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## spotlight on

### Still Rockin'

by Kevin Rincon

It's been close to 40 years since the supposed apex of the hippie movement. The 12th annual **Gathering Of The Vibes** is a sign that, though not as many as before, the hippies are still around and still rockin' out. The music and the natural beauty of the festival's setting make this enjoyable for the whole family. By combining the atmosphere of an old hippie gathering with a more subtle family outing, the festival is tame, with a lot of peace and love.

Along with a skate park, a sideshow, a beach, tons of camping, and attractions for every age range, the main focus is drawn back to the music every time another band hits the stage. This year's lineup includes some returning acts, along with plenty of new faces. With bands like **Bob Weir & Ratdog**, **Les Claypool**, **Buddy Guy**, **Los Lobos**, **Martin Sexton**, **The Mickey Hart Band**, and **The Wailers**, it's no wonder the hippie movement is still relevant. Also on hand will be **George Clinton & P-Funk**, and **The**

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### gathering of the vibes

**Bros**, **Grim Side Shows**, with its own bearded lady, a "torture king," **The Lizard Man**, **The Enigma**, **The Wolfman**, and various other acts, sure to leave a lasting impression.

Fans last year requested some reggae acts, and this year, legendary roots rockers **The Wailers** and **John Brown's Body** were added. Considered one of the best American reggae acts, **John Brown's Body** carries the torch of modern reggae; it'll be interesting watching modern

and old school reggae at the same place.

The **Gathering Of The Vibes** is set for **Aug. 9-12 at Seaside Park** in Bridgeport, CT. The full-length band lineups and times are set up online. Individual tickets are being sold at \$55 each, but only for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Thursday entry is only for weekend pass holders, those passes are priced at \$140. Visit the festival's website at [gatheringofthevibes.com](http://gatheringofthevibes.com) for more info.



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### down to earth approach

**Down To Earth Approach** got their break when singer Jonathan Lullo's internship at Vagrant Records snowballed into a record deal for his band from high school. Their debut, *Another Intervention*, was released in 2004 and the band have been building on that foundation ever since. Currently on a headlining tour, they'll stop at **The Internet Café** in Red Bank on **Aug. 9**.

The tour, which has 16 stops around the country, is in support of the band's new album, *Come Back To You*. Released on July 7, the album is a continuation of the poppy, emotional fare that **Down To Earth Approach** have been perfecting since their start. Featuring guest appearances by Max Bemis of *Say Anything* and Drew Glackin of *The Silos*, *Come Back*

*To You* can be expected to propel the band forward alongside their pop-punk peers.

The band participated in the ever popular **Warped Tour** in 2006 and have toured with *Saves The Day* and *As Tall As Lions*. In May of this year they hit the road with *Paulson* before going into the studio to finish their record with producers Mike Watts and Steven Haigler, who have worked with **Down To Earth Approach's** former tourmates *As Tall As Lions* in the past. On their headlining circuit they will be supported by **Dameira** and **Treaty Of Paris**.

The **Internet Café** is located at 1 W. Front St. Tickets are \$10. Go to [myspace.com/downtoearthapproach](http://myspace.com/downtoearthapproach) for more info.