

COLDWARS 2014 7-9 March

BEATING WINTER STORM TITAN



In spite of the recent Winter Storm Titan which dumped feet of snow in the Pennsylvania hills and all over the country, gamers and vendors began trickling in as early as Wednesday. Shown above are early gamers surviving in spite of the lack of a warm fire in the fireplace at the Host. As mentioned about previous COLDWARS, HMGS (EAST)Inc. made contracts with the Lancaster Host to make COLDWARS and FALL IN! four day conventions to make up for moving the four day convention (HISTORICON) to exotic new locations.

In spite of reverting to a three day convention, there were eleven scheduled games on Thursday (when the convention hadn't officially started yet.) And even on Wednesday a few people trickled in. There was limited gaming in the foyer, a bit in the Lampter (to your left on the way into the lobby) and even in the main lobby.



Staff Meeting With Presentation by Heather Blush



Vendors Sneak In Wednesday Night



Before It Begins The French Foreign Legion Holds a Fort



And The DB Crowd Launches the Action



Not a theme, But Someone Commemorates the Centenary of WWI



And Some Early Birds Go to Register



City of Blood? Gangsters, Zombies, or just Anarchists?



Still Can't Tell, But Something Is Going On



Sails of Glory



Up Close And Personal



Games Crop UP



Including Pete Panzeri's Goliad-All Before The Convention Starts



I Think Those Guys Fought for Napoleon As Well AS Santa Ana



What Are These California Desperados Doing In Texas?

Finally on Friday The Convention Officially Starts



The Tournaments Warm Up In The Lampeter



Pete Returns With WWII Russian Conflict Simulation Artifacts



Bruce Weigle and the HAWKS Return to The Winter of 1871



And At Noon The Second Greatest Hobby Shop (after HISTORICON) Opens



In This Corner WWI In The Air





The Distlefink (Main Ballroom) In Full Cry



While The Tournaments Erupt in The Lampeter



Looks Like Macedonian or Successor Pikes to Me



As Usual-Colorful Armies, Marginal Terrain



Meanwhile in the Main Ballroom-Air War Over The Western Desert



And 1/32nd Russians Close In On WWII Germans



Of Course The Second War For Independence Is Always With Us





And Bill Gray Brings Fire and Fury All The Way Up To 1905





WWI (100th Anniversary) Arrives on Saturday





Also On Saturday A Bridge Too Far





After An Early Start and A Busy Saturday Things Cleared Out Fast On Sunday



In The Finale The Usual Naval Game On The Floor