

Young twirler, fiddlers win talent awards

Young performers dominated the competition Sunday at the Fifth Annual KLIN Talent Show. The show, part of the weekend's Lincolnfest celebration, was presented on the Centennial Mall between L and M streets.

First place in this year's contest went to Shanan Hejhal, a 9-year-old baton twirler from Wahoo. Shannon is the daughter of Eimer and Elaine Hejhal. Twelve-year old John and 9-year-old Jason Shaw, the fiddle-playing sons of Jack and Dorothy Shaw of Lincoln, placed second and Hilary Johnson, 6, daughter of Lyle and Donna Johnson of Davey, teamed up with Corey Hart, 7,

son of Jeff and Sue Hart of Waverly, to dance into third place.

Home-grown talent sparks interest in local audiences, said Tom Teckmeyer, the show's emcee. He said the talent gets better every year and that it was hard to choose performers for the show during auditions.

Teckmeyer said acts are chosen to appeal to all audiences. He said the selection committee includes people from city government, the media, theatre, dance and the arts and that they look for broad appeal, try to represent the young and old and produce a show that the family can enjoy.

Chinese sponsor exhibit

Today is National Day for the Republic of China, marking the 72nd year of that nation's democracy.

To honor this day, UNL's Free China Association is sponsoring various activities to promote better awareness and appreciation of the Chinese culture.

Chi Ming Yang, president of the organization, said a Chinese culture exhibit will be on display in the Nebraska Union Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The exhibit will feature art provided by Chinese families in Lincoln and the Coordinating Council of North American Affairs in Chicago.

Yang, a graduate student in agricultural biochemistry, said five movies about economic and social aspects of Chinese culture will be shown in the Rostrum. They are "Lunar New Year in Taipei," "Master Pieces of Chinese Art," "The Kingdom of Butterflies," "Years of Happiness" and "The Story of Bamboo."

Slide and video shows also will be presented in the main lounge of the union. All shows will have English subtitles and admission is free and open to the public, Yang said.

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Tony Chen, an adviser to the Free China Association, said Taiwan and Nebraska became sister states last month when Governor Deng Hue Lee of the Republic of China (Taiwan) visited Nebraska. This was in fulfillment of the resolution passed by the Nebraska Legislature in 1981.

Chen, a graduate student in political science, said this relationship should promote cultural, economic and commercial exchange between the two states.

Because the Peoples' Republic of China is recognized as the official representative of China, Taiwan does not have formal relations with the United States, Chen said. Consequently, Taiwan deals with states on an individual basis rather than through the federal government.

Chinese. Taiwan is a province of the Republic of China. Therefore the people of Taiwan prefer to be called Chinese, not Taiwanese, Chen said.

Reallocation . . .

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Programs also would not be considered for elimination if their termination would result in substantial loss of revenue currently derived from grants, contracts, endowments, or gifted; if the program supplies significant services, instruction or research which cannot reasonably be expected to be supplied by agencies other than UNL, or if the program's cost is minimal relative to the tuition or other income generated by it.

Programs could be reduced if their contribution to UNL did not justify maintenance of its present size, if their reduction would not substantially impair related UNL programs, if they have insufficient demand to justify maintaining it at existing levels, have suffered declines in productivity over the past five years, or have suffered

substantial declines in cost effectiveness.

Programs might be considered for reorganization if two or more of them have substantially similar functions or objectives, if the function of the programs would be clarified by transfer to or consolidation with other programs, or if the nature and function of the programs is such that its support could appropriately be transferred to other agencies.

The criteria are part of a 10-step process for the reallocation of the 2 percent of UNL's budget outlined by Massengale in August. UNL's vice chancellors will now begin working with deans and department heads to develop recommendations for the elimination, reduction or reorganization of programs, Massengale said in a letter to UNL faculty and staff.

Watt . . .

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Watt, the second biggest Republican fund-raiser behind Reagan, had been strongly supported by the rightwing of the Republican Party, including Presidential Counselor Ed Meese.

"Today Jim Watt talked to me by telephone and delivered to me his letter of resignation," Reagan said in a statement issued by the White House.

"He feels that he has completed the principal objective that he and I agreed upon when he became secretary of the interior. I respect his decision to leave the government and thus have reluctantly accepted his resignation."

"Jim has done an outstanding job as a member of my Cabinet and in his stewardship of the natural resources of the nation," Reagan said in announcing the resignation.

"He has initiated a careful balance between the needs of people and the importance of protecting the environment. His dedication to public service and his accomplishments as secretary of the interior will long be remembered."



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