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## STATE CHAMPS!



**NUMBER ONE!** — Falcon baseball coach George Horton is carried off the field in triumph after Cerritos defeated College of the Canyons 14-3 in the state championship game. At left, Jeff Piland lofts Bill Mosiello in victory enthusiasm.

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## Vaudeville musical 'Chicago' in rehearsal

By STELLA AGUILAR  
Staff Writer

Vaudeville musical "Chicago" is in rehearsal for a July 19 opening in Cerritos College's Burnight Center Theatre.

The major summer production is being staged in conjunction with the Southern California Conservatory Theatre. It features a cast of 25, consisting of both professional and student actors, selected from over 100 hopefuls.

Six performances of the roaring 20's play will be presented.

Cerritos theatre prof Georgia Well is directing the show, for which she also serves as choreographer.

Bob Fosse and Fred Ebb wrote the play. Music is by John Kander and lyrics by Ebb.

The cast is headed by Rhonda Berry who plays main character Roxie Hart, a scheming chorine who murders her lover and gets away with it to become the toast of the town.

Her accomplice Velma Kelly is played by Teresa Brown. For sake of their stage career, they try to capitalize on pre-trial publicity, along with their hopes of acquittal.

Other cast members are played by Travis Holden, William McNeil, Monica Wedlock, Regan Talley, Robin Fleming, and Doreen Wiley.

The theme of the story focusses on attitudes, how they are formed, and how they remain unchanged.

"Chicago" has a jazz score which contains such numbers as "Class," "Razzle Dazzle," and "All That Jazz."

General admission is \$7.50. Students pay \$6.50 with current ASCC identification cards. Senior citizens rate is \$5.

The show runs July 19, 20, 26, and 27 at 8 p.m. Performances on July 21 and 28 are at 5 p.m.

## 2nd sessions sign-ups open this Thursday

Registration begins Thursday for both the 8-week intrasession and the second 5 1/2 week summer session, according Director of Admissions Lynn Hanks.

The second 8-week period, which is designed to help accommodate late graduating high school students and others, will run from June 24 to Aug. 15.

Classes start July 10 for the second 5 1/2 week offerings.

Intents to register for fall can be filed now, Hanks said.

Fall sign-ups start Aug. 7. Semester classes get under way Aug. 19.

Because of the several sessions this summer, enrollment comparisons are not yet available. However, figures appear to be running slightly lower than last year.

## Mermaid to make 'Splash' tonight

By LIZ ARCALAS  
TM Staff Writer

High-grossing mermaid movie "Splash" shows tonight at 7 and 9 in Burnight Theater.

Admission is free to ASCC card holders.

One guest per card will be admitted.

The sparkling comedy stars Tom Hanks,

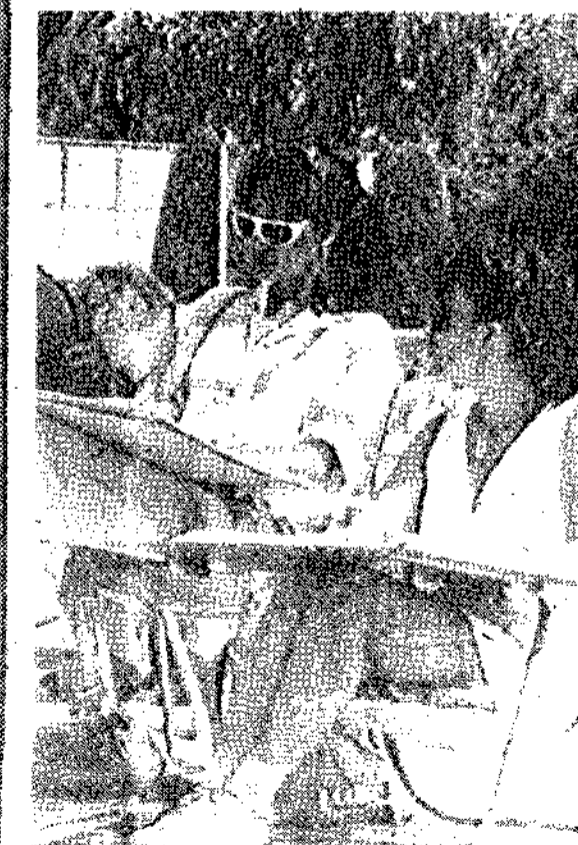
John Candy, Darly Hannah, and Eugene Levy.

Hanks plays a successful businessman who feels life and love have passed him by — until one day he falls in love with a mysterious beauty who turns out to be a mermaid.

The romantic comedy was directed by well-known actor Ron Howard.



TM Photos by LIZ ARCALAS and BOB YOUNG



## Summer Art

Professor George Deremo directs as art students capture campus with brush of pen....



# Baseball rolls to title via 14-2 rout

By TERRY SPENCER  
TM Staff Writer

It would be too easy to explain the Cerritos College baseball team winning its seventh state championship as a matter of overwhelming talent.

Their 6-0 record in the tourney, capped by a 14-3 mauling of College of the Canyons in the championship game on June 5 at Cal-State Fullerton, will be evidence enough for some that they triumphed by pummeling the opposition with superior players.

The fact that four of their players were selected in the Free Agent Draft of the major leagues that same week, two in the first round, will further lead the uninitiated observer to that conclusion.

And on the surface that finding would be correct — the Falcons were the most physically gifted team in the state this year.

But that shouldn't obliterate the fact that they also were hungry, well coached, and even a little lucky.

"As a coach you set goals at the beginning of the season," said first year skipper George Horton. "Regardless of where you finish, what you're trying to reach is the maximum potential for your team and I felt that this team's maximum potential was nothing short of a state championship."

He felt that his assistant coaches did a "good job bringing out the potential" but that it was the "players who did all of the work."

"Baseball is sometimes looked on as an individual sport," Horton noted, "but we don't feel that way. Sometimes players get caught up in winning individual awards, but our guys put that secondary. We have a lot of unselfish type players, who realize that if they play well as a team the awards will take care of themselves."

In the luck department, the Falcons only lost one starter to injury during the season and that for only a single non-conference game.

The Falcons opened up the championship game by chasing Cougar starter Frank Halovich, California's Community College Player of the Year, from the mound with a five run first inning.

With one out, Ron Ewart singled and Craig Worthington was hit by a pitch. Bob Esquerra struck out, but Scott Wilkinson walked to fill the bases.

Quinn Mack then lined a single to left, scoring Ewart and Worthington. After Tony Trevino was hit by a pitch, Ever Magallanes drilled a triple to left-center, and the bells began tolling in Cougarville.

Canyons scratched for a run in the second, but any further hopes were erased when the Falcons came back to score in the bottom half when Worthington singled home Ewart.

Canyons eventually sent five pitchers to the mound in an unsuccessful attempt to squash the Cerritos bats, which collected 12 hits.

Falcon starter John Rodriguez went the distance, scattering five hits while striking out seven.

Cerritos had reached the finals by downing Lany College 4-0, Al Osuna posting the shutout, Canyons 5-4, and Marin 8-3.

This followed a sweep of the best of three qualifier against Citrus 5-4 and 8-7.

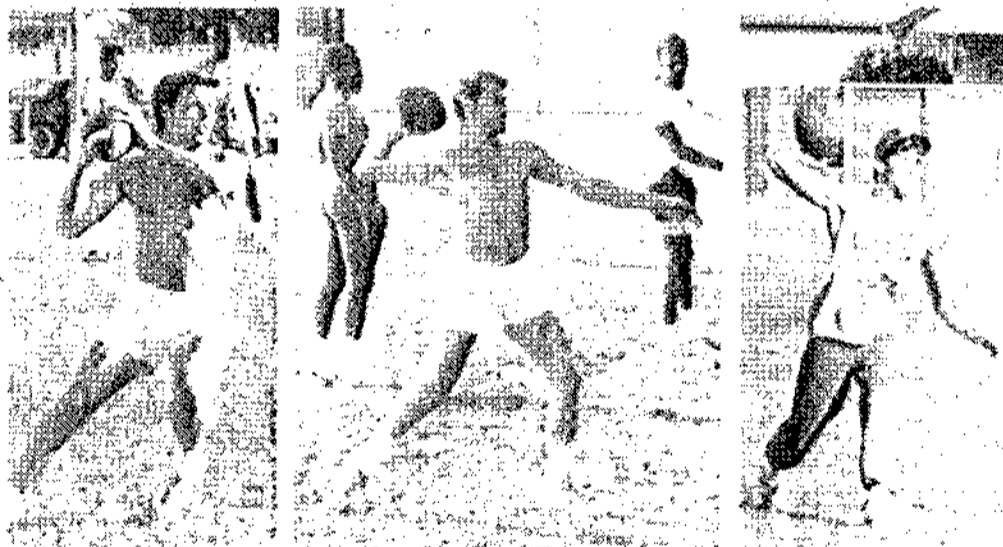
Worthington and Ewart were the number nine and 10 picks respectively in the country in the secondary phase of the draft. Worthington was selected by the Baltimore Orioles, while Ewart went to the Chicago Cubs.

In the regular phase, Osuna was chosen by the San Diego Padres and Wilkinson by the Minnesota Twins.

Several players are currently being courted by the various four year schools.

## Football gears up for fall crusade

TM Photos  
by BOB YOUNG



QUARTERBACK TOSS-UP — Sophomores Tony Loey and Andy Konieczka, and frosh Stuart Betty are in the running for this year's signal calling spot.

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Staff Writer

"We're as good physically as we have ever been," states an optimistic head football coach Frank Mazzotta, as he observes his team's summer practice.

Last year's team, which finished fourth in the highly talked about new PAC-9, the "super conference" with a 6-3 record, is gone, but that doesn't mean forgotten.

At the quarterback position, which is still up in the air, returners Tony Loey (Mater Dei) and Andy Konieczka (Anaheim) seem to be holding a two-man race to try and replace Andy Movsesian. If both should falter, Mazzotta has highly-touted La Mirada High star Stuart Betty, and Washington

D.C. transplant Adam Bryant, who attended Orange Coast last year.

Last year's leading rusher, Keith McCoy (767 yards All-League), returns with sophomores Paul Backes and Robert Jackson vying for the fullback spot.

"Our offensive line may be as good as two years ago," said Mazzotta.

Returning starter Anthony Pena, all 6-5 270 pounds of him, will team with 6-2 230 Paul Seger, who Mazzotta says, "could be the best center we have ever had."

Frank Thompson (6-4 250) will help anchor one side, while Steve Franciosi and freshman Jack Francis round out what was supposed to be the weak spot of the Falcons last year.

Replacing wide receivers Wendell Peoples (23 receptions 385 yards All-League) and Stan Carraway (27-480) could be the toughest job for Mazzotta, but he has a few tricks up his sleeve.

"This guy is the clone of Wendell," said Mazzotta, referring to Cerritos High grad Anthony Williams.

Returning to try and capture the open positions will be Chris Perez, Scott Baumgartner and Rendwick Helaire.

Errol Payne (Lynwood) will also see some action, as he has impressed Mazzotta so far.

Freshman tight end Todd Taylor (LB Wilson) will try to fill the shoes of either Tony Bevaqua or Chris Dugan, who shared duties last year.

Anchoring the defense will be returning linebacker Rich Schoenberger from Lakewood.

Schoenberger, a 6-0 240 middle linebacker was one of the keys to the Falcon's stingy defense last year.

Attempting to replace departed linebacker Jon McMaster, will be Brian Borza (Gahr), who saw some action last year.

Mazzotta has a lot of defensive backs to choose from, including sophomores Robert Lan, Alvin Galloway, Kelvin Miles, Mike Lopez and Anthony Drawhorn, a transfer from Mt. SAC.

The defensive line will include returners Frank Pulice (Covina), John Pukini (Pius X) and Jim Zoeteway (Valley Christian).

With the best conference in the nation (PAC-9) in front of them, Coach Mazzotta will need a healthy squad throughout the year, with consistent production week in and week out.

## Don't take Financial Aid for granted: file

By MICHELE CORELLA  
TM Staff Writer

The Financial Aid Department is currently accepting 85-86 financial aid applications for the five federal aid programs.

All applicants who have applied before the deadline, May 10, will be considered priority students and will be reviewed first. Late applicants will be reviewed after priority students and their loan will be determined on the first come first serve basis.

To qualify for financial aid, a student must, 1) demonstrate financial need, 2) be enrolled in six units or more, 3) be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-resident and 4) maintain satisfactory progress in a degree certificate or transfer program to a four year college.

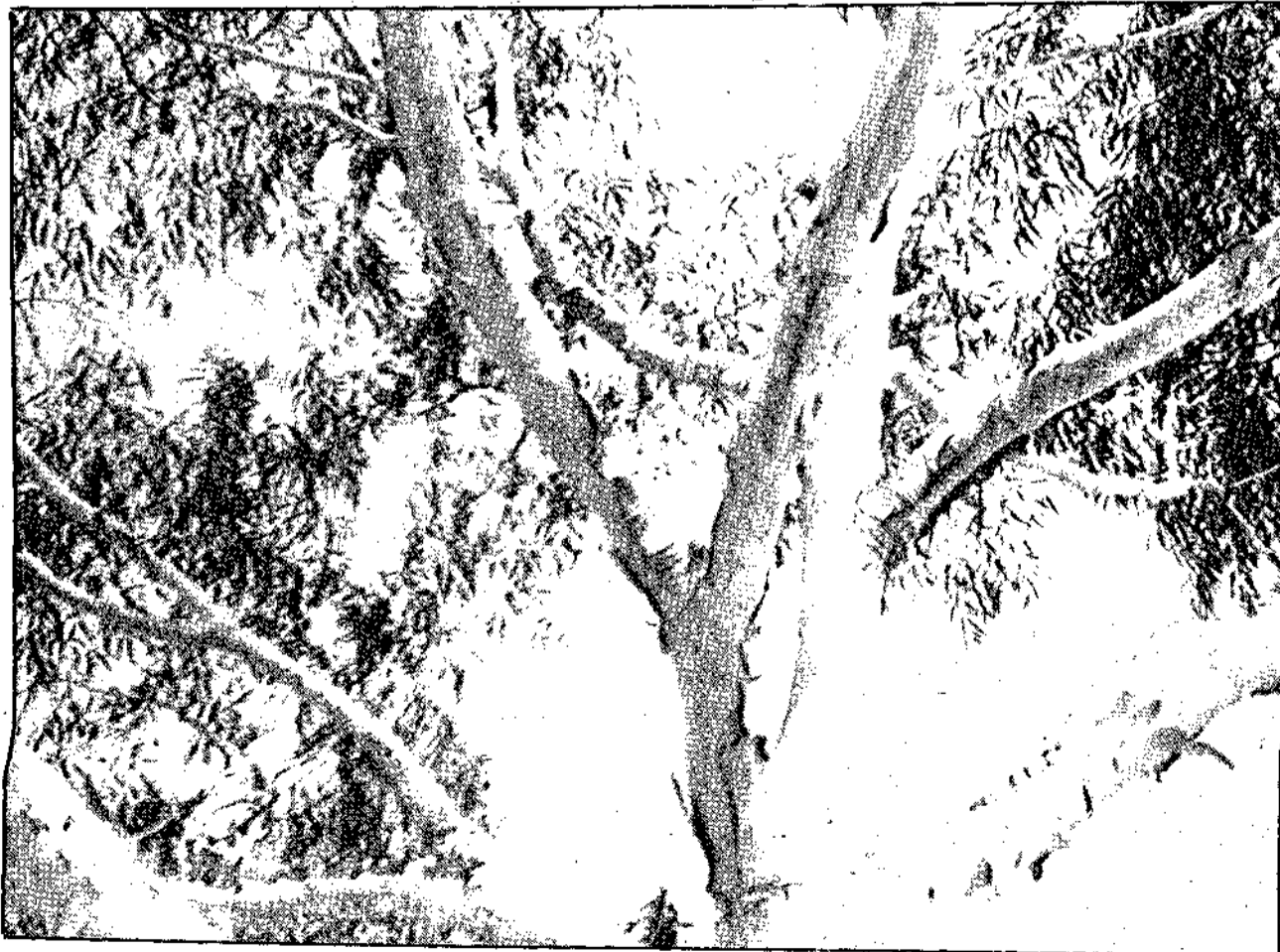
New to the Financial Aid Department is the Cal Grant "B" awards.

The department will be handing out 250 of these awards to community college students who are transferring to a four year college or university in September 1985.

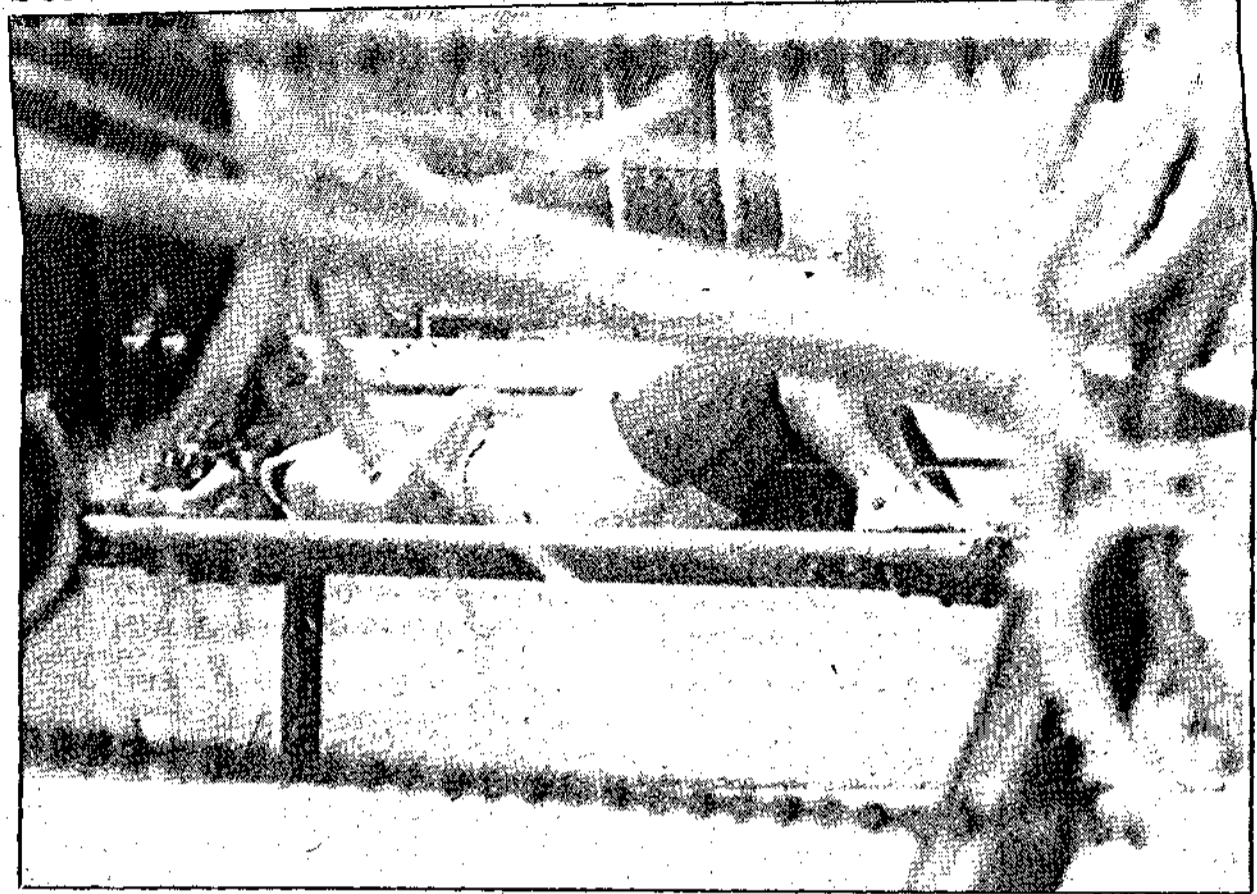
Students qualifying for the grant must meet the following criteria: 1) demonstrate financial need, 2) complete Student Aid Application for California (SAAC) or an Additional College Request form (ACR). If student already applied for a Cal Grant A, B, C, or Bilingual Teacher Grant, it's unnecessary to complete the SAAC again. 3) Meet the Cal Grant B disadvantage/low income family criteria of Student Aid Commission, and 4) not be currently and previously been awarded a Cal Grant award.

Applicants are asked to apply by July 15, 1985 in the Financial Aid office located by the Student Center or call the office for more information.

**SUMMER TREE** by JOAN DECKER



## SUMMER SNOOZE by BOB YOUNG



## Summertime, an' the livin' is blah...

By SANDY PIPER  
TM Staff Writer

Ahh...summer!

A time for being far away from home and school.

A time for soaking up rays that turn "three-season" white skin into "one-season" of golden-brown tan.

A time for things I was too busy to do during the school year...cleaning my room, getting to know the family strangers I've been living with all semester...

Yea, summer.

The mere mention of the word during any other

season sends me wishing it were here tomorrow.

Even now, I'm cooling off. By mid-July, I'll wish it had never sprung after spring.

I find myself fantasizing of some freak snow storm, and actually believing it will happen (heat does some strange things to the mind).

Don't get me wrong, I love this season tremendously. Heck, my birthday is in it, but one can only take so much of a good thing.

The beach turns into a place of danger when all I come home with is a bright red glow and a jar of Noxema.

Anticipating fall registration is something I thought I'd never do.

But when boredom sets in, what's left? Ahh...summer.

Here's to fall.

Ahh fall.

## Find a job in Job Placement

By MICHELE CORELLA  
TM Staff Writer

The Job Placement Center may just have a job for you.

All that is required is that you are currently enrolled at Cerritos College. Whether you are going to Summer school or attended the past Spring, you are entitled to use the Job Placement service, free of charge.

How do you go about finding these jobs? Well first you look at the job cards located by the Student Center in front of the Job Placement office. If you see something you like, you fill out an application for the Job Placement records. You then want to *make an appointment with an interviewer at the Job Placement Center.*

The type of jobs range from sales to dental hygienist to warehouse workers.

So take some time to go down to the Job Placement Center and you may find yourself to have more money with less time to spend it.



## Summer musical 'Chicago' opens; runs July 19-28

By STELLA AGUILAR  
TM Staff Writer

"Razzle them and they'll make you a star."

That's the theme of this summer's major theater production "Chicago", according to Director/Choreographer Georgia Well.

The vaudeville play, which takes place during the Roaring 20's, will open Friday, July 19, in the Burnight Center at 8 p.m.

The cast of 25 was selected from over 100 hopefuls consisting of both professional and student actors.

The belief that anybody in America can be famous for 15 minutes is a common interest between the two main characters, Roxie Hart played by Rhonda Berry, and her sister Velma Kelly portrayed by Teresa Brown.

Scheming characters Roxie and Velma believe that, "There is no right or wrong; it's how slick you can be." In order to gain notoriety and publicity they both plot to murder Roxie's faithless lover.

Conflict arises when both Roxie and Velma desire to become a headliner. Each wants to become a star.

Other cast members are played by Travis Holden, William McNeil, Monica Wedlock, Reagan Talley, Robin Fleming and Doreen Wiley.

Bob Fosse and Fred Ebb wrote this vaudeville production. Music is by John Kander and lyrics by Ebb.

Vaudeville, a major form of entertainment in America during the early 1900's, came to an end with the on coming of the depression and motion pictures.

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The Theatre Department's first major production this fall semester is "Lysistrata."

The Greek comedy in which women withhold sexual favors to keep the men from going to war will open Oct. 3.

Auditions are Aug. 19-20.

**EYES HAVE IT** — Rhonda Berry puts on make-up for Roxie Hart role in vaudeville musical "Chicago" which opens Friday night in Burnight Center. More photos on Page 3.

TM Photo by DAVID GIGLIO

# Trustee Goul resigns; seat goes on November ballot

By TERRY SPENCER  
TM Staff Writer

Richard Goul, a six-year member of the Cerritos College Board of Trustees, resigned July 15 in order to accept a scholarship to attend the Oxford College Law School in Great Britain.

The vacancy will be filled by a special election to be held in conjunction with the regular Board election Nov. 5.

Goul was elected to his first four year term in 1979 and was re-elected in 1983. A graduate of the

college, he served the ASCC as vice-president in 1978. He completed his education in journalism at USC.

Seats on the seven member Board are elected in district wide elections in alternating two year cycles, with three seats available this year, the other four coming before the electorate in 1987.

In the regular election, the seats currently held by Hazel Scotto, Bob Epple, and Ada Steenhoek will be contested. In that race the top three finishers will be elected to four year terms.

A separate slate of candidates will vie for the last two years of Goul's term.

Candidates may only file to run in one of the elections.

Candidates must file by 5 p.m. Aug. 15 at the County Registrar's office in the City of Commerce.

## Registration for Fall goes from Aug. 7-23

Regular Fall semester registration begins Aug. 7 for students with appointment cards.

Open registration begins Aug. 15. Pre-registration for the disabled/disadvantaged is Aug. 6.

Appointment registration runs Aug. 7, 8, 9, 12-14, for students who filed intents to register.

Students without appointments can register Aug. 15, 16, 19-23, during which time program changes may also be made.

Classes begin Monday, Aug. 19. The last day to register is Friday, Aug. 23.

## Theatre's Schriener resigns for fellowship

Popular theatre instructor William Schriener has left campus after only a year as a full-time prof here.

He resigned to accept a Fellowship from the American Film Institute's Center for Advanced Studies.

Schriener said he hated to leave Cerritos, but that the opportunity was too good to pass up. He said he had "a great year at Cerritos," and wouldn't have left for anything less than the prestigious Fellowship.

"It gives me a fantastic opportunity to explore the film industry and allows me to take a free and experimental approach to film making," he said.

A professional actor, Schriener has appeared in several TV and movie productions. He was nominated for an Emmy for his work in the Kenny Rogers TV movie, "Coward of the County."

Schriener, who has taught here part-time the past five years, said he would like to come back to Cerritos in the near future.

### 3.5 Scholars galore

## SPRING DEAN'S LIST

The Dean's List for the '85 Spring semester features nearly 10 per cent of the students enrolled who made a 3.5 or higher grade point average (GPA).

To make the list, students also had to complete 12 or more units. Fifty had "straight A's" — 4.0 GPAs on the standard scale with A as 4.0, B as 3.0, C as 2.0, D as 1.0, and F as 0.

Some 42 southland cities are represented on the scholar list, with Downey boasting 54 on the Dean's List. Bellflower has 49, Norwalk 47, Cerritos 45, and La Mirada 22.

Following are the some 325 students who maintained the minimum GPA of 3.5:

- ALTA LOMA - Gail Wright
- ANAHEIM - Sherida L. Barrett, Sue E. Corbin, Sara A. Miller, Danita Ruth Sars, Jille A. Terzaghi
- ARCADIA - Deborah M. Gross
- ARTESIA - Joan M. Carson, Dald H. Dahlem, Jr., Jin Suk Lee, Marvin Dale Murry, Paul F. Neves, Janet E. Urruh, Connie Vandenberg, Margaret Mimi Yee
- BALDWIN PARK - Ruben M. Vasquez
- BELL GARDENS - Marie Anderson
- BELLFLOWER - Dale J. Adams, Peggy Emma Agnew, Pamela J. Bartman, Vicki L. Beachler, Michael C. Brodrick, Young H. Chun, Jao Yong Chung, Yong Joo Chung, Colleen C. Davidson, Grace V. Davis-walter, Michelle Dayton, Jeanette L. Freels, Colleen K. Gray, Curtis J. Griepma, Cindy Harling, Judy L. Hendrickson, Barbara S. Hignite, Linda J. Hoffman, Lynetta Kelley, Pat F. Killian, Joong H. Ko, Chang K. Lee, Young Joo Lim, Anhtuyet Thi Lu, Long Thank Lu, Xuan Thanh Lu, Rosendo Lujan, Teena M. Manriquez, Robin L. Messick, Theresa M. Morales
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- BREA - Peter Wm. O'Rourke
- BUENA PARK - George D. Davancens, Linda M. Franklin, Julie F. Nemanick
- CERRITOS - Sang Jun An, Jacqueline M. Banks, John R. Banks, Alan E. Barrs, Stephen E. Bays, Karen Y. Bekanan, Brian T. Blackwood, Clifford V. Bustria, Lib Yan Chang, Wing Kay Chau, Gloria K. Chieruzzi, Soon Young Choung, John H. Cooke, Marnette Dalan, Mark Merrill Deaton, Thomas J. Foltz, Jeanne Guerra, Hyun Kyung Hong, Jesse Hsiao, Florastean Jackson, Hououng Kang
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- CYPRESS - Monssa Y. Essayil, Cynthia L. Howington
- DOWNEY - Parvan Allipourjeddil, Jose Luis Alvarez, Diana R. Barlag, Cheryl A. Bell, Kimberly J. Brown, Christoph Buccowich, Charles F. Buhagian, Evangelina Castelo, Victor M. Ceja, Eugene R. Charlebois, Anthony Chisum, Sung J. Cho, Susana V. Crowley, Steve B. Day, Deanna M. Dewesse, Dale F. Divers, Carlos M. Dominguez, Silvia D. Esparza, Patricia S. Gaines, Elizabeth D. Gary, Richard T. Gochnaar, Mary C. Guidry, Alberto J. Haddock, Susan J. Hagen, Lisa A. Hannigan, Anne S. Hawkins, Alice N. Holley

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- FULLERTON - Vickie E. Castro
- GARDEN GROVE - Artemio C. Castillo
- GLENDORA - Stace Ann Hooten, Robert Lee Laroche
- HACIENDA HEIGHTS - Irene I. Liu
- HAWAIIAN GARDENS - Arnie M. Austria, Justine A. Dicke
- HAWTHORNE - Wade N. Bellazaire
- HUNTINGTON BEACH - Thomas G. Fray, Deanne M. Vanarsen
- HUNTINGTON PARK - Ana M. Martinez, Jacqueline P. Nino
- INGLEWOOD - Rodney Lee Cohen, Andrew Murray, Jr.
- LA HABRA - Cheryl A. Rickel
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- LA PALMA - Kuo Fun Kung, Kimberly D. Lockett
- LA PUENTE - Robin D. Garcia
- LAKEWOOD - Shafia Adel, Julie G. Bakker, Patty P. Feng, Susan R. Fulbright, Ann G. Guadrum, Elmario C. Javier, Maryann N. Krupsky, Randy A. Luth, Randy D. McDonald, Janet M. Mulder, Quenton E. Page, Jr., Scott C. Pierro, Denis J. Plambeck, Dante B. Rementilla, Dana Jo Spivey, Gloria S. Vanvliet, Jerry R. Wasson
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- Los Alamitos - Annaliese C. Hess
- LOS ANGELES - George K. Kevanian, Danny Kim
- MONROVIA - James Patrick Ellis
- MONTEBELLO - Linda K. Lopez
- NORWALK - Andrew S. Anschutz, Toby M. Baez, Socorro Ballesteros, Connie Y. Brown, Eunice C. Castaneda, Gina S. Cucci, Carol J. Delfosse, Hong Hai Duong, Nhu Diep Duong, Peter C. Durant, Beverly L. Eckhardt, Catherine Fritzingler, Florida O. Gallegos, Claudia Garcia, Sylvia Garcia, Lori L. Gardea, Martha M. Gonzales, Rodolfo Gonzalez, Alice B. Greulich, Rita F. Guiberson, James D. Maciel
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**READYING FOR THE ROLE** — Showgirl Velma Kelly, played by Teresa Brown, applies finishing touches for portrayal in Friday night's campus

opener of "Chicago." The vaudeville musical is being staged by the Southern California Conservatory Theatre (SCCT). TM Photos by DAVID GIGLIO.

## Wrestling drives fans to hysteria, matmania

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Staff Writer

The Madonna craze is not the only new trend sweeping the country.

It's not music oriented, but a sport that has been around for quite some time.

I'm talking pro wrestling.

Or 'rasslin, if you prefer.

Now what does pro wrestling have to do with trends?

I decided to find out why people go see 250 pound men in underwear (and women for that matter) throw each other around a ring in front of 15,000 screaming people.

While most of you were watching fireworks shows and picnicking on the Fourth of July, I braved the animalistic atmosphere of the LA Sports Arena to witness the art of pro wrestling.

From, the way I've described it, one must think I despise this act, yet I am a big fan and an avid follower of wrestling.

Upon arriving, I could smell the excitement, or was it the beer that some guy spilled on me.

With the feature attraction pitting former tag-team partners Paul "Mr. Wonderful" Orndorff against Rowdy Roddy Piper, I decided to find out how a few people diagnosed this match.

One elderly woman, who was decked out in a Hulkamania T-shirt, exclaimed, "Orndorff's going to kill that b---d Piper!"

I could swear she had smoke coming out of her ears.

So much for timid old ladies.

I also noticed that elderly people tend to be more vocal and "into it" than most.

A majority of the fans said they came tonight to see Orndorff and Piper because of their rivalry.

They were partners until they lost a tag-team match, and Piper said that Orndorff is a disgrace and a wimp.

Well, for all of you on the edge of your seats wondering who won, I'm sorry to say they were both disqualified when they both failed to get back into the ring in time.

On the other side of the arena, I could see a small group of fans waving skirts over their heads.

Skirts, you ask.

Well, Piper is proud of his Scottish ancestry, so he enters the ring in his native attire of a kilt.

I asked this one young lady why she was here, and she screamed, "Because Hulk Hogan is here!"

### **Fans rise to occasion; throw selves into act**

Needless to say, I got away from her as quickly as possible.

Hulk Hogan is a 300 pound blond former Venice Beach bum who has to be singled out as a major reason why wrestling has become popular again.

He is also the partner and trainer of Mr. T.

In case you forgot, Hogan and Mr. T defeated Piper and Orndorff in what had to be the most publicized wrestling match of all-time.

"Hulk Hogan is my hero," said this young boy about 10 or 11 years old.

You have got to be kidding.

Hey dads, did you hear this?

Anyway, Hogan is the World Wrestling Federation Champion, who was here to defend his title against Brutus Beefcake.

Brutus Beefcake?

The fans especially got into this match, with their signs and particular chants.

A sign, for instance, said "Real Men Don't Eat Fruitcake," and another said "Brutus is More of a Fruitcake."

Creative, yet colorful, don't you think?

Hogan was able to fend off his opponent to retain his title, and while standing over his befallen foe, was heard to say, "You are a victim of Hulkamania."

The fans just ate that up.

It left a lump in my throat.

Now, fans act differently in different countries.

In England, they participate in a lot of singing, while showing their disapproval by whistling.

While, in Canada, they are considered to be the most serene, and rarely make much noise.

What I witnessed the other night can only be described as, well, the first day of a white sale at JC Penny's.

With the fans screaming at every move, I noticed a young lady sitting quietly in her seat.

I asked her why she was here, and she said, "my friends wanted to come."

"I said yes because I heard so much about it and wanted to see it."

She concluded by saying, "these guys are kinda cute, especially Hulk Hogan. I could get to like this."

You are a victim of Hulkamania.