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Things are really popping at Palladium Books. It has been a busy week and it's only Tuesday!

Online sales have been strong over the weekend and at the start of the week.

We are moving forward on all fronts. **The Rifter® #60** is coming along, and so are **Robotech® Genesis Pits Sourcebook** and other books.

Art for **Rifts® Vampires Sourcebook** is in and is nice. Matthew Clements and others are supplying new ideas for my consideration for that title.

I have made some major moves on the **Robotech®** front regarding **RPG game pieces** and a **Robotech® Tactical Role-Playing Game**. Very exciting. I can't reveal details yet, but Robotech® fans will go wild a few months from now when I can start revealing details.

I put in half the time I had expected to on **Robotech® Genesis Pits Sourcebook** over the weekend, so, as you might expect, I got half as much done. Still, the book is looking great.

## Local Gaming Events of Note

I want to let gamers know about the following upcoming gaming events. This first one, BarbeCon, sounds very cool. Obviously, this applies mostly to gamers in Michigan and the

neighboring states, but take a look at what appears to be a very cool con.

The poster features a background image of a barbecue grill with flames. The title 'BarbeCon 2012' is prominently displayed in a large, orange, sans-serif font, with a red die icon integrated into the letter 'C'. Below the title, the event details are listed in white text: 'Saturday, September 15, 2012 - 8 am - 8 pm', 'Twin Chimneys Pavilion', and 'Independence Oaks County Park - Clarkston, MI'. The main body of the poster is yellow and contains several paragraphs of text in black and red. It describes the event as a combination of gaming and barbecue, lists featured activities like Hero Clix and surprise guests, and provides information about tickets and registration. A red-bordered box at the bottom contains specific ticket prices and registration details.

**BarbeCon 2012**

**Saturday, September 15, 2012 - 8 am - 8 pm**  
**Twin Chimneys Pavilion**  
**Independence Oaks County Park - Clarkston, MI**

Great gaming combined with the best in award winning local  
barbecue...*who said dreams don't come true*

**Board, card, role playing and miniature gaming all under 2 massive tents  
and a sprawling gazebo...rain or shine!**

*Also featuring:*  
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Dealer Pavilion  
Backdrop of Rolling Forests and Picturesque Crooked Lake  
Including Day-long Access to Park Amenities Including Trails, Play Areas, Volleyball Court,  
Beach and Canoe & Paddleboat Rentals

Independence Oaks County Park is located at 9501 S. Sashabaw Road in Clarkston, Michigan  
(conveniently located off Exit 89 on I-75, 30 minutes north of downtown Detroit)

<p><b>Advance Tickets</b> \$20.00 Adults / \$17.00 Children 12 and Under Includes: Unlimited Gaming (No Added Charges), Park Access for the Day, \$5.00 in Food &amp; Snack Vouchers</p> <p><b>Day-Of Tickets</b> \$25.00 Adults / \$22.00 Children 12 and Under No Food &amp; Snack Vouchers for Day-of Tickets</p>	<p>Register at <b><a href="http://www.quintecons.com">www.quintecons.com</a></b> or by calling <b>(248) 250-9957</b></p> <p>A complete event itinerary will be e-mailed to advance registrants prior to the event.</p>
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**BarbeCon 2012 – Saturday, September 15, from 8 AM to 8 PM**

**Independence Oaks Park – at the Twin Chimneys Pavilion – Clarkston, Michigan (northwest of Pontiac). [www.quintecons.com](http://www.quintecons.com)**

Palladium pal and Game Master, *Bill Korsak*, and his associate *Bill Lonskey*, are hosting the first ever Gaming Convention and Barbeque (that we know of). And not just any barbeque. The event is being catered by local, award winning barbeque restaurants! Yummo.

- Palladium Books will be there with a table and core RPG books and recent releases.
- Wayne Smith will be there.
- Julius Rosenstein will be there.
- I have another commitment that day, but I might try to make it out to BarbeCon for a couple of hours, too.
- What about you?

BarbeCon combines all of the fun elements of a traditional 1-day convention with amazing catered barbecue, the amenities of a stunning park backdrop, the exacting event planning precision of a seasoned professional, and a few surprises.

**Board games, card games, role-playing games, miniature games and surprise guests take place under two large tents – rain or shine – this Saturday, September 15, 2012.**

They are looking forward to providing all attendees with a truly memorable experience. Additional details on BarbeCon can be found at [www.quintecons.com](http://www.quintecons.com) .

**Admission is \$20.00 in advance. Includes ALL events.**

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\$17.00 for Children 12 and under in advance, \$22.00 day-of.

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Also – while we're hyping local events, keep an eye peeled for:

**ConGregate Game Convention**  
**Saturday – October 6, 2012 – 10:00 AM to 11:00 PM**

Timothy Lutheran Church  
8820 Wayne Road  
Livonia, MI 48150

Julius Rosenstein and G.M. Jim Cross will be running Palladium gaming events, and there will be other fun gaming events.

That's it for now. More in our regular Thursday Weekly Update. Game on.

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