

Meet Linda Weldon

Linda was born in California, but her family soon returned to their roots in Missouri where she grew up. Her family traveled throughout the U.S., often to visit family. This began her love of travel.

Linda graduated from Missouri State University with a business degree focusing in marketing and started her career with Macy's in Kansas City. She trained salespeople and advanced to buyer for home furnishings and Christmas decorations. Her role as buyer included travel to many countries throughout Europe and the Far East.

Linda later obtained her master's degree from California State University and taught buying and merchandising at a private college. She ultimately purchased the school and sold it when it was time to move on. She served as the director of education at another private college in Chicago before her career took her to Los Angeles, Washington D.C., Pensacola, and ultimately Tampa. Linda established the FAPSC Foundation to raise scholarships for the Florida Association of Post Secondary Schools and Colleges.

Linda remains busy now with travel, reading and volunteering. She has visited new places including Singapore, Cambodia, Thailand, Vietnam, and South Africa. She particularly enjoys community experiences away from the typical tourist areas. Linda especially enjoys reading suspense and mystery fiction and participates in a book club with her neighbors. She volunteers on Sundays with Nameless Ministries, providing food and clothing to those in need.



Linda serves on the Membership Committee at OLLI and is the co-chair for Circle 9. She has taken classes on the Second Generation of Holocaust Survivors, Shakespeare's Italy, and Chat GPT. She chose her classes after meeting the instructors at an Open House.

--Shirley Herring