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Unique Gifts and Games

UGG NEWS

The holidays are upon us! As is the cold weather and dreaded white stuff falling from the sky! It's also a great time to do indoor things with the family, like a fun board game! Or visit the store during one of our many gaming events during the month of December.

Is it hard to shop for some members of your family? Have them stop in and fill out a "wish list" so you can come by later and select something you know they will like!!

On to the gaming news for this month! Goodman Games is releasing Azgar's Book of Rituals for D&D 4.0! If you pre-order with us you will also receive a free .pdf version for your computer! AND.....look for a signing by one of the authors in Dec/Jan!!! A UGG exclusive!!

Days of Wonder has announced the release of a new campaign for *Memoir 44*, which will be available free with any purchase of a *Memoir 44* product. The

promotion will launch in retail stores in North America and Europe in December.

The free campaign, the *Vercors Campaign*, includes five scenarios by Jacques David that highlight the Maquisards of the French Resistance and their battle against SS forces on the Vercors Plateau.

Direct from Zev Shlasinger, President, Z-Man Games, Inc. New games showing up before end of the month: Pocket Battles, Shadow Hunters expansion (base games is sold out at my level and a reprint is in the works), possibly Skyline 3000 (might be early December).

In December, right before Christmas, we expect Dungeon Lords and Campaign Manager 2008. It could be right after Christmas as well but the printers are trying their best to make early boats. Other possible December releases:

Grave Robbers reprint, Grave Robbers 3, and a card game called Chaos.

What does Games Workshop have up their sleeve? A new Tyranid Codex coming in January!! Definitely one of the more popular armies for Warhammer 40k

Paizo publishing has announced that leading RPG designer Monte Cook has started work on a 32 page stand alone adventure for their popular Pathfinder RPG. Curse of the Riven Sky features Adventurers facing the might of a group of giants, and even includes a floating fortress housing a cloud giant mage. Look for this in July of 2010.

That's all for this month. We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season and a wonderful new year!

Champions' Corner- November's Winners

Nov 1st, Magic the Gathering: Ken Weissheimer

Oct/Nov, Warmachine League: Dan Bavirsha, Chris Dalton, Dale Murchison, Kyle Dalton.

Nov 14th, Warhammer 40k: Zander Pirrello, Kevin Leonard, Phillip Poole

Nov 15th, Monsterpocalypse: Brian Keenan

Oct/Nov Bloodbowl League: Steve Leckman, Cal Radulescu, Brandon Behr, Scott Priz

Nov 21st, Warhammer Fantasy: Matt Burmeister, Bryan Burmeister, Harrison Witek

Nov 22nd, Magic the Gathering: Ken Weissheimer

Nov 28th, Monsterpocalypse: Kyle Dalton

Nov 28th, Magic the Gathering: Rich Comiskey

Nov 29th, Arcane Legions: Brandon Behr

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>Warmachine Demo Night (with updated rules!)</i> 6-9pm	3 <i>Boardgame Night!!</i> 7-9pm	4	5 <i>Monsterpoca- lypse Tourna- ment 12-5pm</i> <i>Magic the Gath- ering Tourna- ment 6-10pm</i>
6 <i>Heroscape Tournament</i> 12-5pm	7	8	9	10 <i>Boardgame Night!!</i> 7-9pm	11 <i>Check Your 6!</i> 6:30-9pm	12 <i>Arcane Legions Tournament 12-4pm</i> <i>Malifaux Tournament 5-9pm</i>
13 <i>Magic the Gathering Tournament</i> 1-5pm	14	15	16 <i>Warmachine Demo Night (with updated rules!)</i> 6-9pm	17 <i>Boardgame Night!!</i> 7-9pm	18	19 <i>Monsterpoca- lypse Tourna- ment 12-5pm</i> <i>Magic the Gath- ering Tourna- ment 6-10pm</i>
20 <i>Arcane Legions Tournament</i> 1-5pm	21	22	23	24 <i>Shortened Store Hours:</i> 11am-6pm	25 <i>CLOSED for Christmas!!</i>	26
27 <i>Uncharted Seas Tournament</i> 1-5pm	28	29 <i>Tarot Card class!</i> 6-9pm	30	31 <i>Boardgame Night!!</i> 7-9pm		<i>Open dates are available for open gaming!! Call ahead if any questions!</i>

Remember to create your personal Wish List at Unique Gifts and Games!! That way your friends and family know what to buy for your holiday shopping!

Wings of War WW2 Deluxe Set

by Fantasy Flight Games

Wings of War is a game series which merges card and board game mechanics to recreate aerial combat.

Airplanes are represented by a single card which is used as a playing piece on any open surface; the players choose and play simultaneously movement cards to decide the actions of the airplane they control. Different planes use different decks of movement cards to represent their different maneuver capabilities, and different deck of "Fire" card are used to take into account their fighting effectiveness and to keep track of damage.

The Deluxe Set contains the basic rules, altitude rules, additional scenario rules, several extra scenarios, A B C & D damage tokens, a full set of player aids (4 game boards, many counters and 2 rulers) and the following 4 planes (including card, maneuver deck, and stand for each).

Supermarine Spitfire Mk.I, Grumman FM-1 Wildcat, Messerschmitt Bf 109 E-3, Mitsubishi A6M2 Reisen.

This starter set is fully playable with all other Wings of War WW2 products! A great starter with all the fluff!



Heroscape Set 10– Valkrill’s Gambit

Valkrill’s Gambit features 25 painted figures, assembled and ready to play right out of the box. A very special collection, this 4-pack assortment set includes Warriors of Fledspar, Soulborgs, Warriors and Soulborgs, and Champions of Renown.

Each pack includes painted figures and cards that can be used with any Hero-

scape Master Set. **Valkrill’s Gambit** comes just months after Wizard’s re-release of Small Expansion Set 9: Blackmoon’s Siege™ in June.

Anyone interested in Heroscape should look for a tournament on December 6th, and should check out www.heroscapers.com, a great fan community site.

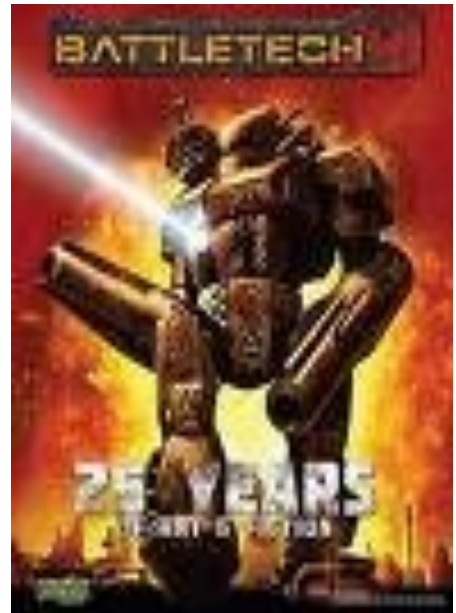


Book Spotlight– 25 Years of Battletech

BattleTech: 25 Years of Art & Fiction is the ultimate chronicle of the BattleTech/MechWarrior universe. Full-color, hard-back and coffee-table-sized at over 10" by 12", its 304 pages are brimming with hundreds of color and B&W illustrations that span BattleTech's 25-year legacy. Additionally, the book contains: # An 8-page, detailed treatise on the evolution of the BattleTech/MechWarrior computer games and the creation one of the most successful franchises in history: from The Crescent Hawks Inception to MechWarrior 2, Virtual World Entertainment Cockpits to MechWarrior 4 and more! # A 25-page bibliography detailing every rulebook, box set, scenario pack and more ever sold for BattleTech/MechWarrior by FASA, FanPro, Wiz-Kids or Catalyst Game Labs; an era

stamp with each entry allows for easy time period identification. # A universe timeline from the launching of Crippen Station in 2005 until the reformation of the shattered Free Worlds League in 3139 # 18 all new stories from best selling, perennial authors Michael Stackpole, Robert Charrette, William H. Keith, Loren L. Coleman and authors; stories set from the time of the Star League to the Succession Wars, Clan Invasion to The Dark Age. # A look at a host of licensed products over the years, from comic books to the cartoon, toys to patches, and more.

This book was a limited printing and we only have a few copies left! If you are a fan of the Battletech universe, don't pass this up!



Game Review–Dominion Board Game by Rio Grande

In Dominion, each player starts with an identical, very small deck of cards. In the center of the table is a selection of other cards the players can "buy" as they can afford them. Through their selection of cards to buy, and how they play their hands as they draw them, the players construct their deck on the fly, striving for the most efficient path to the precious victory points by game's end.

Dominion is not a Collectable Card Game like Magic or Pokemon, but the play of the game is similar to the construction and play of a CCG deck. The game comes with 500 cards. You select 10 of the 25 Kingdom card types to include in any given play -- leading to immense variety.

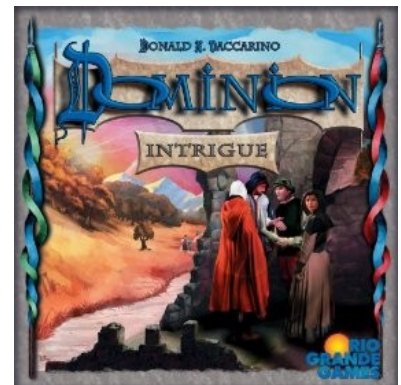
The game was released in 2008 and since there have been two expansions.

Dominion: Intrigue adds rules for playing with up to 8 players at two tables or for playing a single game with up to 6 players when combined with Dominion. This game adds 25 new Kingdom cards and a complete set of Treasure and Vic-

tory cards. The game can be played alone by players experienced in Dominion or with the basic game of Dominion.

Dominion: Seaside is strictly an expansion for either or both previous sets.

RATING: 5 stars out of 5!!!



New this Month

Just a few of the new releases you can find in store this month... Pre-Orders Welcome!!

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Be sure to visit the *City of Gamers* forum, link in our resource section.

- The first wave of MK II models are released for Warmachine, including a re-sculpt of Cygnar's Allister Caine, along with continued releases for the Retribution.
- D&D 4.0 The Plane Below: Secrets of the Elemental Chaos
- Jungle Speed, a great new family game by Asmodee Editions. A great gift for the entire family to enjoy! In store now!
- Axis and Allies Pacific 1940– an all new expanded release of the original, including new units and a new power, Australia/New Zealand. Can be played as a stand alone game or in combination with Europe 1940.
- Chrononauts, the card game that lets you time travel and change history, is revised, reprinted, and due out in December from Looney Labs. (the creators of Fluxx)

In Case You Missed It...

Just in case you missed it, here's a recap of November...

- **The Hammer of Thor expansion** was released for Heroclix.
- Wizards released Magic the Gathering premium deck: Slivers.
- Dungeon Twister 2 board game.
- D&D 4.0 Dragonomicon Metallic Dragons and Monster Manual: Savage Encounters.
- Games Workshop Skaven army book and miniature line.
- **Command & Colors: Ancients revised version, and new expansions #4 Imperial Rome and #5 Epic Ancients 2.**
- **Talisman Frostmarch expansion, from Fantasy Flight Games**
- **Heroscape Wave 10 boosters.**
- **Through the Ages by Fred Games**
- **Star Wars RPG: Scavenger's Guide to Droids.**
- **Martian Fluxx, from Looney Labs.**
- **Legends in the Fall Gaming Convention!! (coming again in the spring!) www.legends-in-time.com**
- **Dungeons and Dragons 4.0 Players Handbook 1 & 2 deal! Two books for the price of one! (still going on!) Pick it up today!**
- **Atlantis, a new board game from Rio Grande Games**
- **Hordes MKII field test released. www.Privateerpress.com for more details.**
- **Smallworld board game Expansions– Cursed and Grand Dames of Smallworld.**