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WAYLAND TOWNSHIP — Slot machines are jangling, lights are blinking and money is changing hands during the third day of gaming for special guests at the Gun Lake Casino.

The media have been invited today to tour the area's newest gaming facility, which

opens to the general public on Feb. 11.

About 1,500 guests are wandering the slot rows and table games. In the corner by the valet and coat check, behind a bevy of bartender beauties serving drinks, a house band is playing live music.

Tribe and casino members are all smiles at the activity in the facility. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held just a few minutes after 3 p.m. and pieces of the ribbon are being given out to members of Friends of Gun Lake Indians, a group of 11,000 supporters who have been cheerleaders as the tribe and their partners worked to bring the venue to fruition.

The 76,000 square foot facility is adorned in wood tones of brown and tan. Several large flat screen TV banks are playing ESPN sports.

Slot machines greet guests upon entrance. The tables games occupy the center of the facility, along with a square bar with video games at each seat. The blackjack tables start out with a \$5 minimum bet. Other table games include roulette, craps, poker, and midi baccarat.

Check back with MLive.com later for more updates on the media sneek peak, which runs until 10 p.m.

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