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JUDICIAL SYSTEM TO BE TOPIC OF SEPTEMBER 13TH COLLOQUIUM

"Current threats to the California Judicial System" will be the topic of Omnilore's second colloquium. Justice Edward A. Hinz, Jr., recently retired from the California Appellate Court, will be guest speaker.

The colloquium will be held Wednesday, September 13 at 10:30 a.m. (please note time change) in Meeting Room A on the second floor of the new Redondo Beach Central Library, 303 N. Pacific Coast Highway.

A graduate of UCLA, Judge Hinz received his J.D. degree from the Hastings College of Law. He was admitted to the California Supreme Court bar in 1962 and to the United States Supreme Court bar in 1966. He has also served as a member of the U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; and the

Northern, Eastern and Central Districts of the U.S. District Court.

Prior to his retirement last year as justice of the state court of appeals, he served as judge of the California superior court, judge of the Los Angeles municipal court, chief assistant attorney general in charge of the criminal law division, and deputy attorney general.

He has served on task forces dealing with appellate court workload and on improvement of prosecutions, courts, and law reforms, on numerous committees of the superior court and court of appeals, and was co-founder and vice president of the National Association of Extradition Officials.

Reservations for the colloquium may be made by calling either Ethel Allen, 373-7993, or Fred Keifer, 377-6286. A question and answer session will follow the talk. Refreshments will be served.

ELDERHOSTEL FOUNDER TO BE GUEST SPEAKER AT OMNILORE ANNUAL MEETING OCTOBER 26

Marty Knowlton, founder of Elderhostel, will be guest speaker at Omnilore's annual meeting next month.

The meeting will take place Thursday, October 26 at 11:30 a.m. at Charley Brown's Restaurant, 665 North Harbor Drive, Redondo Beach.

Highlights of the business meeting will be the election of officers and the adoption of by-law changes. (Advanced copies of proposed by-law changes will be available in the Classroom Kiosket for members to review.)

Cost of the luncheon including tax and tip will be \$15. Members will have their choice of cobb salad or marinated spring chicken. Dessert and beverage are included.

Persons planning to attend the luncheon are asked to fill out the reservation form on page 4 and return by October 12 to Gloria Jacobs, Treasurer, at 5206 Via El Sereno, Torrance, Ca. 90505. **Checks should be made out to Friends of Omnilore (not Omnilore).**

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

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Nine Courses to be Offered This Fall

In an attempt to more closely align Omnimore study/discussion sessions with the semester schedule of Cal State Dominguez Hills, fall meetings will get under way the week of September 5. The fall session will end December 31.

Nine courses will be offered this fall. They include:

- Moral Issues, meeting the second and fourth Thursday from 1 to 3 p.m.
- Humor, meeting the first and third Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Jazz, meeting the first and third Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
- Chaos Revisited, meeting the first and third Monday from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Greek Mythology, meeting the first and third Monday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- The Writers Workshop, meeting the first and third Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m.
- The Federal Reserve Board, meeting the first and third Thursday from 2 to 4 p.m.
- Modern Drama, meeting the first and third Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon
- Western Philosophy, meeting the first and third Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m.

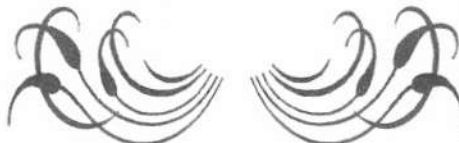
Current Topics Discussion

Thursday, September 21, 1995
12:00 to 2:00 PM

While Marilyn Denno is away enjoying her husband's recent retirement, John Taber will lead the Current Topics Discussions. Starting September 21, 1995 and the third Thursday of each month thereafter from 12:00 noon to 2:00 PM we will discuss a different topic of current interest. This September's meeting will cover the following subject:

The U.S. economy, once the pride of the world, has been losing ground relative to other nations for several years. Have we lost our ability to compete? Are our social programs, environmental restrictions, defense, national debt, etc. strangling us? What are our near and long term expectations and what corrective actions can we take to preserve our standard of living and our status in the world?

Bring your lunch and join us.



Contributor's Corner

Life Lessons

In scarred wooden desks,
Swirly iron legs,
Little circle openings
At the right hand corner
We dipped our pens
To practice Palmer Method circles
On blue lined paper
Chalk dust cascaded down
Shafts of light touching
Earnest fourth grade faces.
In front the oak clock jumped
And clicked its way
Toward recess,
Our time to learn
The other lessons
On the playground,
Lessons for all years,
Of bully boys,
Unkind whispers,
Picking friends and
Taking turns,
Fifteen minutes twice
A day to learn
Life skills
A teacher couldn't teach.

by Colleen Welch
June 1995

CALENDAR

September 5	Fall Semester Begins
September 7	Board of Directors' Meeting
September 13	Fall Colloquium, Redondo Beach Central Library
September 25	Rosh Hashanah
September 29	Deadline for Annual Membership Fee — all members
October 4	Yom Kippur
October 5	Board of Directors' Meeting
October 9-10	Distribution of Spring S/D topic ballots and registration forms
October 9	Publication of Agenda for Annual Meeting
October 16	Deadline for November Newsletter
October 26	Annual Meeting & Election of Officers
October 27	Deadline for Spring S/D Registration
November 2	Board of Directors' Meeting — Swearing in of Officers
November 23	Thanksgiving
November 13-17	Spring Coordinators Conferences with Curriculum Committee



Omniole Profiles

Ginger Engstrom

Co-Editor, Omniole Newsletter

by Ronnie Saunders

Ginger Engstrom, co-editor of the Omniole Newsletter, began her formal education in a one-room country schoolhouse in new Lebanon, N.Y. and wound up her professional life as a globe-trotting industrial spy for a major corporation.

Born in 1937, Ginger moved across the state border eight years later to Chicopee, Massachusetts where she remained until graduation from high school.

She attended the University of Massachusetts in Amherst for two years majoring in chemistry but dropping out at the end of her sophomore year to marry. Following a divorce a few years later, she kept busy raising her daughter Kathy, working full time, completing her education, teaching Sunday school and serving as a leader of the local Brownie troop.

She finally earned her bachelor's degree in liberal arts in 1962 and moved to San Francisco where she went to work for Levi Strauss in the newly-emerging field of computers. After six years as a computer programmer, she became frustrated by the gender discrimination that was prevalent at many companies in the 60's, quit her job, and was hired by Citizen's Federal Savings and Loan to implement one of the first on-line teller systems in the country. In the course of implementing the system she met Lynn Engstrom, the IBM representative on the account, married him in 1970 and moved to Los Angeles where he was then based.

For the next 18 years she worked in various computer-related fields, most of them with Xerox Corporation, moving from systems programming to business and market planning. The last 5+ years were spent as manager of the business intelligence/competitive evaluation department analyzing the plans of companies engaged in businesses similar to Xerox. The work involved travel throughout the United States, Europe and Japan. She retired in 1989.

Traveling and sailing have always been the Engstrom's favorite pas-

times. While still working she and Lynn visited the Galapagos Islands, Turkey, Greece, France and other parts of Europe.

Lynn spent 12 years building their dream sailboat, the 32 ft. "Thousand Summers" which was launched in 1986. Since retiring they try to spend approximately a week a month sailing the local coastal waters.

Since retiring, Ginger has spent time learning how to cook (something she neglected during her working years) and investigating the genealogy of her family.

With reading a top interest, involvement on Omniole was a natural. Computers are still very much a part of her life. She finds recipes and the answers to cooking questions on the food/recipe bulletin boards, has found unknown "cousins" on the genealogy bulletin boards and considers the computer her right hand for much of her Omniole research.

Ginger and Lynn have a combined family of two daughters, one son and one grandson, with a granddaughter due in October.



Annual Membership Fees Due Now for All Members

Continuing and new enrollment fees are now due and payable, \$75 for individuals and \$120 for couples. If you have any questions please call Gloria Jacobs, Treasurer at (310) 378-3206.

Attention:

Coordinators & Co-ordinators Don't forget you are eligible to have expenses reimbursed through CSUDH for classroom materials. Receipts are required and should be placed in the Treasurer's box in the Classroom Klostet in Room 7. If you have any questions please call Gloria Jacobs, Treasurer at (310) 378-3206.

Hikers to Organize

People who have participated in Omniole's picnic/walks for the past several months

have enjoyed pleasant conversation and a chance to explore parts of



Palos Verdes not known to many people. These people plus other that might be interested in future outings are invited to attend a discussion/luncheon at John Taber's house on Friday, September 22, 1995 at noon. Bring your main course but drinks and a dessert will be provided.

To make our group more accessible and attractive, several people have suggested that we walk before our lunch and that we meet on a different day. Another suggestion is to ask for a small yearly fee to cover the cost of mailing announcements about a week ahead of each event. These and other issues will be discussed and resolved. If any attendees are interested, we could take a short walk after the meeting. For those who have not been to Taber's house, access can be tricky. Please call (310) 831-4768 for instructions and any additional information.

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Comments and input can be sent to



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OMNIOLORE CELEBRATION & ANNUAL MEETING

WHEN: Thursday, October 26, 1995 @ 11:30am
 WHERE: Charley Brown's
 665 N. Harbour Drive
 Redondo Beach, Ca.

Reservations are required - by October 12th 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 \$15 per person

Lunch selection: Cobb Salad _____ Marinated Spring Chicken _____

I cannot attend. Please send an absentee ballot to:

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ Phone # _____

Please Make Out Checks to "Friends of Omnilore"

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