

# Welcome!



Nanocon is the fastest growing gaming convention in the Midwest! We, as lovers of games of all kinds, wish to bring you a community and all weekend event to game until your heart's content! (Or until Sunday night, whichever comes first!) With our many vendors, events, speakers and games we do our best to create an inviting atmosphere that brings all gamers together. So kick back, play a videogame, see a speaker, buy some food and have a blast!

# Menu

- Hot Dogs
- ♦ Pizza
- ♦ Chili
- ♦ Soda Pop
- ♦ Water
- Beef Sticks
- Muffins
- Chips

If anything or anyone becomes a disturbance to you or other guests please feel free to find a staff member (orange badge) and let them know immediately. We wish to maintain an inviting and fun atmosphere with as little disturbances and nuisances as possible. You're the reason we do this, so let us know what you think!



# SUNDAY cont.

#### **Shadows over Camelot**

Host: Justin Time 7pm

Type: Board game Number of players: 3-7

Each player represents a knight of the Round Table and they must collaborate to overcome a number of quests - ranging from defeating the Black Knight to the search for the Holy Grail. Completed Quests place white swords on the Round Table; failed Quests add black swords and/or siege engines around Camelot. The knights are trying to build a majority of white swords on the Table before Camelot falls.

#### Hanafuda

Host: Andrew & Dakota Time: 7pm

Type: Card Game

Players: 2-6

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# **Speakers**

# **Ken Rolston**

Lead designer of The Elder Scrolls III: Morrowind and The Elder Scrolls IV: Oblivion. Veteran tabletop designer, including titles such as Runequest and Paranoia.

## **Kevin Rohan**

Kevin Rohan is half of the creative genius behind Silver Gryphon Games. He has been playing video games for almost 30 years, has been playing board games for over 30 years, and has been playing table-top RPGs of all kinds for over 20 years. He is heralded as one of the upand-comers in the small press RPG community.



# **Richard Dansky**

Senior Clancy Writer for Red Storm Studios and long-time designer for White Wolf, focusing especially on Wraith: The Oblivion.

#### Matt Forbeck

Accomplished game and narrative designer whose credits include collectible card games, roleplaying games, miniatures games, and board games. He has written short fiction, comic books, and novels for the companies Wizards of the Coast, Games Workshop, TSR, White Wolf, Green Ronin, AEG, Reaper Miniatures, Image Comics, and others companies.

# **Geoffrey Long**

World-renowned expert on transmedia storytelling, now the Technical Director and Research Fellow at the USC Annenberg Innovation Lab. Formerly of the Singapore-MIT Gambit Game Lab and Microsoft.



As a film and video production instructor and a games-industry writer living in Austin, Texas. On his podcast Prattle, he hosted conversations with "deep thinkers" about philosophical, cultural, and thematic issues in game design and player experience. His "Scribble" series of videos for videogamewriters.com offered both crudely-animated educational nuggets as well as witheringly sarcastic skewering of corporate game publisher shenanigans.

# **Seth Hudson**

Assistant Director for Computer Game Design at George Mason University he has also taught English and English literature classes for 6 years at the collegiate level, with his creative work focusing on playwriting and non-linear storytelling. Hudson earned a Master of Arts in English and Comparative Literature degree from the University of Cincinnati, where he studied playwriting and pedagogy as it applies to the teaching of writing.

# **FRIDAY**

# Bang!

Host: Bizkit Time: 5pm – 6pm

Type: Card Game Number of player: 4-7

This card game recreates an old-fashioned spaghetti western shoot-out, with each player randomly receiving a Character card to determine special abilities, and a secret Role card to determine their goal.

# **Super Smash Brothers Tourney**

Host: Chris Barbera Time: 5pm-8pm

Type: Video Game Tournament

Number of Players: —

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A fighting video game with iconic Nintendo characters. For more infor-

mation find at event.

# Camp Wicakini - Part 1 (Æther)

Host: Allen Thiele Time: 6pm-10pm

Number of Players: 3-6

Description: Camp Wicakini, a beautiful summer camp, is nestled next to Lake Wicakini, or Lake of the Resurrection. The teenage camp counselors are helping run things and keeping the maggots... er... campers in line when something goes wrong... terribly, horribly wrong.

# Legendary

Host: Matt Wetzel Time: 5pm-6pm

Type: Deck Builder game Number of players: 1-5

A deck building game in the marvel universe that you and a group of superheroes fight against numerous villains.

# SUNDAY cont.

# Arkham Horror (Old)

Host: Glenn Berman

Type: board game

Number of players: 1-8

Arkham Horror is a cooperative adventure game themed around H.P Lovecraft's Cthulhu Mythos. The game has players exploring the town of Arkham as they attempt to stop unmentionable horrors from spilling into the world. It's possible for everyone to go insane and lose in this game.

Time: 1pm

## Order of the Stick

Host: David Blom Time: 2pm

Type: Board Game

Number of players: 2-6

st read about foolish and incompetent adventurers when you can be one yourself? Dive head first into the world of the inexplicably popular fantasy gaming web comic. Take on the role of one of the six daring adventurers as you explore each room of the mysterious Dungeon of Dorukan in this hilarious satire of the fantasy genre. But beware, for the evil undead sorcerer Xykon awaits you at the bottom of the dungeon, and he has nothing better to do than focus on wiping the floor with your sorry butt.

# Nanocon Pokemon League Championships

Host: Steven Walders Time: 3 PM Sunday

Type: Videogame

of Players: (?)

Those who have obtained all 8 badges over the course of the weekend are welcome to participate in this tournament to see who will be crowned champion.

# Death Undeserving (Æther)

Host: Allen Thiele Time: Saturday 10:00 PM

Type: Roleplay

Number of Players: 3-6

Luis Batista, a once powerful Cuban drug runner, is grieving and out for revenge. His oldest son has been murdered and Batista is determined to set things right, and will pay handsomely for the identity of the murderer. They'll pay even more to get their hands on him. Players from Burning Crosses are welcome to stay.



# **Settlers of Catan Teaching**

Host: Lewus Morgan Time: 11am

Type: Board Game

Number of players: as many as who wants to learn

This is a teaching session of Settlers of Catan; players try to be the dominant force on the island of Catan by building settlements, cities, and roads. On each turn dice are rolled to determine what resources the island produces. Players collect these resources (cards) - wood, grain, brick, sheep, or stone - to build up their civilizations to get to 10 victory points and win the game.

#### Tsuro

Host: Adam Ladwig Time: 1pm

Type: Board Game

Number of Players: 2-8

A be ful and beautifully simple game of laying a tile before your own token to continue its path on each turn. The goal is to keep your token on the board longer than anyone else's, but as the board fills up this becomes harder because there are fewer empty spaces left... and another player's tile may also extend your own path in a direction you'd rather not go.

# FRIDAY cont.

# Arkham Horror (New)

Time: 5pm - 8pm Host: Glenn Berman

Number of Players: 1-8

Type: Board Game

Arkham Horror is a cooperative adventure game themed around H.P Lovecraft's Cthulhu Mythos. Players choose from 16 Investigators and take to the streets of Arkham. Before the game, one of the eight Ancient Ones is chosen and it's up to the Investigators to prevent it from breaking into our world. Defeat the Ancient One in combat!

## Star Trek / Star Wars RPG

**Host: Daniel Sperl** Time: 6pm Friday and 10pm Sunday

Type: Roleplaying game Number of players: 3-4

Star Wars or Star trek Themed Table top roleplaying game. For more information

find event.

# **Yugioh Tourney**

Host: Rocky Time: 6pm



Type: Card Game

Number of players: unknown

Yugioh is a trading card game with a unique system. This is a tournament setting so for more information find the Event.

## Adventure in a Con

Host: Kevin Rohan Time: 7pm—11pm

Number of Players: 3-6

Description: Horror Stone age Diesel Utopia? OR Classic Colonialism Fusion Distopia? OR Epic Near future Gene Noir? Who knows? In addition to creating characters, players will get to randomly generate the game's setting. The GM will come up with something on the spot, and will publish the adventure under SGG.

# FRIDAY cont.

#### NaNoWriMo Write in

Host: Tracy Booze Time: 8pm

Type: Writing

Number of Players: As many as would like to come

National Novel Writing Month is an event in which you have one month

to write 50000 word stories. This event is to help promote writing and a place to

sit and share work and work together on writing.

# **Star Trek Expeditions**

Host: Gary Utech Time: 10pm

Type: Board Game Number of players: 1-4

Star Trek Expeditions is a board game based on the "New Universe" of Star Trek in which it's your goal to Fight off Klingons, diffuse a civil war, and try to

get the planet to join the United Federation of Planets.

## RPGA "Muster"

Host: RPGA Area Time: Saturday and Sunday at 9am, 2pm, 7pm

Type: Roleplaying

Number of Players: Until Tables Fill Up

These are the times that the RPGA area will get together and get games

started.

## Camp Wicakini – Part 2 (Æther)

Host: Allen Thiele Time: 10pm—2am

Number of Players: 3-6

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Wicakini, and last night, something went wrong... horribly wrong. The reports that are coming in have quickly made it to the desk of your superior who is sending you

and the rest of your "crack" FBI department in to investigate



# **Super Smash Bros. Brawl Tournament**

Host: Cody Lape Time: 7pm

Type: Video Game

Players: (?)

Use previous description of Super Smash Bros Tournament

#### **Hex Hex**

Host: Travis Boyd Time: 7pm

Type: Board / Card Game

Players: 2-6

In this magic based board game you attempt to hex, curse, and trick your opponents to become the grand sorcerer.

#### **Zombies**

Host: Brian Hoaas Time: 9pm

Type: Dice game

Players: 2-5

In this dice rolling tabletop game you play as the zombies! Try and get more brains than the other players!

# **Cards Against humanity**

Host: Steve Walders Time: 10pm

Type: Board/ Card game

Players: 💬

In this humor based game you try to outplay your opponents with your

words!

# Atop a Broken Throne (Igenium)

Host: Ben Overmyer Time: 10pm—2am

Number of Players: 3-6

The old king is dying, and though he was once a mighty hero, his kingdom is crumbling around him. His children all have claim to the throne, and all of them are preparing to pursue those claims.

# Smash Up

Host: Justin Beers Time: 6pm

Type: Board / Card Game

Players: 2-4

The "shufflebuilding" game Smash Up starts with a simple premistive the twenty-card decks of two factions, shuffle them into a forty-card deck, then compete to smash more Bases than your opponents!

## Star Trek or Star Wars RPG

Host: Daniel Sperl Time: 6pm

Type: Tabletop RPG

Players: 2-5

A tabletop RPG campaign setting in either Star Wars or Star trek!

# **Battleforged Playtest**

Host: Ben Overmyer Time: 6pm—8pm

Number of Players: 2

Silver Gryphon Games' sci-fantasy war game in development, Battle-forged, makes its public playtest debut at Nanocon. Take command of one of three available armies and crush your opponent while helping us iron out the kinks in the system.

# **Burning Crosses (Æther)**

Host: Allen Thielle Time: 6pm—10pm

Number of Players: 3-6

The most powerful crime syndicate in Wellstone City, the Cross Clan, is having some major internal issues. It seems that information relating to the family and its activities is making it to the police. Characters from Two-Bit thugs are welcome to stay.

# **SATURDAY**

# Anime Blackjack

Host: Bryce Blocker Time: 8am

Type: Card Game

Players: 3-7

Try to get to as close to 21 as you can, with an anime theme.

#### **Nerf Roulette**

Host: Bryce Blocker Time: 9am

Type: Other Players: 3-6

A good old fashion game of Russian roulette with nerf darts.

#### **Public Transit Assassins**

Host: Allen Thiele Time: 10am—2pm

Number of Players: 3-6

Just another day in Wellstone City. You're Just minding your own business, picking up a soda and some chips from the local bodega. On your way to the counter, a couple of punks come in and try to rob the place. Great. Just another day in Wellstone City, you suppose. Now to get out of this alive.

#### Mario Kart Wii Tournament

Host: Nathan Ambrose Time: 11am

Type: Video game

Players: (?)

Mario Kart racing, tournament style!

#### Mafia

Host: Shaun Schreiner Time: 12pm

Type: Roleplay Players: 3-10(?)

A live action role play with a Mafia inspired theme.

## **Resident Evil Mercenaries**

Host: Wyatt Hickman Time: 1pm

Type: Videogame Players: 5(?)

Play Resident Evil: The Mercenaries

# **Spelunky Competition**

Host: Trent Steen Time: 1pm

Type: Videogame Players: 2-6(?)

Vie to be the Spelunky champ! How far will you get in this randomly gener-

ated, fully destructible challenge?

## Chess

Host: Lewus Morgan Time: 1pm

Type: Board Game

Players: 2

Play the classic board game and test your wits!

#### Warhammer 40k Tournament

Host: Universal Bits & Games / Steve Hoaas Time: 1pm

Type: Miniature War Game

Players: 2-7(?)

The classic war game comes to Nanocon! 1850 point tournament.

# **Super Meat Boy Challenge**

Host: Derek K. Time: 1pm

Type: Video game Players: 2-10(?)

How far will you go and how quickly can you get there in this challenging

platform game?



# Hatsune MIku Project Diva

Host Alexis Berman Time: 3pm

Type: Video game



Players: 2

Description: A rhythm game featuring Hatsune Miku

# Lord of the Rings Risk

Host:: Grant Thomson Time: 3pm

Type: Board Game

Players: 3-5

The classic strategy game with a Lord of the Rings theme.

#### Risk

Host: Brian Albers Time 5pm

Type: Board Game

Players: 3-5

The classic version of the classic strategy game!

#### Pokemon X & Y: PR Video Contest

Host: Steven Walders Time: 5pm

Type: Videogame



Players: (?)

The PR video feature in Pokemon X&Y lets you make mini movies that you can share with your friends. Here's your chance to put your creativity to the test! At any time before 5PM Saturday, come submit your PR video. Then, our judges will review each one and vote in several different categories to choose the winner.

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## **Ticket to Ride**

GM: Matt "Bacon" Engesser Time: 3pm

Type: Board game

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Vie to be the railroad tycoon in this game of trains, real estate and backstab-

bing!

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# **Game of Thrones**

Host Zach Truesdell Time: 3pm

Type: Board Game

Players: 3-6

In this ne of backstabbing and triumph, you struggle to control the kingdom of Westeros. In the game of thrones, you win or you die.



#### Heroscape

Host: Sam Wyatt Time: 1pm Type: Board Game / Miniature Wargaming

Players: 2-4

This miniature wargame is based on a hexagon tileset. Use armies from

many different universes!

#### Pokemon X & Y Tournament

Host: Steven Walders Time: 1pm

Type: Videogame Players: (?)

A small, for fun tournament using Pokemon X & Y. The games haven't been out long, but bring your best trained Pokemon to put their abilities to the test in this tournament!

#### **Two-Bit Thugs**

Host: Allen Thiele Time: 2pm—6pm

Number of Players: 3-6

Two criminal outfits have started a turf war, and they started it in neutral territory, accidentally catching a consort of the Mayor in the cross fire. Now all hell is about to break loose unless this situation is resolved, and fast! Characters from Public Transit Assassins are welcome to stay.

# **Iron Cosplay**

Host: Bryce Blocker Time: 2pm

Type: Competition

Players: (?)

Use household and unique items to create a cosplay in an hour.

#### **Pokemon Scrabble**

Host: Galacia Barton Time: 2pm

Type: Board game

Players: 2-4

Play scrabble with a twist, you can only spell out pokemon names!