

# Concert to combat hunger

*Dixon Jane, S.O.U.P. hope to set example with peace, love, happiness from 1960s*

Concert Preview

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Thirty years later, the summer of love is finally coming to Lincoln. Local roots-rockers are teaming up Sunday to present "Peacestock '97," a benefit concert for Lincoln's hungry. Held at Antelope Park, 23rd Street and Sheridan Boulevard, the show will feature Lincoln bands Dixon Jane and S.O.U.P. (formerly The Grateful Dudes).

Both groups are waiving their playing and set-up fees to raise support for the Food Bank of Lincoln. Admission is at least two cans of food per person, and the public is invited to attend.

Scott Colborn, the event's organizer and Dixon Jane's front man, assembled "Peacestock '97" from the memory of the benefit concerts of the '60s and '70s. It was a time when music and artists played a more positive and proactive role in society, Colborn

said. "I feel real deep in my bones that

artists have always set examples for being generous and helping other people," Colborn said. "If we can do that in some kind

of way in this concert, that's great."

While benefit concerts are not a new idea, their occurrence in Lincoln is not a regular event. Because of the lack of community involvement on the part of local artists, Colborn decided to be an example, he said.

Sunday's show will be reminiscent of the many outdoor festivals of the '60s and '70s that heavily focused on social change and active political involvement.

"Peace, love and happiness" is not an outdated creed, Colborn said.

"I think that if people are given the chance to do good, they will," he said. "There were some very good things about the '60s besides the notorious drug use: altruistic things, people committed to each other and the general idea about peace and love."

To create interest in the benefit, Colborn recruited S.O.U.P., a student-followed Grateful Dead cover band, and local sponsors, Eyes of the World, The Lincoln Food Bank, The Way Home Music & Books and KTGL 92.9, The Eagle.

The station has promoted the event on the air, posted flyers downtown and will be the master of ceremonies for the event, said Julie Foxx, KTGL promotion director and disc jockey.

"We were looking for a way to celebrate the 30-year anniversary of the summer of love," Foxx said. "One of the main draws that

attracted us to this event was the Lincoln food bank, so not only would it be a good time but it would help stock

the shelves of the bank."

Baker praised Colborn for the work he is doing to help Lincoln's needy.

"I think it's great, and it's really wonderful that he would organize an event for us," Baker said. "He did all the work and all we have to do is collect the food and bring it back. Scott's just done a wonderful job."



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