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GUN LAKE CASINO CURRENTLY ACCEPTING JOB APPLICATIONS

The Gun Lake Band of Pottawatomi ("Tribe") is currently accepting online applications for positions at Gun Lake Casino, which is scheduled to open during the first quarter of 2011. According to the Gun Lake Casino's website, interviews will be conducted starting in November to fill an estimated 700 positions at the site.

According to *The Grand Rapids Press*, as of Monday, October 25, 2010, nearly 2,000 people filled out online applications. The majority of positions will be full time.

The casino began accepting applications on Sunday, October 24, 2010. Resumés for management positions are currently being accepted as well. The casino is on track to be completed in mid-February, 2011 and is located off of U.S. 131, south of Wayland, Michigan.

According to the Gun Lake Casino website, available positions include: executive administration, human resources, accounting, advertising, information technology, cage operations, casino marketing, food & beverage, promotions, purchasing, security, surveillance, table games, valet, and transportation. For a full list of job openings, please visit <http://gunlakecasino.com/jobs.php>.

The 83,000 square foot facility will feature 1,400 slot machines, 28 table games, an entertainment lounge, and a casino bar. It will be operated by the Tribe's management partner, MPM Enterprises, LLC, owned by an affiliate of Station Casinos, Inc., as well as private investors from Michigan.

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OHIO CASINO COMMISSION HOLDS ITS FIRST MEETING

On October 8, 2010, Ohio Governor Ted Strickland announced his appointments to the newly formed Ohio Casino Control Commission, stating in a press release that his goal is “to establish a commission that reflects Ohio values and that will make sure the industry operates with integrity in Ohio.”

The Ohio Casino Control Commission consists of seven members appointed by Governor Strickland. The Commission is required to include at least one accountant, one lawyer, one person with law enforcement experience, and at least one member from each of the four counties where the casinos will be located. Each member will be paid \$60,000 per year for their services.

The Commission members include:

Jerry Chabler – former member of the Ohio State Lottery Commission and Toledo-Lucas Port Authority board of directors. Chabler is a Democrat and will serve a three-year term.

William Kirkham – attorney at Frost Brown Todd in Cincinnati. Kirkham is a Republican and will serve a three-year term.

Joseph Rugola – executive director of the Ohio Association for Public School Employees. Rugola is a Democrat and will serve a four-year term.

Greta Russell – controller at the Ohio State University and former comptroller of the Office of the Ohio Treasurer. Russell is a Democrat and will serve a two-year term.

Charles Saxbe – co-managing partner at Chester, Wilcox, and Saxbe in Columbus. Saxbe has been designated by Gov. Strickland as the Executive Director of the Commission. Saxbe is a Republican and will serve a four-year term.

John Wainscott – former Cincinnati police sergeant. Wainscott is a Republican and will serve a two-year term.

Vanessa Whiting – partner at Roetzel & Andress in Cleveland. Whiting is a Democrat and will

serve a four-year term.

On October 18, 2010, original appointee Michael Bolte, a former Cincinnati police sergeant, stepped down for unspecified reasons, and was replaced by John Wainscott.

The Commission will review and administer all licenses and permits related to casino gaming in the state including the collection of licensing fees. The law requires that each casino provide at least \$250 million in initial investment, as well as a \$1.5 million licensing application fee followed by a \$50 million licensing fee once issued.

On Monday, October 25, the Commission held its first meeting. The Commission is charged with drafting regulations that will ultimately govern Ohio’s casino industry. Under the constitutional amendment adopted by Ohio voters, the Commission has until March 7, 2011 to finalize its rules.

Ohio House Bill 519 also creates the Joint Committee on Gaming and Wagering in the state legislature that will review all possible legislative amendments affecting casino gambling. The committee will also prepare annual reports to the General Assembly and Governor regarding the Act and any proposed changes.

Dan Gilbert, owner of the Cleveland Cavaliers and Quicken Loans, heads Rock Gaming, LLC, which will be majority owner of the Cincinnati and Cleveland casinos. Penn National Gaming will operate the Toledo and Columbus-area casinos. Both Penn National and Rock Gaming hope to open permanent gaming facilities in all four cities by the end of 2012.

REGISTER FOR THE 2010 GLOBAL GAMING EXPO

There is still time to register for the 2010 Global Gaming Expo (G2E), to be held at the Las Vegas Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada, from November 15 through 18. Native American, international, and group discounts are available at the website below.

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Patrons will also have the opportunity to apply for Express Badges for G2E 2010. Expo organizers say the new badges will expedite registration and check-in time, thus creating more ease and convenience.

Over 30,000 gaming professionals from around the world are scheduled to attend this year's G2E from all gaming industry trades and sectors.

To register, or if you have any questions about G2E, please visit www.globalgamingexpo.com

happenings and more. You can register to receive the free *AGA SmartBriefs* by visiting www.smartbrief.com/aga/.

BILL TO RESTRICT WELFARE RECIPIENTS FROM COLLECTING LOTTERY PRIZES

On October 6, 2010, Michigan State Representative Tom McMillin (R-Rochester Hills), introduced a one page bill that, if passed, would prevent anyone receiving state social assistance from collecting any Michigan Lottery winnings over \$600.00.

Specifically, House Bill 6534 seeks to amend Section 14k of the "The Social Welfare Act" and states that "no person receiving cash, food, or medical assistance under this act shall be entitled to collect a lottery prize of \$600.00 or more." It further states "any prize arising from the claim of a person receiving cash, food, or medical assistance under this act constitutes an unclaimed prize for the purpose of this section."

HB 6534 is co-sponsored by three other Michigan Republicans, including House members Jim Stamas of Midland, David Agema of Grandville and Pete Lund of Shelby Township.

DAILY AGA SMARTBRIEFS

The American Gaming Association (AGA), which produces the Global Gaming Expo, has recently introduced *AGA SmartBriefs*, a free daily e-newsletter which keeps the gaming industry up to date on the latest gaming news.

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