

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

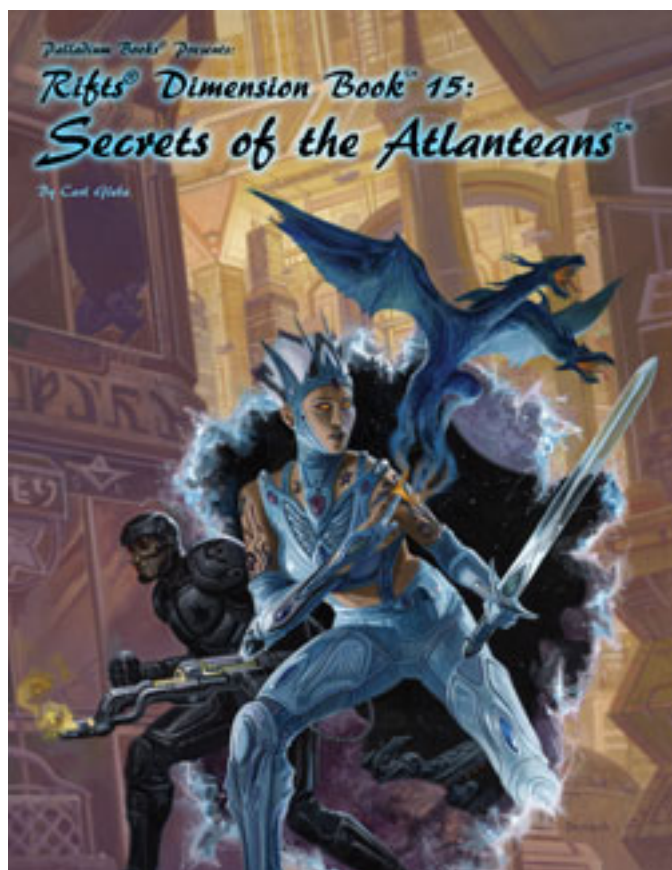
Rifts® Promise of Power T-shirt

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.



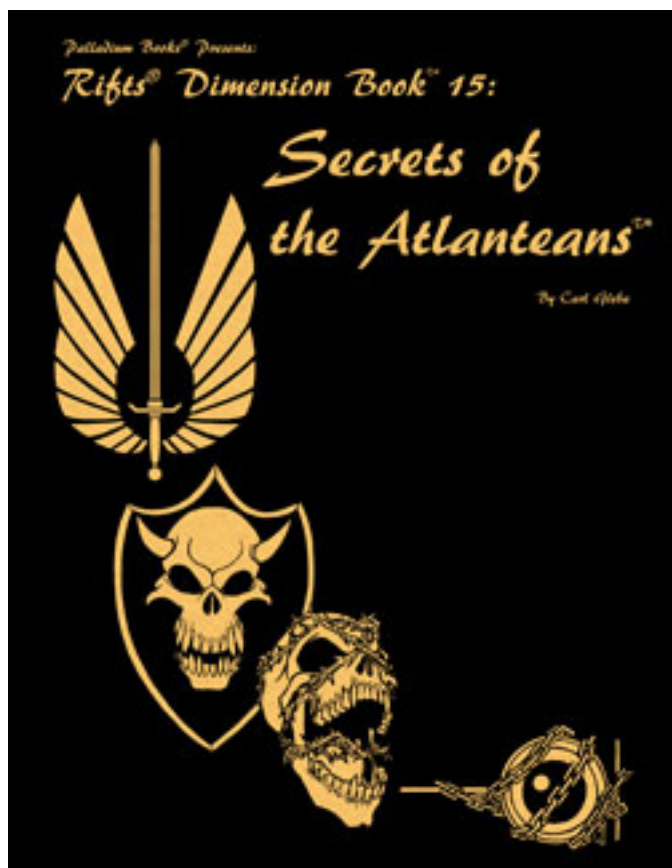
UPDATE: Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans™ – Sold out at Gen Con

[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

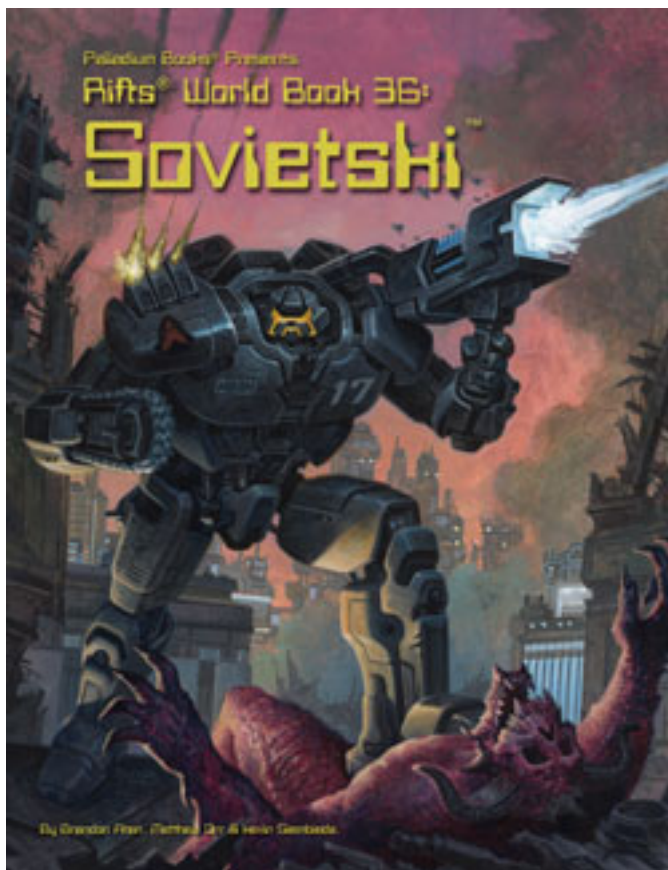
We also sold out of the **Dead Reign® Hell Followed sourcebook**, **Rifts® Northern Gun Two**, **Rifts® Lemuria**, **Triax 2**, **Rifts® New West**, **Vampire Kingdoms**, and **Rifts® Black Market**.

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

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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 –

Nightbane

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Dark Designs

™

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](#)

™ is now available as a PDF. This book is dark, gritty, scary and a blast to play. It is based on the ideas and artistry of comic book greats, Timothy Truman and Flint Henry.

[Ninjas & Superspies™ RPG](#)

and the

Mystic China™ sourcebook

for it are also available now. And do not miss the FREE

Rifts® Secrets of the Atlanteans™

Sneak Preview

. Check 'em out and place your order.

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

(1986),

RDF Manual

™ (1987),

Zentraedi Sourcebook

™ (1987),

Southern Cross

™ (1987),

Robotech® Invid Invasion

™ (1988),

Robotech® ATP

(1988),

Robotech® Ghost Ship

™ (1988),

Lancer's Rockers

™ (1989),

Return of the Masters

™ (1989),

Robotech® Zentraedi Breakout

™ (1994),

Robotech® New World Order

™ (1995),

and

Robotech® Strike Force

™ (1995)

, all available now.

Over 200 Palladium titles are currently available. Such titles as [**Rifts® Tales of the Chi-Town ‘Burbs**](#)

(short stories by 13 writers),

[**Rifts® Game Master Guide**](#)

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[**Rifts® Book of Magic**](#)

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[**Rifts® Adventure Guide**](#)

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[**Rifts® Shemarrian Nation**](#)

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[**Rifts® Bionics Sourcebook**](#)

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[**Rifts® Coalition Navy**](#)

TM,
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[**Rifts® Black Market**](#)

(one of my faves),

[**Rifts® Mercenary Adventures**](#)

TM,
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[Rifts® Mercenaries](#)

,

[MercTown](#)

TM,
,

[Merc Ops](#)

TM, The Rifter® #1-72

, the

[FREE Hell Followed™ Preview](#)

, and so much more, are all available now in PDF. You can also get ALL Robotech® RPG Tactics™ game cards, Robotech® and Rifts® Paper Miniatures along with

[Rifts® Lemuria](#)

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[Rifts® Triax Two](#)

, Rifts® World Books 1-30 and many other

Rifts®, Heroes Unlimited™, Palladium Fantasy®, Nightbane® and other game line titles. New Robotech® RPG Tactics™ material will be made available in the weeks ahead. All of it adds to the growing list of

Rifts®, Robotech® and other Palladium RPG game titles available as PDF books, cards and support. A new title should be added every week or two, so keep watching for them.

PDF titles include the [Rifts® Game Master Guide](#), [Rif](#)
[ts® Book of Magic](#)

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[Rifts® Adventure Guide](#)

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[Rifts® Sourcebook One Revised](#)

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[Rifts® Sourcebook Two: The
Mechanoids](#)

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[Rifts® Sourcebook Three: Mindwerks](#)

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[Rifts® Sourcebook Four: Coalition Navy](#)

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[Rifts® Bionics Sourcebook](#)

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[Rifts® Shemarrian Nation](#)

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[Rifts® Ultimate Edition](#)

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[Rifts® Lemuria](#)

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[Rifts® Triax 2](#)

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[Rifts® Mercenaries](#)

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[Rifts® Black Market](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 30: D-Bees of North America](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 29: Madhaven](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 28: Arzno](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 27:](#)

[Adventures
in Dinosaur Swamp](#)

,
[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](#)

TM,
,

[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
Rifts® World Books
and other titles have been added!

In addition to the titles listed above, The
Minion War
™ series of books, the
Rifts® Coalition Wars®/Tolkeen series
,
Chaos Earth® Resurrection
, all of the
Dead Reign
® (Zombie Apocalypse) titles,
Splicers® RPG
and most issues of
The Rifter®
are available NOW! So are first edition

rules of the
Heroes Unlimited™ RPG
and sourcebooks,
Palladium Fantasy RPG®
and sourcebooks,
The Mechanoids®
, and much more, available on
DriveThruRPG.com

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Game Master Guide](#)

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[Rifts® Book of Magic](#)

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[Rifts® Adventure Guide](#)

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[Rifts® Shemarrian Nation Sourcebook](#)

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[Rifts® Bionics Sourcebook](#)

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[Rifts® Sourcebook Four: Coalition Navy](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 24: China One](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 23: Xiticix Invasion](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 22: Free Quebec](#)

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Dimensional Market](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 19: Australia](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 17: Warlords of Russia](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 16: Federation of Magic](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 15: Spirit West](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 14: New West](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 13: Lone Star](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 12: Psyscape](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 11: Coalition War Campaign](#)

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[Rifts® World Book 10: Juicer Uprising](#)

™, and

[Rifts® World Book 9: South America 2](#)

along with

World Books #1-8

and various other

Rifts

® titles.

- [Rifts® Chaos Earth® RPG](#), [Chaos Earth®: Rise of Magic](#)

™,

[Chaos Earth® Resurrection](#)

™ and

[Creatures of Chaos](#)

™ are all available now.

- Two free Chaos Earth®
Resurrection previews
and many other previews.

- Rifts® Coalition Wars®: Siege on Tolkeen series – all six titles.
- Rifts® The Minion War™ series – six current books – consisting of [Dimension Book 10: Hades](#)

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[Dimension Book 11: Dyval](#)

,
[Dimension Book 12: Dimensional Outbreak](#)

,
[HU2 adventure sourcebook: Armageddon Unlimited](#)

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[Heroes of the Megaverse](#)

®, and

[Rifts® Megaverse® in Flames](#)

available now! Suitable for ALL settings,

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Rifts
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The Palladium Fantasy RPG®.

- Dead Reign® RPG titles. The
Zombie Apocalypse is yours to role-play
with the Dead Reign® RPG. The
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[Zentraedi Breakout](#)

, and

[Strike Force](#)

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- FREE Robotech® RPG Tactics™
paper game pieces, force organization

tables, stat cards, rules and special items – with more coming soon!

- FREE 12 highly-detailed, comprehensive Robotech® RPG Tactics™ assembly instructions for all the Wave One mecha – available now.

- FREE Robotech® RPG Tactics™ color guides are available now.

- Palladium Fantasy RPG® Paper Miniatures – Volumes #1-6 are available now. More are coming in the weeks ahead.

- 160+ Palladium titles, plus G.M. kits, and more.

- [Rifts® Paper Miniatures: Men at](#)

Arms – \$2.99

- Rifts® Paper Miniatures: Coalition

Dead Boys – \$2.99

- 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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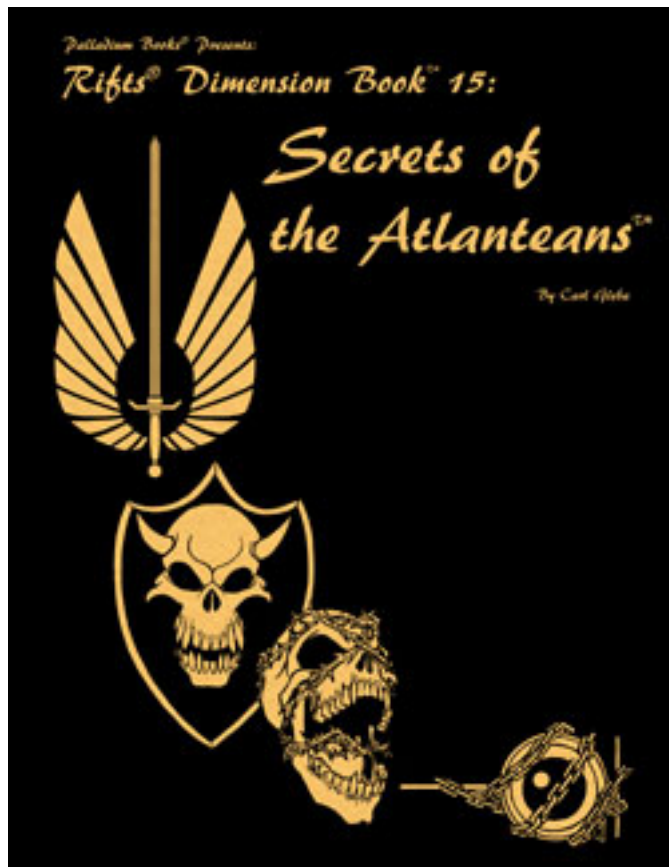
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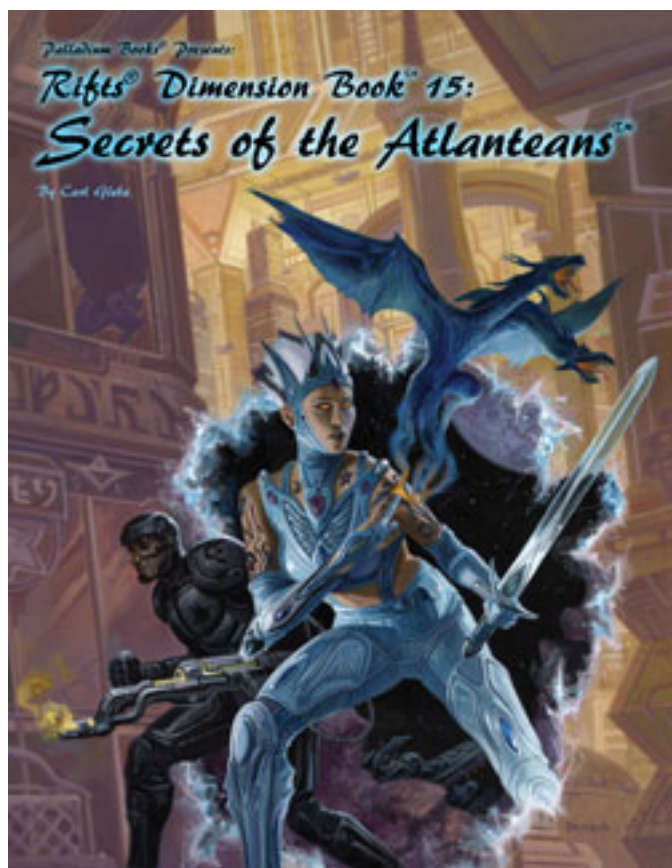
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Supernatural™
monster by Kevin
Siembieda,
City of Khemennu: Part
Two (Palladium
Fantasy)
which is a city of gods
and churches by Ian
Herbert, plus G.M.
advice and the
Splicers® Legion

Aftermath

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

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weapons, villains,
monsters, adventures
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adapted to
any

Palladium setting.

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material for

Rifts

® and usually 2-3 other

Palladium game lines.

The focus of this issue

is

Rifts

®,

Splicers

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Grotesque™ Monster
for Beyond the
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– 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.

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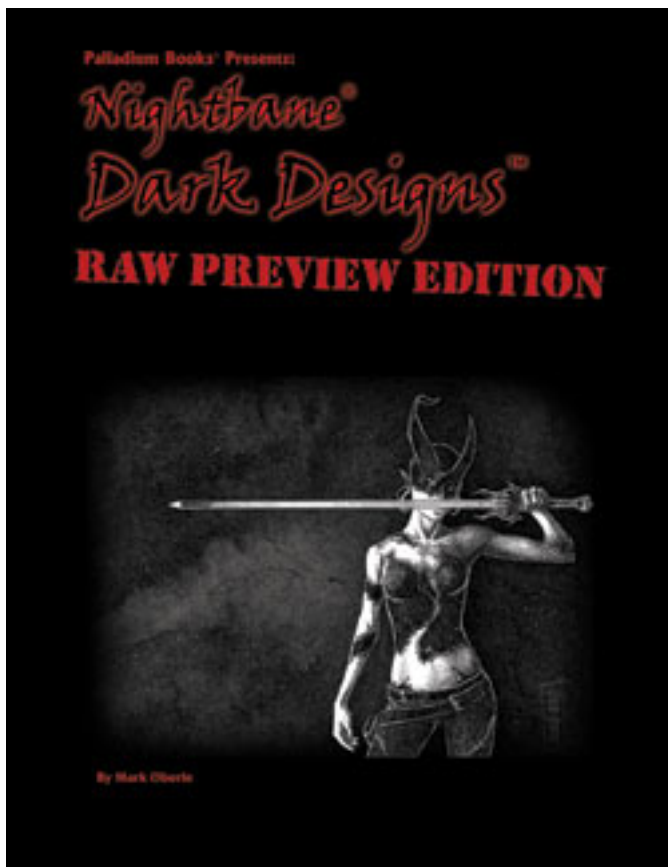
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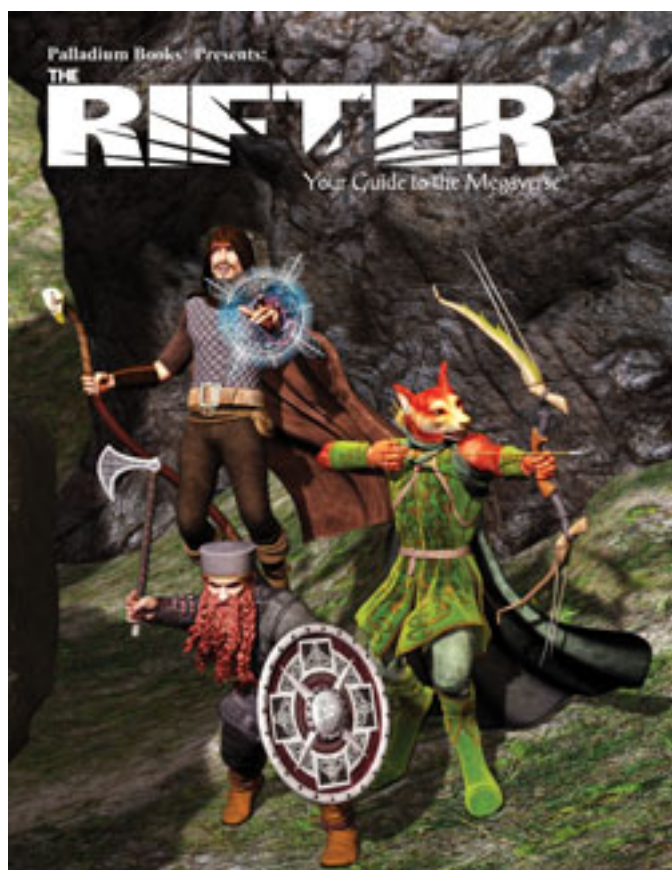
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and Dark, and
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magic and
adventure.

- Splicers® – I
am Legion, Part Six

– by Charles Walton
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Lance Colley –
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is it! The final battle
against Legion! The
Legion personality
and her Black

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victory, the world
may never be the

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and followers in
dreams or in
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Rifts® WB 35:
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Flames

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setting up
something big.

Rifts® Heroes of

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hardware:

weapons, armor,

additional

SAMAS, other

power armor,
robots, combat
vehicles, gear
and info.

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gear.

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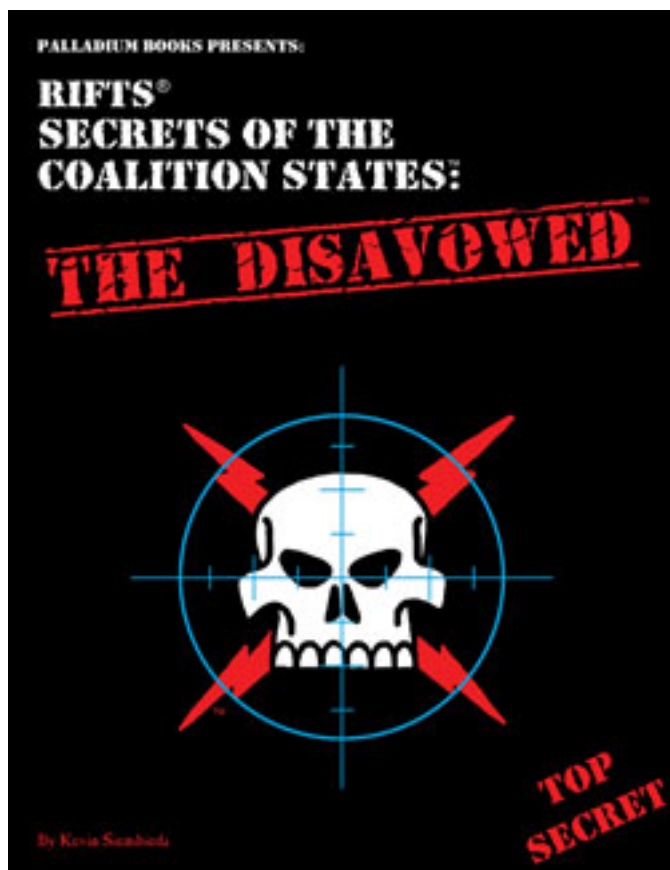
- Written by
Kevin Siembieda,
Clements, Gleba
and others.

- 96 pages –
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Rifts® The Disavowed – A Secrets of the Coalition

States

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Sourcebook

“Desperate
times require
desperate
measures. War

has nothing to do with morality or justice. It's all about winning or dying. We cannot bind our hands with high ideals, even our

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

face. Find out
who these men
and women are.
How the
Disavowed get
away with using
magic, traveling
to other parts of

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
galore and so
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new bionics,
Russian
D-Bees, and
more.

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Cyborgs and
other O.C.C.s.

- The
Sovietski nation

and its army.

- Weapons,
new bionics,
combat
vehicles, and
gear.

- Bunker
Creation tables
and Deadzone
tables.

- Russian
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adventure

ideas and
more.

- By
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and Matthew
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prove
otherwise.

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and new

O.C.C.s.

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communities

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street runners,
the new
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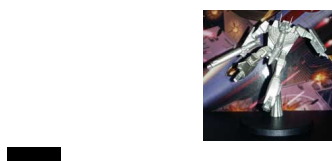
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