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***Million Minute Family Challenge***  
**Logs Record Number of Game-Playing Minutes**

BELOIT, Wis.—People throughout the nation joined together to play games for a record-setting 1,416,525 minutes during the 2008 *Million Minute Family Challenge*<sup>™</sup> from September through December.

Patch Products, a leading manufacturer of board and card games, organizes the *Million Minute Family Challenge* every year to encourage interaction and communication among family and friends by setting a national goal of playing games for at least 1 million minutes during the four months.

A total of 298 groups, clubs, classrooms and families logged game-playing minutes during the challenge. The groups logging the most minutes are:

1. CSRA Gamers Association, Barnwell, S.C., 188,640 minutes.
2. Wurtz Family & Friends, Muncie, Ind., 163,575 minutes.
3. Southeast Branch, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Mo., 109,650 minutes.
4. Northeast Branch, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Mo., 95,121 minutes.
5. L.H. Bluford Branch, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Mo., 94,405 minutes.

The Family Crushers of Oceanside, N.Y., recorded the most minutes for a single family, tallying 20,964.

Missouri again was the highest scoring state with 336,962 minutes, thanks in large part to a competition between three library branches in the Kansas City, Mo., Public Library System. The three library groups—Southeast Branch, Northeast Branch, and L.H. Bluford Branch—recorded a total of 299,176 minutes. Libraries are a great place to try new games, and we appreciate their participation.

In addition to Patch Products<sup>®</sup>, sponsors of the 2008 *Million Minute Family Challenge* included Red Robin<sup>®</sup> Gourmet Burgers, KOA<sup>®</sup>, Great Wolf Lodge<sup>®</sup> resort locations in the U.S., Blue Harbor Resort<sup>™</sup> and Generations United<sup>®</sup>.

To see where your state ranked during the *Million Minute Family Challenge*, visit [www.millionminute.com](http://www.millionminute.com). Even though the 2008 challenge has ended, the web site is still a good source for games to play and educational information including the benefits of family time, the history of games and how to use games in the classroom.

Patch Products, headquartered in Beloit, Wis., is a leading manufacturer and marketer of family entertainment products. Board games, card games, puzzles and collegiate-licensed foam sports toys are the core product lines. Top-selling games include *Buzzword*<sup>®</sup>, *What's Yours Like?*<sup>®</sup>, *Toss Up!*<sup>®</sup>, *Swap!*<sup>®</sup> and the *Jeff Foxworthy*<sup>™</sup> *You Might Be a Redneck If...*<sup>™</sup> Game. For more information, visit [www.patchproducts.com](http://www.patchproducts.com).

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