



DELIGHTFULLY STUPID . . . The carpenter, weaver, bellow-mender, tinker, joiner, and tailor combine to present the "bad play" within the play, "A Midsummer Night's Dream," at El Camino College. Opening Friday, the production will be staged four times. The actors are, from left, Steve Plankos, Mike McCann, Marty Lair, Tom Casperatti, Bill Byrne, and Ken Heckman. Performances are Friday and Saturday.

'Midsummer Night's Dream' Sets Two More Performances at EC

Elves and mortals match wits in El Camino College's spring presentation of "A Midsummer Night's Dream," performed in the Campus Theater Friday and Saturday. Two other performances are planned next Friday and Saturday.

Hilarity abounds as fairy magic forces lovers to wander through woods, lost and bewildered.

For the actors and actresses playing the principals, the Shakespearean play has taken on a personal meaning. Barbara Burns, who portrays Helena in the play, considers it a wonderful farce.

THOUGH NEW to comedy, Silver has acted in many other plays, portraying the role Philippe, the Bastard, in El Camino's presentation of "King John." He teaches dramatics to children in Torrance.

IN LOVE with Hermia until affected by a love potion, Bill Simonson plays Lysander.

A STUDENT OF Shakespeare, Miss Burns was the assistant director of El Camino's last Elizabethan presentation, "King John." She sees herself as having a bubbling personality, one that fits in well with the character of Helena.

Having begun her acting in high school, Miss Burns hopes to have a career in show business.

Demetrius, lover to Helena, is played by Joe Silver, a theater arts major.

In describing "A Midsummer Night's Dream," he calls it a "beautiful piece of fluff which has something for everyone in it."

Silver moved here from San Francisco because, in his words, "El Camino College has one of the best drama departments on the West Coast."

Elevated from understudy, Diane Draggoto is happily surprised with her role as Hermia. She did dramatic work in high school and considers "A Midsummer Night's Dream" to be a good introduction to Shakespeare for the public. As a vocalist she has appeared at concerts and banquets, singing everything from opera to folk music.

A theater arts major with no definite plans for the future, Miss Draggoto is developing a background in acting and singing.

Agency to Handle Del Amo Center

The promotion of the Del Amo Center, a 200-acre financial, commercial and residential complex being developed by Great Lakes Properties, Inc., and Guilford Glazer and Associates will be handled by Jay Chiat and Associates of Santa Ana.

Chiat was recently named agency for Great Lakes Properties' 4,700-acre Rancho Camarillo project in Ventura County.

First unit of the Del Amo master plan to get under way is the \$30 million financial center, a series of high-rise office towers and satellite buildings to be constructed on 20 acres at the northwest corner of Hawthorne Blvd. and Carson St. When fully developed, the financial center will have more than one million square feet of office space and a like amount of garage parking area.

Union Bank has announced that it will establish its ninth regional office in the center. It will occupy the first three floors of the initial 13-story structure.

The Chiat organization is preparing a business paper campaign directed towards prospective lessees. The agency will also develop collateral material and assist with public relations.

Though he did play Count Melun in "King John" last year, he is surprised at getting this part, the largest he has ever enacted.

Fond of music, theater arts and Shakespeare, Simonson hopes for a career in show business. Planning on changing from a music major to theater arts, he feels that theater presents a "good education on life."

Certain time for the presentations will be at 8:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the Student Store at the Campus Center for \$1.50 or at the box office on the evenings of the performances.

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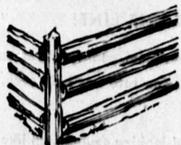
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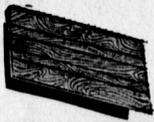


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