



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### ***Onion Lake resident wins largest jackpot in Dakota Dunes Casino history***

June 8, 2018 – Dakota Dunes Casino, Whitecap Dakota First Nation (near Saskatoon, SK) – An Onion Lake welder is \$1,822,621.97 richer after winning the Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority (SIGA)'s Smoke Signals™ jackpot. Marlon Weekusk hit the top tier progressive at Dakota Dunes Casino on June 6, 2018.

When asked what he is going to do with the money, Weekusk says, "I plan to help my parents, buy a home, and travel. I will be travelling over the next couple of months and I want to help out my family."

"On behalf of SIGA's Board of Directors, management and staff, I would like to formally welcome Mr. Weekusk to SIGA's millionaire club," says SIGA President and CEO Zane Hansen.

For General Manager Gary Daniels, this is the third Smoke Signals jackpot won for over a million dollars at Dakota Dunes Casino. "You can feel the excitement growing among the local community and casino staff as the jackpot increases, because it is going to pay out before it hits \$2,000,000. It's great to be part of these life-changing events. We're happy to have one of our patrons walk out of our casino with the biggest jackpot in Dakota Dunes Casino history. Congratulations to Marlon!"

To date, the Smoke Signals top tier jackpot has paid out a total of \$13,282,015.44. The Smoke Signals jackpot has been reset to one million dollars and can be won at any time.

Smoke Signals is a SIGA-wide progressive jackpot that links 52 slot machines at all six casinos. There are three mystery jackpot tiers that increase over time, with specific starting and ending prize values. The largest mystery jackpot has a minimum value of \$1,000,000 and pays out before it hits \$2,000,000. Each time a patron plays a Smoke Signals slot machine, any of the jackpots could be triggered.

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**Background Information:**

<b>Progressive</b>	<b>Number of Hits</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Tier Value</b>
Smoke Signals	9	\$13,282,015.44	\$1,000,000.00- \$2,000,000.00
Dreamer	129	\$6,429,171.25	\$25,000.00- \$75,000.00
Player	4835	\$9,649,563.27	\$1,000.00-\$3,000.00

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*SIGA's mission is to strengthen the lives of First Nation people through employment, economic growth, positive community relations and achieving financial self-reliance. A non-profit organization, all net profits from SIGA's casino operations go to local First Nation communities, community development corporations and the province's general revenue fund. Sharing Success with Saskatchewan communities.*  
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