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Thanksgiving Week Produces Feast of Lottery Winnings *Players claim Badger 5, scratch game prizes November 19-23*

A lucky *Badger 5* winner and two scratch game players combined to win over \$400,000 across three separate Wisconsin Lottery games during Thanksgiving week, November 19-23. Included in the winning total was the initial top prize awarded in the *Champion Crossword* scratch game. Winning ticket holders hailed from Appleton, Kenosha, and Sparta.

Wendy Steyer of Sparta turned her Black Friday into prize money by winning \$200,000 while playing the *Pot of Gold Crossword* purchased at the Kwik Trip (1014 Black River St.) in Sparta.

Cheryl Rucinski of Kenosha won \$115,500 in the *Badger 5* daily drawing. The November 17 winning numbers of 7, 10, 11, 19, and 26 came from a ticket purchased at the BP Express (2618 22nd Ave.) in Kenosha.

Kathryn Heckert of Appleton won \$100,000 by playing *Champion Crossword* with a ticket purchased at Kwik Trip (W7298 Hwy. 10/114) in Menasha.

Retailers who sell winning tickets over \$599 receive an incentive of 2% of the winning ticket amount up to \$100,000.

SUMMARY OF GAMES MENTIONED

	Cost: \$1. Details: Each play costs \$1 with choice of five different numbers from 1 to 31. The jackpot starts at \$10,000 and grows until there is a winner. Tickets must be purchased by 9 p.m. to be included in the daily drawing. Odds: The odds of winning the Badger 5 jackpot are 1:169,911.
	Cost: \$20. Details: There are a total of three \$200,000 top prizes in the Pot of Gold Crossword scratch game – one \$200,000 top prize is still available. In addition to the three top prizes, players can win between \$20 and \$25,000. Odds: The odds of winning the top prize in Pot of Gold Crossword are 1:300,000
	Cost: \$10. Details: There are a total of three \$100,000 top prizes in the <i>Champion Crossword</i> scratch game – two \$100,000 top prizes are still available. In addition to the three top prizes, players can win between \$10 and \$10,000. Odds: The odds of winning the top prize in Champion Crossword are 1:360,000.

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