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Dead Tide will perform June 18 at the Olney Saloon.

Find country music at the Olney Saloon

OLNEY — The Dead Tide Country Band will perform south of Astoria at the Olney Saloon — aka the Big O — at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 18. There is no cover, and the show is for ages 21 and over.

The Dead Tide Country Band plays songs that, according to one small town bar patron, “were even old when I was a kid!”

The six-member Thurston County group features everything you’d hope for from a honky-tonk dance

band: sweet harmonies, wailing fiddle, backstabbing and heartache. Formed in 2015, The Dead Tide draws on years of collective experiences in old-time and bluegrass bands, church choirs and punk basements.

The Dead Tide Country Band plays a fine night’s worth of two steps and waltzes for dancers’ (and drinkers’) pleasure. So hold your partner close and sway to these tales of the good times gone bad.

35th NW Garlic Festival set for this weekend

Head to Ocean Park to celebrate the stinking rose

OCEAN PARK, Wash. — Fresh air and garlic: One of these things is not like the other, yet the two are able to come together at the 35th annual Northwest Garlic Festival. This year’s festival takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 18 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 19 at the Beach Baron’s Car Club field, located at 25815 Sandridge Road. Entry and parking are free.

Festival attendees have a quartet of entertainment to carry them along as they nibble and browse the booths. Opening the festival on Saturday is singer and songwriter Greg Parke.

Accompanied by either his acoustic or electric guitar, his sound is smooth and easy with a nod to some old-time rock favorites. The afternoon brings a local favorite, the North Coast Blues Band. If sun and food have slowed you down, this group will rev you right



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The 35th annual NW Garlic Festival poster by Don Nisbett.

back up.

Sunday opens with the talented Ilwaco High School Jazz Band, moving through a playlist of Latin, funk, jazz, pop and rock. Sunday afternoon belongs to a new artist to the festival: Briana Renea, a country singer and songwriter from Oregon. Although she records in Nashville, the Northwest is her touring home.

As would be expected of a festival based on a tasty little bulb, garlic is present in just about every form,



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“Tempest Approaches” is a block print by Rebecca Shelton, a new addition to the festival. Shelton has also created a garlic block print along with many other handcrafted items of original design.

fashion, version, depiction or style imagined.

Although booths are filled with garlic sauces, marinades, spices, oils, rubs, pickle jars and the like, they also contain a wide selection of non-edible garlic options. Soaps, candles, ceramics, wreaths, art, jewelry, photography, yard

art and gardening items are only some of the categories paying homage to the stinking rose.

All booths must have something inspired by the festival namesake, but they also offer merchandise and other food options as well. Park benches are scattered throughout the field, in front of the bandstand and along the food truck aisle, a good option for lingering over that garlic-stuffed mushroom, enjoying a crispy mini-donut or getting the last little bit of crab cake into your mouth. It’s going to be good food, good music, good shopping, great people watching and a little fresh air blowing through the garlic haze.

For those collecting the NW Garlic Festival posters, they will be on sale at Peninsula Arts Association’s tent.

Need more information on the festival? Visit www.nwgarlicfestival.org. To contact the Ocean Park Area Chamber of Commerce, call 360-665-4448 or email opchamber@opwa.com.

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Hear metal and rock bands at Merry Time Bar

ASTORIA — The doctor called and said you needed some rock. Merry Time Bar & Grill has got just the thing.

The Astoria bar will host a free live metal and rock show with two bands on Saturday, June 18. Music starts at 10 p.m.

Broken Bodies are a female-fronted Misfits cover band. The Misfits are an American rock band often recognized as the progeni-

tors of the horror punk sub-genre, blending punk rock and other musical influences with horror film themes and imagery.

Merry Time owners Terry and Todd Robinett’s favorite metal band from Oregon, Dinner For Wolves, will also perform.

Merry Time Bar & Grill is located at 995 Marine Drive. The show is for ages 21 and older only. There is no cover.