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International show offers talent, fashion

By JANA SIMS
 Campus Reporter

International Week came to a peak Wednesday night with a gala of exotic foods, foreign fashions and interesting talent.

A crowd of almost 500 squeezed into 201 Memorial Student Center to participate in the International Students Association Festival. Visitors began their evenings filling plates with foods prepared by 21 international clubs, then viewed a fashion show followed by a talent show.

A talent act called "Stich and Staff" stunned the audience as Thailand students Vision Techapoonpon and Rae Vat demonstrated an ancient style of Thai fencing. Vision, armed with clubs tied to his forearms and Rae Vat yielding a six-foot pole, began violently "performing."

Dressed in knee-length, baggy

blue pants and plain blue collarless shirts the two battled across the stage until one man fell, causing the audience to wonder whether the display was really just an act. Vision then signaled to his partner to end the fight and as the curtains began to close he attacked again. Nevertheless, following the show, the "enemies" were smiling happily.

Ruby Pandey of India was a stunning sight as she whirled through a dance of northern India. She was dressed in bright blue chiffon pants, skirt and blouse, topped with a gold-trimmed black vest and her long black braid of hair was tied to her waist with a gold cloth.

Her ankles were covered with jingling metal coins whose noise coincided with the drum beats of her accompanying music as she stamped, twirled and bowed while

her hands flowed with movement. Other acts included a Taiwanese maiden cup dance, Chinese flute performance and an act in which Chao Shing Huang had the audience laughing as he appeared on stage dressed as a dancing Taiwanese woman.

Probably not a spectator was hungry as each had sampled foods from a room filled with foreign foods and aromas. The Organization of Arab Students had prepared two stuffed lambs which Fakhrideen Albahadily of Iraz said took five hours to cook. He said a hooded barbecue was used to prepare them because an oven large enough to hold the lambs, which he prefers, could not be found. The lambs were stuffed with a mixture of rice, raisins, peas and Arab spices.

play of red, blue, green, yellow, brown and white Thai jellies, pink Siamese noodles and pork satay — pork with peanut butter as an ingredient.

Turkey had a "Doner" — a three-foot tall rotary kebab. Skewered were layers of round eye steak and chopped round eye steak. A student said the meat is prepared in the layers and must sit overnight in a sauce. The whole process takes about twelve hours.



Arisa Kim, daughter of Lina Kim, displays traditional Korean dress as part of the Fashion Show presented by the International Student Association last night in room 201 of the Memorial Student Center.
 Staff photo by Lynn Blanco.

Chicken dinner set for Saturday

By MERIL EDWARDS
 Campus Staff

The Student Y Association at Texas A&M University is offering a good deal this weekend to students on the five-day board plan and to anyone else who likes barbecued chicken, potato salad and beans.

Student Y members will begin barbecuing chicken Saturday morning at Hensel Park in College Station. Tickets for the dinner are \$2.75 for pick-up at the park and \$3.00 for delivery.

Venita McCollon, Student Y vice president for public relations, said the money from the dinners will go to benefit the Boys' Clubs of Bryan.

Tickets are on sale in 216 MSC, or they may be bought from any Student Y member. McCollon said ticket sales are going pretty well, but have slowed down some because of the rainy weather.

The chicken dinner will be served at lunch and supper. McCollon said the food will be delivered on campus

to the Commons at noon and 4:30 p.m. and to Sbisat at 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.

"If the weather is bad, students won't have to go out in it, but can just have us deliver the food to them," McCollon said.

"Some of the Boys' Clubs have been selling tickets for this. They've set up tables in the mall and have gone door-to-door promoting the dinner."

Another project Student Y is involved with is its student-faculty dinner tonight at Pasta's.

"It's an opportunity for students to ask their favorite professor to dinner," McCollon said. "The student pays for his own ticket and the Y pays for his professor."

McCollon said Ron Blatchley, director of student affairs, will be the speaker.

Student Y is involved in community services as well as university services, freshman programs and religious programs. Student Y also sponsors Fish Camp each summer.

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