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Special Collections Reading Room Now Open

After undergoing renovations for the past several months, UCF Libraries Special Collections is now re-opening to the public. During the course of the renovations, the Special Collections fifth floor stacks area climate control, security, lighting and fire protection systems were upgraded and new shelving was installed to house the collection. The department will be holding an Open House on August 26 from 10 a.m. to noon for University faculty and students, Friends of the Library and members of the community. Please contact speccoll@mail.ucf.edu or (407) 823-2578 for more information on the Open House.

As well as renovating the collections storage areas, other summer projects included having the Library Art Collections professionally photographed. In December, Stephanie Conforti, a local fine arts conservator, will conduct an on-site conservation assessment of the collections. For more information on how you can support the conservation of the Library’s collection of Caribbean and Latin American Art or to find out more about the Library’s art collections, please contact Carla Summers, Head of Special Collections, at csunners@mail.ucf.edu or (407) 823-2788.

Library Exhibits

August

The Gender Gayzer by Jennifer Gonzalez

This exhibit will showcase the principles and achievements held by the student-organization of The Gender Gayzer, a publication of the Women’s Studies Program at UCF. Poetry, prose and artwork are among the items included in the exhibit.

Not Your Grandmother’s Arts & Crafts by Jacqueline Johnson

Collection of art jewelry, artist books and art dolls. Media include polymer clay, hand-dyed fabrics (natural and man-made fibers), plastic, paper, glass beads, pearls and gemstones. Traditional arts and crafts updated for the 21st century.

For more information on exhibits, please call (407) 823-2756 or visit http://library.ucf.edu/Exhibits

Donor Spotlight

The UCF Libraries and the College of Health and Public Affairs are pleased to recognize Norman and Jean Gould, their son Bruce and Jeffrey, in this month’s donor spotlight.

The Gould family recently joined the UCF family by making several gifts to the Library. First, they gave a sizable collection of books that focus on the study of law throughout all 50 states. Once processed, this collection will be named “The Gould Family Library of Criminal Justice and Legal Studies.” This outstanding collection will further enhance the learning opportunities for UCF students pursuing degrees in Criminal Justice and Legal Studies. In addition to the collection of books, a financial gift was made to assist the Library in processing the collection. Philanthropic support such as this enable the Library to process the collection quickly, therefore, ensuring it is readily made accessible to students, faculty, staff and area residents.

We thank you, Norman, Jean, Bruce and Jeffrey for your support to the UCF Libraries and College of Health and Public Affairs.

Curriculum Materials Center (CMC)

The Curriculum Material Center, a division of the UCF Libraries, is located within the College of Education. The CMC contains approximately 30,000 items, and includes fiction and picture books, general resources, textbooks, multimedia and reference materials. To learn more about the CMC and their outstanding collections, please visit them online at http://library.ucf.edu/cmc

Honor Someone with a UCF Libraries Bookplate

Do you have a friend, family member or colleague whom you would like to honor or recognize, but aren’t sure what the perfect gift would be? If so, consider recognizing that special someone by dedicating a book in their name. A gift of $25 or more will enable you to do just that. A book plate will be inserted into the selected book to recognize the honoree. Wording for such a book plate may read as follows: “Given in honor of Dr. Betty Smith for her outstanding work within the College of Business.”

For confidential inquiries regarding how you can show your support for the UCF Libraries or to unsubscribe from this newsletter, please contact Dwain Teague at (407) 823-5982 or at dteague@mail.ucf.edu.