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### ***Profitable Summer for These Central and NorCal Lottery Players!***

**SACRAMENTO** – Several California Lottery players from Central and Northern California celebrated the end of the summer sizzle with some big Lottery prizes on a variety of *Scratchers*® games.

The list of lucky players start with two players in Central California who won \$10 million and \$5 million respectively. **Lori Bachmeyer** won \$10 million playing *200X Scratchers* ticket. She bought her ticket at Shop & Go located at 38440 Highway 99 in **Kingsburg (Fresno County)** and that retailer will receive \$50,000 for selling the winning ticket. **Ryan Koonce** won \$5 million playing a *Luck Scratchers* ticket that he bought at 7-Eleven located at 2636 River Boulevard in **Bakersfield (Kern County)**. Another player from NorCal won \$5 million as well playing the *Golden State Riches Scratchers* ticket. **Vilmer Vigil Jr.** bought his ticket at the Arco AM/PM located at 1206 East March Lane in **Stockton (San Joaquin County)**. Each retailer will receive \$25,000 for selling the winning ticket.

Five players won between \$2 million and \$3 million on a variety of *Scratchers* games. **Kristy Whitaker** won \$3 million playing a *Set For Life* ticket that she bought at the Stop & Shop Market located at 6007 Dry Creek Road in **Rio Linda (Sacramento County)** and that retailer will receive \$15,000 for selling the winning ticket. Four players won \$2 million prizes all playing the same popular *Scratchers* game, *Instant Prize Crossword*. **Sukwinder Singh** won his \$2 million on a ticket he bought at Quick N Super Mini Mart located at 1101 7<sup>th</sup> Street in **Wasco (Kern County)**, **Vince Valencia** won his prize on a ticket he bought at CVS Pharmacy located at 1204 San Fernando Road in **San Francisco (San Francisco County)**, **Wilman Santos Garcia** bought his ticket at Lakeside Market located at 5250 Olive Highway in **Oroville (Butte County)**, and finally, **Tammy James** won her prize on a ticket she bought at Howard's Mini Mart located at 4201 Belle Terrace in **Bakersfield (Kern County)**. Each retailer will receive \$10,000 for selling the winning ticket.

And finally, wrapping up this winning frenzy are three players who each won around \$1 million on various *Scratchers* tickets. The retailer who sold the winning *Set For Life* ticket will receive \$6,000 and each retailer that sold the winning tickets worth \$1,000,000 will receive \$5,000 for selling the winning tickets.

<b>Winner Name</b>	<b>Retailer Location</b>	<b>Game Name</b>	<b>Prize Amount</b>
<b>James Wingfield</b>	Food Maxx 1740 Tuolumne Street <b>Vallejo (Solano County)</b>	<i>Set For Life</i>	\$1,200,000
<b>John Reed</b>	Maze Budget Meats 125 Maze Boulevard <b>Modesto (Stanislaus County)</b>	<i>Merry &amp; Bright</i>	\$1,000,000
<b>Elisa Benavidez</b>	Cutler Liquor 40344 Roas 128 <b>Cutler (Tulare County)</b>	<i>Monopoly</i>	\$1,000,000

**\*\*\*All winners respectfully decline any potential requests for media interviews. No photos or additional information about them will be released.\*\*\***

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