



## UGG NEWS

Hello! Welcome to December's issue of...you guessed it, UGG News! As always, we're going to be dealing with the latest and greatest in the world of gaming including new releases, official announcements, and of course, all that is going on here at UGG.

First up I have to mention our Holiday sale. This is already in progress, so if this is your first time hearing about it, you are missing out! We have sales, usually around 20-25% off, on hundreds of items throughout the store, including minis, books, magazines, board games, terrain, and more. There is a sale list in store, and we are working to get it up on our site. Get in here and check out these sales!

Now for some gaming news. Alderac Entertainment Group, responsible for the highly lauded Legends of the Five Rings Card Game, has announced a new deck building game for

2011 named "Nightfall." There is a heavy supernatural theme here, and the game looks to build on the success of Alderac's original success in deck builders, "Thunderstone." Speaking of that, there has also been an announcement of an expansion for that game. "Doomgate" introduces 300 new cards, including four new heroes, five new monsters, and lots of new village cards including mercenaries. Look for this soon, as it was quoted for a quarter 4 release this year.

Wizards of the Coast has announced an end to its Magic Player Rewards Program. Instead of featuring cards that players can receive via mail based on their participation levels, Wizards has made a move to provide more promos for in store events. Which is, of course, good news for your favorite local game

shop.

Sad news for game fans comes in the form of the cancellation of two games. One may come as a shocker: Wizards has cancelled Heroscape. That's right, after the final Dungeons and Dragons based set is released, players will have to make do with what is in their collection. Also cancelled is 4Kids' Chaotic TCG.

We are on Facebook! That's right, Unique Gifts and Games wants to be your friend! Get on there and check us out. We promise we won't go all Farmville on you and sell your information.

It is of course, the Holiday Season, and from all of us at Unique Gifts and Games, we wish you a safe, happy, and prosperous Holiday, and a Happy New Year.

### Champions' Corner- October's Winners

- Nov. 6th- MtG Sealed Deck: Matt Burmeister
- Nov. 13th- Warmachine 15pt.:
  1. Mike Maneeniyom
  2. Kyle Dalton
  3. Mike Malake
- Nov. 27th- MtG constructed: Nate Comiskey

# December 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Open dates are available for open gaming!! Call ahead if any questions!			1 Warmachine Hobby Night 5-9pm D&D Encounters 7-9pm	2 Board Game Night 6-9pm	3	4 Magic the Gathering Sealed Deck Tournament 12-5pm
5	6 Warhammer Fantasy Battles 6-9pm	7 Warhammer 40k Night 6-9pm	8 Warmachine Hobby Night 5-9pm D&D Encounters 7-9pm	9 Board Game Night 6-9pm	10 Ambush Alley 7-9 pm	11 Warmachine Tournament 12-5pm
12	13	14 Warhammer 40k Night 6-9pm	15 Warmachine Hobby Night 5-9pm D&D Encounters 7-9pm	16 Board Game Night 6-9pm	17	18 Warhammer 40k tournament 11am-5pm
19 Magic the Gathering Booster Draft Tournament 1-5pm	20 Warhammer Fantasy Battles 6-9pm	21 Warhammer 40k Night 6-9pm	22 Warmachine Hobby Night 5-9pm D&D Encounters 7-9pm	23 Board Game Night 6-9pm	24 Christmas Eve Open 11am - 3pm	25 Merry Christmas!! CLOSED
26 Aces & Eights (wild west) RPG one shot event 1-5pm	27	28 Warhammer 40k Night 6-9pm	29 Warmachine Hobby Night 5-9pm D&D Encounters 7-9pm	30 Board Game Night 6-9pm	31	New Years Day CLOSED

# Hordes: Minions

This month sees the release of a slew of new models, along with a Force book, for the latest faction to grace the battlefields of Immoren, Minions. The Minion faction is organized much like the Mercenaries, taking bands of sell swords and outlaws and collecting them into armies. The fact that these sell swords are giant gators, robotically enhanced pigs, and frogs wielding poisoned spears make these guys all that much cooler!

As I said, this month sees a bunch of new Minions hitting the shelves. For Warlocks, we have Dr. Arcadius, a mad scientist who's experiments have resulted in the terrifying Warhogs and

Gunboars. Joining him is Calaban the Gravewalker. Now let me sum him up. Giant, bipedal gator. Voodoo bits and bobs. Giant bipedal gator with voodoo bits and bobs? Please and Thank You!

You'll also see the first light for the Gator sub faction, the Bull Snapper. At 3 points a pop, these guys just scream to be fielded in big numbers. January continues the madness, with giant turtles, rocket launching pigs, and more.



## Game Spotlight: Civilization by Fantasy Flight

Before you lies a vast bounty of land, ripe for the plucking. Your meager beginnings will influence the paths you must take. Lead your people well and they will take you to infinite heights of greatness. If civilization manages to endure the ages, your name will hang in every whisper of its legacy... Fantasy Flight Games is excited to announce the upcoming release of **Sid Meier's Civilization: The Board Game**! Forge an empire to stand the test of time using innovative game mechanics with multiple paths to victory. Will you lead the greatest army in the world to conquer your foes? Or will you be the first to journey to the stars, becoming the most technologically advanced civilization known to man? The choice is yours.

**Civilization: The Board Game** is inspired by the legendary video game series created by Sid Meier. Players are tasked with guiding an entire civilization throughout the ages, taking ownership of your people's technology, economy, culture, and military, as well as all the choices that go along with them. There are four different paths to victory, and each is riddled with opposition.

In **Civilization: The Board Game**, 2-4 players take on the roles of famous leaders in charge of historical civilizations, each with their own abilities. Players will be able to explore a module game board, build cities and buildings, fight battles, research powerful technology, and attract great people by advancing their culture. No matter what your play style is, there is a civilization

for you!

Fans of Sid Meier's classic video game franchise will find familiar footing in **Civilization: The Board Game**. Staying true to the foundations of its video game predecessor while creating a new and unique way to play, **Civilization: The Board Game** captures the spirit and grandeur of carving out a magnificent empire from modest beginnings. Players start off with a single city, one army figure, and one scout, and from these meager origins you must forge through the ages and become the greatest civilization in the world.

Civilization is on our shelves now! We are in the process of getting a demo copy as well, so stop in and check it out! The reviews have been positive, so to all you board gamers, this maybe be just what your looking for!

## Northern Illinois Food Bank

This may not be gaming related, but your gonna hear about it anyway! To go with the spirit of the times, we are making an effort to support the Northern Illinois Food Bank.

Located in St. Charles, Illinois, the NIFB has recently earned the 2010 Food Bank of the Year Award, the highest accolade that a food bank can

receive.

What does all this mean to you? Well, starting in December, we will be taking donations in store. For more information on the NIFB, please visit their website at [www.northernillinoisfoodbank.org](http://www.northernillinoisfoodbank.org). If you can, please stop in and drop off any non-perishable items in our drop box.

The NIFB has the capability to handle almost any type of donation, please look at the donation section of their website for more. From us at Unique Gifts and Games, we wish you a Happy Holiday season.

# Gamer's Corner— By C. Dalton

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*Welcome to Gamer's Corner. I take this as my monthly chance to show off what's going on here at the store, what products have caught my eye; generally anything I believe my fellow gamers may find interesting.*

Last month saw our first Mangled Metal format Warmachine tournament. In Mangled Metal (or Tooth and Claw, if your under the Hordes persuasion) a player gets 15 points to spend exclusively on Warbeasts or Warjacks. The games are fast, brutal, and very, very fun.

It was really nice to see a decent turnout for the event last month. We had a total of 12 players duking it out, playing 5 rounds of table top carnage! Some close and very brutal games were fought, and everyone seemed to have a lot of fun.

This month sees yet another first for our Warmachine community. On December 11th, we will be holding a Highlander format tournament. Consider this the first logical step up

from a Mangled Metal. Players take a 25 point list consisting of one unit, one solo, the obligatory warlock or warcaster, and then fill in the rest with beasts or jacks.

You may notice these formats seem very beginner friendly. Well, you're right! New players should really take these tournaments as an opportunity to get in some games that your spending your hard earned scratch on! They are very fun, and just competitive enough to make you play hard.

With this said, I would hate for veteran players to get discouraged by the low points levels going on. I have been playing Warmachine for almost 5 years myself, and I have to say, the Mangled Metal tourney in November was some of the best gaming I've had in a while. So all you old salts, get those models you've been lugging around since MKI and get in here.

To anyone who plays Warmachine, or anyone looking to start, now is a great time to get into UGG and get playing. We've had a great resurgence in the community, and, as a player, I'd love to see it continue to grow. Again, that Highlander tournament is Saturday, December 11th. I'll be there, and I hope to see you there too.

*That's all for this month's Gamer's Corner! We are looking for reviews and other ideas submitted by you, the gamers! Shoot us an email with your content. Until next time!*

## Holiday Sale Specials for all!

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As you may know, our storewide holiday sale has already begun! Anywhere from 20-40% has been slashed off retail price on dozens of items! Find everything from board games to miniatures to magazines! There's sure to be something for every one, whether your looking

for that last minute gift or just a little something for yourself. These items are going fast, and once they're gone, so are the sales! So be sure to get in and grab a list of our sales items! After all, it only runs from November 26th to December 24th!!



## New this Month

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

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

- Dungeons and Dragons 4.0 Gamma World Expansion Famine in Far Go and D&D Essentials, Master Tile Set: The Wilderness, both from Wizards of the Coast.
- Privateer Press releases it's final book in the Forces series; Forces of Hordes: Minions, along with Warmachine character upgrade kits, Cygnar Trencher resculpts, Janissa Stonetide, Minion Warlocks Dr. Arcadius and Calaban the Gravewalker, and much more!
- Malifaux– Freikorps blisters, Guild Lucius Crew, Arcanists Silent One Blister, Resurrectionists Shikome Blister.

## In Case You Missed It...

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

- Privateer Press released Force of Hordes: Circle Orboros, along with Orboros Warlock Cassius, Nuala the Huntress, Fennblades Unit Attachment, Nyss Grotesques, and Hakaar the Destroyer for Skorne.
- After a long wait (only about 10 years) Games Workshop finally put out a new Codex for the sadistic Dark Eldar, along with a line of great new miniatures.
- D&D Essentials Heroes of the Forgotten Kingdoms and Monster Vault, along with the limited edition Beholders Collector's Set.
- Heroscape D&D Assortment 3, Moltenclaw's Invasion.
- From Fantasy Flight Games: Sid Meier's Civilization and Warhammer Invasion Expansion "The Fourth Waystone."
- Globalization, a hilarious board game from Catalyst Games. Global business domination, with a healthy dose of humor.
- Forbidden Island, a new, and very affordable game, by Gamezone. Take control of team of explorers as you attempt to collect treasure from a sinking island.
- Magic the Gathering Fire and Lightning Premium Deck, an all foil, 60 card deck collecting some of the best burn cards from the history of Magic.
- Malifaux– Abuela Ortega, Lord Chompy Bits, Coppe-lius, and more.