

## **One game system – every genre – countless worlds – endless adventure**

**By Kevin Siembieda**

Gen Con was a blast. As you know, we were working like demons all the way up to the day before we left for Gen Con. So maybe it was exhaustion, adrenaline or years of experience – or perhaps all of the above – but Gen Con seemed to go very smoothly and with an omnipresent air of positivity and energy that I don't remember in past years. It just felt good. Every day. We met with old friends and long-time fans, made new acquaintances and friends, signed a zillion books, and chatted with fans from Brazil, France, England and around the world. The majority of this Update will reference Gen Con even when it comes to game product and new releases.

### **A funny thing happened on the way to Gen Con**

We stopped at a McDonald's to grab some lunch. We sat by the windows talking and watching people as they came and went. A particular group of guys stepped out of a car and I said to Wayne and Chuck, "Those guys look like gamers. I wonder if they're heading to Gen Con?"

A few minutes later, a tall gentleman from that group, wearing a *Fallout T-shirt*, walked over to our table to ask if we were going to Gen Con. I was wearing my

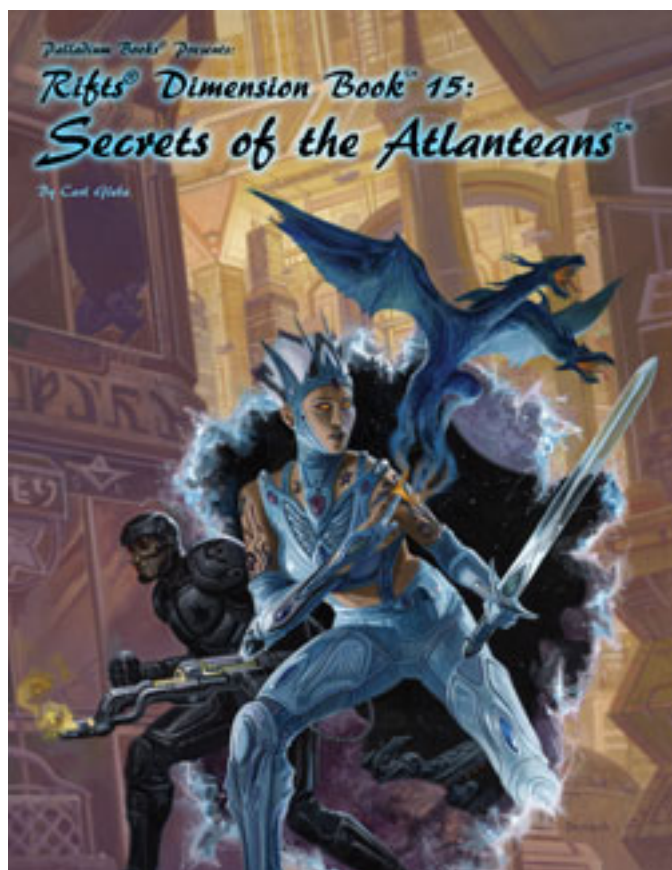
*Rifts® Promise of Power T-shirt*

with the big, red and white Rifts® logo, so I imagine it caught his eye. I know Chuck was also wearing a Palladium T-shirt (

*Rifts® Cyber-Knight Game Master*

). We said yes, and we all enjoyed a good laugh about it. The man, whose name was Tim, asked me if we worked for Palladium Books. We laughed and said, "yes." Tim then asked if we were booth help or actually worked at the company. I smiled and said, "I am Palladium Books." "You mean like ...?" "Yep, I'm Kevin Siembieda, the owner and main game designer," and introduced Chuck and Wayne. Tim was surprised. We shook hands and laughed some more. We wished him a safe trip and fun time at Gen Con, and invited him to stop by the Palladium Books booth.

I'm happy to say, Tim did drop by the booth, bought a few books, and had us sign them. It was a very pleasant and fun way to start our trip, and seemed to set the tone for the entire weekend.



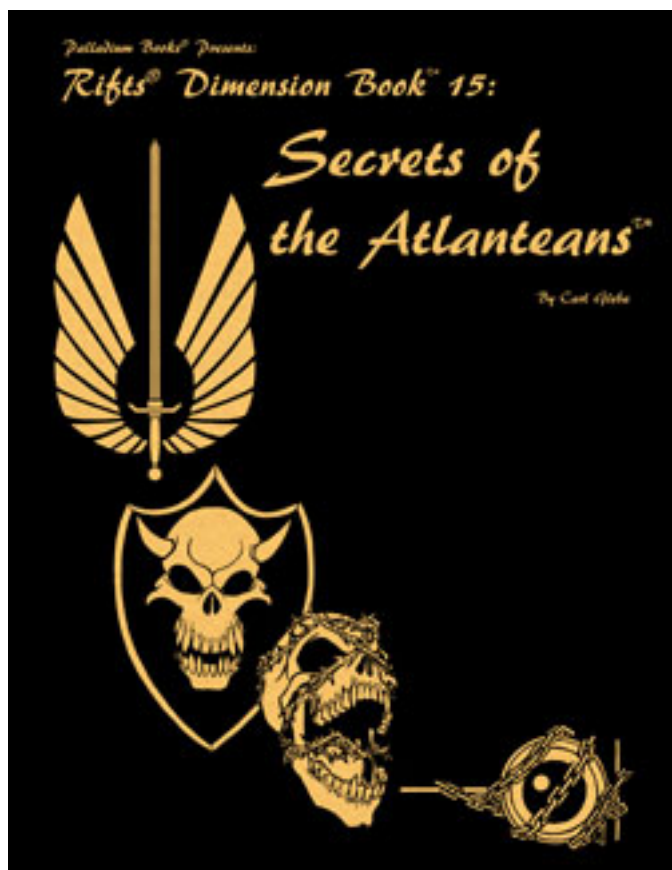
**UPDATE: Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans™ – Sold out at Gen Con**

[Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans](#)™ was the hot item for Palladium at Gen Con. We brought around 120 copies and they SOLD OUT by Saturday afternoon. Everyone wanted this hotly anticipated book and we could not keep it on the shelf. Some people even bought two copies. On Sunday, with 20 minutes left before Gen Con closed, we found one copy that had fallen and slid under the table. I put it out on the shelf and it sold in under three minutes! Crazy.

It was awesome to see so much excitement about this title. Then again, I am not surprised. As I have said, **Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans**™ is one of those truly epic sourcebooks with ideas on every page and packed with all kinds of useful and fun information about True Atlanteans, Tattoo Magic, Stone Pyramids, Crystal Magic, Shadow Magic, Atlantean clans, the Sunaj, new Atlantean O.C.C.s, old O.C.C.s revisited, the Shadow Dimension and its monstrous inhabitants, and more. And there are many secrets revealed. Please take a look at the [free preview on DriveThruRPG.com](#) for more details and a few choice glimpses of what you can expect.

**Please Note:** Based on furious Gen Con sales and our own online sales, I suspect **Rifts® Atlanteans** may blow out of game stores just as fast. If you cannot find the book in the stores because they keep selling out, please remember it is available directly from Palladium Books. 224 pages, \$24.95 retail.

Oh, and if you don't already own them, we highly recommend you pick up **Rifts® World Book One: Atlantis**, **World Book 21: Splynn Dimensional Market**™, and **Rifts® Dimension Book 7: Megaverse® Builder** (also written by Carl Gleba). All are fun and useful companions to **Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans**™.



**UPDATE: Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans™ “Gold Edition” Limited Hardcover – Ships August 31 and may sell out fast**

I suspect the signed and numbered, limited [Gold Edition Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans™ hardcoverM](#) may sell out in a few months. It is limited to only 300 signed and numbered copies, and sold on a first come, first served basis. Remember, Palladium’s Gold Editions have a history of increasing in value as time goes by, and with Christmas coming, I think this Gold Edition may be a hot commodity in the months ahead. If you are planning on getting one, I’d suggest getting it sooner rather than later. Only available from Palladium Books.

**Important Note:** Those of you who have already placed *pre-orders* have been charged and your number already assigned to you, so do

NOT reorder. Multiple orders WILL result in you getting billed for and shipped multiple copies – NO REFUND. If you are worried about your pre-order, please call the Palladium office to inquire. Do not place a new order unless you want more than one copy.

We anticipate **Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans™ “Gold Edition” hardcover** will ship around August 31 or the beginning of September. It takes longer to have a hardcover made.



## **UPDATE: Nightbane® Dark Designs™ sourcebook – Ships August 31**

Try as we might, we could not get [Nightbane® Dark Designs™](#) done in time to have copies of the book available at *Gen Con*

, but it did get finished and sent to the printer before we left. In fact, I approved the cover via digital images sent to my smartphone as we were driving down to Indiana! They looked great and were approved. We expect to receive the printed book by the end of next week, around August 31st, but we're still waiting for confirmation from the printer. I will see if Wayne can get a FREE Sneak Preview for it posted to DriveThru this weekend. See the full description of

**Dark Designs™**

elsewhere in this Update.

**Gamers at Gen Con could not wait for this book.** The four photocopies we brought (signed by the author, Mark Oberle and Palladium staff, plus a nice color print of the book, suitable for framing), blew off the shelf in the first couple hours of Gen Con Thursday morning. Likewise, the dozen copies of

**Dark Designs**

™

**Raw Preview Edition**

(still available in Palladium's online store) also sold out by Friday morning. Most people asked to have them autographed

by the author and the available Palladium crew. We also sold several dozen prints of the dynamic Dark Designs cover by Charles Walton and Eduardo Dominguez Sr.

**FYI: For those of you who might want the collectible **Dark Designs™ Raw Preview Edition****

(limited to only 150 copies printed), we have around 20 copies left and it is interesting to compare the original manuscript with the finished book and see what was changed or added.

**Rifts® Tumblers – Sold Out at Gen Con – Only a few of the other logo tumblers remain in stock**

**Rifts® was hot at Gen Con. The dozen Rifts® vacuum tumblers**

we took to Gen Con sold out, but the following are available in Palladium's online store while supplies last. They hold 30 ounces, have sealable lids, do not sweat, and look great. \$29.99 each.

- [4 Dead Reign®](#) (a surprise addition)
- [3 Heroes Unlimited™](#)
- [4 Palladium Fantasy®](#)
- [5 Splicers®](#)

## Other titles that sold out at Gen Con

We also sold out of the **Dead Reign® Hell Followed sourcebook**, **Rifts® Northern Gun Two**, **Rifts® Lemuria**, **Triax 2**, **Rifts® New West**, **Vampire Kingdoms**, and **Rifts® Black Market**.

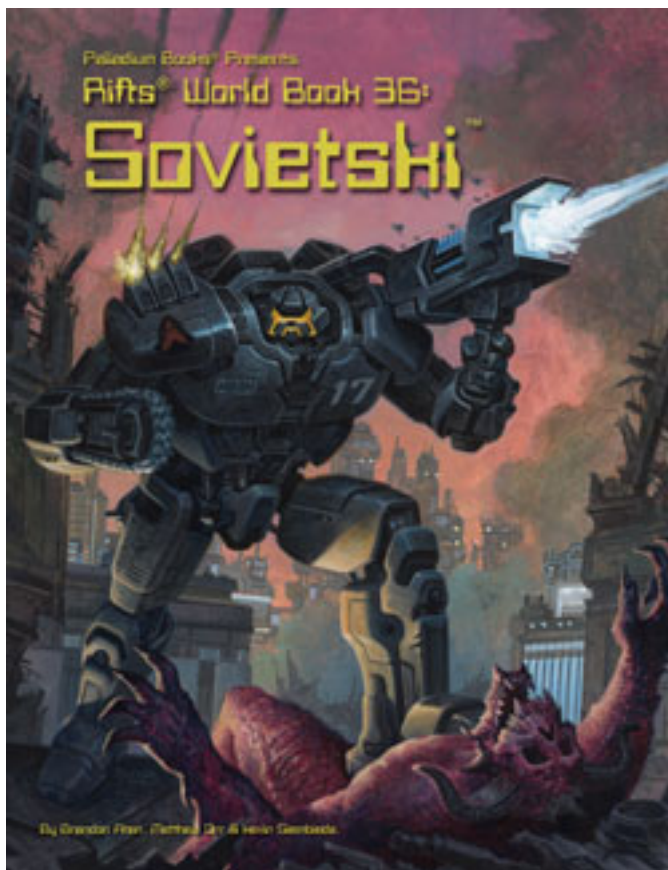
We sold a lot of **Robotech®** and **RRT products**, and almost sold out (as in came home with just one or two copies) of **Robotech® Expeditionary Force Marines**, **Rifts® Northern Gun One**, **Rifts® Spirit West**, **Rifts® Canada**, **Coalition War Campaign**, **Rifts® Merc Ops**, **The Rifter® #71-72**, and a number of other titles. I was very happy to see



people discovering the

## **Robotech®: The Masters Saga Sourcebook**

and its wealth of new information, stats, power armor, Battloids, and weapons for the Army of the Southern Cross. A huge portion of which have never been published before this book. We sold a ton of this book, and we brought plenty.



## UPDATE: Rifts® Sovietski™

We had a lot of people at Gen Con ask if [Rifts® Sovietski](#)

™ would be a fall release, and the answer is yes.

Cover art by

*John Zeleznik*

. I need to assign out the remaining interior artwork.

Written by

*Brandon Aten and Matthew Orr*

. A new

**Rifts® World Book**

and a great companion to

**Triax & the NGR, Triax 2, Mindwerks™**

and the two

**Rifts® Russia World Books**

, but suitable for other uses and adventures.

## UPDATE: Robotech® RPG Tactics™

[Robotech® RPG Tactics](#)™ was getting some love at Gen Con with two tournament games

run by *Dan Rains*  
(and with prizes and award certificates), a few  
large scale games run by  
*Thomas Roache*  
and  
*Peter Pidrak*,  
as well as demos at the Palladium booth all  
weekend.

Wayne and I met with reps from five different manufacturers while at Gen Con and had good conversations with all of them. I also spoke with a few retailers and fans, all of whom offered some excellent suggestions and ideas for the future of RRT. We heard a lot of positive feedback and words of support for RRT. People are, of course, anxious for RRT Wave Two and more of everything RRT, as are we.

Robotech® books and many RRT products were on sale with the Gen Con Coupon Book, and we sold a lot of the core box and Robotech® RPG books.

**UPDATE: 2018 Palladium Open House – April 19-22, 2018**  
**– Game at the Palladium Books warehouse with the people who create the games you enjoy**

We will have the full POH description up by this weekend, but tickets are available now! Here are a few details and highlights:

- **[VIP Thursday](#) – April 19, 2018 (special):**  
3:00 PM doors open and you get first crack at limited editions, original art, new products, specialty items, and meet Palladium staff and creators – 6:00 PM dinner – 7:00 PM Opening

Ceremonies – 8:00 PM the evening's games begin. Cost of VIP night is \$95 (dinner included). Limited to about 100-120 people.

**Note:**

VIP Thursday always sells out fast, so we offer around 60% of the tickets now, and the remainder at the end of January, 2018.

**Cost:**

\$95 (Thursday only).

- [Weekend Pass](#) : \$55 (Friday, Saturday & Sunday)
- [Friday](#) (only): \$30
- [Saturday](#) (only): \$30
- [Sunday](#) (only): \$12

**Highlights:**

- Come play at the very site where the

magic happens.

- Three days of gaming (4 for those attending VIP night), plus panel talks and more.
- Many run by the writers and artists who create them!
- Saturday Auction (original art, out of print items and oddities).
- Largest gathering of Palladium creators anywhere! Artists, writers, Defilers and more.
- Held at the Palladium warehouse and office where your favorite games are made. Westland, Michigan.
- Typically 20+ Palladium creators will be present to chat and sign books.
- Get original artwork, character sketches, books and more.

**Two Hotels:** 1. *Red Roof Inn, \$49.95 plus tax per night.*

It is only 3 miles away (near where the old hotel was). Make sure you tell them you want the Palladium Books Open House Block and request two beds if that's what you need. Located in Livonia.

2. *Hampton Inns and Suites, \$119.00 per night plus tax for double Queen beds – or – \$129 per night for one King-size bed and a pull out sofa* (you should probably confirm that). Only 2 miles away. **MAKE SURE** you ask for the Palladium Books special rates and request two beds if that's what you need. Both hotels have a limited number of rooms with two twin beds. Located in Canton.

Hotels and Palladium warehouse are 15-20 minutes from *Detroit Metropolitan Airport* in Romulus, Michigan, near I-275.

**Complete POH details** will be posted in the Palladium online store no later than Saturday.

**2018 Palladium Open House (POH) was well received at Gen Con.** We printed up a basic flyer and tried to tell as many people as we could about the Palladium Open House. Many were very excited to learn about the Open House and said they would attend. Yes, most people do not know about the POH, which is why we need **you** to help spread the word! We met fans from Las Vegas, Georgia, Illinois/Chicago area, Indiana, Ohio and even Colorado and California who had NEVER heard of it, but all swore they were



coming to the 2018 POH now that they know about it. Heck, I ran into Eduardo from Brazil (he's been to several POH) and he said he was coming to the one in 2018. Very exciting.

## **The Palladium Fantasy RPG® Bundle of Holding – another success**

I want to thank everyone who participated in the Palladium Fantasy RPG® and Rifts® Bundles of Holding. I hope you enjoy the books and the two worlds they represent. More PDFs are available on DriveThruRPG.

### **CONVENTION EVENTS**

**Gateway: Strategicon 2017 –  
September 1-4, 2017 – Hilton Los  
Angeles Airport**

<http://www.strategicon.net/index.php>

**1. Rifts®/Savage Rifts® - New Strawn: Kansas Shuffle** is the name of the game event. Prepare yourself for a rail-gun shredding, mega-powered, magic flinging journey into a post-post-apocalyptic world where supernatural horrors vie with technological empires for mastery of the world. All pre-generated characters, so no player made characters. This is listed as a role play tournament. Meaning at the end of the game everyone will vote on who did the best in character role-play (not roll-play) for the session. Run by Megaversal Ambassador and Game Master  
*Cameron Cleveland*

.

**Number of Players:** Up to 8 players.

**Player Level:** Beginner. Tabletop RPG Med Tourney.

**Date & Time:** Friday, September 1, 2017 at 8:00 PM.

**Duration:** 4 hours.

**For More Information:** <https://convention-rifts-rpg.obsidianportal.com/>

**2. Rifts®/Savage Rifts® - Mexican Cargo Run: To Steal a Battleship: Part Two** is the name of the game event. Fantasy, Sci-Fi, Post Apocalypse. Pre-approved player made characters are welcome. The adventure involves a cargo convoy on a run to Mexico. The player characters will be split into two teams for a *strike mission* and a *convoy mission*

. Two G.M.s will be running this event.

**Note:**

Music and sound board provided to create a gaming sound track! This is a role play tournament. Players will vote the best role-play (not roll-play). Run by Megaversal Ambassador and Game Master Cameron Cleveland with a second G.M.

**Number of Players:** Up to 16.

**Player Level:** Beginner. Tabletop RPG Med Tourney.

**Date & Time:** Saturday, September 2, 2017 at 2:00 PM.

**Duration:** 8 hours.

**For More Information:** <https://convention-rifts-rpg.obsidianportal.com/>

**3. Rifts®/Savage Rifts® - Mexican Cargo Run: To Steal a Battleship: Part Two is**

the name of the game event. This game is the same as above, repeated on another day. Riotous adventure with the party split into two teams for a

*strike mission*

and a

*convoy mission*

. Two G.M.s will be running this event.

**Note:**

Music and sound board provided to create a gaming sound track! Run by Megaversal Ambassador and Game Master Cameron Cleveland with a second G.M.

**Number of Players:** Up to 16.

**Player Level:** Beginner. Tabletop RPG Med Tourney.

**Date & Time:** Sunday, September 3, 2017 at 2:00 PM.

**Duration:** 8 hours.

**For More Information:** <https://convention-rifts-rpg.obsidianportal.com/>

**New on**

**DriveThruRPG.com –**

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***Dark Designs***

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***FREE Sneak Preview***

**as well as**

***Rifts***

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***Secrets of the Atlanteans***

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***Sneak Preview***

**, plus 50+ Rifts**

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**titles, 1980s Robotech**

®

**, and much more**

Wayne should have the **FREE Nightbane® Dark Designs™ Sneak Preview** posted by Friday evening (if not sooner).

Also take a look at the

**Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans™ Sneak Preview**

and all the other previews and free and low cost items we make available. Enjoy.

**Rifts Dimension Book 1: Wormwood**

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Robotech sourcebook PDFs include: **Th**  
**e original Robotech® RPG**

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and

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[\*\*Rifts® Bionics Sourcebook\*\*](#)

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[\*\*Rifts® Coalition Navy\*\*](#)

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(one of my faves),

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[Rifts® World Book 26: Dinosaur Swamp](#)

,  
[World Book 25: Rifts® China Two](#)

, and

[World Book 24: Rifts® China One](#)

, among many, many others. There are  
also

previews

of

[Rifts® CS Heroes of Humanity](#)

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,

[The Rifter® #73](#)

, Northern Gun 1 & 2, Lemuria, Rifts®  
Vampire Kingdoms, Bizantium

and many other Palladium titles. Check  
back every week to see which new PDFs

of  
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and other titles have been added!

In addition to the titles listed above, The  
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,  
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, all of the  
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® (Zombie Apocalypse) titles,  
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The Rifter®  
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and sourcebooks,  
Palladium Fantasy RPG®  
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- Rifts® Paper Miniatures:

Adventurers – \$2.99

- Rifts® Paper Miniatures:

Practitioners of Magic (new) –  
\$2.99

- Rifts® Paper Miniatures: Extras  
(new) – \$2.99

- And more to come in the weeks ahead.

**Palladium Collectibles, art, toys**

## **and more in Kevin's Online Toy & Collectibles eBay Store**

Alex and I continue to add a lot of vintage Star Wars toys and a growing number of all kinds of collectibles – and we'll be adding more Palladium Books original art and items to the store, so keep an eye out for them.

This includes one-of-a-kind original artwork, prints, Rifts® and Robotech® artwork by Kevin Long, me and

others

. There is also a range of limited editions, rare book titles and limited edition hardcovers, toys and more that are all being added to

[my online store](#)

over the next several weeks, so keep an eye out. Alex and I will keep adding items as our busy schedules allow, but we have a lot of fun collectibles available now and coming soon. Items include original art, out of print titles, redlined proofreader photocopies signed by me and the staff, signed manuscripts with editors' corrections, some original art, hardcover books (including Rifts® Lemuria, Northern Gun™ One, Northern Gun™ Two, Megaverse® in Flames™, Beyond the Supernatural™

Gold, Rifts® Machinations of Doom™

Gold

and

Rifts® Ultimate Gold

) and other items available. There are also hundreds of toys and action figures, all from my personal archives and collection. Take a look every weekend for new items added.

<http://stores.ebay.com/kevinstoys-artandcollectibles>

**To  
our Fans and Friends from around  
the world who made Gen Con  
special ...**

Thank you. It was great meeting newcomers like Tim, Bill, Sam and many, many others. Seems like we met a lot of fans for the first time. A few of you even said the main reason you came was to meet me and other Palladium creators. Nice. I hope we did not disappoint.

Of course, it is always a delight seeing old friends and long time fans who we see at most every Gen Con. We enjoyed chatting with all of you and were happy to sign a zillion books.

I was blown away to see James Wallis all the way from England. James contributed to several books in the 1990s, most notably,

Mutants in Orbit

and

Mutants in Avalon

. I have not seen James in 12 or 15 years, so there were plenty of hugs and laughter. It was also a nice surprise to see

Sean Patrick Fannon

, the chief architect behind Savage Rifts®. We chatted, but I was too busy to hang with him. Among our many friends that we saw were such notable characters as



Larry Elmore, Mike Stackpole, David Kenzer, Jason Masherah, Robert Dubois, James Brown, Diane and Connor, Dennis Hughes, Bryan Layton, Eduardo from Brazil, Dirk Vandereyken, “Jake” Jakubowski and his lovely wife, Peter Pidrak, Matt Lemke, Jodi Black, and many others.

Of course, it is always wonderful to hang all weekend and wind down in the evenings with the Palladium crew of helpers and freelancers, including Wayne, Chuck, Brandon and Sarah Aten (and 6 week old Emma), Mark Oberle, Madman Mike Leonard, NMI, Thomas Roache, Glen Evans, Mike Silva,

and a new member of the team,  
Dan Rains  
, who ran the RRT tournaments, demos,  
and helped in other ways. Special thanks  
to  
Jesse  
for helping setting up the booth,  
Kyle  
who was a big help setting up and  
tearing down, and to the many hard  
working, unsung heroes behind Gen  
Con. This Gen Con felt extra-special for  
some reason. Thank you, one and all.

Sadly, I never found the time to explore  
the Gen Con Art Show, always a  
high-point for me, and inevitably there

are many other old pals there. I didn't get a chance to hang with Shane Hensley of Pinnacle, either. Gen Con is just so huge and busy these days. I always try to be available for the fans who have come from far and near.

– Kevin Siembieda, Publisher, Writer and Game Designer



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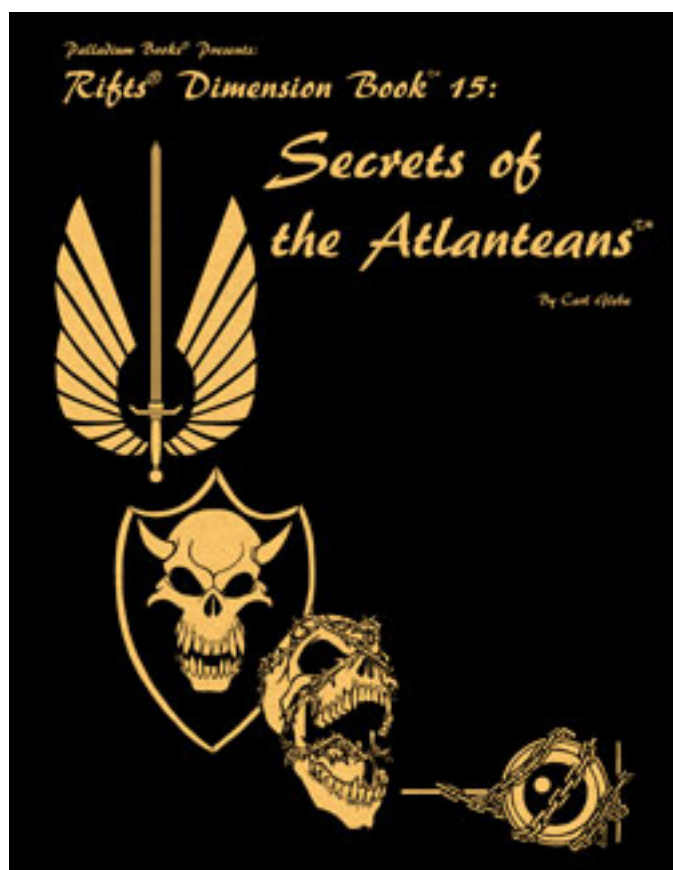
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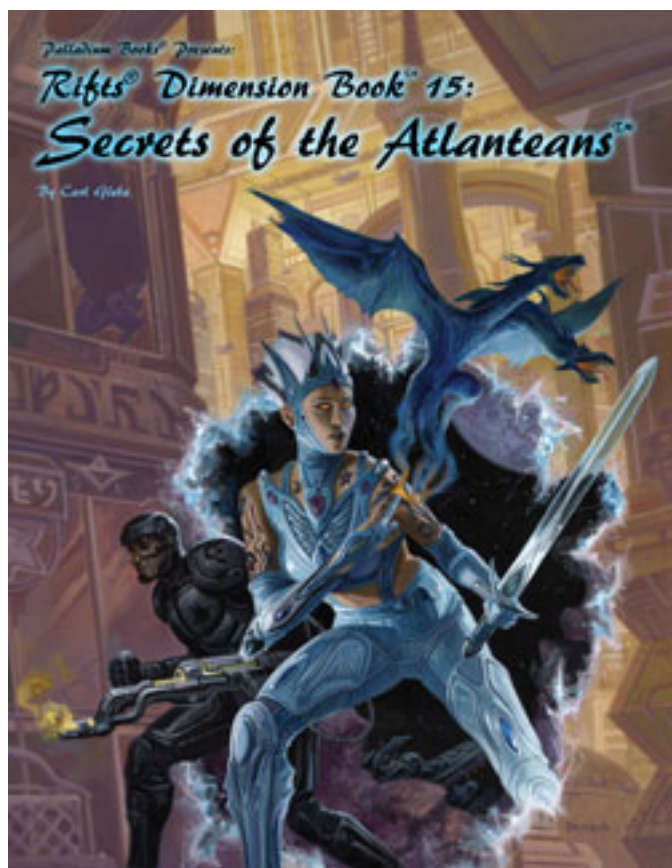
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monster by Kevin  
Siembieda,  
City of Khemennu: Part  
Two (Palladium  
Fantasy)  
which is a city of gods  
and churches by Ian  
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# Aftermath

. Shaping up to be another great issue. Final articles to be selected. Artwork is being assigned.

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Grotesque™ Monster  
for Beyond the  
Supernatural™,  
“official” source material  
– by Kevin Siembieda.

- Palladium Fantasy  
RPG® – Part Two of a  
city adventure setting

and source material by  
Ian Herbert.

- Splicers® – The  
Aftermath of I am  
Legion, by Charles  
Walton II, Chris Kluge  
and Lance Colley –  
“official” source  
material. Ideas  
and source material on  
where to go from here,

possible adventure  
hooks and more.

- G.M. advice by  
Julius Rosenstein.

- Other – source  
material for other RPG  
settings.

- News, coming  
attractions, product

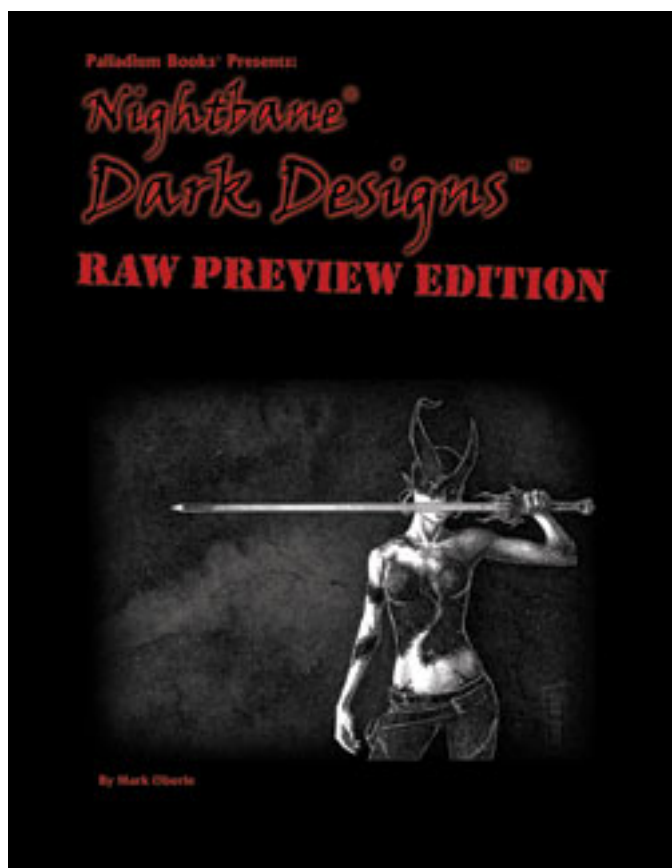
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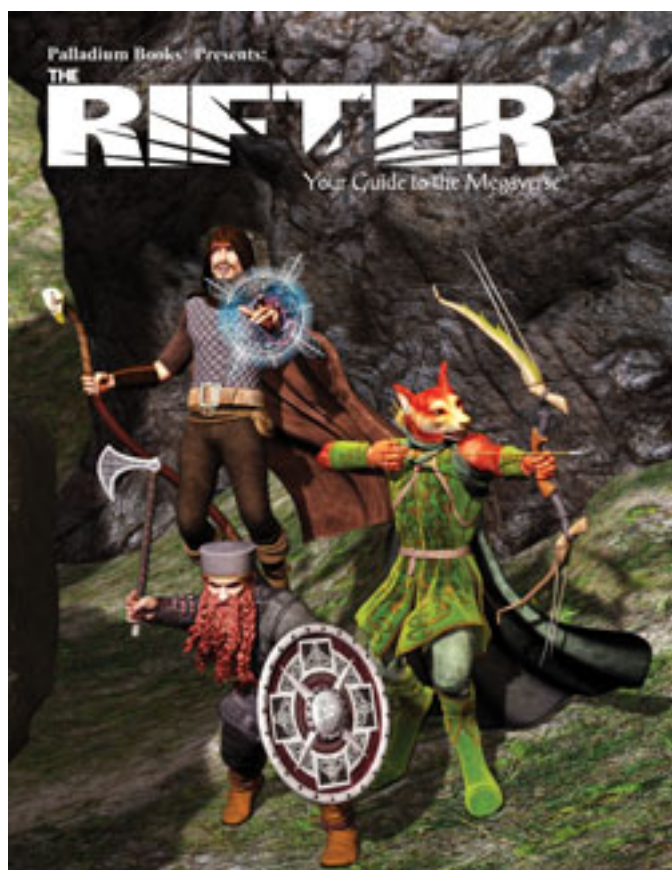
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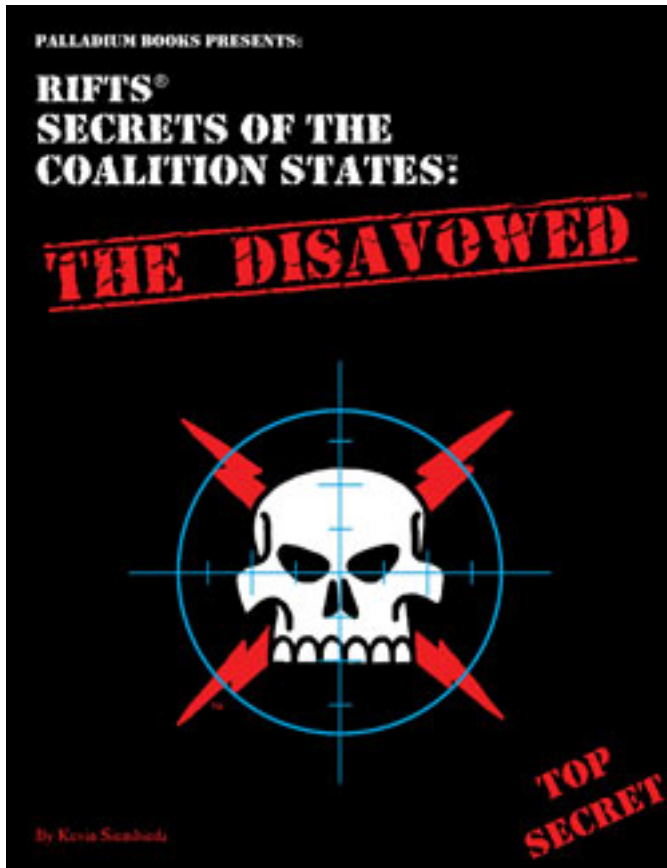
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own, or worry  
about the laws  
of renegade  
nations or the  
rights of alien  
people. We  
must fight fire  
with fire. And

you are the  
match.” –

Colonel Lyboc  
addressing a  
Disavowed  
team.

The Disavowed  
are so Top  
Secret that their  
existence is  
known only to a  
handful of the  
Coalition States'  
most elite, top



echelon, with Jo  
seph Prosek II  
the mastermind  
behind the  
Disavowed  
operation, and  
Colonel Lyboc  
its shadowy

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Rifts Earth and  
even to other  
dimensions in  
pursuit of  
enemies and  
strategic  
information that  
cannot be had

through  
conventional  
means. Learn  
about the secret  
parameters in  
which these  
hard-boiled  
warriors,

secretly  
hand-picked by  
Joseph Prosek  
II, operate, why  
almost every  
mission is  
considered a  
suicide mission,

and why they  
must forever be  
the Disavowed.

- CS  
operatives so  
secret that even

the top military  
and political  
leaders right up  
to Emperor  
Prosek      know  
w nothing about  
them  
. And if they did

know, would  
they condone  
their activity or  
condemn it?

- Are the  
Disavowed  
heroes or



renegades?  
Assassins or  
soldiers?  
Madmen or  
super-patriots?  
Or a little of  
them all?  
- Unsung

heroes who  
keep the CS  
safe, or thugs  
and pawns of a  
shadow agency  
within the  
Coalition  
government?

- What role does the Vanguard play in this group?

- How do they reward their

D-Bee  
“teammates”  
when the  
mission is over?

- What  
happens to the  
Disavowed

when they have  
seen or learned  
too much?

Adventure ideas  
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much more.

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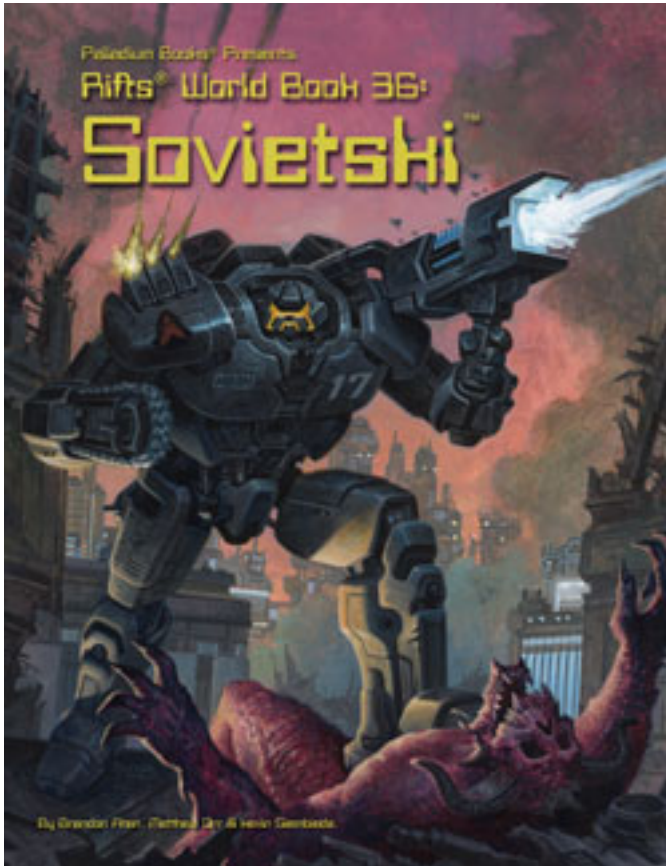
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vehicles, and  
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er

communities

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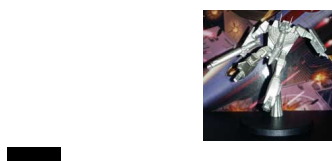
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