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MICHIGAN GAMING CONTROL BOARD CANCELS AUGUST PUBLIC MEETING

On Wednesday, July 23, 2014, the Michigan Gaming Control Board (“MGCB” or “Board”) announced that it has cancelled its regular public meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday, August 12, 2014.

The next public meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 2014 at the MGCB Detroit office, located at Cadillac Place, 3062 West Grand Blvd., Suite L-700 in Detroit.

FIREKEEPERS CASINO TO CELEBRATE FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

During August, 2014, FireKeepers Casino Hotel will celebrate its five-year anniversary. In commemoration of the anniversary, FireKeepers will feature several giveaway promotions including a cash giveaway and an offer for guests to sign up for a special \$5 hotel room rate.

FireKeepers Casino opened in August of 2009, while the hotel and conference center were added in December of 2012. The casino employs 1,700 full- and part-time employees, and according to FireKeepers, the gaming establishment has paid \$58 million to the State of Michigan and provided \$21.9 million to the FireKeepers Local Revenue Sharing Board since 2009.

For more information about FireKeepers Casino Hotel, please visit www.firekeeperscasino.com.

AMERICAN GAMING ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES GAMING HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

On Monday, July 21, 2014 the American Gaming Association (AGA) announced its 2014 Gaming Hall of Fame inductees. The AGA's class of inductees includes gaming expert Bob Faiss; former Las Vegas mayor and current Caesars executive Jan Jones Blackhurst; Nevada Gaming Control Board pioneer Patricia Becker; and the second-ever tribal gaming leader to be selected for such award, Ernie Stevens.

Bob Faiss (recently deceased) was a partner in the Nevada law firm of Lionel, Sawyer and Collins. He played a vital role in the development of gaming laws and regulations in Nevada and many other jurisdictions. In Michigan, Bob and his law firm played an instrumental role in the development of the City ordinance with respect to the Detroit Casinos. He was an Adjunct Professor in gaming law and policy at the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada. And was instrumental in training and educating many lawyers as to the intricacies of gaming law and regulation as the industry expanded.

Jan Jones Blackhurst held the role of mayor of Las Vegas for two terms and has actively led the effort for women to thrive in the gaming industry. In her role at Caesars, Jan has developed a number of initiatives aimed at enhancing diversity and promoting environmental stewardship throughout the company. She has also been proactive in supporting women in the gaming industry, such as by serving on the steering committee for the AGA's Global Gaming Women initiative.

Patricia Becker has more than 35 years of experience in the gaming industry and holds the distinction of being the first woman to serve on the Nevada Gaming Control Board. In addition to operating a gaming consulting business, she currently serves as chair of the compliance committee at Bally Technologies, Inc. and at Tropicana Entertainment, Inc.

Ms. Becker held numerous executive positions including roles as a Senior Vice President with Aladdin Gaming and Harrah's and served on the Board of Directors for Cash Systems Inc., Fitzgerald's Gaming Corp., and Powerhouse

Technologies.

Ernie Stevens will be the second-ever Hall of Fame inductee from Indian Gaming in recognition of his tireless efforts as an advocate for tribal gaming. He has worked on behalf NIGA members to inform and educate government leaders on the most pressing issues that affect the economic, social and political lives of Indian people.

"We're proud to recognize these men and women who have led the gaming industry as it's become a job creating and economic development machine in Las Vegas, around the country and across the globe," stated Geoff Freeman, president and CEO of the AGA. "Bob, Jan, Patty and Ernie have moved gaming forward by guiding the industry through a period of incredible growth, by blazing a path for more women to assume leadership positions, and by advocating on behalf of tribal communities across the nation. I look forward to celebrating their tremendous careers and contributions to gaming."

The 2014 class will be inducted into the hall of Fame on September 29, 2014, as part of the Global Gaming Expo. To view previous Hall of Fame inductees please [click here](#).

GLOBAL GAMING EXPO 2014 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

The Global Gaming Expo (G2E) is now accepting registration for this year's G2E conference, to be held September 30 through October 2 at the Sands Expo & Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada.

To register, [Click Here](#).

G2E provides an in-depth look at new products, technologies, insights and innovations within the gaming industry and is attended by nearly 26,000 industry professionals from around the world.

To learn more about G2E, including full conference schedules, please visit <http://www.globalgamingexpo.com/>