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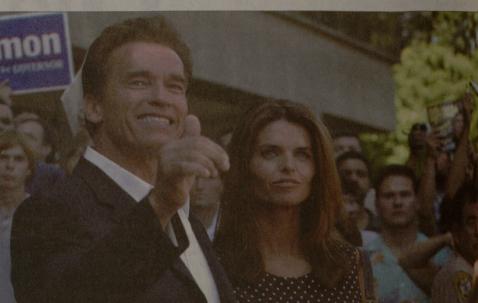
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Actor Arnold Schwarzenegger and his wife Maria Shriver stand in front of media as they give a speech outsit the County of Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk after Schwarzenegger submitted his candida paper, Friday, Aug. 8, in Norwalk, Calif.

## Politcal novices fill California recall ballot

By Brian Skoloff THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRESNO, Calif. - Georgy Russell hopes a thong and a pretty face will persuade voters to make her governor of California. Ned Roscoe is banking on support from the state's 4 million smokers.

Leonard Padilla thinks his year in prison gives him the edge. Michael Jackson — no, not that Michael Jackson — wants to make the recall race

At least 155 candidates, most of them political novices, officially submitted their names for the Oct. 7 recall ballot by the Saturday deadline. More than 500 had flirted seriously enough with the idea to take out the papers needed to run

The celebrity challengers have been all over TV: Arnold Schwarzenegger and former baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth, porn king Larry Flynt and commentator Arianna Huffington have joined politicians such as Republicans Tom McClintock and Bill Simon, and Democratic Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante.

But the ballot will stretch on and on with John and Jane Qs — from lawyers and engineers to bounty hunters and unemployed workers — who see Gov. Gray Davis' job as up for grabs. Under the state's recall law, drafted during a wave of reform in 1911, they needed to submit only \$3,500 and 65 valid signatures to run, or even less money with more signatures.

There's no guarantee that the big-name candidates will even appear on the first — or second or third - page of such a ballot. On Monday, the secretary of state holds a random drawing to determine the order in which candidates' names

Davis will lose if he gets 49.9 percent or less on Oct. 7. With so many challengers on the ballot, the winner may need much less to become governor. Then, the top vote-getter will have about 30 days after the election while the vote is certified before assuming control.

Some of the political novices may not realize what they've gotten themselves into. Candidates are required to file financial disclosure forms and report any donations of \$1,000 or more to the secretary of state's office within 24 hours.

It's a misdemeanor punishable by up to a \$10,000 fine to "knowingly and willfully" violate

election rules, but the newcomers will prob get cut some slack, said Paul Ryan of the Cent for Governmental Studies in Los Angeles.

'Knowingly and willfully' is a very big burd the state would have to prove," Ryan said. "I quite uncommon to see criminal cases in the matters ... and in this case, with so many nov candidates, it's very unlikely there would be crin inal prosecutions.

Campaign platforms promise to be all over them Leonard Padilla, a bounty hunter from Sacramento, says he's got the experience to be governor — he learned all about key issues li drug trafficking and immigration during his year in federal prison.

"I made a mistake, a big mistake and spen year in prison for it, which was very education said Padilla, who says he served time for failing file income taxes for three years.

Padilla said he would cap state salaries \$60,000 a year, decriminalize drugs and dep illegal immigrant prisoners. "If we don't do this we're going to watch California sink into bank ruptcy," he said.

Mountain View resident Georgy Russell, Democrat, sells "Georgy for Governor" than underwear and coffee mugs on her Web si which features a smiling picture of herself in skimpy T-shirt.

Her slogan: "Brains, Beauty, Leadership." Russell hopes to appeal to twentysomethin with an agenda pushing clean energy, marijuan legalization and gay marriage.

Michael Jackson, a 39-year-old electrical eng neer from Long Beach, hopes his name will "ope the door" to a win. His platform: stopping "invasion" of illegal immigrants. His ultimate go is more personal: "I'll take my name back an bring some character and quality to it, instead of

weirdness. Contra Costa County Public Defender Paul Mariano is against the recall — that's why he's running. Mariano, a Democrat, has his own scheme for restoring his party to power if Davis loses the recall.

By voting for me, you would be voting for Gray Davis because my first act as governor would be to appoint Davis chief of staff," Mariano said "I'm assuming he will vote for me, too. Who else is he going to vote for?"

## Gregory Hines dies at 57

By Tim Molloy THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Gregory Hines, the greatest tap dancer of his generation who transcended the stage with a successful screen career that included starring roles in "White Nights" and "The Cotton Club," has died at 57.

Hines died of cancer Saturday in Los Angeles, publicist Allen Eichhorn said Sunday.

With his smooth, solo tap style reminiscent of Fred Astaire, Hines became internationally known at a young age as part of a jazz tap duo with his brother, Maurice. He won a 1992 Tony Award for the musical "Jelly's Last Jam."

"His dancing came from something very real," said Bernadette Peters, appeared with Hines as co-hosts of the 2002 Tony Awards show. "It came out of his instincts, his impulses and his amazing creativity. His whole heart and soul went into everything he did."

Hines and his brother performed together in the musical revue "Eubie!" in 1978, in "Sophisticated Broadway's Ladies" and on film in 1984's 'The Cotton Club.'

In "The Cotton Club," Hines also had a lead acting role, which led to more offers from Hollywood. He starred with

Mikhail Baryshnikov in 1985's Cold War-era dancers' story "White Nights" and with Billy Crystal in 1986's "Running Scared," and he appeared with Whitney Houston and Angela Bassett in 1995's "Waiting to Exhale," among other movies.

On television, he had his own series in 1997 called "The Gregory Hines Show," as well as a recurring role on "Will and Grace." Last March, he appeared in the spring television series "Lost at Home

Hines also earned Tony nominations for "Comin' Uptown" and "Sophisticated Ladies," and he won a Tony for best actor in a musical playing jazz legend 'Jelly Roll' Morton in "Jelly's Last Jam.

Hines landed his first film role in the 1981 Mel Brooks comedy "History of the World Part I," in which he played a Roman slave. He has since been nominated for a number of awards, most recently an Emmy in 2001 for his lead role in the miniseries "Bojangles.

His PBS special, "Gregory Hines: Tap Dance in America,' was nominated in 1989, and in 1982 he was nominated for his performance in "I Love Liberty," a variety special saluting America. He was nominated in 1985 for a performance on "Motown Returns to the Apollo."

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SOURCE: Associated Press

He also won a Daytime Emmy Award in 1999 for his work as the voice of "Big Bill" the Bill Cosby animated T series, "Little Bill," and NAACP Image Awards for "Bojangles and "Running Scared."

Hines was engaged to Negrita Jayde and, in addition to his father and brother, is survived by his daughter Daria, son Zach, grandson Lucian and stepdaughter Jessica Koslow.

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