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LOCAL NEWS

Powerball Jackpot Winner Announced

An Immigrant from Laos who has Cancer

AP- One of the winners of a \$1.3 billion Powerball jackpot this month is an immigrant from Laos who has had cancer for eight years and had his latest chemotherapy treatment last week.

Cheng "Charlie" Saephan, 46, of Portland, told a news conference held by the Oregon Lottery on Monday that he and his 37-year-old wife, Duanpen, are taking half the money, and the rest is going to a friend, Laiza Chao, 55, of the Portland suburb of Milwaukie. Chao had chipped in \$100 to buy a batch of tickets with them. They are taking a lump sum payment, \$422 million after taxes.

"I will be able to provide for my family and my health," he said, adding that he'd "find a good doctor for myself."



Cheng "Charlie" Saephan holds a check about his head after speaking during a news conference where it was revealed that he was one of the winners of the \$1.3 billion Powerball jackpot. (AP Photo/Jenny Kane)

Saephan, who has two young children, said that as a cancer patient, he wondered, "How am I going to have time to spend all of this money? How long will I live?"

After they bought the shared tickets, Chao sent a photo of

the tickets to Saephan and said, "We're billionaires." It was a joke before the actual drawing, he said, but the next day they won. Chao, 55, was on her way to work

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First Black-Owned Football Team in the Salem Pavilion Arena

The Black Business Association of Oregon Partners with Black-Owned Arena Football Team

The Black Business Association of Oregon (BBAO) partners with the Oregon Blackbears Arena Football Team, marking a historic collaboration as the first Black-owned football team in the Salem Pavilion Arena.

FourSight Strategic Investments leads the ownership group for the Blackbears, and the franchise is managed by newly hired President & Chief Operating Officer and former University of Oregon Athletics Hall of Famer

and Super Bowl Champion Pat Johnson. "It is a dream come true to work with the Blackbears organization in its inaugural season. Fulfilling my dream of having the opportunity to give back to Oregon in this manner where my football career blossomed, brings me immense happiness and humility," says Johnson.

The Arena Football League (AFL) is returning after being

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