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FIRST ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR OCTOBER 29TH

OMNILORE will hold its first annual meeting Thursday, October 29th at the Velvet Turtle, 3210 Sepulveda Boulevard, Torrance. Following the 11:30 am business meeting, luncheon will be served.

Highlights of the business meeting will be the election of officers and the adoption of the by-laws. (Advanced copies of the proposed by-laws will be available in the Classroom Kloset for members to review and initial.) The newly elected officers will be installed in January.

Our luncheon speaker will be Dr. Richard Palmer, Dean of Social & Behavioral Sciences at Cal State Dominguez Hills. He will speak on the American Political Challenge in the

Transition to the 21st Century. Cost of the luncheon including tax and tip will be \$11. Members will have their choice of chef salad or grilled chicken sandwich. Dessert and beverage are included.

Persons planning to attend the luncheon are asked to fill out the reservation form on page 4 and return to Margaret Koch, Membership Chairman, 645 Paseo de la Playa #208, Redondo Beach, Ca. 90277. Please return the form by October 15th.

If you cannot attend and wish to obtain a proxy, check the appropriate box and one will be mailed to you.

For more information call **OMNILORE** at (310) 540-6011 or Margaret Koch at (310) 373-9979.

WANTED!

A FEW GOOD MEN AND WOMEN

The Nominating Committee is looking for those members who are interested in serving as an officer of **OMNILORE** in 1993.

Ethel Allen, as president elect for 1992, will serve as president for the 1993 term. The other officers currently being considered by the Nominating Committee include:

Vice President/ President Elect :	John Taber
Treasurer:	Genevieve Carlisle
Secretary:	Peggy Houghton
Members-at-large:	Burt Cutler
	Joyce Zima

Serving as an officer will put you in a position to assist in the decision making of **OMNILORE**. Here is an opportunity to get involved, to share your ideas and have input into the running of the organization.

Persons wishing to run for office or nominate candidates are asked to call Will Graham, Nominating Chairman at (310) 541-3045.



NEW ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER

OMNILORE has acquired a mailing address and official phone number. Mail may be sent to
 OMNILORE CSUDH
 P.O. Box 7000-236
 Redondo Beach, Ca. 90277
 Phone messages may be left at
 (310) 540-6011

STAGGERED CLASSES

This fall classes are being held on alternate weeks so that persons interested in taking more than one class will find it more convenient to do so.

THINK ABOUT IT!

Change is inevitable!
 Growth is optional!

CLASSROOM KLOSET EXPANDS FUNCTION

Once only a haven for coffee supplies, name tags and coordinators supplies, the classroom closet located in Room 7 has taken on expanded responsibilities this fall. Neat mail boxes, appropriately marked, serve as receptacles for messages to committee chairs and coordinators. A corner of a shelf has been set aside for the **OMNILORE** answering machine and a library box has been added for members' book contribution.

If you have a text from a completed study/discussion group or a good dictionary or reference book that you would like to contribute please have your coordinator put your contribution in the Classroom Kloset. Anyone who wishes to swap paperback books is also invited to "put and take" in the Swap Box.

Also note coffee supplies have been moved to the closet to the left to make room for our new communication center.

LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION!

If you spot a tall man with a white beard pointing a videocamera at you in the parking lot or in a classroom, ignore him and go on with what you were doing or saying. **OMNILORE** member Bob Saunders will be shooting footage over the next few months for a documentary he is producing, "**Omnilore in Action**". When finalized, the video will be shown over Torrance cable television.

Any **OMNILORE** member who wishes to volunteer to work on TV production is invited to contact Daryl Creighton, TV Chairman at (310) 377-7645. Daryl is looking for script writers and cameramen who have their own camcorders.

SOCIAL NOTES

Last newsletter we told you about the proposed Bridge Group and the Hot Topics Group. The newest special interest groups under consideration are a Theatre Group and a Concert Group. Persons interested in participating in any or all of these groups please call:

Elsie Schulman (310) 378-2572

CALENDAR

October 1st	Deadline for Spring Study/Discussion Suggestions
October 8th	Board of Directors Meeting
October 10-19th	Distribution of Spring Ballots and Registration Forms
October 12th	Publication of Nominees for Officers of OmniLore
October 12th	Publication of Agenda for Annual Meeting
October 29th	1st Annual Meeting and Election of Officers
November 5th	Deadline for Spring Registration
November 12th	Board of Directors Meeting
November 15th	Cutoff for December Newsletter
November 26th	Thanksgiving
November 30th	Spring Coordinators Conferences Start
December 10th	Board of Directors Meeting

A SUCCESSFUL SUMMER DISCUSSION GROUP

One summer discussion group recently completed the topic, "Explorations in the Problems and History of Mathematics". The topic was proposed in the hope that there were people, not too intimidated by math in their earlier schooling, who retained a curiosity about the lives of mathematicians, the problems these mathematicians probed and why they were so captivated by their work. It was also hoped that these people could share in the fun and discovery of new insights along the way. As the meetings progressed participants were entertained and enlightened by techniques of rapid calculation and why they work, what calculus is all about, what happens when a Moebius strip is cut in various ways, what is the essence of non-Euclidean geometry and a host of other interesting items.

At the last meeting of the group each attendee was asked to give a short commentary on his reaction to the topic and whether or not he had fun in taking part. Though participants were not told ahead of time, unofficial grades were given based on the fun derived from participating. It is a pleasure to report that no one received less than a "B" and one member said she deserved at least an "A +"

There is a moral to this tale. No subject is too far out to propose as a discussion topic if one is truly interested in pursuing it. If the subject is well thought out and described it is likely to attract others who share in enthusiasm for it. Finally if it is accepted as a discussion topic, there can be rich rewards in growth and pleasure for those who participate

John Taber

(This is the first in a series of guest editorials to be written by OMNILORE members)

SUMMER 1993 INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

The Roman Way

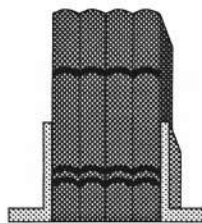
The Elderhostel Institute Network is sponsoring a unique study travel program for the Summer of 1993. *The Roman Way* is a course in two parts, First a course of preparatory study will focus on historical, political and literary aspects of the Roman experience, from Republican time to the modern day. Participants in part two will take up residence in Rome from June 20-July 3, 1993 and explore artistic and architectural innovations from the ancients and early Christian/Medieval periods through the Renaissance and Baroque eras. Estimated cost for the two week program is \$2,950 - \$3,250.

The program is open to all affiliate Institute members; the requisite pre-study may be done as part of the affiliate Institute's curriculum or on an independent study basis. However, study group participants will receive priority for registration in the residential program.

The Roman Way pre-study program will be on the proposed list of candidates for **OMNILORE** spring study/discussion group topics. Whether it is offered will depend on the interest shown by our membership.

If you are interested in attending this unique Institute offering or just interested in the preparatory study make sure to vote for this topic when it appears on your Spring ballot.

Contact Ethel Allen at (310) 373-7993 for additional information or a full description of this program.



OMNILORE members who wish to receive a 10% discount on the books used for **OMNILORE** study/discussion groups just have to mention they are from **OMNILORE** when they buy their books at the Walden Book store located in the Del Amo Mall near Robinsons. Be sure to ask for Terry Baur, manager when requesting your discount!

COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH

Keeping **OMNILORE** running requires the work of not just the officers, but of several committee chairmen and their hard working members. Committees are always on the lookout for interested volunteers. To help you discover the spot or spots where your interests match the organization's needs we will, from time to time, spotlight the various committees; their functions and activities.

COLLOQUIUM COMMITTEE

A committee currently in the planning stages under the chairmanship of Tom Woods is the colloquium committee. This committee hopes to present half-day programs that will explore, in depth, topics of current broad interest. Invited experts from the university faculty will be featured in panel discussions. Advanced readings will be suggested for persons who wish to join in the audience participations portion of the program.

Welcome to OmniLore News.

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep our membership informed of the activities of the OmniLore Society and our affiliate organizations A&IROW and Elderhostel Institute.

This is your newsletter; let us know what you would like to see on these pages. We need your comments on both content and format to make this a quality product.

BOOK DISCOUNT



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OMNIOLORE CELEBRATION & ANNUAL MEETING

WHEN: Thursday, October 29, 1992 @ 11:30am

WHERE: Velvet Turtle
3201 W. Sepulveda Blvd.
Torrance, Ca.

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Richard Palmer
Dean of Social & Behavioral Sciences at Cal State Dominguez Hills
"The American Political Challenge in the Transition to the 21st Century"

Reservations are required - by October 15th please!

ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS

Please make _____ reservations for the Omnilore Luncheon and Annual Meeting

NAME: _____ Phone # _____

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ for _____ people at \$11.00 per person

Lunch selection: Chef Salad _____ Chicken Sandwich _____

I cannot attend. Please send a proxy to

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ Phone # _____

Send to: Margaret Koch
Membership Chairman
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