



## Starting from Scratch

By Al Fontes

**A** native of Monterey, California, Greg Chappel's wrestling career began in 1972 during his sophomore year at Monterey High School. While at Monterey, Chappel's first experience at coaching was at Walter

Colton Junior High School, where his younger brother wrestled. It was during this time, where the idea of a teaching and coaching career surfaced. After graduating from High School, he continued his education and mat career at Hartnell Community

College in Salinas (1975-76), and Fresno State University (1977-78).

During the spring of 1979, just after graduating from Fresno State University with a degree in Industrial Arts, Chappel continued his studies in the teacher creden-