



# Flatland Regional Association of Gamers

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## **Flatland Gamers Celebrate National Games Week**

REGINA - To celebrate **National Games Week** this year, the Flatland Regional Association of Gamers will be holding an Open House at their regular monthly Games Day on November 25. The event will be held at the Northeast Community Centre, 160 Broad Street (behind Imperial School) from 12:00noon-11:00pm.

Admission will be free and we are inviting people of all ages to come and see what we do, and to participate in some of the games we play. European-style board games, introductory role-playing games, historical and fantasy miniatures games will be played throughout the day. Many other events, including a Live Action Role-Playing (LARP) session in the evening, are also being planned.

Door prizes, provided by local game stores, will be awarded throughout the day. And in addition, all games played will be registered with the National Games Day database and participants will be eligible for even more prizes, including a trip for two to Games Expo 2007 in Las Vegas.

### **About National Games Week (NGW):**

NGW takes place the fourth week of November each year. NGW started in 2004, when over 2,600 events took place. In 2005 the celebration grew worldwide, with at least 4,437 events taking place. This year more and more retailers, game enthusiasts and schools are getting involved. The organizers expect over 6,000 events to occur worldwide.

NGW's founder is Mark Simmons, publisher of Games Quarterly magazine and longtime advocate of games as positive, social entertainment. Stated Mr. Simmons, "Games are a great entertainment alternative. In today's busy world, where people have less face-to-face interaction than they used to, games play a small but important part in regaining our sociability while challenging us to think."

NGW has become an international celebration of games - the social kind, that you play with family and friends, including board, card, party, family, educational, traditional, miniatures, and many more. Major sponsors for 2006 include: Wizards of the Coast (a division of Hasbro); Fantasy Productions USA; Mayfair Games; Playroom Entertainment; Rio Grande Games; Bandai America; Cactus Game Design; Edge Games; Gen Con LLC; HL Games; Privateer Press; Reaper Miniatures; Testor Corporation; TriKing Games; Wizkids; Face 2 Face Games; Fundex Games; Million Minute Family Challenge; Osprey Publishing; Patch Products; and over a hundred more sponsors, supporters and affiliates. For more information see: <http://www.nationalgamesweek.net>

### **About Flatland Gamers:**

The Flatland Regional Association of Gamers are a local group of board gamers, miniaturists, role-players, and LARPer who, since 2003, have provided game players in the City of Regina and surrounding area a place to meet new people and play games of ALL types. Their intent is to offer a social environment where people can discover new gaming genres, and to foster good sportsmanship and camaraderie at the gaming table.

The Flatland Gamers currently have close to 250 people on their contact roster and almost 100 active members. The Club runs a monthly Games Day on the last Saturday of every month at the Northeast Community Centre, 12:00noon-11:00pm, and have, for the past two years, sponsored the three day long Flatland Fantasy Gaming Convention in the Spring. The Flatland board games group plays weekly at the Regina German Club, 1727 St. John St., every Thursday night from 7:00pm-11:00pm. Other gaming sub-groups have been organised through the Games Workshop store in the Southland Mall and both Comicreaders stores.

Flatland Gamers also produces a monthly publication, *Prairie Gamer*, which provides members with current Club news, along with regular features, gaming articles, and classified ads. *Prairie Gamer* is free to all and may be downloaded from the Flatland Gamers web site: <http://www.reginagamers.com/>

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