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FROM THE PUBLISHER

s 2018 comes to a close, we would like to thank our readers, advertisers, exceptional writers and cover artists for helping to make Indian Gaming magazine possible. It is an honor for our whole team to work with so many incredible people in virtually every corner of the industry throughout the year.

I would like to also extend a special thanks to our Editorial Advisory Board members, many of whom are featured in this issue's Ask the Experts article. This is a fascinating read filled with fantastic insights and predictions for the coming year. Be sure to check it out. Additionally, I am pleased to welcome Michael Capen to the board. Michael has been a member of GLI's Client Service Team since 2005 and involved in Indian gaming for many years. We are very pleased to have him on the board.

We will be kicking off 2019 with our annual Indian Gaming Buyer's Guide & Directory coming out in January. This issue includes the most current information on every tribally owned casino property in North America, including gaming and property statistics, as well as key tribal contacts including casino executives and management. We will also be featuring our annual vendor "yellow pages" section. The Indian Gaming's Buyer's Guide & Directory is a great tool for tribe's searching for the right vendors in Indian Country, and for vendors looking to connect with the who's who of the industry and understand the scope and lay of the land at each casino property.

As we enter our 29th year in print, I am struck by how much the industry has grown, evolved and shifted over the years, and by how much potential there is for continued growth. Many of the brightest minds in the gaming industry are working specifically in Indian gaming, creating cutting edge innovations and new concepts for this thriving sector. It will be exciting to see where the road takes this \$32.4 billion industry next year, and how the revenues generated from Indian gaming continue to transform tribal and non-tribal communities alike across the U.S. and Canada.

Have a safe and wonderful holiday and a Happy New Year!

Steve Burke, Publisher

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