

Tennessee Woman Gets Shock of a Lifetime as Prize Patrol Arrives With \$10 Million Prize

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SPARTA, Tenn., Feb. 28 /PRNewswire/ -- A Tennessee woman received the shock of a lifetime today when she opened her door to America's most welcome drop-in guests.

Mrs. Elizabeth Green of Sparta, Tennessee, was paid a surprise visit Wednesday by the Publishers Clearing House Prize Patrol who named her the winner of the company's premier SuperPrize worth \$10,000,000.00.

Mrs. Green learned last Friday that she had won a \$1,000 prize in the sweepstakes and was on a "short list" to win "the big one." But she was unprepared for the Prize Patrol's arrival -- with a giant prize certificate and bouquets of roses and balloons. The unannounced, videotaped surprise notification of the winner is a Publishers Clearing House tradition. Her award was televised nationally in a live commercial seen on Wednesday's NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams.

Mrs. Green is the 50th Publishers Clearing House winner of one million dollars or more, joining a roster of other SuperPrize winners including Elizabeth Felix of California, Marcella Longnecker of Minnesota, Wilbur Ervin, Jr of Maryland, and Ginny Jackson of Texas. This SuperPrize brings the total awarded in the company's sweepstakes to well over \$200 million -- in major prizes alone.

"No matter how many winners we surprise or how much money we give away, it's a thrill for us every single time," said Dave Sayer -- who heads the Prize Patrol and who has presented virtually every major Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes prize since 1981.

According to company records, Mrs. Green is a long-time participant in the Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes with entries and purchases from the company going back to 1997. She did not order magazines or merchandise with her winning mail-in entry.

For those who didn't have Mrs. Green's luck this time around, there are always more opportunities to win. The company faithfully awards prizes worth millions of dollars annually. Consumers can enter the Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes by responding to company mailings or by visiting the company's website: <http://www.pch.com>. Two recent million dollar prizes were won by persons who entered the sweepstakes online.

Publishers Clearing House, a direct marketer of magazine subscriptions and merchandise, was founded in Port Washington, NY in 1953. Its name has become synonymous with the sweepstakes and prizes it has used since 1967 to draw attention to the "unbeatable" deals and values offered in its colorful mailings. Nearly half of the Publishers Clearing House profits are donated to charitable causes ranging from social services to the environment. For more information, visit <http://www.pch.com>.

NOTE: Some media are under the mistaken impression that Ed McMahon is or was associated with Publishers Clearing House. He formerly worked for a competitor.

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Dave Sayer on the road with the Publishers Clearing House PRIZE

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