# RECORDS

# Actor Gene Wilder, original 'Willy Wonka', dies at 83

#### **By SANDY COHEN** AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES — Gene Wilder, the frizzy-haired actor who brought his deft comedic touch to such unforgettable roles as the neurotic accountant in "The Producers" and the mad scientist of "Young Frankenstein," has died. He was 83.

Wilder's nephew said Monday that the actor and writer died late Sunday at his home in Stamford, Connecticut, from complications from Alzheimer's disease

Jordan Walker-Pearlman said in a statement that Wilder was diagnosed with the disease three years ago, but kept the condition private so as not to disappoint fans.

"He simply couldn't bear the idea of one less smile in the world," Walker-Pearlman said.

Wilder started his acting career on the stage, but millions knew him from his work in the movies. especially his collaborations with Mel Brooks on "The Producers," "Blazing "Young Saddles" and Frankenstein." The last film — with Wilder playing a California-born descendant of the mad scientist, insisting that his name is pronounced "Frahn-ken-SHTEEN" was co-written by Brooks and Wilder.



AP Photo/Jessica Hill, File

In this April 2008 file photo, actor Gene Wilder listens as he is introduced to receive the Governor's Awards for Excellence in Culture and Tourism at the Legislative Office Building in Hartford, Conn. Wilder, who starred in such film classics as "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" and "Young Frankenstein" has died. He was 83.

the truly great talents of our time, is gone," Brooks wrote in a statement Monday. "He blessed every film we did together with his special magic and he blessed my life with his friendship. He will be so missed."

With his unkempt hair and big, buggy eyes, Wilder was a master at playing panicked characters caught up in schemes that only a madman such as Brooks could devise, whether reviving a monster in "Young Frankenstein" or bilking Broadway in "The

"Gene Wilder, one of Producers." Brooks would call him "God's perfect prey, the victim in all of us.'

But he also knew how to keep it cool as the boozing gunslinger in "Blazing Saddles" or the charming candy man in the children's favorite "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory." His craziest role: the therapist having an affair with a sheep in Woody Allen's "Everything You Wanted to Know About Sex."

"The greatest comedic mind of my childhood is now gone," actor Josh Gad wrote on Twitter. "#RIP

#GeneWilder & thank you 4 your pure imagination. This one hits hard."

Tweeted Jim Carrey: "Gene Wilder was one of the funniest and sweetest energies ever to take a human form. If there's a heaven he has a Golden Ticket."

Wilder was close friends with Richard Pryor and their contrasting personas Wilder uptight, Pryor loose — were ideal for comedy. They co-starred in four films: "Silver Streak," "Stir Crazy," "See No Evil, Hear No Evil" and "Another You." And they created several memorable scenes, particularly when Pryor provided Wilder with directions on how to "act black" as they tried to avoid police in "Silver Streak."

But Wilder would insist in a 2013 interview that he was no comedian. He told interviewer Robert Osborne it was the biggest misconception about him.

"What a comic, what a funny guy, all that stuff! And I'm not. I'm really not. Except in a comedy in films," Wilder said. "But I make my wife laugh once or twice in the house, but nothing special. But when people see me in a movie and it's funny then they stop and say things to me about 'how funny you were.' But I don't think I'm that funny. I think I can be in the movies.'

#### FRIDAY

9:09 a.m. - Medication was reported stolen from Daisy's Adult Foster Home, 16 S.W. 12th Ave., Milton-Freewater.

10:44 a.m. - A resident of Southwest Nye Avenue, Pendleton, reported her son stole three Ziploc bags full of quarters from her home.

10:44 a.m. - The rear driver's side tire of a car was slashed on Northeast Third Street, Hermiston, the car's owner reported to Hermiston police.

11:29 a.m. - A woman at Wal-Mart Super Center, 2203 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton, reported she tried to pet a dog and the owners threatened to punch her in the face. She requested contact from a Pendleton police officer.

11:57 a.m. - Pendleton police were called after a woman using the ATM at Bank of the West, 416 S.W. 20th St., was followed back to her car by a man who then tried to get into the passenger side of her car, which was locked. The woman left the area but talked to bank staff and they

to request a sign for the area from the Morrow County Road Department warning about some of the curves in the road. The deputy said this is the third wreck in the area, and that people aren't seeing the curves and are driving

straight off the road. 9:04 p.m. - A resident of Joy Lane, Hermiston, reported a "wild cat" growled at her when she went outside. The caller said the cat was not housecat size but larger, and thinks there might be two of them in the area.

### SATURDAY

5:49 a.m. - A newspaper carrier reported two fawns tangled up in a fence on Southeast Gilmore Street, Heppner. The Morrow County Sheriff's Department and the city of Heppner responded and freed the deer.

8:31 a.m. - A wallet was reported stolen out of a locked vehicle in the 400 block of South Elizabeth Street, Milton-Freewater.

9:03 a.m. - Three bicycles were stolen from the 800 k of Lamb Stre

Short Stop. The caller said they are driving fast and all over the road. Umatilla County sheriff's deputies were unable to find the culprits.

4:25 a.m. - The owner of Age of Woods, 125 S.W. 18th St., Pendleton, reported someone trying to break in through the back door with a crowbar.

9:17 a.m. - Someone entered a home in the 100 block of Northeast Sixth Avenue, Milton-Freewater, and stole cash, the homeowner reported.

10:17 a.m. - A bicycle was reported stolen from the 700 block of Evans Street, Milton-Freewater, sometime during the night.

11:11 a.m. - Someone rummaged through three vehicles at a residence on Carolina Road, Umatilla, but not a whole lot was taken except an ashtray. A second caller from Carolina Road also reported her vehicle broken into at 1:49 p.m.

12:46 p.m. - A manager at Taco Bell, 2001 S.W. Court Place, Pendleton, reported the safe was short more than \$300 from the previous night's crew. She requested contact from a Pendleton police officer 1:48 p.m. - A man called the Milton-Freewater police to report damage to his vehicle the previous day, possibly from a firearm, in the 1300 block of South Mill Street. 4:25 p.m. - A resident of West Van Buren Street, Athena, requested contact from a Umatilla County sheriff's deputy or his parole officer, claiming Joe Dirt stole items from him and left a threatening message. The man's neighbor called the sheriff's office at 6:40 p.m. to report that the man had been "cussing and screaming across the street" all day and he was tired of listening to him. Another neighbor called at 6:51 p.m. to report she, too, was tired of listening to him and requested contact from a deputy. The first neighbor called again at 8:13 p.m. to report the screaming and cursing had resumed, and requested contact. 5:38 p.m. - A man reported his son broke into his house on Southwest Hailey Avenue, Pendleton, and damaged a door but was unsure whether anything had been taken. 8:52 p.m. - A vehicle on East Darwin Street, Athena, was broken into sometime during the day and a rifle and pistol, among other items, were stolen.

Raymond Lee Penrod, 42, address not provided, for aggravated fourth-degree assault.

•Pendleton police arrested Cody James Gay, 19, address not provided, on charges of first-degree theft, first- and second-degree burglary (other structures) and criminal conspiracy, all felonies, and on two felony and one misdemeanor failure to appear warrants.

•Oregon State Police arrested Laura Belle Lewis, 53, of Weston, for driving under the influence of intoxicants (controlled substance).

Saturday The Morrow County Sheriff's Department arrested **Bianney Nathaniel Perez** Rojas, 37, address not provided, for possession of methamphetamine, criminal possession of forged instrument and first-degree forgery, all felonies, misdemeanor giving false information to police, and on felony and misdemeanor failure to appear warrants.

•Umatilla police arrested

## DEATH NOTICES

## **Richard Gibson**

Bremerton, Wash. Sept. 7, 1937-Aug. 23, 2016

Former Hermiston and Stanfield-area resident Richard Gibson, 79, died Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2016, in Bremerton, Wash. He was born Sept. 7, 1937, in Klamath Falls. A private family celebration of life will be held at a later date. Lewis Funeral Chapel of Bremerton handled arrangements.

## **Gladys E. Hagerty** Hermiston Aug. 15, 1933-Aug. 27, 2016

Gladys E. Hagerty, 83, of Hermiston died Saturday, Aug. 27, 2016, in Hermiston. She was born Aug. 15, 1933, in Montana. A celebration of life service will be held Thursday, Sept. 1 at 11 a.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel in Hermiston. Burial will be at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Sign the online guest book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

## Lillian Mitzimberg Pendleton Nov. 14, 1919-Aug. 25, 2016

Lillian Mitzimberg, 96, of Pendleton died Thursday, Aug. 25, 2016, in Pendleton. She was born Nov. 14, 1919, in Pendleton. Graveside services will be held Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 2 p.m. at Olney Cemetery in Pendleton. Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com

## **UPCOMING SERVICES**

#### **TUESDAY, AUG, 30**

BOYER, LINDA — Funeral services at 11 a.m. at Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home, 902 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater. Concluding services and interment will follow at the Milton-Freewater Cemetery.

## WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31

**BRYANT, HOWARD** — Celebration of life at 11 a.m. at the Heppner United Methodist Church, 175 W. Church St.

## **OBITUARY POLICY**

The East Oregonian publishes paid obituaries. The obituary can include small photos and, for veterans, a flag symbol at no charge.

Obituaries may be edited for spelling, proper punctuation and style. Expanded death notices will be published at no charge. These include information about services.

Obituaries and notices can be submitted online at www.eastoregonian.com/obituaryform, by email to obits@eastoregonian.com, by fax to 541-276-8314, placed via the funeral home or in person at the East Oregonian office.

For more information, call 541-966-0818 or 1-800-522-0255, ext. 221.

## **HONOR ROLL**

## **BMCC** releases summer term honor roll

PENDLETON — Blue Mountain Community College summer term 2016 honor roll recognition went to the following full-time students:

President's List (4.0 gpa): Melissa Barfuss, Robert Brandvold, Joshua Fenstermaker, John Galjour, Michelle Gerrard, Cindy Hawkins, Jessica Hottel, Lacey McCleary, Alyssa Pratt, Kasia Robbins, Jeremy Schwertfeger.

Dean's List (3.40 to 3.84 gpa): Travis Ables, Caleb Berry, Jenifer Cameron, Fen Chen, Jordan Dodge, Mary Evans, Samantha Green, Marcos Landin, Ryan Masters, Cameron Meade, Taylor Paschal, Sarah Stone.

Honor Roll (3.0 to 3.39 gpa): Yvonne Carson, Bailey De Bord, Cindy Fuentes, Jed Hummell, Hayley Lepage, KC Lissman, Angela Mcintosh, Taylor Nedrow, Sydney Qualls, Jamie Sawyer, Anthony Searle, Andrew Sherman, Christopher Smith, Rikki Weller, Teteo Yaoch.

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suggested she report the incident to the police. The caller described the man, who had walked toward Dean's Market & Deli, but police were unable to find him.

12:06 p.m. - A resident of Southeast 11th Street, Pendleton, reported the theft of personal paperwork including birth certificate and Social Security card. She requested contact from a Pendleton police officer.

12:10 p.m. - A Marine Corps sergeant conducting a service at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Umatilla contacted Umatilla police after finding a snake tied up to the doors of the Seventh-day Adventist Church next door to the cemetery.

2:53 p.m. - A resident of Lexington reported to the Morrow County Sheriff's Office they received a scam call regarding cooperating with the grand jury or else he would be arrested. The caller provided the phone number for the scammer.

3:21 p.m. - Pendleton police received a report of a man who tried to steal a package off the front porch of a residence on Northwest Horn Avenue. Police were unable to locate the man.

7:16 p.m. - Juveniles were reportedly "screwing around on construction equipment" near Pendleton High School and West Hills Intermediate School. A school district official reported construction personnel were en route to the site, but requested Pendleton police respond as well.

8:42 p.m. - An aggressive opossum held a family hostage in their house on Southeast Seventh Street, Pendleton, until a resident called Pendleton police for help

9:01 p.m. - The Morrow County Sheriff's Office, Boardman Fire Department and Boardman ambulance were called to the vicinity of Desert Road and Frontage Lane near Boardman by a caller who said he came across a rollover accident on an access road off Interstate 84 and that he had an occupant of the vehicle in his car. The caller said the man had a cut on his head and back pain. At 10:39 p.m. a sheriff's deputy called dispatch and requested they contact the day shift deputies Milton-Freewater, about two weeks ago, the bikes' owner reported.

1:42 p.m. - A resident of Hidaway Springs Road, Ukiah, called the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office to report two men who came to his gate on 4-wheelers and asked to come on the property to walk around and take pictures of the cabins. When the caller refused, one of the men shot toward him with a .44 pistol, and also had a rifle with him. The two men then rode south on 5450 Road. The caller provided descriptions of the men, and requested contact from a deputy.

4:29 p.m. - A Hermiston resident reported the windows on the front and back of a garage at property he owns on West Hermiston Avenue have been broken out.

7:23 p.m. - A resident of the 900 block of Cowl Street, Milton-Freewater, reported damage to her fence and the theft of wind chimes off her property.

7:26 p.m. - A man reported finding what he thought might be a poached spike elk near Ditch Creek cabin on top of Copple Butte earlier in the day while hunting in the area.

## SUNDAY

12:54 a.m. - A man left his wallet on the coffee table in his home on South Main Street, Pendleton, and went to sleep. When he woke up, he said, the wallet was on the floor and more than \$500 was missing. He requested contact from a Pendleton police officer.

1:09 a.m. - Two people on 4-wheelers were reported driving up and down East Punkin Center Road, Hermiston, and then back and forth between there and the

#### **ARRESTS, CITATIONS** Friday

 Milton-Freewater police arrested Miguel Angel Rodriguez, 19, 116 N.W. Sixth Ave., Milton-Freewater, for harassment constituting domestic violence and third-degree criminal mischief. Pendleton police arrested

Joseph James Ashley Burns, 21, address not provided, for first-degree burglary and fourth-degree aggravated assault, both felonies, and for second-degree theft, harassment-offensive physical contact, menacing and second degree criminal mischief (vandalism), all misdemeanors.

·Pendleton police cited and released Lisa Ganuelas, age and address not provided, for duii (alcohol).

Sunday •Milton-Freewater police arrested Julie Marie Moore, 42, address not provided, for first-degree burglary and possession of methamphetamine, both felonies, and for first-degree criminal trespass and third-degree theft, both misdemeanors

## LOTTERY

Friday, Aug. 26 Megamillions 10-11-31-41-44 Megaball: 14 Megaplier: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$76 million 04-06-10-14-FREE-20-21-25-31 Estimated jackpot: \$66,000

4 p.m.: 4-3-5-0 7 p.m.: 5-1-0-5 10 p.m.: 0-2-1-9

#### Saturday, Aug. 27 Powerball 04-32-48-49-63

Powerball: 20 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$142 million Megabucks 07-10-22-28-39-43 Estimated jackpot: \$9.2 million

Lucky Lines 04-08-10-14-FREE-18-22-26-30 Estimated jackpot: \$67,000 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 6-2-0-7 4 p.m.: 4-4-9-8 7 p.m.: 1-4-2-0 10 p.m.: 3-6-4-3 Win for Life 08-55-62-77

TUESDAY, AUG. 30

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tholomew Government Building,

RECREATION PLAYGROUND STEERING COMMITTEE, 6 p.m., Parks office, 865 Tutuilla Road,

Pendleton. Strategies for replace-

ment of four recently closed playgrounds will be discussed. (541-276-8100)

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 31

No meetings scheduled

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 1** 

PENDLETON DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION, 7 a.m., Pendle-ton City Hall community room, 501

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76-8100).

## Sunday, Aug. 28

Lucky Lines 04-05-12-14-FREE-17-24-25-29 Estimated jackpot: \$68,000 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 4-4-8-4 4 p.m.: 6-3-2-0 7 p.m.: 2-7-5-5 10 p.m.: 9-4-4-8

Monday, Aug. 29 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 2-1-4-0

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## MEETINGS

S.W. Emigrant Ave. BUTTER CREEK IRRIGA-TION DISTRICT, 10 a.m., district office, 73120 Highway 207 (Butter Creater Utaburay Eche Oldition Creek Highway), Echo. (William Porfily 541-449-1327). ECHO IRRIGATION DIS-

**TRICT,** 10:30 a.m., district office, 73120 Highway 207 (Butter Creek Highway), Echo. (William Porfily 541-449-1327). ADAMS PLANNING COM-

MISSION, 6:30 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St.

PLANNING PENDLETON COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

The EO publishes a list of meetings daily. These sessions are open to the public. Meetings should be submitted well in advance to Meeting Calendar, c/o East Oregonian, 211 S.E. Byers Ave., Pendle-ton, 97801, or Renee Struthers at rstruthers@eastoregonian.com. Please include the dates, times, specific addresses of the meetings and person to contact for each organization, including what occurs if the normal meeting time falls on a holiday.



Kubo & The Two Strings (PG) 5:00 7:20 9:40

Ben-Hur (PG13) 2D: 6:50 🗊: 4:10 9:30

Mechanic: Resurrection (R) 4:40 7:00 9:20

Suicide Squad (PG13) 4:20 7:10

Sausage Party (R) 10:00

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Lucky Lines Pick 4 1 p.m.: 4-2-6-5