

This "pink rot" he explained, is caused by a fungus (*Gliocladium*) that can kill the palm if it is not treated.

Among his many research projects, Dr. Cheo's greatest accomplishments involved treatments for plant viruses like tobacco mosaic virus and oak root rot, a fungus (*Armillaria mellea*) that damages many woody plants but was first detected in oak trees.

Born in China in 1919, Dr. Cheo acquired his B.S. there. He came to the U.S. and earned a master's degree at West Virginia University and a doctorate in plant pathology from the University of Wisconsin. He taught in colleges around the U.S., including the University of Rhode Island, Washington State University and the California Institute of Technology before coming to the Arboretum in 1966. He and his wife, Helen, have lived in Pasadena since then.

From now on, the only research Dr. Cheo plans will have to do with history, particularly Chinese history, which always ran a close second to plant pathology in his mind. There was never time for it before, he said, but now he will finally have the luxury of time to spend on his avocation.

## POP SINGER JAMES DARREN STARS IN JULY 10 CONCERT

JAMES DARREN, the suave "Moon Doggie" of the '60s *Gidget* films and now a policeman on the *T. J. Hooker* television series, will perform at a concert picnic July 10 at the Los Angeles State and County Arboretum.



James Darren

Sponsored by the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce and the California Arboretum Foundation, the picnic begins at 5:30 p.m. and the concert at 7:30 p.m.

Included in Darren's show are the recent "You Take My Heart Away," from the *Rocky* soundtrack; "Let Me Take You In My Arms Again," his

only country hit; and songs from his beach movie days.

Darren's mellow voice and smooth singing style, coupled with the boy-next-door lead characters he portrayed in *Gidget* and the *Time Tunnel* series, made him one of the young heartthrobs of the decade.

Darren made his singing debut in 1959 with "Angel Face," an instant Top 10 hit, and has worked steadily since then in Las Vegas and on tour. He also appeared in 16 films, including *Guns of Navarone*, *Diamond Head* and *Operation Madball*. Today, Darren divides his time between recording, acting, singing in nightclubs and hosting his own televised *Portrait of a Legend* musical variety show.

Tickets for the concert are on sale at the Arboretum Gift Shop and Hinshaw's Department Stores.

The chamber of commerce will award two prizes for the most elegant and two for the most original picnic spreads before the concert, to be held on the Bauer pool lawn. The picnics will be further separated into two categories: those for four people or less and picnics for five or more. Winners will receive gift baskets of fruit, wine and cheese. Beverages will be sold during the picnic and concert.

## LOS ANGELES STATE AND COUNTY ARBORETUM, Arcadia

JULY 1, 2, 3 — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cactus and Succulent Show  
Cactus and Succulent Society  
of America

AUGUST 13, 14 — Sat. 1 to 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Begonia Show  
American Begonia Society

SEPTEMBER 10, 11 — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cactus and Succulent Show  
San Gabriel Valley Cactus and  
Succulent Society

SEPTEMBER 16 — 5:30 to 11 p.m.

Queen Anne Frolic

SEPTEMBER 24, 25 —  
10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Bonsai Show  
Akebono Bonsai Society  
All events sponsored by the  
California Arboretum Foundation

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, 1983

### DESCANSO GARDENS, La Canada

JULY 10 — 2:30 p.m.

Music on the Green  
Hal Towle and His Musical  
Friends of Descanso

JULY 17 — 2:30 p.m.

Concert on the Green  
Pasadena City College Swing Band

JULY 24 — 2:30 p.m.

California Repertory Ballet Company  
Directed by Jill Sanza

JULY 31 — 2:30 p.m.

Summer Shakespeare  
Charlie and Annie Star & Company

AUGUST 7 — 2:30 p.m.

Summer Shakespeare  
Charlie and Annie Star & Company

AUGUST 14 — 2:30 p.m.

California Repertory Ballet Company  
Directed by Jill Sanza

AUGUST 21 — 2:30 p.m.

Summer Shakespeare  
Charlie and Annie Star & Company

AUGUST 28 — 2:30 p.m.

Summer Shakespeare  
Charlie and Annie Star & Company

All events sponsored by  
Descanso Gardens Guild

### SOUTH COAST BOTANIC GARDEN, Palos Verdes Peninsula

AUGUST 6, 7 — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bromeliad Show  
South Bay Bromeliad Associates

AUGUST 20, 21 — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dahlia Show  
South Coast Dahlia Society  
All events sponsored by the South  
Coast Botanic Garden Foundation





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