



FY23 Kudos Recognition

September 2022 – February 2022

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Nominator: *Natasha Jones*



Nominee: *Jamie Kaynan*

Department: *Accounting and Finance*

Jamie has been a rock star throughout the Work Day transition. She is always willing to stop what she's doing to answer questions, provide direction and resolve issues. What I appreciate most is her constant reassurance that we're all learning together & that she's happy to help.

Nominator: *Jeanne Blank*



Nominee: *Jamie Kaynan*

Department: *Accounting and Finance*

Jamie has been extremely helpful especially during the Workday transition. She is always positive, willing to help and responds quickly.



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ADVANCEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Nominator: Mari Rains



Nominee: Carol Davella
Department: Advancement & Partnerships

Carol was integral to the success of the Meet & Greet event for Rod. She was asked to volunteer on short notice, and did so graciously. Her previous event management skills were apparent in her attention to detail. We were busy with setup, replenishing, and cleaning for 6+ hours, and she fulfilled every request with grace and a smile. Her commitment to the overall team, despite this event not being part of her normal job duties, was admirable! We are lucky to have Carol, a true team player!

Nominator: Chris Meister



Nominee: Samantha Rowe
Department: Advancement & Partnerships

Sam was quick to respond to a request to cover the front desk and I certainly appreciated her willingness to do so. Thank you for being such a great team player!!

Nominator: Kerry Knapp and Marcela DeFaria



Nominee: Abbie Clarke
Department: Advancement & Partnerships

Abbie was a lifesaver assisting Rosen/UCF Global with getting an invitation sent out for an event at the last minute. She created the Emma email, scheduled it to go out and continued to monitor it and later emails to ensure they were being sent out correctly. Thank you Abbie - we appreciate you assisting to ensure the event is a success.

Nominator: Marcela DeFaria



Nominee: Abbie Clarke
Department: Advancement & Partnerships

Abbie moved into a new role but has gone above and beyond in helping the Rosen College team with some projects as she transitioned. We couldn't have survived December and January without her! Corp. Relations is lucky to have her!



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ADVANCEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Nominator: Rachel Schaefer



Nominee: Jane Stump and Demi Colbert
Department: Advancement & Partnerships

Special thanks to Jane and Demi for all of their help with recent high-level search committees! I couldn't have managed them without your partnership!

Nominator: Victoria Wright



Nominee: Alicia Zimmerman
Department: Advancement & Partnerships

Alicia is always willing to help and has been a huge asset to me as I become more acquainted with my new role. Thanks for everything, Alicia!

Nominator: Kyle Trager



Nominee: Kerry Knapp
Department: Advancement & Partnerships

Kerry has been amazing during my onboarding with the foundation. She has taught me so much and I really appreciate her and everything she does to support me and Marcela at Rosen.



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ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT

Nominator: Marcela DeFaria



Nominee: Tenley Sterkel
Department: Alumni Engagement

Tenley is an absolute rockstar! She knows all the things. She is a life-saver to so many of us in Foundation. In particular, she's always helped RCHM with event registrations, email marketing, nametags, you name it! She is invaluable to the foundation, and we heap all the praise on her! Thanks, Tenley!

Nominator: Anthony Pomonis



Nominee: Caitlyn Bordonaro
Department: Alumni Engagement

Over the last few months Caitlyn has proven her value as a new team member at the College of Sciences time and again. She is the first to volunteer to help, the last to leave *any* event, and maintains a consistent growth mindset. She has jumped into her role with both feet and has made a clear and measurable positive difference in our team's work. Way to go, Caitlyn!!

Nominator: Kim Walz



Nominee: Jenny Meyer
Department: Alumni Engagement

Jenny graciously scheduled a tour for a prospective UCF student and parent, whom I knew and referred, with a 4EK Ambassador. The prospective parent and student were so impressed with the tour, UCF, and how they were treated. They could not thank Jenny and our 4EK Ambassador, Brooke, enough for their time and attention to making their first time on campus a memorable experience. UCF is now their first choice for a university education.



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COMMUNICATIONS

Nominator: David Dadurka

Nominator: Marcela DeFaria



Nominee: Stephanie Pedersen
Department: Communications

Stephanie assisted the advancement editorial team with the design of a major gift proposal on short notice when our regular designer was unavailable to tackle the project. She approached the assignment with creativity and enthusiasm. She worked into the evening to ensure we were able to submit the best possible product on time to the printer.



Nominee: David Gallucci
Department: Communications

Dave Gallucci has assisted the Rosen College with so many communications items as we transition a new alumni engagement officer. We relied on him and he never let us down. Thanks, Dave!

Nominator: Camille Dolan



Nominee: Susan Watkins
Department: Communications

Susan is welcoming, inclusive, and has a super-positive attitude that lights up the room. She is also responsive to all requests from the team, even if it's somewhat outside her official job duties. I have never seen Susan in a bad mood, or with anything less than a cheery disposition. She also makes it easy for me to do my best work.



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DEVELOPMENT

Nominator: Alicia Zimmerman, Christina Gonzalez, Victoria Wright



Nominee: Katie Korkosz
Department: Development

Kudos to Katie for leading the charge for the \$10 million Dr. Phillips gift for the new CON building! Her leadership, direction and expertise were the driving force behind this transformative investment in the future of Nursing!

DONOR RELATIONS & ADVANCEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS

Nominator: Annette Billingsley



Nominee: Carolina Silva, Liz Irizarry, Becky Fullmer, Mary Gail Dufresne, and Kylie Ority

Department: Donor Relations & Advancement & Partnerships

This team worked tirelessly for months to produce a truly elevated experience for UCF's most generous donors. The Constellation Society launch event was meticulously planned and executed by this team, and was a huge success because of Carolina's tenacity, Becky's vision, Liz's organization, Mary Gail's words and Kylie's data magic. I'm so proud.



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ITS

Nominator: Chris Meister



Nominee: Maruf Chowdhury
Department: ITS

I recently needed Maruf's help on several meetings and he was most helpful. My requests were not planned but it did not matter. He responds quickly! Thank you Maruf!

Nominator: Chris Meister



Nominee: Lori McDermott
Department: ITS

Thank you to Lori for creating Advancement Central and quick links to our most used sites. I appreciate the time spent on this resource.

PROSPECT DEVELOPMENT

Nominator: Kathryn Janeiro



Nominee: Kate Verret
Department: Prospect Development

For always being willing to help and then seeing it through. She is a great instructor and communicator, is dependable, and very intelligent. She is a major asset to the Foundation.

Nominator: Kathryn Feehrer



Nominee: Theresa Whitehead
Department: Prospect Development

Theresa went above and beyond to research dozens of organizations and companies related to Space for planetary sciences/physics. Her profiles are always thorough yet easily digestible. Because of Theresa, we were able to uncover potential partners and philanthropic interests and intent moving forward.