

BPA
WORLD BOARDGAMING CHAMPIONSHIPS®
 August 3rd - August 9th
 Lancaster Host, Lancaster, PA

Middle Earth
War of the Ring
 August 2nd - 3rd
 7 PM start

Omens
Hannibal
 August 1st - 2nd
 1 PM start

Rising Sun
Victory In Pacific
 August 2nd - 4th
 9 AM start

Alkagi 4

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Guns of August
Paths of Glory
 August 2nd - 4th
 2 PM start

[] WBC: I enclose check or money order made payable to BPA to register for WBC 2009. Registration fee is based on date of arrival. Badges dispensed before order date are subject to a \$10 surcharge per day. Payment accompanying registration must be received no later than July 25th, 2009. Thereafter, higher at-the-door fees apply. There will be a \$2 badge holder fee for those who do not bring their WBC badge holder from prior years.

[] Tribune membership \$100 - Includes 2009 Patron listing, free admission to WBC and all Pre-Cons, plus a Yearbook (while they last).

[] Pre-Paid Sustaining - \$0 [] WBC 2008/09 full color Yearbook: \$10

Anyone with a 2009 Sustaining membership (or paying \$70 for a Monday-Sunday admission may buy Pre-Cons at the lower listed price.

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| [] Mon-Sun \$70 | [] Middle Earth Pre-Con: \$30 or \$10 for Sustaining level members |
| [] Wed-Sun \$60 | [] Rising Sun Pre-Con: \$30 or \$10 for Sustaining level members |
| [] Thur-Sun \$50 | [] Omens Pre-Con: \$30 or \$20 for Sustaining level members |
| [] Fri-Sun \$40 | [] Guns of August Pre-Con: \$40 or \$10 for Sustaining level members |
| [] Sat-Sun \$30 | [] Grogardcon Pre-Con: \$40 or \$20 for Sustaining level members |
| [] Daily \$20 | [] Time Machine Pre-Con: \$40 or \$10 for Sustaining level members |

specify day: _____ At the Door rates: add \$10. For more details on the various Pre-Cons, visit boardgamers.org



[] 2009 WBC silk-screened Souvenir T-Shirts on base color light green: \$15 each; add \$5 for sizes XXL, XXXL _____ T-Shirt Total
 _____ Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ Xtra Large _____ XXL _____ XXXL
 Lady T sizes (Small to XL only; available only in white): _____ Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ Xtra Large

PAYPAL: Payment by Paypal must be approved in advance by e-mail at doncon99@toad.net and requires payment of a 10% surcharge.

SUMMARY: By submitting this form, I understand that neither the BPA nor any of its directors, officers, members, employees or agents are responsible for any personal injury of any kind or any lost or misplaced items while I attend WBC.

Name _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Email _____ @ _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP/Postal Code _____ Total Enclosed: _____

Send no cash. Make your check or money order payable to BPA and mail to 1541 Redfield Rd, Bel Air, MD 21015-5739.

[] Team Tournament: Register my four-person team in the Team Tournament at no extra charge. I realize that all the members of my team must be pre-registered and that we must each play a different event. Substitutions of team participants or game selections can be made only by mail or Email to Doncon99@toad.net by July 25th, 2009. No substitutions are allowed on site. In case of conflicting entries, the last version received will be official.

TEAM NAME: _____ maximum 21 characters

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| 1. _____
Team member #1 (Captain) | 2. _____
Team member #2 | 3. _____
Team member #3 | 4. _____
Team member #4 |
| 1. _____
Game to be played by this team member: | 2. _____
Game to be played by this team member: | 3. _____
Game to be played by this team member: | 4. _____
Game to be played by this team member: |

MORE PRE-CONS FOR EARLY ARRIVALS IN 2009

• 10 AM Demo • 6 PM Round 1 Start

Grogardcon
Ten Classic Wargames
 Aug 1st - 2nd
 2 PM Start

Get your fill of classic hex wargames 1776, Afrika Korps, Anzio, Bulge '81, Gettysburg, Panzerblitz, Panzergruppe Guderian, Russian Campaign, Waterloo and Wooden Ships & Iron Men. Free Form scheduling allows leisurely qualification for single elimination play for four skilled finalists later in the week in each event. Up to nine days of gaming ... Valhalla on Earth ... are you Grogard enough? If not, you can still advance during WBC proper by starting on Monday or even later with a minimum of three matches before the two-game Single Elimination semi-finals begin at week's end.

Start 10AM Sunday with a Demo of Through the Ages and a noon Mulligan Round. Late? You can still make the first Round (of three) starting at 6 PM Sunday evening. If you don't make the Elimination rounds, there's always the Monday early bird tournaments. Try your hand at San Juan, Union Pacific, Manoeuvre or Die Macher before the WBC Auction and Auction Store tempt you with gaming bargains and collectibles. Or wile away the hours at the Sampler Showcase learning up to ten of the hottest new games before the real tournament action begins Tuesday evening.

Time Machine
Through the Ages
 Aug 2nd - 4th
 12 PM Mulligan

NEW FOR 2009:

• WBC is now a full week of round-the-clock gaming from 9 AM Monday thru 6 PM Sunday with the addition of Open Gaming, select “early bird” tournaments and the Sampler Showcase starting Monday morning in Ballroom A - all Free to Sustaining level members starting Monday morning.

• **AUCTION STORE:** It’s not a flea market ... it’s better. Opening earlier at 9:30 Tuesday, the expanded WBC Auction Store allows you to sell items efficiently without being present. Watch the Auction or game while your items sell themselves. Or, shop within earshot of the Auction with two scheduled price drops at 12 PM and 2 PM to bring the shoppers back for even better bargains. Note: Due to increased volume, all Auction Store AND Auction items must be pre-registered BEFORE the convention. Check out the details on our website at boardgamers.org/wbc/auctionstore.htm.

• A nightly teen event concludes each evening with a safe and focused social opportunity for the younger set from 9 to 11 PM.

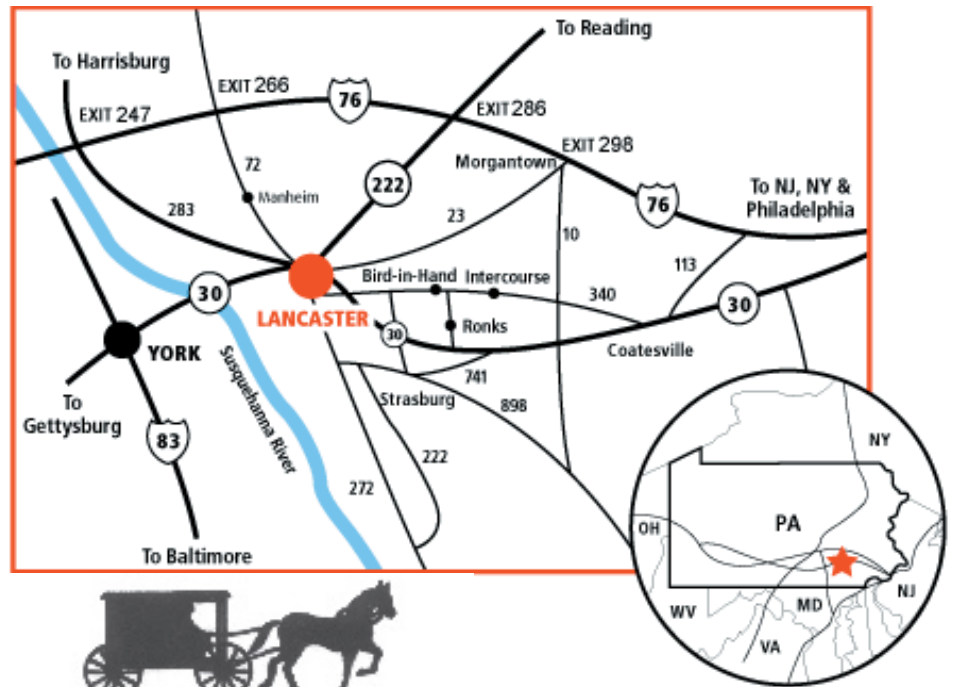
• Seminars are back again. WBC offers a variety of talks in the Hopewell room hosted by hobby experts.

• Open Gaming space has been expanded to ballroom dimensions in 2009 to ensure plenty of non-tournament gaming throughout the week.

WBC GAME AUCTION: On Tuesday, from 10 AM to 5 PM, WBC will host its 6th annual Game Auction for the sale of board and card games, and accessories pertaining to same. Pre-registration of items for sale is required by July 25th. Pre-registered items with lot slips may be delivered between 8 & 10 PM, Monday, August 3rd and 8 AM till noon on Tuesday, August 4th. Full details pertaining to the Auction are available at boardgamers.org/wbc/auction.htm. It will be updated weekly with a list of pre-registered items for sale. Plan to come early to enjoy the auction, content in the knowledge that you won’t be missing any other events, while you look for that long out-of-print classic that has been eluding you for years.

ADMISSION: BPA membership is included in the price of admission unless using a one-day guest pass. Spectators are admitted free to patronize vendors, but both Open Gaming and events are limited to BPA members or guests with a valid WBC badge for that day. Children 12 and under accompanied by a member may participate in free “Juniors-only” tournaments by signing parental consent forms in the Heritage room. There are no event fees. Pre-cons require separate admission for non-Tribune level members. Flea markets, product displays and the selling or promotion of any item on the premises is prohibited to all except authorized vendors.

EVENTS: There is no event pre-registration. You may participate in as many events as you like, but only one at a time. Please inform the GM when dropping out of an event. To guarantee inclusion, bring the game (to ensure sufficient copies) and be present at the start. Wear your badge



at all times. To confirm your registration status for WBC and/or its Pre-Cons, or to seek carpool, roommate, Open Gaming matches or teammates, check boardgamers.org/wbc/prereg.htm. See our detailed website for schedule, prize and format details pertaining to each event.

PRIZES: Century events offer a Centurion shirt to the winner and two to six BPA plaques as listed in the program, depending on prior year event participation. Trial and Junior events receive one plaque. Some events also award publisher merchandise credits or donated items. See each event’s detailed web preview at boardgamers.org/yearbkex for details.

CLASS: All WBC events are color coded throughout our website and event kiosk presentations for required experience levels.

A (Red): Advanced players only. Rules are not explained.

B (Yellow): Beginners welcome. Rules are taught only at the scheduled teaching demonstration in Paradise Terrace – the GM does not teach during the event.

C (Green): Coached. Beginners will be taught during play of the event.

JUNIORS EVENTS: Children who are 12 and under, able to read and accompanied by an adult member may participate for free in 20 Juniors events and Open Gaming. See boardgamers.org/yearbkex/jnrpge.htm.

LANCASTER HOST: There are many amenities at the recently refurbished Lancaster Host. Among them are • being within one mile of 200 outlet stores • a weekend comedy club • practically “next door” to Dutch Wonderland • within one hour of Hershey Park & Gettysburg • indoor and outdoor pools, jacuzzi & kiddie pool • 18-hole golf course • driving range • mini-golf • putting green • 1.9 mile jogging trail • game room • stables • tour cart rentals • ping pong & pool

tables • tennis & volleyball courts • bicycle rental • shuffle board • children’s playground • numerous local attractions and fine restaurants. Lancaster Host is already sold out for WBC week, but because cancellations do occur, you may wish to inquire anyway. The WBC Room rate at the Host is \$99 per day for one to four guests per room. Applicable state taxes bring that to \$109.89. A check or money order covering the first night’s stay or submission of the entire number of your major credit card including expiration date and signature is required to make a reservation. Reservations must be secured in this manner. Guests who cancel reservations within 30 days of the reserved arrival date forfeit the room deposit. Specify any other guests with whom you will share the room at the time of your reservation. Contact: Lancaster Host, 2300 Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster, PA 17602 or call the hotel at 717-299-5500 weekdays between 8 AM and 7 PM EST.

RECOMMENDED HOTELS: Fortunately, there are many hotels within easy walking distance, although sellouts are common at this time of year so make your reservations as early as possible. We recommend both the Continental and Red Roof Inns as the best combination of quality, convenience, and value. We have roomblocks at both hotels with discounted rates for those attending WBC, but only if you book early and correctly identify your attendance at WBC. These hotels may already be sold out unless you identify your affiliation with our roomblock. The good news is that the cancellation policies are much more lenient than those at the Host and the values are better. The bad news is that while the walk to the Host is short, it does cross a busy highway. In both cases, be sure to identify yourself as with the BPA’s World Boardgaming Championships both to get our special group rate and credit us with your stay (thereby reducing your costs).

• **Continental Inn:** The Continental Inn is directly across the street from the Host. The amenities include indoor and outdoor pools and jacuzzi, cable tv, free wireless internet, refrigerators, coffee makers, and more. A complete, complimentary hot breakfast is included to start your day. The special WBC rate is \$94 per day plus 11% tax per single thru quad occupancy with one King or two Double Beds. Rollaway beds, if requested, are \$7 additional.

Deposit: A three-night minimum stay is required for this special group rate. One night's deposit will be required upon booking. Deposit is refundable up until 48 hours prior to arrival. Phone 717-299-0421 to make your reservation or email info@continentalinn.com for a callback by the reservationist. Alternatively, you may book on line at continentalinn.com at the regular rates and identify yourself in the comments as claiming the WBC rate providing you are booking the three-night minimum stay. This offer is valid until July 4th, 2009, or our room block sells out, whichever occurs first.

• **Red Roof Inn:** The recently renovated Red Roof Inn is across the street and a short walk away from the Host, next to some excellent restaurants. The amenities include an outdoor pool, a free Deluxe Continental breakfast, complimentary USA Today newspaper, free local phone calls, wireless internet, and voicemail, Cable TV with HBO, microwave and mini-fridge in every room, and discounts at the aforementioned restaurants. The special WBC rate is \$89.99 per night plus 11% tax per single thru quad occupancy with one King or two Double Beds.

Deposit: There is no deposit required but the reservation must be confirmed with a valid credit card. Cancellations must be received at least 24 hours in advance. Cancellations less than 14 days prior to arrival will automatically result in payment of the entire first night's room and tax for all rooms cancelled. Call 866-225-2066 toll free to make your reservation. This offer is valid until July 18th, 2009, or our roomblock sells out, whichever occurs first.

To check other local vacancies, call 866-220-8985 and inquire for lodging near Lancaster Host.

DIRECTIONS: The Host is located on Route 30 east of Lancaster, PA. See map on the preceding page. For more detailed travel directions, including air connections, see boardgamers.org/hotelan.htm.

TOURNAMENTS: WBC features competition in 107 Century tournaments with varying formats, prizes and starting times. Details on each event are listed at boardgamers.org/yearbkex and a very helpful personal scheduling tool is located at boardgamers.org/wbc/sviewer/. Supplementing these old favorites are dozens of additional events selected by the membership or sponsored by publishers or patrons. Descriptions of these events can be found on the web also. New events for 2009 include: Battle; Napoleonic Wars, Chicago Express, Conflict of Heroes, Dominion, Eisenbach Gap, Kutuzov, Pursuit of Glory, Royal Palace, Stone Age, Storm Over Stalingrad and Warriors of

God. Players need not complete the entire tournament and are encouraged to drop in for friendly games so long as they inform the GM when they withdraw from further play.

WBC 2008 SOUVENIR T-SHIRTS: What's old is new again as WBC returns to its roots with the traditional silk screen shirts featuring the BPA logo. By returning to silk screen technology we can offer a better wearing product at a reduced price. The downside of that arrangement is that they must be ordered in advance in order to be on hand for distribution at WBC. We will be unable to take orders for souvenir shirts at the convention for later delivery. Once our original supply is gone, they're gone. Pre-order yours today. Look for ordering information on the front page of this folder.

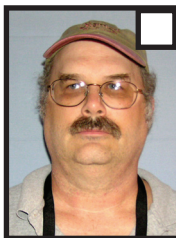
2008/09 YEARBOOKS: The WBC full color Yearbooks will not be available to all attendees. Instead, attendees will receive a smaller, simpler program at registration dealing only with the schedule. The Yearbook covering the 2008 WBC results and early 2009 mini-cons and PBeM events will be mailed with this pre-reg form to all members of Sustaining level or higher as of January 1st, 2009 (one per family). Also receiving Yearbooks with this mailing will be current Tribune members and those paying the extra \$10 cost by the date of this mailing. All others entitled to Yearbooks (paid family members by the required deadline) and those purchasing them after this mailing may receive them at WBC registration in the New Holland room during WBC while supplies last. Consult the on-line schedule for 2009 event information.

BPA Board of Directors 2009 Ballot

Mail this signed ballot or a facsimile to BPA, 1541 Redfield Rd., Bel Air, MD 21015-5739 or email your votes to election@boardgamers.org for delivery no later than July 15, 2009. An electronic ballot is posted at boardgamers.org/forms/boardballot.shtml. You may vote for up to three candidates, but no more than once per candidate. Votes will be recorded in accordance with membership level. A member whose membership status is entitled to multiple votes should submit only one ballot - the votes thereon will be weighted appropriately by election officials. Note that any multi-day attendee at WBC is considered a BPA member and is entitled to vote if they have pre-paid their admission by July 15th, 2009.



Josh Githens, SC: As a Board candidate I would like to ensure the WBC remains relevant over the course of changing times while also preserving the ideals that have been cultivated over the years. Keeping the WBC fresh will perpetuate the convention for years to come. The convention holds a very important place in my life and I hope to assist in any way possible so it can become and/or stay as important to all of the convention attendees. I bring six years of Toys R Us management experience as well as two years employment with Hasbro and look forward to serving the BPA members.



Don Greenwood, MD: Put simply, I remain the conservative candidate with a mantra of "less is more". I value our traditions and recognizing excellence in the play of boardgames. Moreover, I am a firm believer in not fixing what ain't broke. The system that has brought us here is working well, evolving to meet changing needs with a minimum of controversy, and preserving a forum for focused play of classic titles while also ushering in fresh challenges in the form of ever more clever challenges built upon the foundation of past favorites. I maintain competition and fun are not mutually exclusive. Stay the course.



Andy Lewis: I want to be re-elected to the Board to continue to provide insight from a vendor's standpoint as well as an all-around gamer. I am a VP with GMT Games. I have attended WBC/Avaloncon back to year 2 and continue to play sports, Euro and war games each year. WBC is a family affair for me with my wife attending since '95 and my kids since they were born and they participate at WBC in both the Juniors and adult program. Therefore, it is directly important to me that all aspects of WBC remain in balance. I want to ensure that WBC remains the highlight of the year for my family and all gamers.



Ken Whitesell: My objective as a Board member has been to promote fiscal responsibility, financial restraint, and a focus on competitive play of board games. Fiscal responsibility and financial restraint means using our money effectively. It doesn't mean just being cheap, but to spend money wisely, and avoid situations where it would be wasted. Competition is what the WBC is about. A focus on competitive play does not mean the exclusion of open gaming, or other non-tournament activities. Open gaming, seminars, auctions, etc have their place, but they should remain secondary to our efforts to promote and provide the best tournaments.

Printed Name _____ Signature _____

Date _____