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Oh cherry, Diamond to hit town

Ladies, start separating your underwear into "wearable" and "throwable" piles, because Neil Diamond himself will hit the Rose Garden on Dec. 2 to warm up your cold winter night. Diamond, touted as "America's Greatest Live Performer" by a true expert, (Diamond Marketing Manager) Stan Sittser, has promised to roll out both the classics and material from "Three Chord Opera," which hits stores Tuesday.



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Along with Diamond, the full lineup of Seattle's penultimate, packed-with-people annual extravaganza, **Bumbershoot**, was also announced this week. Past years have been packed with local indie

acts. Last year the likes of **Modest Mouse**, **Quasi**, **The Giraffes**, **Sleater-Kinney**, **Elliott Smith**, **Death Cab For Cutie** and **Murder City Devils** all stopped by. Although none of those bands will make it two in a row, organizers have compiled an impressive list of acts for this year, including **Built to Spill**, **David Lee Roth** (actually doing **Van Halen** tunes), **Stephen Malkmus**, **The Red Elvises**, **MxPx**, **Jon Auer**, **5 Fingers of Funk**, **The Black Crowes** and **Ween**. **Bumbershoot** runs throughout Labor Day weekend at the Seattle Center.

R.E.M. fans will have to wait just a little longer to see the band's second MTV Unplugged performance. MTV2 will premiere the concert at 8 p.m. Aug. 9.

The **Backstreet Boys** camp has been quiet since the sudden announcement of "band" mate **A.J. McLean's** alcohol problem, and now pop tart **Britney Spears** has announced equally depressing, disappointing news. Spears said she will cover **Joan Jett's** "I Love Rock and Roll" on her upcoming, currently untitled album slated for a Nov. 6 release. Spears also covered **The Rolling Stones'** "Satisfaction" on her last album and sang some of the song during her now-infamous MTV Video Music Awards striptease performance. Seriously, stop snickering at this news. "Satisfaction" was, at least, excusable. But Jett's classic track represented an innovative sound, a clearly defined powerful female personality and, of course, rock 'n' roll (i.e. guitar-driven). Britney doesn't embody anything the song represents at all.

The silver lining? **Bob Dylan** told USA Today he will release a new, full-length album in September, titled "Love and Theft," which will include "Mississippi" recorded with **Sheryl Crow** and "Things Have Changed," his Oscar-winning title song to the movie "Wonder Boys."

If you're getting tired of new, hardly established acts waging feuds and rivalries against each other, hope is on the way. FOX News reported last weekend that **Michael Jackson** turns green with jealous rage every time **Madonna** scores a success. This may explain why Jackson suddenly announced a massive

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Jessie Swimeley Emerald

Paul Bustrin (above) is large and in charge as he stands outside Club Olympus checking IDs and keeping the peace.

Josh Ford (right) hangs up a poster in a new display at the Castle Superstore.



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Two weeks in a row...
Measly amounts of space have banished the Promo Photo of the Week to the Web page again, but check it out anyway.

AFTER HOURS

■ For four different men, sunset is no longer time to clock out as moonlight ushers in just another 'day' on the job

By Kara Cogswell
Oregon Daily Emerald

At one time, midnight was known as "the witching hour," and most businesses closed long before then.

But the world is changing. Most bars stay open until 2:30 a.m. and many stores are open 24 hours a day.

Four unique people work in four of these places — four men with very different jobs, but one thing in common: They are all up late.

When Home Depot began offering home improvement supplies around the clock last April, Matt Thom said he volunteered to work the new all-night shift from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Just don't ask him why.

"I have my reasons, but I can't talk about them," he said.

Thom works 40 hours a week at Home Depot as well as being a full-time student — he is a senior psychology major at the University.

He said many people actually stop by for lumber, hardware and the like in the wee morning hours. Sometimes they come in search of a needed tool after a plumbing or other household emergency. Other customers are regulars who do their shopping late because employees are more readily available to offer assistance at night when there are fewer people in the store.

But Thom admits his work schedule is "just not normal."

"The sun is going down when I'm driving to work," he said. "And the sun's coming up when I'm driving home."

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Conde out of jail and ready for 4th Hemp Fest

■ Bill Conde hosts the World Hemp Festival this weekend, where celebrants can learn all about the benefits of hemp

By Jeremy Lang
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Amid the jam bands, vendors and camp-outs at the World Hemp Festival, a sense of politics has always blown through the Conde Redwoods from information tables about how hemp can help the planet and conservation efforts.

But as the 4th annual festival gets ready to start this weekend, the politics are a little more prevalent because Bill Conde, the founder and owner of the property on which the Hemp Festival is held, is also preparing a run for Oregon governor.

People who come for the festival's standbys won't be disappointed. Co-

median Tommy Chong and Oregon author Ken Kesey will both be stopping by, along with almost 20 bands including Zen Tricksters.

Festival promoter Trevor Rasmussen said all the acts have been confirmed and added that between 8,000 and 13,000 people are expected to come and camp for the three days on the 60-acre plot of land 15 miles north of Eugene outside Harrisburg.

Rasmussen said that as he helped organize this year's event, he noticed more established and credible speakers on a national level showing interest in the festival.

"People are becoming more aware," he said.

Patrons will also be able to check out products ranging from hemp microbrews to hemp clothing.

Along with information about Conde's run for the state Capitol and his

stance to legalize marijuana, Rasmussen said this year's festival will feature information about how hemp can solve the current energy crunch.

As if organizing a major, three-day event isn't enough, Conde, 58, also had the setback of spending two weeks in Linn County Jail for abetting delivery of a controlled substance and hindering prosecution. The charges stemmed from allegations of open drug use and sales during the 1999 festival, according to county court records.

Conde did not return phone calls requesting an interview.

Linn County commissioners did grant Conde the necessary permits to host the event again, but with stipulations regarding finance, insurance and parking spaces provided for the Linn County Sheriff's officers.

Sheriff Dave Burright said he and

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"It's a cool chance for people to learn about stuff they don't necessarily come across."

Trevor Rasmussen
festival promoter