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Mega Millions Million Dollar Winners

TRENTON (July 31, 2017) – Robert Yumang of Cherry Hill doesn't often play Lottery games but when the Mega Millions jackpot climbed to \$151 million for the March 24 draw he decided to get into the game. The following week he brought the ticket to his retailer to scan. He was shocked when they told him it was a \$1,000,000 winning ticket. Fortunately, the store clerk was able to provide him with a chair and a glass of water while he processed the news.

Yumang plans to put some of the winnings towards a nicer house. He will also visit his family in the Philippines while the balance will be put toward retirement. His lucky retailer is The Mail House, 2431 Church Rd., Cherry Hill.

Allan Stormes of Sussex focuses his Lottery play on the big Mega Millions and Powerball jackpots. When he buys a ticket, he keeps it simple. One line, Quick Pick, \$1. He plays just enough to be in the game. He doesn't even go out of his way to buy the ticket, instead using the change from his morning coffee purchase. On January 20, Stormes stopped into the Catch 23 Deli at 40 C Hamburg Avenue in Sussex to grab a coffee. He used the extra \$1 from the purchase to get in on the Mega Millions drawing that evening.

The next day, Stormes brought his wife a coffee while she stayed in bed. He handed her the winning ticket and said he won the lottery. His wife grabbed her glasses and checked the ticket, unable to believe him. Mrs. Stormes, knowing her husband is always looking for the next joke, called her sister to check and see if it could be real. After confirming their win, she asked him for a kiss to celebrate their \$1,000,000 win. Stormes replied mockingly, "You only want to kiss me because I'm rich!"

The couple took a few months to do some financial planning before claiming their prize. When asked what the outcome was, Mr. Stormes mentioned that he is a mechanic and will proudly keep his car, with over 200,000 miles, running like new. Mrs. Stormes, on the other hand, thought she might trade-in her car for a slightly newer model.

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