



## BC celebrates first annual Earthfest

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On April 21<sup>st</sup> 2007 Brevard College held the first Earth Fest Day. What I mean by this is usually we have Earth Day and Spring Fest separately, but the administration and the Campus Activities Board (CAB) got together and decided to put Earth Day and Spring Fest together and came out with Earth Fest. It took place at the Francis Pavilion in front of the Porter Center, starting at 11:30 a.m. and ending around 6:45 p.m.

The celebrations of Earth Day were very exciting and memorable. There were many different events and bands played that afternoon. They provided free water, and free soda. I've never heard of an event where they give you free water and free soda! They had big tents set up, where they had tie dying shirts, face painting, necklace making, and local Brevard College clubs,

such as the Recycling Club, talking about recycling and promoting it to the college students and to the local community. There were a lot of community members at Earth Fest throughout the day. There were not as many college students as in the past because of the new location. In years past they have had Earth Day and Spring Fest in the residential quad and that usually attracted more students to participate in the many events and games that went on throughout the day. I was disappointed not to see as many students, faculty, and staff participating in Earth Fest this year.



Students plant trees to replace willows lost in storm.

Photo J. Billingsley

It was an honor for me to see the President of Brevard College play as well. Dr. Van Horn has a Beatles cover band, and they were the opener of the great Earth Fest celebration. The other bands that

played at this fun fair of excitement and entertainment were DJ Sticky Fingers, Cletus Baltimore, Intellectual Telepathy, and Soul

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## Ben Harper, Meloy talk to *The Clarion*

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As the school year draws to a close, the sun becomes stronger and the days become longer. Along with the benefits of summer come concerts. Outdoor festivals begin popping up around the country and we find ourselves traveling great distances to catch all of our favorite bands.

Bonnaroo music festival is starting to become a household name as it rolls into its fifth year, becoming one of the largest concerts in the country. In case you are unfamiliar with such event, it is a three day music festival on a 600 acre farm in Tennessee in which

some of the best artists from every genre of music play almost non-stop. There are roughly 100,000 people attending every year, and this year the Clarion will be there to cover it.

The festival began as mostly jam bands and has expanded and progressed to offer a wider variety of music. This year, The Police are making their long awaited return to the main stage as well as Tool, Widespread Panic, The Flaming Lips, The Roots, Ben Harper, The White Stripes and a knock out list of many others.

Reviving such events like Woodstock (without the deaths and riots), Bonnaroo has put the

U.S. on the map for great music festivals. Not only are there six stages of music, but the promoters have also put together a comedy tent (this year featuring Dave Attell, David Cross and Lewis Black) and an entire village of shops and eateries for small business to take advantage of. A fountain and wash areas are provided as well as the beautiful scenery of farmland among the rolling hills of the Southeast.

Through some of the most personable and hardest working promoters I have ever spoken with, I was able to talk with a few of this

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