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\$678,000 "CAROLINA CASH 5" TOP PRIZE UP FOR GRABS TONIGHT -Powerball Jackpot Rolls to \$53 Million-

RALEIGH—Tonight's "Carolina Cash 5" top prize is an estimated \$678,000—the third highest top prize in the game's history! The highest prize won to-date is \$856,998 when a Pitt County man matched all five numbers drawn to win the Nov. 18, 2007 top prize. The second highest top prize was \$731,836 and was won on Dec. 14, 2006 by a Brunswick County man. If no one matches all five numbers drawn tonight, the top prize will continue to roll higher!

The Powerball jackpot also continues to roll. The jackpot for the Saturday, Oct. 31 Powerball drawing is an estimated \$53 million.

A total of 34,776 North Carolina Powerball players won prizes in the Wednesday, Oct. 28 Powerball drawing ranging from \$500 to \$3 for a total payout in prizes worth \$355,439.

The North Carolina Education Lottery (NCEL) has paid out more than \$4.9 million total in instant scratch-off ticket prizes since Monday, Oct. 26. Also since Monday, "Carolina Pick 3" players have won more than \$855,000. "Carolina Pick 4" players have won nearly \$192,000 and 10 tickets won the top prize of \$5,000. "Carolina Cash 5" players have won nearly \$214,000.

Winners in the Oct. 24 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
William Day	Hiddenite	\$10,000	Market Basket 5285 Taylorsville Hwy., Stony Point

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Winners in the Oct. 17 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Group of 19 (Shared Prize)		\$10,000	K&K Kountry Korner 1010 Easley Rd., Walnut Cove
-Vanessa Robertson	Walnut Cove		
-Roger Richardson	Walnut Cove		
-David Llewellyn	Walnut Cove		
-Hal Mendenhall	Germanton		
-Dale Kiser	Walkertown		
-Roy Amos	Walnut Cove		
-Brenda Hall	Germanton		
-Jeffrey Linville	Walnut Cove		
-Herbert George	Germanton		
-Jeffery Haddox	Walnut Cove		
-Kevin Green	Walnut Cove		
-Lisa Beasley	Walnut Cove		
-Mark Mounce	Walnut Cove		
-Charles Bailey	Walnut Cove		
-Joseph Latham Jr.	Madison		
-John Hawkins	Walnut Cove		
-Tracy Southern	Germanton		
-Keith Knott	Germanton		
-Christopher Martin	Walnut Cove		

Winner in the Oct. 14 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
William Burton	Wilmington	\$20,000	Food Lion 3905 A Independence Blvd., Wilmington

Winner in the Sept. 23 Powerball drawing:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Store Where Ticket Was Purchased</u>
Wayne Schlabach	Sanford	\$10,000	Wilco 3110 Sandy Ridge Rd., Colfax

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Instant scratch-off ticket top tier prize winners:

<u>Winner</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>Amount Won</u>	<u>Game Played</u>
Elma Key	Mount Ulla	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Crystal Brinkley	Knightdale	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Rose Weatherington	Henderson	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Merle Medlin	Clayton	\$7,000	"Super 7's"
Elizabeth Maier	Clyde	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Hanh Le	Charlotte	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Melissa Carney	Cameron	\$10,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Diane Savage	Nashville	\$70,000	"Magnificent 7's"
Clyde Baker	Statesville	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Susan Reece	Erwin	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Illie Baker Jr.	Pinehurst	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Jerry Efird	Saint Pauls	\$10,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Roxanne Stokum	Lexington	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"
Phillip Barber	Clayton	\$5,000	"\$200 Million Extravaganza"

"Carolina Cash 5" Top Prize Winners Tally

<u>Prize</u>	<u># of winners</u>
\$50,000 to \$856,998	246

Powerball Winners Tally

<u>Prize</u>	<u># of winners</u>
\$2 Million - \$200,000	158
\$100,000 - \$10,000	972

(The Powerball numbers above are since May 31, 2006,
but do not include unclaimed prizes.)

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*100% of the North Carolina Education Lottery net proceeds are used for pre-kindergarten programs for at risk youth, reduction of class size in early grades, school construction and need-based college scholarships.
For prizes of \$5,000 and greater, 25% federal tax and 7% state tax are withheld.*