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Otis Man Wins \$250,000 Instant Prize!

TOPEKA, KAN. – The holiday season was extra special to Robert Hendrix of Otis this year, as he rang in the new year with a \$250,000 instant win! Hendrix hit the last top prize in the \$30 Hot 7s Super Ticket.

Hendrix said he knew that game only had one top prize left in it, and that's why he decided to buy the ticket that day.

"I check the Kansas Lottery website to see how many top prizes are left in games every so often. I typically try to play games with more prizes left, but this one caught my eye," Hendrix said. "I had some winnings from another ticket so I decided to buy one Hot 7s ticket just to try my luck!"

When Hendrix got back to his truck to scratch his ticket, he realized that his splitsecond decision had turned into a life-changing one!

"I just kept uncovering 50X symbols on the game," Hendrix said with a laugh. "Eventually I knew it was a big winner, but I didn't know exactly how much."

Hendrix was so excited, he went back into the store and gave every worker there \$100 to celebrate! Then he went home, put the ticket in a safe place, and began to plan his trip to Topeka to claim his prize.

Hendrix says that the winnings will mostly all go towards things like bills, taxes, and the like. The rest will go into an investment account.

"I may treat myself to something one day, but I'm not sure what yet," Hendrix said. "It's a fun topic to think about though, for sure."

The winning ticket was sold at Casey's General store 2289 at 2716 10th Street in Great Bend. There are no top prizes left in the Hot 7s Super Ticket, therefore that game has been ended. Players have until July 03, 2024 to claim any remaining prizes in the game. For a complete list of active instant games and expiring prizes, see the Kansas Lottery website <u>here</u>.

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