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Million-Dollar RaffleSM Game Returns Thanksgiving RaffleSM tickets go on sale Oct. 4

Salem, Ore. (September 15, 2009) Following the overwhelming success of the Oregon Lottery[®]'s million-dollar St. Patrick's Day RaffleSM, the new Thanksgiving RaffleSM begins with sales starting at 5 AM on Sunday, October 4, 2009.

Just like its predecessor, the Thanksgiving Raffle game offers a \$1 million top prize and the best odds of any Lottery game of winning \$1 million. A total of 250,000 tickets will be available while supplies last. "All 250,000 tickets for the St. Patrick's Day Raffle were gone in just 12 days!" said Lottery Director Dale Penn. "I spoke with many players who waited too long and missed out on their chance to play. My advice is not to wait too long this time!"

Tickets for the game, which cost \$10 per ticket, will be available to buy as long as supplies last. The winning Thanksgiving Raffle numbers will be announced on Tuesday, November 24, 2009.

In addition to the one \$1 million top prize, the Thanksgiving Raffle game also offers these prizes:

- 10 prizes of \$20,000
- 1,000 prizes of \$100

Chuck Mickes of Camas, Washington was the \$1 million top prize winner of the Lottery's first Raffle game, the St. Patrick's Day Raffle. Mickes bought his winning ticket at Devaki's Deli in Portland.

Since the Oregon Lottery began selling tickets on April 25, 1985, it has earned over \$6.4 billion for economic development, public education, state parks and watershed enhancements. For more information on the Oregon Lottery visit www.oregonlottery.org

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