

# Blues musicians ready for a group hug

## Peninsula Rhythm & Blues Festival attracts big-city talent

BY PATRICK WEBB

The blues may be the only genre of music whose name means the opposite of the feelings it creates. It also cements life-time friendships.

Clint Carter, organizer of this weekend's Peninsula Rhythm & Blues Festival, summed it up. "Unlike some other genres, what is good for one is good for the rest," he said. "If one of us is in trouble, the blues community surrounds them with love and support."

Robin Gibson, who will bring his band from the Interstate 5 corridor, near Woodland, Washington, to kick off Saturday's performances, agreed. It's all about bringing pleasure to audiences surrounded by long-time musician pals.

"Clint is 'good people,'" Gibson said. "I have known him for 25 years. He is very caring and giving of himself." Carter is eager to echo Gibson's support. "Robin has been very generous. He has always been very supportive."

### Two days

Peninsula Rhythm & Blues Festival will take place at the Port of Nahcotta in Ocean Park, Washington. Performances will run from late afternoon on Friday through the evening hours on Saturday. A portion of the proceeds will help fund peninsula food banks.

The event, at the north end of the Long Beach Peninsula, will include art vendors, beer, wine and varied food, including fish and chips, Mexican dishes and barbecue. A sponsor has donated upscale Washington and Oregon wines.

The Ben Rice Band, from Portland, will play during "Marys and Mimosas," a limited time slot from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday for those attending to order Bloody Marys.

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### Peninsula Rhythm & Blues Festival

Port of Nahcotta, 275th Street, Ocean Park, Wash.

5 to 10 p.m. on Friday and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday

Friday admission is \$25; Saturday admission is \$35; two-day passes are available for \$50

Ages 21 and older only. No pets allowed, only service animals

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**ABOVE:** Guitarists Don King, left, and Clint Carter share a laugh at the Port of Nahcotta. As the North Coast Blues band, they will be joined on stage by guitarist John Orr and drummer Fred Jacobs.

**LEFT:** The Peninsula Rhythm & Blues Festival will include art vendors, beer, wine and varied food offerings, including fish and chips, Mexican dishes and barbecue.

Kathy Rankin

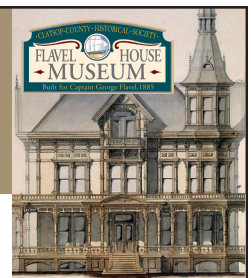
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