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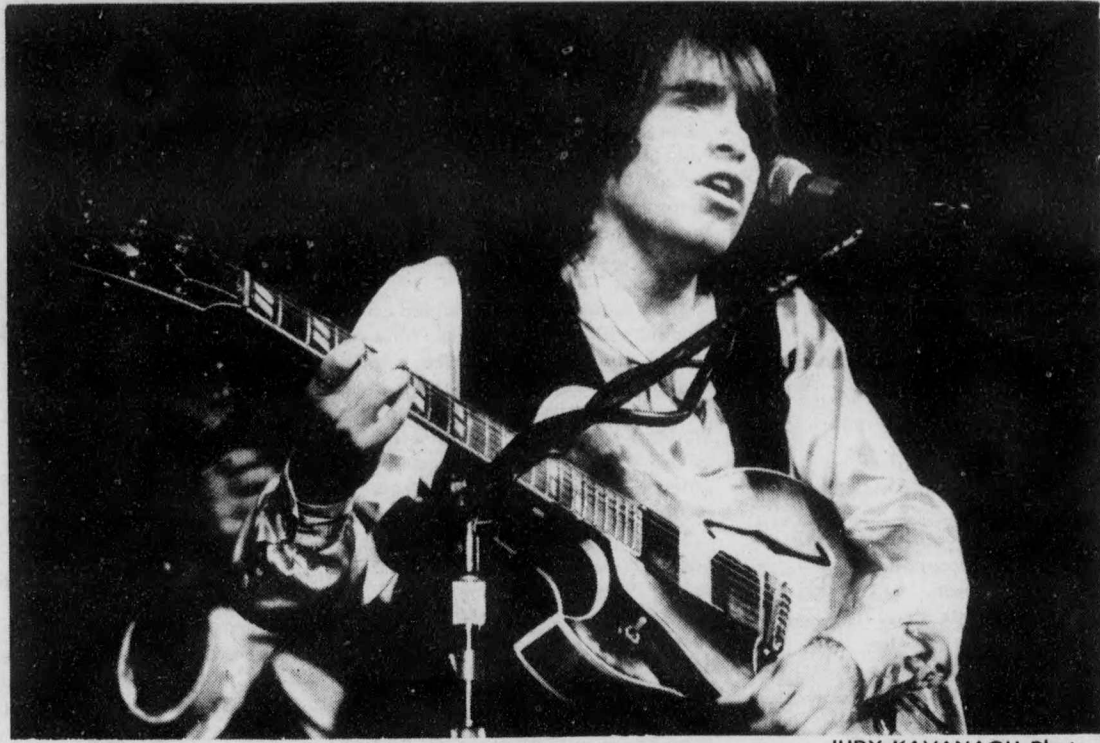
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Tight performance from Feliciano



JUDY KAVANAGH Photo

Jose Feliciano surmounted technical difficulties to put on a breathtaking performance at the Aitken Centre Tuesday night.

by JOEY KILFOIL

Despite sound problems which recurred frequently throughout the concert, Flamenco/rock guitarist/singer Jose Feliciano and a back-up group of four musicians put on a breathtaking, tight performance at the Aitken Centre Tuesday night.

The less-than-half capacity crowd of approximately 1,500 sounded like at least twice that number, responding enthusiastically to the well-known Feliciano tunes such as Chico and the Man (the show's opener), the instrumental Affirmation, as well as to the cover versions of various well-known pop songs such as "Just the Way You Are" (Billy Joel), and "I'm Not In Love" (10 CC). Into each one, Jose put a little bit of his own soul, picking rhythmically back and forth while lapsing into lightning-fast solos on his nylon-string guitar that had many members of the audience -- guitar players or not -- goggle-eyed with wonder, amazement, and more than a little awe.

At one point in the concert, Jose gave up his nylon-string for what appeared to be a Gibson Byrdland

electric. However, "the jinx", as he called it, had returned and it was discovered the battery in the guitar was dead and had to be replaced. Apologizing again to the crowd, a move which was not altogether necessary but very high-class, he again picked up the acoustic and breezed through a cover of the Mamas and Papas' hit "California Dreamin'".

When the electric was finally brought back on stage, Jose proceeded into a version of the Commodores' "Easy". Alas, although the guitar worked fine, the vocals remained unamplified throughout the entire song.

Jose displayed his versatility by doing a blues song that would make Elmore James feel proud, thus adding this difficult musical genre to his list of those already conquered, most notably Flamenco and rock.

The backup band, consisting of keyboards, bass, percussion, and drums, were tight despite the poor mix. Drummer Marcus Terry excelled.

Feliciano earned one encore and could easily have taken another, as the crowd was still on their feet, clapping, when the lights came on.

Can you read??

by PHILIP SEXSMITH

Students often take for granted their ability to read. Reading has become very much a part of our daily lives. In fact, some words become symbols where we recognize the word without really reading it. Our vocabularies are large enough so that we can read most books comfortably and interpret their meaning clearly in a book report or essay. But, our greatest advantage in reading is that we can write a cheque, fill out job applications, leave notes for the milkman, pay the rent, read bus schedules, and find numbers in the phone book. The number of different activities that involve reading or writing in some way are incalculable. We often do these jobs without thinking. Yet, for an illiterate person, such a minor job becomes a frustrating task that is often humiliating.

To many people, illiteracy is a problem that exists only in impoverished countries. Yet, the world's 800 million illiterate people cover all areas of the globe, including Canada. Although Canada is considered a very literate nation, we still have over four million illiterate people in our country. The small table below shows two New Brunswick counties, their population, and the approximate number of illiterate people who live there. Gloucester County has the highest illiteracy rate in the province.

	Population	Number that has completed Grade 5-8
Gloucester	55,335	17,345
York	52,235	11,540 (1976)

The United Nations has defined a functional illiterate as someone with a grade eight education, or less. The figure on the right side of

Food for Thought

by SADIE POTTER

The Diplomat Dining Room - 225 Woodstock Rd., Telephone: 454-5584 (about 1 mile from campus) No dress code fully licensed

The Diplomat Dining Room rates as one of the top-notch Chinese food restaurants in Fredericton. A complete menu of Chinese dishes can tantalize and satiate the yen of any hungry indulger. If Chinese isn't your thing, or if you are allergic to monosodium glutamate (which all Americanized-Chinese cooking contains), there is a wide choice of dishes to tempt you with meat, poultry or seafood a la Canadienne. The servings are generous, the service is prompt and efficient, not to mention that the food is very good. All the meat, fish, fruit and vegetables are sent up from Boston and are freshly prepared on the premises, nothing is precooked nor is anything thrown in a microwave for a speedy sizzling.

On our evening excursion, my fellow diner ordered the Dry Honey Garlic Spare Ribs (\$6.25) which were lean and tender, dripping with sauce and apparently delicious. The only spiked comment was that his egg roll (\$.75) was just as good as the frozen ones he has at home. The Sweet and Sour

the table is a low approximation of the number of functional illiterates in that county. Joyce Castle, a representative of the Literacy Council in Fredericton, warns that the figures of illiteracy in these counties are probably much higher, as people are likely to increase the number of years that they have gone to school on a questionnaire.

Illiterate people in New Brunswick can be helped. A method of teaching illiterate people how to read and write was developed by Dr. Frank Laubach over fifty years ago. The Laubach Method is now used in over 103 countries, and has been adapted to 312 languages. The Literacy Council of Fredericton uses the Laubach method. Through a series of five workbooks, a student can increase his reading and writing abilities from an illiterate level, to a grade seven level.

The Literacy Council is a volunteer group. There are twelve councils in New Brunswick ready to help the 58,000 New Brunswick

Scallops (\$6.95) were superb but a touch on the small side: the batter surrounding them was slightly deluding. The Jumbo Shrimp Chow Mein (\$6.95), contained bamboo shoots, bean sprouts, green pepper, celery and a couple of other non-identifiable (our waitress couldn't help us either), lavishly sprinkled with shrimp.

The list of desserts is not extensive nor imaginative, but the pies, shortcake, cheese cake, fresh fruit salad and ice cream variations are delicious enough to please any sweet tooth. All the pastries are baked on the premises, but for some reason or other, they are slathered with 'Nutrofil', a low calorie synthetic cream substitute, which for those who do not adore cream, is a bit disconcerting.

Probably the best quality of the Diplomat Dining Room is that it serves food all day and all night long, offering breakfast, lunch or supper meals regardless of their usual time-slot categorization.

The worst aspect of a meal at the Diplomat is the decor: the furnishings and the paintings are not very tastefully chosen. If you consider food and price range as the only variable determining where you will eat, however, the ambiance will certainly not spoil an enjoyable evening.

If you like to nibble at a sandwich while you sip on a beer, the Diplomat's Poachers Lounge, open from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. has its own menu. Prices range from \$2.25 to \$6.95, depending upon your appetite, and the atmosphere is much more relaxed than in the dining room.

For an evening meal for two, without a selection from the liquor list, I would suggest counting on spending from \$13.00 to \$20.00. On my Fredericton food-price scale of one-to-ten, I rate the Diplomat Dining room as 7.

residents who are considered, functionally illiterate. Although the books for this program are supplied by the Community College of New Brunswick, the real contribution comes from volunteer Tutors. Tutors are required to attend a ten hour training course on the Laubach teaching method. Tutoring involves the teaching of one student for at least one - two hour session per week. A Tutor works with his student until he has completed the five books, or until the student

wishes to stop (which can unfortunately happen as this program is entirely volunteer). Although the student's work is individually paced, one year is considered the minimum time for working with a student. If you are interested in becoming a Tutor, or even in attending the ten hour course (which would be a real asset to Special Education Teachers), or if you know of someone who could use the services of the Literacy Council, then refer them to CHIMO 455-9464. Your help would be most appreciated.