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Students on stage perform songs from the new video game. Rock Band. Some blind out the game in startups at the back of a truss while others played for an audience.

The release followed that of Guitar Hero III on Oct. 29. Many of the same songs appear in both games, including "Pramanu" by Black Sabbath and "When Were Young" by the Killers. But Buitke said he wasn't worried about how the game would fare on the market. 'We don't think of [Rock Band] as being in competition with 'Guitar Hero,'" Buitke said. "We agreed that both games have different things to offer, despite their similarities.

'I have to say that between Rock Band and Guitar Hero, Guitar Hero definitely has the attitude more," Allen said. Despite this distinction, Allen says he enjoys Rock Band more because it allows players to try out different instruments. It also has a "Create-a-Rocker" feature, where players can create their own characters.

"It's really cool to see yourself on the screen rocking out and playing the drums like a real drummer would," Allen said.

Rock Band includes many popular songs from the 1980s to today. Some of these include "Say It Ain't So" by Weezer, "Detroit Rock City" by KISS and "We Are the Champions" by Queen.

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Rowdy Knights keep it loud

SHARNA FORTNER

Even with a scratchy video, Michael Morris hangs over tallies and cheers on the Knights until his face turns red.

As a former athlete, Morris said he knows how to pump up a crowd. His enthusiastic attitude and love for UCF led him to the Rowdy Knights as a freshman.

Now, as a senior and president of the Rowdy Knights, Morris helps boost fans for all their UCF sporting events.

The Rowdy Knights is a registered UCF student organization dedicated to increasing school spirit.

Although the group tries to attend every sporting event, football, basketball, and baseball are their main attractions.

This club started in 2001 and has grown from 22 members to nearly 300.

“My big thing is I just want to see more UCF fans out around here,” Morris said. “I know it’s kind of cliché, but at the same time, that’s really what we’re all about.”

Rowdy Knights is a way to get involved on campus, with sophomore electrical engineering major Matt Koerber said. Since joining the pre-major fan organization, Koerber said he has gone to many home football games.

“Rowdy Knights gives you an opportunity to get involved on campus,” Koerber said. “That really isn’t an ideal space for you.”

For football games, the Rowdy Knights are out on the march every 10th manry getting the fans ready and keeping team flag, said the group’s president, Michael Morris.

Morris helps all fans raise the Rowdy Knights stir, said it was like nothing he’s ever seen.

He said the high energy and in-your-face school spirit made him proud to be a Knight.

Student fans are not the only ones the Rowdy Knights impact.

Head baseball coach Jay Bergman said his players look forward to seeing the rowdy bunch in their stands.

Bergman said he pumps the crowd up, and the club gets the whole ballpark going and other fans really into the game.

Particularly when we play the University of South Florida, with South Florida is real, and they’ll bring some fans that they think are fans,” Bergman said, “but they’re not anywhere close to ours.”

Rowdy Knights is what the pub business is all about,” Isaacs said. “It is what the pub business is all about.”

The Firkin & Knight on campus.

There is a difference in the American and the Canadian menus, but how many chains of pubs introduce items like poutine - french fries covered in gravy - likely wouldn’t.

The students are looking at more packages of ribs and burgers, and burgers, and burgers. Isaacs said, “So you have to introduce beer and other Canadian dishes.”

Although the university you are going to have. You are going to need to adapt yourself to the area that you are in. The special kind of culture,” Isaacs said.

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Atlantis’s fuel tank and was

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sensors in the liquid hydrogen

section when two of them

failed. Even though they were

commanded to indicate the task

was empty, the two failure signals

were full, Lyons said. At least three

of these sensors must occur

consecutively to proceed with a

launch.

“Right then, we had an issue and we stopped,”

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The launch was still more

than eight hours away.

Frick and his six crewmates

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The trouble began cropping

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in late 2002.

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First class set for fall 2009

New class set for fall 2009

UCF programs aid minorities

Student charged with DUI

Workers ask for higher wages

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The 51-inch-tall, all-white robot, a legless robot-on-wheels; it clamped its robotic hands on a wheelchair and helped push it around to work as guides and have fingers dexterous enough to play the trumpet.

Toyota Motor Corp. has already showed robots that roll around to work as guides and have fingers dexterous enough to play the trumpet. Vice President Kazuo Watanabe said robotics will be a core business for the company in coming years. Toyota will test out its robots at hospitals, Toyota-related facilities and other places starting next year, he said.

And the company hopes to put what it calls "partner robots" to real use by 2010, he said.

"We want to create robots that are useful for people in everyday life," he told reporters at a Toyota showroom in Tokyo.

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Recapping a winner

UCF Women's Soccer claimed C-USA regular season title, made it to second round of NCAAizards.

NEWS TO NOTE

ASSET MASTERS
The Knights all but locked up the C-USA in the final two weeks of the season. They finished the season 12-4-1, with the last three games all occurring in the final month of the season.

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Cabrera, Willis traded to Tigers from Florida

By MIKE FITZPATRICK

MIAMI (AP) — Florida Marlins president of baseball operations Larry Beinfest said Wednesday, an eight-player package of six players, including two highly rated prospects, was going, I was eager and was home in Venezuela when the blockbuster deal was...
CONTROVERSY IS GOLDEN

The epic Golden Compass hits theaters amid criticism, protests and vandalism at local mall

The realm of The Golden Compass involves airships, sky witches, proud polar bears, a truth-telling device, spirit companions in the guise of animals and a young girl (Dakota Blue Richards) prophesied to save her world from the oppressive likes of Marisa Coulter (Nicole Kidman) and the Magisterium.

And some people in our universe aren’t too happy about that.

Although somewhat muddled as an adaptation and inevitably derivative of its fantasy fare, The Golden Compass remains an entertaining primer for a series that is just as integral in the politics of its alternative universe as it is in the magic. While the narrative of opposition among Philip Pullman’s novel—against the abuse of power by any one authority—is less explicitly decried at any specific religious establishment, it hasn’t stopped those with more devout interests from finding some serious picketing reactions.

Last Saturday afternoon, an immense group of teenagers decided to get paired with the promotional standee for the film in the lobby of the prestigious Cinemark 14 in the Fashion Square Mall.

“They just kicked it and punched it.”

The Golden Compass runs 131.

Now In Cinemas Opening In Theaters everywhere today

“Even the standees are cute,” General Manager Tony Colombo said. “I know we’ve had different standees, and they picket that one.”

This particular incident took place after weeks of uproar over the film’s suppressed anti-Catholic material— the Catholic League called for a boycott in October—and on the night of a nationwide picket parade to protest the censor prior to the film’s opening.

“The end of the film warnings of a witch hunt—it went to determine a war for all. From the sound of things, we were promised not to mess with the scene but simply have to walk into the lobby.”

Rasa By Goss in P, O. 10
**MOVIE TIMES**

**JESSICA TUGGLE**

Sundance films and music-schooled on the Memory Man, Eddie has spent the last year celebrating the 27th anniversary of the 1980s documentary film about culture, during an equally fascinating Hip Awareness Council Pond.

With perfect weather for an outdoor jam session, graffiti artists, disc jockeys, women and cast members, shared their favorite elements of hip-hop with UCF students and members of the surrounding Orlando community.

**Dustin Funk**, 24, said he heard about the anniversary celebration online through MySpace. His 8-year-old, Ethan, came along to watch his dad and the other b-boys show off their breakdancing, in the limbo dance floor.

"When I hear about a hip-hop event, I'm there." Funk

During the seven-hour event people moved around Memory Mall, going from the stage with the DJs and artists to the makeshift graffiti wall and the b-boy circle inside, or cypher.

A circle is a united mark by a bunch of hip-hoppers taking turns to throw down for UCF junior Fernando Rodriguez. "The circle is where people come to display their skills," he said.

The DJs spin their turntables to upbeat and energetic music and the crowd gathered around the linoleum to watch eight b-boys battle each other in a competition with dizzying footwork and visual athletic achievements. 

"I'm a fan of hip-hop," Boots, 22, participated in the b-boy battle and gazed at the crowd's approval with his smooth execution and his one-handed, confident personality. 

"It's a cool way to release stress," Burgos said. It also helped me stay out of troubles when I was younger.

**Edward Magar**, a UCF senior business management major, said he organized the event as the leader of the Hip Awareness Council so that people could be exposed to the hip-hop culture and learn about the different parts that make up hip-hop spinning records, break dancing, emceeing and painting graffiti.

"I thought the energy was great but down," Magar said of the event. "It's another way to show the diversity of hip-hop."

The attendees also represented diverse groups of people from many different backgrounds and places in life. 

Parents with children and carefree college students all enjoyed the sights and the sounds of the event, actively responding to the emcees and chatting for the b-boys' comments.

"Hip-hop is a movement that really works," said Kristenowsky, 24, said. "Look here at all the different faces of how I'm losing it?"

Maslow worked closely with Kantrowitz and the local independent hip-hop label, Nonstop Records to provide live entertainment throughout the evening in the student union, Harkin Fukat and the Table -b-boys performed.

Sulista Roopnarine, 23, is an art teacher, and she said her favorite element of hip-hop is graffiti. The graffiti artists at the celebration used over 20 different cans of spray paint and an eclectic combination of geometric shapes, pictures and colors to create a unique spray painted masterpiece.

"It makes me happy that we can show that hip-hop is not all about violence, guns, cars and hoes," Roopnarine said. "We can show how it's positive."

Representative coming out from UCF in the spring semester of 2007 and used as a part of Elements, a different hip-hop club on campus.

Freshman film major Lila Neidle said she came to the event mostly because she was curious.

"I just got into [hip-hop] recently," Neidle said while watching the graffiti artists. "It's a really welcoming community, and I don't know that many people."

She stood at the graffiti wall in silent concentration, trying to decipher the 3-D words that seemed to marry into the neat geometric shapes. The graffiti artist, who goes only by R, 24, began drawing graffiti art in 2005 in Puerto Rico and incorporates the three letters of his name onto nearly all of his work. The band, shadows and angles of the letters made him hard to see occasionally, but it's always there.

"This is my life," R said. "My passion."

The film Wild Style was played on an outdoor screen at 6 p.m.

The two-and-a-half hour event brings the cultures of hip-hop and in the beginning of the film, the life of a graffiti artist named "Kiki," a famous figure in the early days of the art movement. The film's title character is a graffiti artist in New York and is played by the late John Turturro.

A famous figure in hip-hop, Wyclef Jean, 36, was the featured performer of what appears in the movie as himself.

"It's the best hip-hop movie I've ever seen," Neidle said.
Stay stylish with holiday gifts

By ARNIE SAMADIAN

For the holidays, you want to look your best. That's why we've rounded up some of the hottest gift ideas for men and women.

For women:

• Nightgowns and soft T-shirts: Opt for cozy and comfortable options that she can pair with a sweater for the right amount of coverage.

• Vintage T-shirts: These automatically can be paired with a cozy jacket, leggings or a skirt.

• Metallics: Gold or silver heels, boots, or a cute dress with some slouchy or high-waisted denim can make an outfit go from day to night.

• Coats: From peacoats to motorcycle jackets, you can keep warm in a stylish way. Another great way to layer up is with a scarf and jacket.

• Jackets: Lightweight jackets work well with skinny jeans and flats. Heeled boots, it works. Add some tights or leggings, and this outfit will be perfect.

• Beanies: These are a must-have for the season. When it’s a little nip in the air, nothing beats a beanie with a pom-pom, glitter gold and diamond-encrusted style.

• Boxers: These are definitely a hot item right now. From The Beatles to Pink Floyd, signing a little black dress for a holiday gift. It's definitely sweater weather, so get your guy one that can keep his head warm.

• Sweaters: These are a great and versatile item that can be paired with all sorts of bottoms, such as pants, capris, shorts or skirts. They are sold in styles, such as pants, capris, shorts and skirts. They are great for layering and can be styled in many ways, from casual to dressy.

• Dresses: No matter the weather, a cute dress with some slouchy or high-waisted denim can make an outfit go from day to night.

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For men:

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