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A LOTTA YOTTA STORE NEWS

March was a great month here at Yottaquest. HeroClix Giant Size X-Men were released and it was a huge hit! We hosted a Living Forgotten Realms game thanks to Random. BTW, if anyone wants to GM some LFR just let us know by emailing events@yottaquest.com!



Our convention of the month goes to CincyCon! This was its second year and turnout was better than last year. I don't know the official number, but my guess would be around 250 to 300 people. Yottaquest did not have a booth, however, I was there all day long meeting people and handing out gift certificates to lucky attendees. At the con I met some great folks from VicTim Games LLC. They were debuting a new board game, Scrumcrawl. I liked the game so much we picked up a case immediately for the store! So come in and check it out. They even gave us a demo copy!

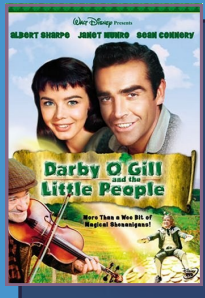


Speaking of board games, our "All Day Board Game Affair" was a huge hit. Players came in all day and played scores of games. Check out some of the pictures on our Facebook page.

YQ 101 events continued with topics such as Comics, Warhammer 40k, Pathfinder RPG and EDH. If you have an idea for a YQ 101 event or wish to help with a YQ 101 event contact events@yottaquest.com and let us know!

Magic the Gathering for March was big! The Mirrodin Besieged Game Day had a great turnout and we gave away a complete set of Mirrodin Besieged to first place. The other big MTG event was our Legacy event where the winner received an Unlimited Tundra. You asked for more Legacy events and we are delivering. Now for the casual player we instituted the new MTG Commander (EDH) flights. These only require 4 people and everybody wins something!

The month wrapped up with our Sunday night movie "Darby O'Gill and the Little People". An appropriate March film with a very young Sean Connery. Movie nights are free and we always give out free popcorn! So like I said, March was a great month.



April is chocked full of even more gaming goodness and the Yottaquest family will be growing. We are hiring and I am expecting to have the new person (whoever that may be) on the schedule soon.

-Matt



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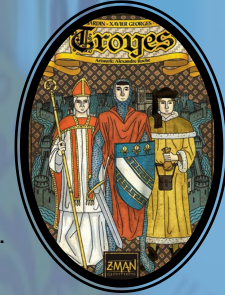
YQ101 Series

Introductory level sessions for games and gaming at YottaQuest

- Sunday April 3rd: Game of Thrones and other Living Card Games 1 - 6 PM
- Sunday April 10th: Miniature Painting 1 - 6 PM
- Sunday April 17th: D&D 4th Edition Essentials 1 - 6 PM

WELCOME A BOARD BOARD GAMING

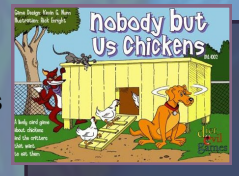
Z-Man Games will be releasing several board games this spring. First, in April, comes the North American release of the Belgian game, *Troyes*. Players try to expand their domains in medieval France using dice rolls to determine resources. Hmm... an American import from Belgium that takes place in France? You better believe it!



Also in April is *Yggdrasil* (try saying that 3 times fast). Take on the mantle of a Norse God in the final battle of Ragnarok in this cooperative game. Players defend the Yggdrasil tree from the forces of evil.



Later in the spring comes *Mermaid Rain*. Play as mermaids trying to find treasure to bribe the water witch into granting you some walkin' legs. Win the heart of a prince and win the game! Finally, in May, three to six players try to raid the chicken coop as foxes in *Nobody But Us Chickens*.



Fortune and Glory, from Flying Frog Productions, is scheduled to hit the shelves later this year.



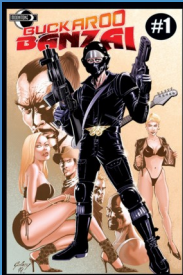
Players become 1930's pulp fiction treasure hunters as they race around the globe in search of adventure and loot. You can work cooperatively against villains or go all out in an every-man-for himself scenario. Up to eight players can join in the fun.

ON A ROLE ROLEPLAYING GAMES

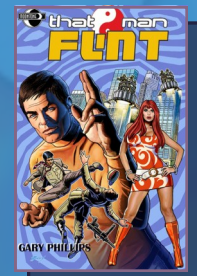
In August, Cubicle Seven will be releasing the first of its core books for *The One Ring RPG*. Obviously based on Tolkien's work, the first item will be titled *The One Ring: Adventures Over the Edge of the Wild*. This set will actually consist of two books, the *Loremaster's Guide* and the *Adventurer's Book*, for GM's and players respectively. Future releases for this "game trilogy" are tentatively titled *The Errand-ries of the King* and *The War of the Ring* which will be released over the next two years.

COMICS CORNER COMIC BOOKS

Moonstone Books will re-launch its popular *Buckaroo Banzai* comic written by Earl MacRauch who created the character. Releasing in July, *Tears of a Clone*, will continue the adventures of the multi-talented Buckaroo Banzai and his team (the Hong Kong Cavaliers) who were made popular in the 1984 movie *The Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai Across the 8th Dimension*.

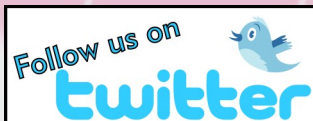


Also in July from Moonstone is *That Man Flint* based on the James Bond parody films of the 1960's that starred James Coburn as the title character. Crazy villains, over-the-top action and Go-Go boots. Groovy!



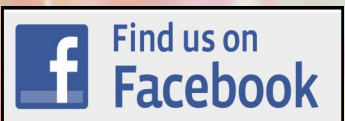
APRIL 2011 EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Friday Night Magic 4 pm - 12 am OWBN LARP: Sabbat 7 pm - 12 am	2 Spring Into Battle 1850 Warhammer 40K Fixed List! 9 - 6:15 Board Game Night 6-12
3 Open Miniature Gaming- All Day YQ101 Series: Game of Thrones and other Living Card Games 1-6 pm	4 MTG Booster Drafts & Commander (EDH) Free-For-All! 5-10 pm Warhammer Fantasy / Warhammer 40K 5-10 pm	5 Board Game Night 6-10 pm Jeffrey O - GURPS Vikings: The Cross and the Rune 6-10	6 New Comic Day D&D Encounters: March of the Phantom Brigade HeroClix OP Giant X- Men Week 3: 300pt Golden Floor Event 5-10	7 Open Card Gaming 5-10 pm RPG: Pathfinder Society 6-10 pm	8 Friday Night Magic 4 pm - 12 am LARP: Camarilla Geist 7 pm - 12 am	9 Adventure into Pathfinder! Pathfinder Game Day Board Game Night 6 pm - 12 am
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SOCIAL COMMENTARY EDITORIAL

Social Equivalence

By now both the readers of this article have become accustomed to a certain madcap style of writing chock full of jokes and on topics that are vaguely personal in order to illuminate situations that I feel are important to the gaming community in Cincinnati. Of course, this won't change, but this month, I think I'm going to touch on a topic that has hit each and every one of us at some point in our lives – people who have a prejudice against our subculture, and frankly, there are only so many jokes you can make on the topic.

Sometime last month, I had someone say to me "Hey, Jeffrey, you're a D&D guy, come over here and fix my computer." as though all of us who play RPGs know how to fix computer problems. I know several gamers that I wouldn't let within 10' of a computer, especially one I use for work. On the other hand, in the minds of most people these geeky activities are all the same. To them, it's like an astrophysicist who specializes in magnetohydrodynamics knowing nothing about stellar dynamics – if you can imagine.

I want to be clear that I'm not trying to equate this with the kind of racial, gender, age or sexual preference discrimination and prejudice. I'm not aware of a time that I've felt as though I have suffered in the way that people who have been the victim of the above. I've been the victim of gender discrimination – it's definitely a helpless feeling to be judged on something that doesn't have anything to do with your work and isn't something you could change, even if you wanted to.

On the other hand, all prejudice is bad. It's effectively telling the person "I don't think you're worth getting to

know", and it's a hell of a way to treat someone. I think we've all had the experience of being treated like the "fat (maybe) geeky guy", and worse, as being interchangeable with other "fat (maybe) geeky guys".

There used to be two of us where I work. People got our names confused, what projects we were working on, and what side-projects we were doing. However, had they gotten to know us, they would have seen that we're two very different people. For example, my coworker was more of a computer hardware guy, where I am more of a programming guy. He writes for the local gaming store's blog, I write for the local gaming store's newsletter. At the time, he played an Undead shadow priest on WoW. I played a Draenai *holy* priest. I mean, honestly, could we be any more different?

I think the first step to this is to not accept it. As a community, we need to do a better job of ensuring that we're not in the public conscious as just the comic book guy from the Simpsons or the guys from Big Bang Theory. We're all individuals, and as a group, we need to ensure that we're treated as such. We need to get out the message that gaming has a lot of benefits, from language use to math skills, from socialization to problem solving skills, from the ability to argue minutiae in rules to the ability to use the plural of minutiae properly in a sentence. We're as much as 6% of the population, and I think it's time we started acting like it.

-Jeffrey Ornitz

WINNERS CIRCLE

MTG FRIDAY NIGHT MAGIC STANDARD

3/4/11 Ben Braeutigam
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3/18/11 Lucas Bruggeman
3/25/11 Jarrod Calhoun

MTG FRIDAY NIGHT MAGIC BOOSTER DRAFT

3/4/11 Jack Grannan
3/11/11 Steven McCarthy
3/18/11 Bernie Wen
3/25/11 Bernie Wen

MTG GAME DAY

3/5/11 Bernie Wen

MTG LEGACY WIN A TUNDRA

3/19/11 Sigmund Ausfresser

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