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Disney Magic: Cast Members Donate 1159 Books to Library

Want to make a real difference in the future 25 years down the road? Then read to your kids now. So says Disney Executive VP for Operations, Lee Cockerell, clearly enamored with the value of books and reading.

A man who lives his vision—or, in management parlance “walks the talk”—Mr. Cockerell initiated a book drive among Disney Cast Members, asking each one to clean out their bookshelves and donate any unused leadership or management books to the holdings of the Universal Orlando Foundation Library at Rosen College.

The result was an embarrassment of riches: hundreds of classic business titles—more than one thousand in total—too numerous to name.

And we at Rosen are all the richer, thanks to the kindness and generous hearts of our friends at Walt Disney World Orlando.

On behalf of students, faculty, and library staffers, a heartfelt thank you for making our dreams come true!

Lee A. Cockerell, (right) Executive Vice President of Operations at Walt Disney World Orlando, presented this generous gift from cast members to: Frank Allen, Associate Director UCF Libraries, Linda Black, Rosen Library, Nelsy Livingston, Gifts & Exchange, Deb Ebster, Head, Rosen Library.

Highlighting Library Staff: Linda Black

There is more treasure in books than in all the pirates’ loot on Treasure Island... best of all, you can enjoy these riches everyday.

—Walt Disney

As a charter member of the class of 1968, Linda (Singer) Black is extremely proud to be the first graduate of UCF (FTU), having graduated in August 1971 with a BA in Education. As a freshman, she was active in the very beginnings of the theatre program, helped raise The Tent in the sand, and even assistant directed the first production. She later acted and stage managed early productions with professors Dr. David Mays and Dr. Harry Smith. Another highlight was being elected as first student government Governor of the College of Education.

However, she is even more pleased to be able to serve her alma mater by returning to Orlando to work for UCF, at the main campus library and now at the Rosen College campus library. Enjoying her new position, Linda is able to draw on her vast experience of over 30 years experience in education, publishing, public relations, business, and government.

With experiences from teaching at rural public schools, to owning/publishing five monthlies in Arkansas & Florida, to serving two governors as Director of Communications for the Department of Labor, to working at Florida State University as Marketing Director of the Alumni Association and Academic Advisor in College of Communications, she is grateful to have been given so many opportunities to take on new challenges.

Possessing an entrepreneurial spirit, Linda is always ready to try anything new. Where others engage in hobbies of painting or sewing, she enjoys creating and running a multitude of businesses: a public relations/campaign consulting firm, cake & breakfast delivery service, balloons, bottling her special recipe Hot Fudge sauce, and Rah-Rah Enterprises that sold pom-pom/shakers to schools all over the south. She was thrilled to win in 1998 Small Business of the Year sponsored by the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce for her Historic Tallahassee Tours.

She is active at UCF as a member of UCF Town & Gown Council, Library Director’s Advisory Group, USPS Staff Council, and UCF Woman’s Club. She was recently tapped as a member of the international education honorary society Delta Kappa Gamma. At Rosen College, Linda has found her niche serving students and helping them find their way to successful careers in the world of hospitality management.
Try Our New Hospitality Database

A new database, **Hospitality & Tourism Index**, is now available to help meet your research needs. Hospitality & Tourism Index, like all UCF Libraries' databases, is available through the "Journal Articles & Databases" links on Rosen Library's homepage.

According to the publisher, the database covers scholarly research and industry news relating to all areas of hospitality and tourism. This comprehensive index combines the records of three renowned collections containing more than 470,000 records from 500 titles, with coverage going back to the early 1960's.

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Deb Ebster, Library Head, congratulates Jose Chavez—our grand prize winner of an USB Flash Drive. The drawing took place during the Welcome Back Students event the first week of Fall classes.

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Deb Ebster received confirmation from the WTO Headquarters in Madrid that our application to become a World Tourism Organization Depository Library has been accepted.

There are only four academic libraries in the United States which have this distinction. As the leading international organization in the field of travel & tourism, the WTO is vested by the United Nations to help member countries reap the full benefits of the cultural & social effects of tourism.

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**Fall Shuttle Bus Schedule**

**M, T, W, TH, F**

- **LV UCF**: 8:15am, 9:45am, 12:45pm, 2:15pm
- **LV Rosen**: 9:00am, 12pm, 4:30pm, 6:00pm

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