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Donna Caldwell of Wappapello said her life won't change following a \$100,000 Missouri Lottery win. The regular Lottery player is going to keep on doing what she does, which hopefully includes uncovering another top prize like the one she found on a "10X The Money" Scratchers ticket.

"I just always seem to do good on it," she began. "I win \$50, \$100, \$300, \$500, so it's just my favorite. Yesterday, I won \$100,000 on it, so it's really my favorite now."

"I still have to go to work every day," admitted the home healthcare professional and part-time bartender.

It was a winning streak that led Caldwell, 54, to Calhoun's Foods, 505 Sycamore, in Poplar Bluff.

"I had a \$10 ticket, and I had won \$10 on it," she explained. "I went to Casey's and got me two lucky 7's (tickets). I won \$5 on the first one and \$100 on the next one. So I went over to Food-Rite, because my sister had called me; she's disabled and lives with me, and she wanted some fried chicken. Well, they didn't have their deli going, so I just stuck \$20 in the machine."

Caldwell said she bought two "10X The Money" tickets and five "Triple Winning 7's" tickets. She won \$17 before uncovering the \$100,000 top prize.

"I sat there and shook," she recalled. "I counted it like 20 times with my hands shaking and my knees knocking."

Caldwell wasn't too flustered to go show the store clerk.

"I said, 'You're not going to believe this.' I gave the girl the \$17," said Caldwell.

Plans for the windfall include fixing up one of her houses.

"One house needs some work done on it, and I'm going to help my children," she declared.

Aside from that, Caldwell said it was just another day.

"Just have fun. That's what I do it for," she offered.

“10X The Money” is a \$5 game that officially began April 30, 2011. Caldwell claimed the seventh of nine top prizes available in the game. Track prizes remaining for any Missouri Lottery Scratchers game here at Molottery.com.

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