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# Arts & Entertainment

## Phi Gam Jam benefit pleases crowd

By Timothy J. O'Keefe

If crowd reaction is any indication of a good concert, Sunday's Phi Gam Jam was a smashing success. More than 2,200 people weathered the three-hour rain delay and the concert move to the Coliseum to hear the Star City Players, Footloose and Dash Riprock.

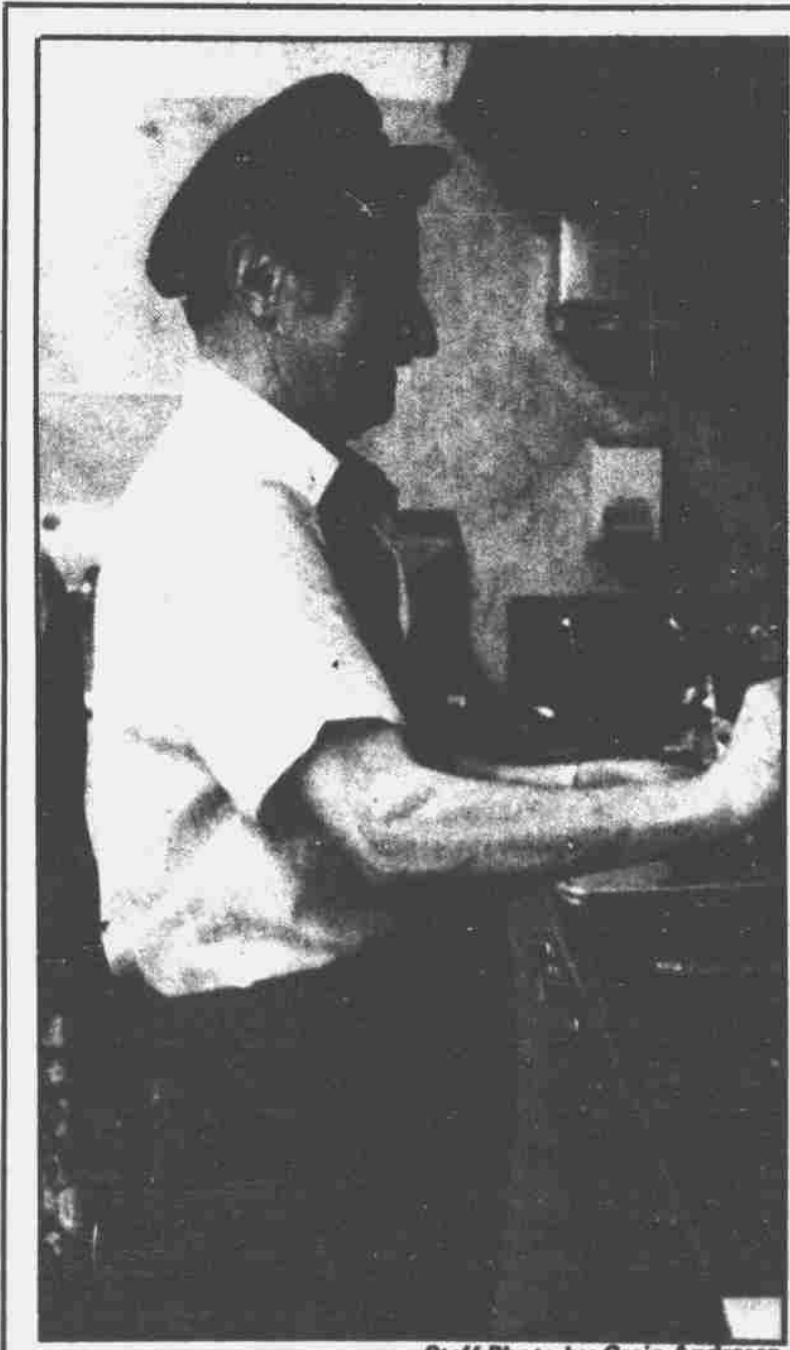
The Star City Players opened the afternoon with some good melodies and dancing music, such as Quarterflash's "Find Another Fool" and the Motel's "Only the Lonely." Paul Phillips, a local singer, kept the show moving between the sets, which were played as a benefit for the United Way.

Next came Footloose, who played their local hit song "Wichita Woman," as well as some new tunes. Their rendition of Asia's "Only Time Will Tell" brought the crowd to its feet, and their show ended with Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Freebird." Footloose then was cheered back on stage for two encores, which included .38 Special's "Hold on Loosely."

"The Human Hurricane," Dash Riprock, ended the show with an electrifying performance. Opening with Roy Orbison's "Pretty Woman," the group pounded through many rock 'n' roll hits, including "Takin' Care of Business" and "Smoke on the Water."



Staff Photo by Dave Bentz  
 The Star City Players perform at the Phi Gam Jam benefit.



Staff Photo by Craig Andresen  
 George Fotoplos

## Restaurant features authentic Greek food

By Eric Peterson

"It's the only type of work he enjoys," said Margaret Fotoplos about her father's week-old business at 112 N. 14th St. The specialty of George's Greek Gyros (eeros, and roll and.r) are strongly spiced and very thin slices of beef on pita bread — with onions, tomatoes, cucumbers and sour cream. And oregano on top — "Never forget the oregano," Margaret said and laughed.

George and Demetra Fotoplos said they opened the place in Lincoln because Omaha already has six or seven Greek specialty shops. Margaret has done a lot of the cash register work, as her parents speak better Greek than English.

George closed his restaurant in Athens and came to Omaha two years ago, since most of the family was already there. There was no question the couple would open a restaurant, and to Lincoln's good luck, they did it here.

It's fairly cheap. The gyros sandwich alone is \$2.25, and the plate, with some feta cheese and Mediterranean olives, costs \$2.50. "Steak fries" is too tiresome a name for the thick, beautifully textured potato slices baked in lemon and oil that you get with the gyros — or separately for 70 cents.

For a quarter you get baklava. If you haven't had it before, I can tell you it's one of the richest and best things I know — wonderfully thin, delicate flakes of pastry, oozing honey and walnuts.

George said more dishes will be added later, depending on how much people like them. This week, for example, there will be souvlakia, a kind of pork shish kebab. He said business has been very good.

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