



Tanner Carey/Contributed Photo

Tanner Carey performs during an open mic night on July 6, 2021, at Jokers Comedy Club in Richland, Washington. The 2014 Pendleton High School graduate headlines his first hometown show Friday, March 4, at Electric Sundown, Pendleton.

Electrifying laughter at Electric Sundown

Tanner Carey to perform stand-up

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PENDLETON — While he wasn't necessarily considered the class clown, 2014 Pendleton High School graduate Tanner Carey said he was voted most likely to become a Vine star.

Although the social media platform is now defunct, the former student-athlete is set to take the stage for his premiere hometown stand-up comedy event. Calling the show "Risking My Mustache," Carey (and his mustache) performs Friday, March 4, at Electric Sundown, 14 S.E. Third St., Pendleton.

The doors open at 8 p.m. with the laughs starting at 9 p.m. Finishing out the evening is a solo acoustic guitar performance by Lance Leonnig, the venue's owner. There is a \$5 cover charge. In addition, a full-service bar will be available.

Carey had his first stand-up comedy experience while studying to be a paramedic. Because of the intense nature of the program, participants were encouraged to take care of themselves physically, mentally and emotionally. When outside the classroom, Carey said, students were encouraged to establish workout routines and read publications unrelated to the medical field.

In addition, he said they were challenged to engage in something that took them out of their comfort zone. Some classmates, Carey said took dance lessons, while others experimented in the kitchen. Carey decided to try stand-up comedy.

"It was a lot of fun and got

my mind off of the stress of school," he said. "I get a lot of enjoyment out of making people laugh."

Carey performed at a number of open mic nights in Portland. Back home in Eastern Oregon, he would drive more than two hours round-trip to Jokers Comedy Club in Richland, Washington, for a 5-minute open mic set. Carey also got some additional stage time while hosting the show at Jokers.

"I just picked up the ball and started running with it," he said. "It's a hobby and it's taken off more than I expected."

While Carey calls the upcoming gig his "first real show" in his hometown, he did a short opening set for Billy Turner during a recent event at BackFire Station in Pendleton. Turner, who knows his way around the mic and has performed on many stages, said Carey did well in front of a packed house.

"I think the kid did a great job," Turner said. "He's young and he's got that fire to get out there in front of people."

Turner, whose known for inviting people to share the stage with him, has done comedy off and on for many years. Offering encouragement to the budding young comic, Turner told Carey to keep honing his skills.

In addition, he said, audiences are ripe right now. People, Turner said, are starving for comedy. He encouraged area residents to check out Carey's show.

"People need a good laugh," Turner said.

If nothing else, you'll learn why he's risking his mustache. For more information about the upcoming show, call 503-729-2476 or visit www.facebook.com/theelectricsundown.

PUBLIC SAFETY

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23

8:19 a.m. — Pendleton police responded to a 911 call about a prowler on someone's property on Southwest Nye Avenue. When police arrived the prowler was gone.

8:43 a.m. — Hermiston police responded to a 911 call reporting a domestic disturbance on North First Street.

8:56 a.m. — Pendleton police responded to a report of theft at the Muffler Shop, 915 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton.

9:40 a.m. — A Hermiston police officer initiated activity on Southwest Ninth Street where a fight was occurring. Police took a report.

10:39 a.m. — A caller reported she had a dead deer in her back yard on North 10th Street in Pendleton.

12:41 p.m. — Union Pacific Railroad reported a small derailment in Meacham. The company reported no injuries or spills occurred.

1:33 p.m. — A caller said he is a project manager, and found a sign from the project on Wilson Lane, Boardman, and the property owner was not cooperating. Local law enforcement responded, determined the sign was being stored at the location and this was a miscommunication.

2:05 p.m. — Pendleton police responded to a report of drug activity at Jack in the Box, 1904 S.W. Court Place.

3:43 p.m. — Pendleton police responded to a 911 call reporting a domestic disturbance at an apartment building off Northgate. Police made an arrest.

4:16 p.m. — A 911 caller on Southwest Cedar Street, Pilot Rock, reported a dog bit someone.

5:04 p.m. — A caller reported there was a homeless person inside a dark gray sleeping bag on the slide at the Victory Square Park, Hermiston, and the children are unable to play on the structure. Police responded.

6:42 p.m. — A car crash involving two vehicles and a pole occurred at Glenn and East Punkin Center roads, Hermiston.

7:57 p.m. — A caller made a report of gunshots in the area of Powerline Road near Interstate 82, Hermiston.

10:11 p.m. — Pendleton police responded to a 911 call reporting a domestic disturbance on Southwest Fifth Street.

10:32 p.m. — Pendleton police responded to CHI St. Anthony Hospital, 2801 St. Anthony Way, on a report of drug activity.

10:37 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to a 911 call on Northwest Gladys Drive, where a 19-year old girl was acting possessed and assaulting family members.

THURSDAY, FEB. 24

12:49 a.m. — Pendleton police responded to a 911 call reporting an assault on Southwest Ninth Street.

1:02 a.m. — Pendleton police responded to a report of trespassing at the United States Post Office, 104 S.W. Dorion Ave.

9:27 a.m. — The Morrow County Sheriff's Office took a report for a forgery at Lone High School, 445 Spring St., Lone.

11:53 p.m. — An Irrigon resident on Southeast California Avenue reported her ex-husband came to her house and refused to leave. He left in a silver Kia and could have been intoxicated.

5:25 p.m. — Umatilla police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Third Street.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

Feb. 23

• Pendleton police arrested Kenneth James Doughty, 34, for felony fleeing, reckless driving and misdemeanor warrants for failure to appear.

Feb. 24

• Morrow County Sheriff's Office arrested Darwin David Smith, 34, for first-degree theft, felon in possession of a weapon, felony possession of methamphetamine and carrying concealed weapons.

• Milton-Freewater police arrested Susan Brown, 32, for second-degree assault and attempted unlawful use of weapon.

• Umatilla County Sheriff's Office arrested Benjamin Edwards Daniels, 48, for driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless driving.

COURTS

MARRIAGES

Marriage licenses have been registered in Umatilla County for:

Nicole Marie Elkins, 29, and Taylor Nicholas Goodwin, 30, both of Hermiston.

Victoria Rose Wilson, 28, of Irrigon, and Gudrun Osp Risten Svansdottir, 28 of Reykjavik, Iceland.

Victor Garza Mercado, 58, of Pendleton, and Tamara Jean Patrick, 54, of Milton-Freewater.

Donna Joan Bergstrom

July 8, 1928 - February 17, 2022

Donna Joan Bergstrom, 93, died Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022, at Willow Creek Terrace Assisted Living in Heppner. A graveside service was held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022, at Rose City Cemetery, 5625 NE Fremont St., in Portland, Oregon 97213.

Donna was born on July 8, 1928, in Portland, Oregon, the only child of Lee and Fern Trumbull Marcum. She attended schools in Portland and graduated from Jefferson High School. Donna attended college at Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon. After graduation from college, she taught school for one year at Helix, Oregon.

On Aug. 25, 1951, she married Roland Bergstrom in Portland, Oregon. The made their home in Ione, Oregon, for a few years before moving to the Bergstrom family farm at Gooseberry. She and Roland farmed until the farm was rented to Doug and Carley Drake in early 1980s.

Donna substituted for years in the Heppner, Ione and Condon school districts. She taught sewing classes and 4-H sewing. As a member of Valby Lutheran Church she taught adult Sunday school classes. She enjoyed singing in area choirs.

After their retirement, Donna and Roland did extensive traveling to countries in Europe, Sweden, Japan, China and Australia. The enjoyed spending time in Hawaii, while visiting their daughter, Kay. Out of all their travels, Australia was her favorite.

After Roland's death in 2007, Donna remained on the family farm until 2014. She then moved into the Willow Creek Terrace Assisted Living in Heppner, Oregon.

Donna was a member of Hopeful Saints Church in Heppner.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roland, and son-in-law, Dennis Bush.

Survivors include her daughters, Carley Drake (Doug) of Heppner, Shauna Stroble (Ron) of Lake Oswego, Kay Bergstrom, of Hawaii, and Lori Bush of Salem, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions in her name may be made to Willow Creek Terrace Assisted Living, 400 Frank Gilliam Drive, Heppner, OR 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary, of Heppner, is in care of arrangements. You may sign the online condolence book at www.sweeneymortuary.com.

DEATH NOTICE

Cheryl Price

Eagle, Idaho
Feb. 18, 1944 — Feb. 20, 2022

Former Eastern Oregon resident Cheryl Price, 78, of Eagle, Idaho, died Feb. 20, 2022, at Spring Creek Eagle Island, Eagle, Idaho. She was born Feb. 18, 1944, in Council Bluffs, Iowa, the daughter of Charles Sullivan and Dicksie Spenser. No services are planned at this time. Arrangements are with Accent Funeral Home and Cremation, Meridian, Idaho. To leave online condolences, visit www.accentfuneral.com.

UPCOMING SERVICES

FRIDAY, FEB. 25

Clark, Mary — Memorial service, 10:30 a.m. at the First Christian Church, 215 N. Main St., Pendleton.

Cowapoo, Gifford — Funeral Mass, 9 a.m. at St. Andrews Mission, 48022 St. Andrews Road. Burial follows at Agency Cemetery, Mission.

Larson, Edward — Graveside service, 2 p.m. at Skyview Memorial Park, Pendleton.

Smith, Angel — Memorial service, 1 p.m. at the Burns Mortuary Chapel, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston.

SATURDAY, FEB. 26

Blankenship, James — Military graveside service, 1 p.m. at the Echo Cemetery. A reception follows at Crossroads Community Church, 350 N.W. Sherman St., Stanfield.

Burton, Nathan — Memorial service, 11 a.m. at Pendleton First Baptist Church, 3202 S.W. Nye Ave.

McCabe, Ernie — Graveside service, 11 a.m. at High View Cemetery, Ione.

McMillan, Myrtle — Graveside memorial service, 2 p.m. at Penland Cemetery, Lexington.

Schultz, Denny —

Funeral service, 10 a.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Burial follows at the Hermiston Cemetery.

SUNDAY, FEB. 27

Cahill, Jim — Recitation of the holy rosary, 5:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Fifth and College streets, Athena.

Meyersick, Randy — Memorial service, 11 a.m. at Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop, 131 S.E. Byers Ave. A wake follows in the Let'er Buck Room, 1205 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton.

MONDAY, FEB. 28

Cahill, Jim — Funeral Mass, 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Fifth and College streets, Athena. A reception follows in the parish hall. Afterward, military honors will be presented at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton.

MARCH 1-2

No services

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Sander, Ed — Memorial gathering, 4-7 p.m. in the Riverfront Room at the Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman.

Randall Scott Meyersick

August 8, 1966 - February 20, 2022

Randy was born in Pendleton, Oregon, to Ed Meyersick and Kay Gross Meyersick, both descended from pioneer families that came over the Oregon Trail.

Randy was a true Pendleton hometown boy. He pitched for the Pendleton Buckaroos. His fast pitches and resulting strikeouts brought honks and flashing lights from the pickups parked around the ball field. He played football during the Requa years. Their team went to the state finals playing at the Round-Up stadium. Those team members would remain his friends for life.

He attended college at Southern Oregon and the University of Oregon. He was a member of the Theta Theta fraternity. He picked up a few more lifetime friends there. He graduated in 1988.

He married Petrece Erskine, of Pendleton. His career in business accounts management took the family to Portland and Seattle. They returned to their hometown in 2001. He was employed at PGE Coyote Springs, Boardman.

Randy enjoyed bird hunting with his brother, Ron, his uncles, cousins and his bird dog, Beck. He loved spending time at their cabin in the Blue Mountains. He loved his family, his friends and his home.

He is preceded in death by his parents and his son, Taylor Meyersick. He is survived by his wife, Petrece, and daughter, Caroline, of Pendleton.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, Feb. 27, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop. A wake will follow at the Let'er Buck Room following the service. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com.



Pauline (Polly) Elizabeth (Moore) Duke

June 9, 1925 - February 18, 2022

Pauline (Polly) Elizabeth (Moore) Duke (96) passed away due to age-related complications on Friday, Feb. 18, 2022, at a care facility in Pendleton, Oregon.

Pauline was born June 9, 1925, in Athol, Idaho, to Charles and Sarah (Sadie) (Grigg) Moore. The family moved from Athol to Chewelah, Washington, and then to Northport, Washington, before moving to Ukiah, Oregon, during Pauline's junior year. Pauline graduated from Ukiah High School in 1943 before moving to Oakland, California, where she met Lynn Connor Duke. They married in 1944 before her new husband went to war. After the war, they had three children.

Pauline and children moved back to Oregon in 1962 where she built Dukes Drive-In in Stanfield, Oregon. An avid piano player since childhood, Pauline belonged to a musical trio that played music for numerous nightclubs throughout Umatilla and Union counties. After Pauline closed her restaurant in 1966, as her oldest went to college, she went to work at UAD. After retiring from UAD, Pauline opened a T-shirt shop, Polly's Put-Ons, in downtown Pendleton. In 2001, Pauline sold the store due to Stage 4 cancer, but being a survivor, she went into remission in 2002.

Preceding Pauline's death were her parents, a son, Ralph Duke, her sisters, Daisy Ludeman and Marthella Waters, and brothers, George Moore and Ray Moore. Pauline is survived by her eldest son, Lynn, daughter, Tracy Herral, her treasured granddaughter, Erin Herral (Rick Wakefield), and numerous nieces and nephews. A celebration of life will be scheduled later this year.

Arrangements are with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com.



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