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Topeka Man Starts Labor Day Weekend Winning \$25,000 Top Prize

TOPEKA, KAN. – Topeka resident Matthew Phelps had a great start to his Labor Day Weekend. The 31-year-old purchased a Kansas Lottery [\\$5 White Hot 5s](#) instant scratch ticket before work September 2, and scratched his way to winning a \$25,000 top prize!

“I stopped at the BP store across the street from where I work to pass the time before my shift started,” said Phelps. “I bought one of the White Hot 5s tickets. As I began scratching it I thought I had won \$5,000, but as I continued playing the game I realized I had actually won \$25,000! It was very exciting.”

After winning the \$25,000 top prize, Phelps went to work where he shared his good news with his co-workers.

“Everyone really razzed me about winning,” said Phelps. “Having that winning ticket over the long weekend was nerve-wracking. I made sure it was out of sight and in a place where my kids and dogs couldn’t find it. This has been a good year. I’ve won two \$1,000 cash prizes playing two other Kansas Lottery instant games.”

Phelps, who has two young daughters, works for Petro Deli in Topeka. He plans to pay bills with his a portion of his winnings.

The winning ticket was purchased at Viking BP, located at 4700 NW Hunter’s Ridge Circle in Topeka. There is one \$25,000 top prize remaining in the White Hot 5s instant scratch game as well as tens of thousands of other cash prizes.

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