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Japanese-American Internee to be Speaker at Luncheon Forum in May

By Diana Cutler

H. E. Kamiya, one of our new **Omniole** members, will speak at the next Forum Luncheon about his experiences in a relocation center during World War II. The luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 31st at 11:30 a.m., at the Elks Club in Redondo Beach (315 Esplanade).* We hope you'll join us for a wonderful social and informative event.

After receiving his M.S. in engineering from UCLA, Mr. Kamiya worked for many years as a systems analyst for Aerospace Corporation, Northrop and RAND.

H.E. has spoken about the Japanese-American internment at many schools in Southern California. He will describe for us the challenges to the internees of returning from relocation camp and the difficulties of re-establishing their lives, as well as the lasting impact on Japanese-American families and community. H.E. will happily entertain questions from the audience.

Our lunch menu includes Ginger Chicken Delight, Rice Pilaf L'Orange, salad and dessert. The cost is \$12 per person. Your spouses and friends are invited for this amazing low price.

Please make your reservation before May 15th by filling out the reservation form on page 3, and sending it with your check made out to CSUDH, to Julian Reinheimer, **Omniole**, PMB 236, P. O. Box 7000, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-8710 (or put reservation and check in the Treasurer's box in the classroom).

*The Elks Club is at the foot of Torrance Boulevard, where Catalina and Esplanade meet. There is street parking close by and a metered parking lot adjacent to the facility at Veteran's Park.

Open House Set for May 16th

By Merle Culbert

We firmly ascribe to the thought that the best form of advertising is by word of mouth from enthusiastic users. We are launching our Spring-Summer membership drive and need all you enthusiastic **Omniole** "users" to spread the word about what a great organization **Omniole** is and the many benefits you receive from it (stimulating classes with unique subject matter and bright, friendly classmates who love to learn about and discuss fascinating subjects).

We will be holding an Open House here at the Knob Hill Community Center on Tuesday, May 16th between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

Why don't you suggest to some of your friends that they might want to drop in during that time, have a cup of coffee and a cookie, and talk to members of the membership committee who are prepared to fill them in on the details of how **Omniole** works and how to join. If you help us do a good job, it's a Win-Win situation! New members bring new ideas and we all get a wider selection of classes from which to choose at registration time. We're looking forward to meeting a lot of "friends of **Omnioleans**" on May 16th!

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Memorial Day
May 29th!



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Emil Raulin



Thanks to Merle Culbert, **Omnio** again has a Macintosh computer! Earlier this year the original Mac that we had became inoperable. The computer is used to generate some of the

forms we use, for sorting and scheduling the various study and discussion groups, and for maintaining various other records. Merle had recently upgraded her system and when she heard of our problem she donated her equipment, which is newer and has greater capability for us. Thank you Merle!

No more chains for locking the cabinets in Room 7. Thanks to Walter Skiba and Bob Grove for installing the new locking mechanisms which are neater and more secure.

Summer Study/Discussion Groups

Omnio members have selected the following twelve S/D Groups which will begin the first week of May and run to the end of August. You should have already received your S/D Group confirmation in the mail. If you have any questions about the curriculum or your registration, please contact Helen Leven at (310) 326-6512.

Name	Coordinator/Time	Description
Ancient Civilizations/ Archeology	Kathryn Josef George Muse 1st & 3rd Thurs. p.m.	This group will attempt to create an awareness of our roots by studying the ancient civilizations including those in the Fertile Crescent, India, China, and North and South America.
Great Decisions	James O'Neill 1st & 3rd Mon. p.m.	Using the core book, "Great Decisions 2000", this group will discuss eight important policy issues including U.S. Interests in the World, Russia: Report Card for Survival, Middle East Realignment and The Euro's Challenge to the Dollar.
Gardens of the Palos Verdes Peninsula	Jean Levanas 2nd & 4th Tues. p.m.	This group will enhance their botanical knowledge and develop an understanding of the mental relaxation and health benefits derived from gardening by studying the varied and unusual gardens of the Palos Verdes Peninsula.
Neil Simon's Comedy	Etta Tourkin Ronnie Saunders 1st & 3rd Wed. p.m.	Neil Simon's plays have given pleasure, laughs and tears to millions of theater goers for over 35 years. By reading many of his plays, this group will achieve an understanding of his dramatic comedy and its relevancy for the times.
Famous Trials	Sam Rifman Doris Schier 2nd & 4th Wed. p.m.	By profiling a series of notable trials, this group will attempt to understand their principal issues, outcome and relevance to our time. We will also address the question of why trials have always fascinated us.
Think Like a Genius	Alfred Bernstein Merle Culbert 1st & 3rd Tues. p.m.	Not everyone can be a genius, but we can learn to think like one and unlock the creative power within. Using the core text "How to Think Like Leonardo da Vinci" this group will be introduced to the seven da Vincian principles, essential elements of genius.
The Phenomenon of Psychoanalysis	George Crane Dorothy Fahrney 2nd & 4th Mon. p.m.	This group will look at the rise and fall of psychoanalysis. We will consider the theories of Sigmund Freud and others. Using the book "Madness on the Couch", we will attempt to address the validity of current attacks on psychoanalysis.
History of the World from the End of WW I to Present	Ed Rea 2nd & 4th Thurs. a.m.	Using "Penguin History of the World", this group will cover the period of time from the end of World War I up to the present.
Music & The Mind	Peggy Houghton 1st & 3rd Mon. a.m.	Using the core reading "Music and the Mind", this group will discuss the origins and the significance of music in an attempt to determine why human beings in all cultures create some form of melodic sound.
Mythology Session 1 Mythology Session 2	Blanch Herring 1st & 3rd Thurs. a.m. George Clark 2nd & 4th Friday p.m.	Using the core reading "Mythology" by Edith Hamilton, these two groups will revisit the stories and legends that form the bedrock of our literature. We will study both Greek and Norse mythology in an attempt to gain a deeper understanding of the myths and their influence on Western culture.
Creative Writing	Richard Myers 2nd & 4th Thurs. p.m.	These sessions will include presentations and discussions of individually chosen literary topics all oriented toward creative writing. Each member will research a number of literary forms and genres and is expected to write at least two original works for group study and discussion.

OMNIOLORE PROFILE – JOANNE PAGE

Interested in art, museums and libraries since childhood, it was no surprise that Joanne Page became an art conservator at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art after dabbling briefly in other pursuits as an adult.

Until her retirement five years ago, she was a paper conservator at LACMA, working with art forms on paper – prints, drawings, watercolors, and rare books. Since her retirement she has been doing freelance work at home for individual collectors and small museums such as the Pacific Asian Museum in Pasadena.

After growing up in Chicago, Joanne attended Northwestern University where she received her degree in theatre. In the year following graduation she went to New York to pursue an acting career, but instead found employment as a model and dancing as an extra at the Metropolitan Opera.

She quickly realized that a career on Broadway was not in the cards. Instead she married and moved to Mexico City for two years where her husband was a student at Mexico City College. While he was in college she worked as a secretary to the librarian at the college. Following his graduation, they moved to Madison, Wisconsin where he studied for his masters degree in economics and she worked as a secretary. Following his graduation,

they moved to Connecticut. During their four years in Hartford, their two daughters were born.

In 1963 they moved to California and settled in Rancho Palos Verdes. A perpetual student, Joanne was always taking classes, and along the way picked up a bachelors degree in art history at Cal State Dominguez Hills and enrolled in museum study classes offered by UCLA Extension. Meanwhile, Joanne volunteered at the Palos Verdes Art Center. She and a friend installed all the exhibits there for a number of years.

When a family friend who is an authority on art of the Asian Steppes served as a consultant at LACMA, she heard of an internship that she recommended Joanne look into.

Joanne began her career at LACMA in 1978 in the technical services department as assistant preparator. Her work involved installation of exhibitions and preparation of exhibitions.

During this time Joanne completed bookbinding classes at UCLA and began thinking in terms of working in the conservation department – which restores art work in collections and also concerns itself with storage, light levels, humidity, and temperature in the galleries and storage areas.

She started work in the conservation lab as a research assistant responsible for library conservation, assisting the conservators when they needed help.

She particularly loved bookbinding. After three years as an apprentice in the paper lab, she was named assistant conservator, and remained in that position until her retirement.

A recent newcomer to **Omniole**, Joanne is program chairman for the California chapter of the Guild of Bookworkers, a professional organization for people in book arts. She takes Tai Chi classes., is a member of the Movable Book Society (which deals with antique pop-up books) and attends the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon each year. Next month she will travel to Telluride, Colorado to attend a class in gold tooling by hand, sponsored by the American Academy of Bookbinders.

An artist and writer as well as a bookbinder, Joanne has written, illustrated and bound the book, “Mrs. Noah’s Plan,” a children’s book dealing with the saving of the plants during the flood by Noah’s wife whom Joanne says “never received enough credit for her contribution.”

Welcome – new member Naomi Cosgrove!
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Fritz Runge Kicks Off Forum Series

By Ellen Bradford

Kicking off the Forum series for the year 2000 was a talk by Fritz Runge, retired director of the McDonnell Douglas international space station program.

At a meeting held at the Raffaello Restaurant in San Pedro on Leap Day, February 29th, Runge gave an update on space activities in earth orbit – manned and unmanned. He traced his own personal experiences in such pioneering projects, and he spoke of the space station evolution and how the future station will be used.

While the U.S. was involved in the lunar landing project, the Soviets developed MIR, a space station that is still in orbit. The next big space station will be sponsored by an international group. Its payloads will include micro gravity industrial research and products,

OMNIOLORE Luncheon Forum

WHEN: Wednesday, May 31st – 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: **Redondo Elks Club**
 315 Esplanade
 Redondo Beach

*Reservations are
 required by May 15th.
 please!*

Please make ____ reservations for the **Omniole** Luncheon-Forum:

Name: _____
(Please Print)

Phone #: _____
(Please Print)

Enclosed is a check for: \$12 \$24 Other

Please make checks out to **CSUDH**, and send to:

Omniole: Attn Treasurer
 PMB 236 – P. O. Box 7000
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May	1	Topic Suggestion Forms Distributed
	1	Forum Committee Meeting
	1	Curriculum Committee Meeting
	2	Membership Committee Meeting
	5	Chess Group
	11	Board of Directors Meeting
	15	Distribution of Summer Roster Addendum
	15	Deadline on Return of Topic Suggestion Forms
	27	New Member Deadline on Membership Fee
	31	Forum Luncheon
31	Registration Forms Distributed	

June	2	Forum Committee Meeting
	5	Curriculum Committee Meeting
	5	Membership Committee Meeting
	7	Coordinators' Training
	8	Chess Group
	8	Board of Directors Meeting

OMNILORE CALENDAR 2000

*Mother's Day
Sunday
May 14th*

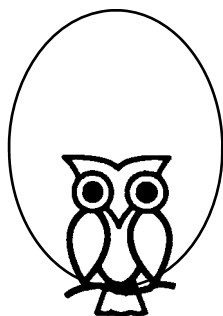
*Father's Day
Sunday
June 18th*



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 – papabob!!!@aol.com



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OMNIOLORE ANNUAL MEETING

WHEN: Thursday, October 21, 1999 @ 11:15a.m.
WHERE: Torrance Hilton Hotel (rooftop Horizon Room)
21333 Hawthorne Boulevard, Torrance

Reservations are required by October 14th, but please help our planning by reserving right now!!

ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS

Please make _____ reservations for the Omnimore Luncheon and Annual Meeting

NAME: _____ Phone # _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ for _____ people at \$20.00 per person

Lunch selection: Asian Chicken Salad _____ Eggplant Parmesan _____

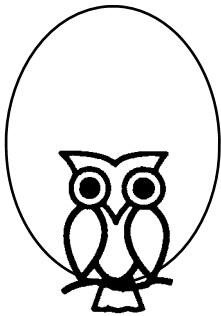
I cannot attend. Please send an absentee ballot to:

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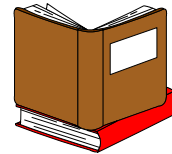
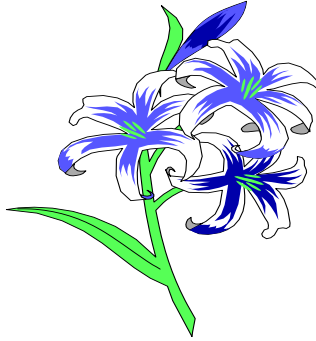
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 To anyone preparing information for the newsletter, If your article is composed on an IBM compatible computer it would be greatly appreciated if you would submit on a 3 1/2 or 5 1/4 disk with a notation as to software used. If you have any questions please call Ginger Engstrom 832-7333



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