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## "Indiana Jones Was Here" To Be Topic of First Forum of 2001

By Carol Kerster

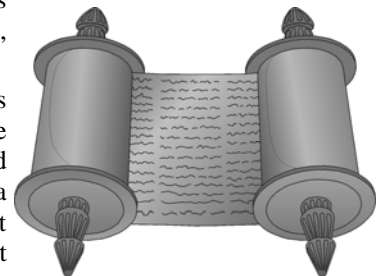
*Indiana Jones Was Here – Uncovering Secrets of the Dead Sea Scrolls* will be the topic of a forum to be presented by Dr. Bruce Zukerman, Associate Professor in the School of Religion at USC and Director of USC's archeological research collection, Wednesday, February 28th at 11:30 a.m.

While he may not be as heroic as Indiana Jones was, dashing through Petra to uncover some mythical treasure, Dr. Zukerman, world renowned scholar and interpreter of the Dead Sea Scrolls, has spent enough time in the Mid-east and uncovered more profound and relevant treasures than even Hollywood could have imagined.

Although his work of examining biblical texts is done in privacy, Dr. Zukerman was featured recently on the very public Sunday Morning Show on CBS. And we will have the privilege of hearing him talk about his extraordinary work in person at our first Forum of 2001, to be held at the Los Verdes Country Club, 7000 W. Los Verdes Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes.\*

The reservation form, which includes cost and choices for the luncheon, is included on page 3 of this newsletter.

\*Persons driving from the north are advised to drive south on Hawthorne Boulevard to Los Verdes Drive (located one block south of Crest), turn right and drive about 1/2 mile to the golf course, & park at the southernmost end of the lot.



## Think Tank Nets Ideas For More Than 60 S/D Groups

Twenty-five **Omniorians** attended this year's *Think Tank* on November 30th. As a result of their brainstorming, more than 60 ideas for possible study/discussion groups were submitted.

Offerings based on these new ideas as well as repeats of successful past offerings will be on the next ballot for proposed summer study/discussion groups.

According to Curriculum Chairman Sam Rifman, due to the large number of good suggestions, we will not be able to include all of them on the summer

ballot. Many of those not used this time may appear on a subsequent ballot.

Raffle tickets were given to the author of each idea generated at the *Think Tank*. Winner of the random drawing was Patricia Edie, who is now sporting a cap bearing the name *Think Tank*.

Sam reminds the membership that the Curriculum Committee welcomes new ideas throughout the year. Should you have an inspiration, call Sam (545-8992) and he will send you a suggestion form on which you can submit it.

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**HAPPY  
NEW YEAR!**



**OMNIOLORE PROFILE – NANCY SHANNON-SINCLAIR**

When Nancy Shannon, career nurse and published author, decided at the age of 45 to accept Bill Sinclair’s proposal of marriage, she faced a dilemma. Was she to forego her well-earned reputation as Nancy Shannon in nursing circles, or would she assume a second identity as Nancy Sinclair? Her solution? She opted to bridge her two worlds and be known thereafter as Nancy Shannon-Sinclair.

A native Pennsylvanian, Nancy came to California following graduation as an R.N. from Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Pittsburgh after being recruited by County Hospital, USC in Los Angeles. She worked towards her bachelor of science nursing degree at Pasadena City College at night from 1960 to 1964, and received her BS in nursing from Cal State LA in 1967.

Prior to going into outpatient nursing for Kaiser Southern California Permanente Medical Group in 1967 – where she remained until her retirement in 1990 – Nancy worked in the operating room at Huntington Memorial Hospital in Pasadena, was assistant head nurse at LA County General Hospital, did general practice nursing in

a physician’s office in Glendale and was pediatric nurse at Children’s Hospital, Los Angeles.

Nancy’s mentor during her years with Kaiser was Anita Bucacca, medical social worker and first wife of author Saul Bellow. Nancy’s experiences at Kaiser ranged from home care, where she taught nursing procedures to patients’ families, to serving as a preceptor for second-year medical students at the USC School of Medicine.

In 1991, she received her master of science degree in nursing from Cal State Dominguez Hills where she specialized in gerontology studies.

As a teaching nurse Nancy opened the patient education centers at Kaiser Permanente Medical Center, Los Angeles, where she started classes in radiation therapy, hysterectomy, CPR, tubal sterilization, caesarian section birth, and mastectomy. She set up programs dealing with aural rehabilitation, alcohol, hospital closed-circuit television, and oncology education.

She is author of the book *Nurses Perception of Sexuality in Older Adults*, written under her maiden name, Nancy Shannon.

While employed at Kaiser, Nancy did volunteer work at the Fairfax Avenue

Free Clinic in Los Angeles and served on the executive board of the Pasadena Free Clinic. She has also been a volunteer at the Chinese Medical School in Los Angeles.

She is a former member of the advisory board for nursing ministry at Hollywood Lutheran Church and is currently affiliated with a 15th-16th century German singing group, the Sierra Club, the Los Angeles County Art Museum, the Museum of Contemporary Art, the Friends of Torrance Library, the South Coast Botanical Cactus and Succulent Society, and Sigma Theta Tau (a nurses’ honorary society).

Her hobbies include: theatre, art, literature, travel, politics, films, music, gardening, hiking, cooking and singing.

**Use of TV And VCR**

*By Edith Garvey, Head Coordinator*

If you wish to use the TV and/or the VCR in the classroom for your presentation, please sign up in advance with your name, date and hour you will need it. A sign-up sheet for this purpose will be posted on the door of the closet where the TV is stored. This schedule will avoid any conflict problems.

**Chairmen Named**

President **Emil Raulin** has named the following chairpersons for the coming year:

Membership: **Joanne Page**; Forum Co-Chairs: **Betty Henning** and **Diana Cutler**; Communications: **Ronnie Saunders**; Head Coordinator: **Edith Garvey**; and Curriculum: **Sam Rifman**. Inasmuch as **Sam Rifman** was elected member-at-large at the annual meeting, **Anne Faass** was named to replace him in that position.

**E-Mail Update**  
 Please add the following e-mail changes to your roster:  
**Jay Belsky:** Change from:  
 tootsisdad@aol.com  
 To: tootsisdad@home.com  
**Joanne Page:** aggerbeckpage@aol.com  
**Sam Rifman:** sgrif-

**OMNIOLORE Luncheon Forum Reservation Form**

WHEN: Wednesday, February 28th – 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: **Los Verdes Country Club**  
 7000 W. Los Verdes Drive  
 Rancho Palos Verdes

Reservations are required by February 16th, please!

Please make \_\_\_\_ reservations for the **Omniole** Luncheon-Forum:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

**Luncheon Entrée Selection**

Grilled Chicken Sandwich  Chinese Chicken Salad  Both served w/soup or salad

*Luncheon \$15 apiece* Enclosed is a check for:  \$15  Other

Please make checks out to **CSUDH**, and put in the Treasurer’s box or send to George Clark, Treasurer:

**Omniole:** Attn Treasurer  
 PMB 236 – P. O. Box 7000  
 Redondo Beach, CA 90277-8710

## OMNIOLORE CALENDAR

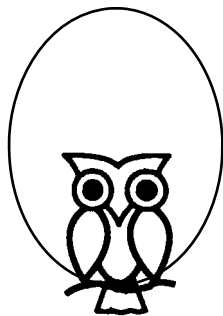
January 2 Spring Study/Discussion Groups Begin  
 3 Forum Committee Meeting – 10 a.m.  
 8 Curriculum Committee Meeting – 10:30 a.m.  
 9 Membership Committee Meeting – 10 a.m.  
 11 Board of Directors Meeting – Noon  
 12 Chess Club – 10 a.m.  
 15 Deadline: Return of S/D Suggestion Forms  
 31 Summer Course Selection Forms Distributed

February 5 Curriculum Committee Meeting – 10:30 a.m.  
 5 Forum Committee Meeting – 10 a.m.  
 8 Board of Directors Meeting – Noon  
 9 Chess Club – 10 a.m.  
 13 Membership Committee Meeting – 10 a.m.  
 14 **Valentines Day**  
 15 Input Deadline for March Newsletter  
 21 Summer Course Selection Form Return Deadline  
 28 Spring Forum



### IMPORTANT

Please Note: Calendar changes and additions may be made in one of two ways:  
 Either phone Bob Grove to reserve a room, or  
 mark the corkboard calendar in Room 7 and notify Bob Grove via e-mail.  
 Bob Grove's contact information: (310) 833-3039 – papabob111@aol.com



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