive. The devastation to the gambler and their family is well documented. What is less known is how families can protect themselves from the devastation of gambling and the gambler.

March 7 – 13, 2010, is National Problem Gambling Awareness Week, and March is Problem Gambling Awareness Month in Nebraska. Communities nationwide will be working to raise awareness of problem gambling and the resources

available for individuals whose gambling is causing disruption in their lives.

Treatment for problem gambling is not only available, but is also effective in improving the lives of problem gamblers and their families. The Gamblers Assistance Program (GAP) was established in 1992. Since that time, the GAP has worked to assist those negatively affected by problem gambling. The GAP contracts with individuals throughout Nebraska to provide treatment services to problem gamblers and their family members. The Nebraska Lottery has provided over \$8.5 million dollars in lottery proceeds to the Gamblers Assistance Program since 1993.

You may have a gambling problem if you:

- Gamble for longer than you intended;
- Borrow money to gamble;
- Lie about how much you gambled;
- Bet more than you intended.



We Can Help: 1-800-522-4700

Call 24 Hours a day, 7 days a week. All information is confidential.

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# THE LOTTERY TIMES



COMING SOON



Starting on March 20, Nebraska Lottery players will be able to play Mega Millions, a multi-state jackpot game currently offered by 35 lotteries across the United States.

The addition of the Mega Millions game in Nebraska was made possible by an October 2009 decision of the members of the Multi-state Lottery Association (MUSL), which operates the Powerball® game, and Mega Millions member lotteries to begin a cross-selling arrangement. A hearing was held in Lincoln on January 5 to receive public comment on the proposed regulations concerning Powerball and the addition of Mega Millions in Nebraska.

Powerball and Mega Millions both feature large jackpot prizes, but in the past the games have been sold in separate jurisdictions. The Nebraska Lottery has offered Powerball since July of 1994. Since then, the Nebraska Lottery has sold more than \$483 million worth of Powerball tickets for Wednesday and Saturday drawings, accounting for 35 percent of total Nebraska Lottery sales of more than \$1.39 billion (as of fiscal year-end on June 30, 2009).

With the addition of Mega Millions, Nebraska Lottery players will have two more chances a week to win a jackpot prize

by playing both Powerball and Mega Millions. Mega Millions tickets are scheduled to go on sale at Nebraska Lottery retailers across the state on Saturday, March 20. The first Mega Millions drawing to include Nebraska tickets will be held on Tuesday, March 23.

Each Mega Millions play costs \$1. Players select five white ball numbers from 1 to 56, and one Mega Ball® number from 1 to 46. To win the jackpot prize, which starts at \$12 million and grows each time it is not won, players must match all six winning numbers. Other prizes in the game range from \$2 to \$250,000. Players who choose to add the \$1 Megaplier® option have the chance to multiply their non-jackpot prizes as many as two, three, or four times. The odds of winning the jackpot prize are 1 in 175 million, while the overall odds of winning any prize are 1 in 40.

Mega Millions drawings are held every Tuesday and Friday at 10:00 p.m. (CT). Winning numbers will be available at the Nebraska Lottery web site, nelottery.com, and on the Nebraska Lottery Players Hotline at 1-800-224-LUCK (402-471-6139 in Lincoln).



# WINNING WAYS

Columbus Woman Wins \$35,000 Bonus Crossword Prize



Diane Prokopec of Columbus won \$35,000 playing the \$3 Scratch game Bonus Crossword from the Nebraska Lottery.

Prokopec purchased her winning Bonus Crossword ticket at Joe & Al's Grocery, 2304 Tenth Street in Columbus. The ticket contained 10 complete words for the \$35,000 top prize.

There were three \$35,000 top prizes available in Bonus Crossword. Prokopec was the third person to claim a Bonus Crossword top prize in this edition of the game.

While claiming her prize on January 25, Prokopec told Nebraska Lottery officials that at first she thought she had won \$1,000. "It took a while to realize what I had won," she said. "It was a shock." Prokopec plans to pay for some work on her home using her winnings.

Bonus Crossword was a \$3 Scratch game that offered players the chance to win \$5,619,600 in cash prizes from \$3 to \$35,000. The odds of winning the \$35,000 top prize in Bonus Crossword were 1 in 960,000, while the overall odds were 1 in 3.39.



# WINNERS FROM JANUARY 2010

Claimed at Nebraska Lottery Claim Centers

## Powerball - \$200,000

Mark Boyce, Kearney

## Powerball - \$30,000

Karen Shipley, Omaha

## Powerball - \$10,000

Jorge Herreva, Omaha

Robert Makovicka, Brock

James Kelsey, Lincoln

Jerry Rennerfelt, Oakland

## Powerball - \$1,090

Richard Wrenn, Omaha

## Nebraska Pick 5 - \$198,000

Michel Welch, Omaha

## Nebraska Pick 5 - \$62,000

Gary Hollst, Yutan

Terry Green, Lincoln

## Nebraska Pick 5 - \$58,000

Colen Griffen, Scribner

## Nebraska Pick 5 - \$54,000

Gary Wathen, Hastings

## 2 by 2 - \$22,000

Monica Weatherwax, Kearney

Virginia Olson, Aurora

Margaret Lanik, Ceresco

Elizabeth Martin, Omaha

David Rabe, Lincoln

Holly Le, Lincoln

## MyDaY - \$5,000

Ernesto Ogvendo, Grand Island

Jennifer Martinez, Grand Island

Michael Stuart, Omaha

Tim Erickson, Funk

## Nebraska Pick 3 - \$3,000

Dennis McMahon, Omaha

## Nebraska Pick 3 - \$1,800

Dennis McMahon, Omaha

## Nebraska Pick 3 - \$1,200

Dennis McMahon, Omaha

William Poole, Omaha

## Nebraska Pick 3 - \$1,000

Albert Ford, Omaha (x2)

## Nebraska Pick 3 - \$950

William Phelan, Gretna

Marcus Biodrowski, Omaha (x2)

Dorothy Spence, Polk

## Nebraska Pick 3 - \$700

Sarah Bentu Weah, Lincoln

Charles Kalkowski, Lynch

## Nebraska Pick 3 - \$600

Rita Hautenzenroder, Lincoln

Luther Givehand, Nebraska City

William Poole, Omaha

Ronald Bishop, Omaha (x4)

Hien Nguyen, Lincoln (x3)

Mary O'Brien, Fremont

Rose Brinkman, Lincoln

Richard Rempe, Superior

Lori Newsham, Wolbach (x2)

Loi Vuong, Fremont

Craig Howell, Omaha

Larry Kennedy, Omaha

Merle Dack, Culbertson

Robert Royster, Lincoln

Kenneth Bray, Columbus

Darrell Ries, Papillion

Francis Winnicki, Omaha

Richard Cook, Wauneta

Jacky Jackson, Lincoln

Linda Jeffrey, Aurora

Sheia Spitz, Columbus

Jose Nunez Lopez, Grand Island

Van Pacl, Wahoo

Suzanne Myers, North Platte (x2)

Robert Hardour, Omaha

Sharon Friesenborg, Gothenburg

Marcus Biodrowski, Omaha

David Engel, Omaha

Tom Rea, Lincoln

Michelle Novak, Wahoo

Jess Mullanix, Alliance

## \$3,000,000 Cash Bonanza - \$75,000

Charles Wilson, Lincoln

## \$3,000,000 Cash Bonanza - \$500

Stephanie Hongsermeier, Grand Island

Kevin Graves, Bradshaw

## Triple Tripler - \$50,000

Alicia Pusch, Omaha

## Peppermint Twist Big Bingo - \$40,000

Sally Jasa, Lyons

Ryan Barnes, Glenwood, IA

## Peppermint Twist Big Bingo - \$1,200

Scott Schroeder, Lincoln

## \$35,000 Bingo - \$35,000

Brandis Hunnicutt, Beatrice

## \$35,000 Bonus Crossword - \$35,000

Diane Prokopec, Columbus

## The Dog - \$25,000

Marilyn Meeves, Omaha

Kirk Bantam, Holdrege

## The Dog - \$1,000

Marilyn Guenther, Beatrice

Kathy Sonderup, Blair

Darlene Witzka, S. Sioux City

## Palms - \$10,000

Timothy Schroetlin, Lincoln

## Nebraska Wildlife - \$10,000

Angela Svacina, Omaha

## Black Cherry Doubler - \$5,000

Vaughn Severs, Auburn

## Money Jar - \$4,000

Jeremiah Galusha, Osceola

## Lucky Number - \$4,000

Mary Meyer, North Platte

## Diamond Dash - \$2,000

Tom Flodman, Lincoln

## Season's Greetings - \$1,000

Mildred Powell, Edgar

Tammier Keener, Columbus

Nancy Lyne, Broken Bow

## Caesars High Roller - \$1,000

Andy Huff, Lincoln

Angel Orellana, Bellevue

## Treasure Hunter - \$1,000

Ruth Ewoldt, Grand Island

## Big Beautiful Balloon Bucks - \$1,000

Scott Veldhouse, Bloomfield

## 5x Lucky - \$1,000

Douglas Coughtry, Jr, Columbus

## Golden Riches - \$1,000

David Beran, Hershey

## Full Tank - \$1,500

Thomas Anderson, Omaha

## Full Tank - \$250 Fuel Card

Kenneth Hawley, Alliance

Patricia Gates, Omaha

Kara Sweeney, Wisner

Timothy Puntney, Wisner

Samantha Unger, Fremont

Robert Ahrendsen, Omaha

## Sapphire Blue 7's - \$700

Steve Scoggan, Crawford

Debra Buggi, Columbus

Mark Dugan, Elba

Daniel Grubb, Norfolk

Phillip Ligenza, Lincoln

Ellen Dimmitt, North Platte

Jonathan Johnston, Lincoln



## PRE-LAUNCH NTH TICKET PROMOTION

The Nebraska Lottery is launching Mega Millions on March 20, 2010. In an effort to increase awareness and excitement of this game, we are offering players the chance to receive a Buy One, Get One Free Mega Millions coupon when they make a Powerball® purchase between the dates of March 6 and March 19, 2010.

Starting March 6 and ending on March 19, a trailer ticket will be produced on every 15th Powerball

purchase across the state. The lottery terminal will sound and a trailer ticket will print following the purchased ticket each time the Nth purchase is triggered. This coupon will be redeemable between the dates of March 20 and April 30, 2010.

Only one coupon will print for every 15th transaction across the state. There is no telling where or when each 15th ticket will be purchased.



## LOTTO CAPTAIN WEB SURVEY

Games like Mega Millions are always more fun when they are played with a team. MVP Club members at nelottery.com that sign up their team using the Lotto Captain feature have access to a variety of tools to help you to manage your group's play activities. And now, Nebraska Lottery Lotto Captain Members can win free tickets for your favorite Nebraska Lottery Games just by completing a short survey!

The Lotto Captain Web Survey runs between March 1, 2010, and March 20, 2010. Entries must be received by 11:59:59 p.m. (CT) on March 20, 2010.

Three winning Lotto Captains will win a Lotto Ticket Prize Pack.

This package includes:

- 12-draw Mega Millions ticket with Megaplier (\$24 value);
- 12-draw Powerball ticket with Power Play (\$24 value);
- 26-draw Nebraska Pick 5 ticket (\$26 value); and
- 28-draw Nebraska 2by2 ticket (\$28 value).

To enter, log in to the MVP Club at nelottery.com and click on the "Contests" button.

You must register as a Lotto Captain before you fill out the survey to be eligible for this contest. To register your lotto team, click on the "Lotto Captain" button after signing in to the MVP Club.

Must be 19 or older to play. Please play responsibly. Compulsive Gambling Help Line: 1-800-522-4700

**MVP CLUB  
MEMBERS:**  
**57,380**

**MyDay Top Prize  
WINNERS TO DATE:**  
**106**

### FUN FACT

There are many ways to receive winning numbers for your favorite Nebraska Lottery Lotto games. Winning number information is available via our web site, nelottery.com, and the Players Hotline at 800-224-LUCK (402-471-6139 in Lincoln). These information sources are provided at no cost as a convenience for Nebraska Lottery players.