



Quarterly Newsletter

Winter 2019

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Photos: Carol Mathewson at The Pacific Science Center (left); Giant Chess Set (right).

Our Mission:

To Preserve Games and to Promote and Share the Love of Games and What They Can Teach Us.

In 2018, your membership fees and donations enabled us to:

- Accommodate more than 5400 visitors,
- Add 1253 items to our Collection, including a much-requested Giant Chess Set
- Prepare exhibits, including: The Origins of Dice, The History of RPGs and Wargames, plus The Process of Designing the Game Dear Leader by guest exhibitor Tim Hutchings,
- To reach out and give our “Bones and Dice” talk or other presentations to: The Pacific Science Center in Seattle, The OMSI Maker Faire, Gamestorm, Echoes in Time: An Oregon Primitive Skills Gathering, and the King City Retired Educators (OREA,)
- Offer craft classes, including Beaded Ornaments, taught by Jessica Bechtol and Wire Mobiles, by Donald Sheets.

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!



Photo: IMOGAP Summer Camp session.

In the Coming Year, with your continuing support, we hope to:

- Host even more members and visitors.
- Grow and improve the collection,
- Form an Advisory Board,
- Research and archive oral histories of game playing,
- Offer Summer Camps on topics like Code Breaking & Ciphers, Juggling & Dexterity Games and The Exploration of Worldwide Games,
- Develop new displays such as The Games of Ancient Egypt,
- Improve outreach by working with one or more of King City's retirement centers,
- Improve our signage to attract new visitors and members,
- Continue to provide space for gaming & learning about games.



Photo: Projected new highway signage.

Our biggest challenge in 2019 will be to pay our rent and fees of \$3,000 per month. If we can't find these funds, we will have to either find a much smaller space or change to a traveling model similar to a bookmobile.



Fundraisers

THRAG (Twenty-four Hour Raffle and Game-athon,) our big yearly fundraiser, was a smashing success! We raised \$6800, and more than 100 members and guests joined us for a BBQ, hourly raffles, a silent auction and 24 hours of games for all ages and skill levels. Many thanks to our volunteers, who generously donated their time, refreshments, and items for the auction.

A great big thank you to our sponsors: Koch Games, Rune and Board, Rainy Day Games and Curiosities Antiques in Beaverton all donated prizes for the raffles and game winners, while the Beaverton Target Store and Einstein Bros. Bagels at Beaverton Town Square donated refreshments. **Our thanks to all involved!**

Carol raised \$100 with a spring plant sale of potted extras and cuttings from her beautiful garden. Every little bit helps! If you are looking for some plants for your garden this year, Carol plans to hold another sale this coming spring.



Our 2019 Membership Drive

Our 2019 Membership Drive will be held for the entire month of March, during which all new and renewal memberships will be discounted by 10 %. Please join us in celebrating the past, present and future of board games!



Volunteer Spotlight

Paul Siegfried is a graduate of the Community Transition Program in Beaverton, OR, with whom he first visited IMOGAP on a field trip. Soon after that he began his 3 years (so far!) of helping us by photographing the collection, cataloging the collection in our database, and working as a docent. Thanks, Paul!

Our Partnership with Phil Baird

Our partnership with Phil Baird in helping to sell part of his enormous collection of games was a great success. Of 500 games, we sold half, raising \$1000 for the Museum and also for Phil. And we were able to add the other half to IMOGAP's collection - 250 games! Many thanks to Phil Baird and to our volunteer Ken Bush, for his invaluable help with this unique opportunity.



Featured Game

If you haven't played Castles of Burgundy yet, we urge you to give this aesthetically pleasing, fairly easy to learn game a try. The game has simple mechanics but enough strategic depth to hold one's interest, with game play on a shared game board as well as individual boards for players.

Trivia Question

What were the names of 2 early versions of the game Twister? Stumped? Please visit our [website](#) for the answer.

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