

New employee strives to keep gastric surgery under wraps

DEAR ABBY: I had bariatric surgery (gastric sleeve) five months ago. I left my previous job because the way I was treated by my employer and co-workers changed drastically after my procedure.

I am starting a new job soon and do not want to tell my new employer or co-workers that I have had this operation. People always treat you differently once they know. I don't know anyone at the new job, and I prefer to keep this part of my life private.

My boyfriend thinks I should tell at least HR, in case any medical issues arise while at work because then they would be able to inform medical personnel. I don't think they need to know. What do you think, Abby?

— TREATED DIFFERENTLY

DEAR TREATED DIFFERENTLY: Your medical history is your own business. After five months you should have healed from your surgery. I'm not sure what kind of complications your boyfriend is worried about, but if you experience any, the time to report it to HR will be when they occur.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a young woman who, for years, went to my aunt and uncle's house for Thanksgiving. Every year, my aunt has made the turkey and the sides, and my uncle has done the cleanup. I appreciate their hosting every year, but I'd like to find a way to be able to help.

I have offered to clean, but my uncle insists I enjoy myself. I've brought dessert, but my aunt bakes a wonderful cake every year. I've tried to help in the kitchen, but she gently tells me to have fun. I've brought wine in previous years, but a family member struggles with drinking, so out of respect for him, I won't continue that.

I have had a lot of health issues over the years and lifelong disabilities, so it has taken me a long time to become independent. I now have my first full-time job. What's a way I could give to my family?

— THANKFUL IN FLORIDA

DEAR THANKFUL: A way to do that would be to bring your hosts a lovely flowering plant when you arrive, or alternatively, send a lovely bouquet afterward with a note of thanks. And of course, you could

also offer to take them out for a meal post-holiday.

DEAR ABBY: Our 9-year-old son makes perfect grades in school. His friends all have cellphones, and I believe he should get one also. My husband disagrees and thinks he should be a teenager first and learn more responsibility. With times changing so quickly and kids getting phones at 6 and 7 years old, am I wrong or is my husband old-fashioned in his approach?

— OLD-FASHIONED IN THE SOUTH

DEAR OLD-FASHIONED: Parents teach their children to be responsible by placing some responsibility on their shoulders. In the current landscape, it's a good idea for a child to have the ability to communicate with a parent in case of an emergency. You and your husband could give your son a flip phone so he can do that if necessary.

DEAR ABBY: I am one of those rare individuals who has no interest in music of any kind. I never listen to it, and if it's being played where I happen to be — I block it out.

I don't sing, hum, keep a beat or dance. I don't even own any CDs. I have always been this way. My former wife tolerated it because I was interested in, and well-informed about, all the other arts that didn't include music.

I am now divorced and dating again. The first thing any date or prospect wants to know is the kind of music I like, and if I like to dance. If I say I have no interest in music, I'm immediately considered a bit weird. I can't fake it, either, because I know nothing about performers, past or present, or the music they play.

What's the best way to handle this apparent negative when I want to date? I'm normal in every other way. I don't hate music; I just don't care about it one way or another. And, are there others like me?

— TUNED OUT IN AKRON, OHIO

DEAR TUNED OUT: I'm sure there are many. One way to handle your problem would be to be honest when asked about your preference in music -- and quickly add, that you do enjoy the theater, movies, art exhibits, etc., and extend an invitation.



DEAR ABBY

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	TONIGHT	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	Clear to partly cloudy	Mostly sunny	Cloudy	Periods of sunshine	Partly sunny
Baker City	15	46 16	49 24	51 22	52 22
Comfort Index™	3	3	5	7	7
La Grande	24	48 29	53 38	53 31	55 32
Comfort Index™	2	3	5	8	8
Enterprise	21	48 27	52 34	51 31	52 31
Comfort Index™	5	5	7	8	8

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TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Sunday	45°	43°	46°
Low Sunday	13°	18°	17°

PRECIPITATION (inches)	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
Sunday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	Trace	0.65	1.80
Normal month to date	0.32	0.72	1.01
Year to date	5.24	13.57	24.87
Normal year to date	8.57	13.55	18.56

AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION TUESDAY	
Lowest relative humidity	35%
Afternoon wind	S at 7 to 14 mph
Hours of sunshine	7.4
Evapotranspiration	0.07

RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Sunday)	
Phillips Reservoir	8% of capacity
Unity Reservoir	13% of capacity
Owyhee Reservoir	32% of capacity
McKay Reservoir	14% of capacity
Wallowa Lake	9% of capacity
Thief Valley Reservoir	15% of capacity

STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Sunday)	
Grande Ronde at Troy	824 cfs
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	N.A.
Burnt River near Unity	7 cfs
Umatilla River near Gibbon	66 cfs
Minam River at Minam	63 cfs
Powder River near Richland	14 cfs

SUNDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)	
High: 90°	Immokalee, Fla.
Low: -15°	West Yellowstone, Mont.
Wettest: 2.19"	Henderson, Texas

OREGON	
High: 70°	Brookings
Low: -3°	Burns
Wettest: none	

WEATHER HISTORY

On Nov. 13, 1883, the Leonids Meteor Shower put on a spectacular show from midnight to dawn. Clear skies favored viewing in many parts of the country.

SUN & MOON

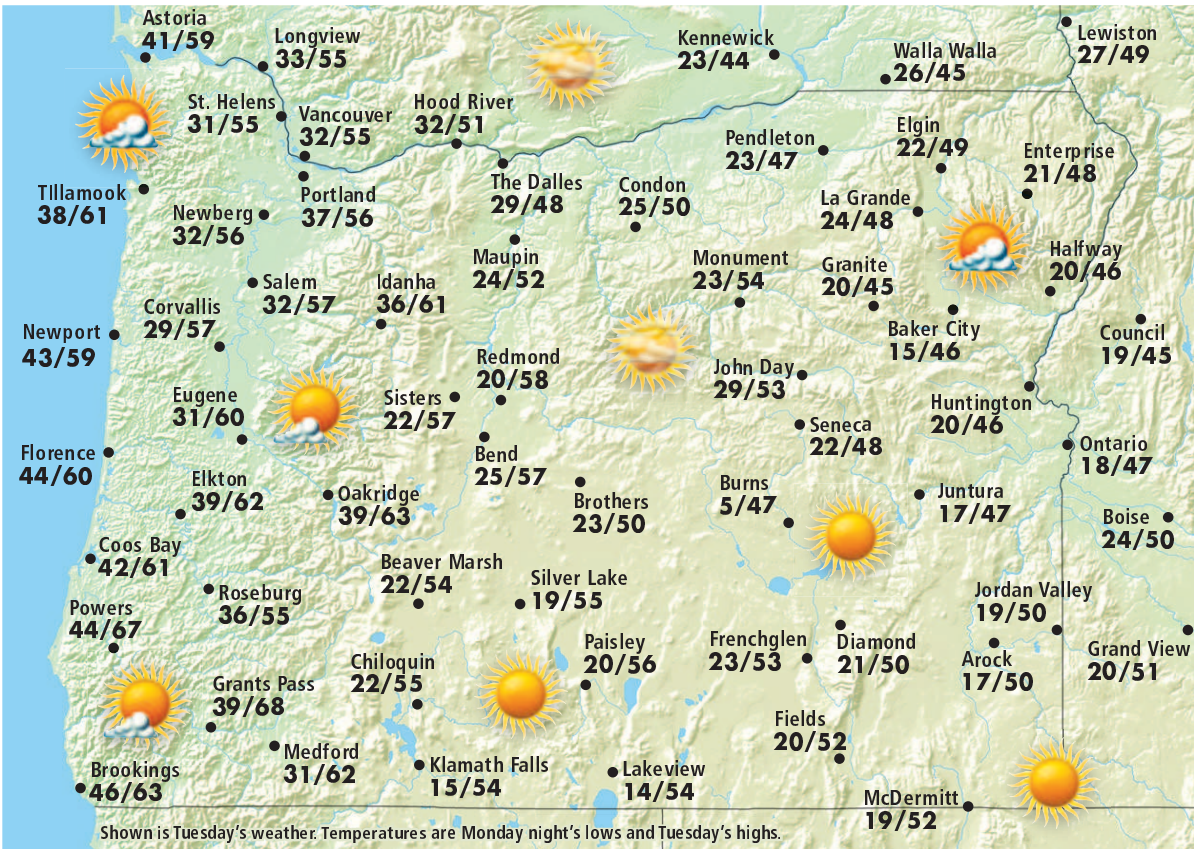
	MON.	TUE.
Sunrise	6:46 a.m.	6:48 a.m.
Sunset	4:26 p.m.	4:25 p.m.
Moonrise	11:23 a.m.	12:05 p.m.
Moonset	8:37 p.m.	9:33 p.m.

MOON PHASES

First	Full	Last	New
Nov 15	Nov 22	Nov 29	Dec 6

AROUND OREGON AND THE REGION

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REGIONAL CITIES

City	TUE. HI/Lo/W	WED. HI/Lo/W	City	TUE. HI/Lo/W	WED. HI/Lo/W
Astoria	59/49/c	57/45/r	Lewiston	49/30/s	52/40/c
Bend	57/31/pc	58/31/c	Longview	55/46/pc	54/46/r
Boise	50/27/s	50/30/pc	Meacham	47/27/s	52/36/c
Brookings	63/45/pc	63/47/c	Medford	62/31/pc	61/36/c
Burns	47/7/s	51/12/pc	Newport	59/48/pc	56/48/r
Coos Bay	61/45/pc	60/46/c	Olympia	54/43/pc	54/43/r
Corvallis	57/39/pc	58/41/r	Ontario	47/20/s	49/26/c
Council	45/20/s	48/26/pc	Pasco	43/24/s	55/35/c
Elgin	49/29/s	52/38/c	Pendleton	47/31/s	57/42/c
Eugene	60/36/pc	61/42/r	Portland	56/44/pc	55/47/r
Hermiston	44/29/s	59/40/c	Powers	67/44/pc	64/44/c
Hood River	51/39/pc	56/43/r	Redmond	58/26/pc	59/30/c
Imnaha	54/31/s	56/36/c	Roseburg	55/36/pc	63/42/c
John Day	53/31/s	56/33/c	Salem	57/42/pc	58/46/r
Joseph	48/26/s	51/32/c	Spokane	42/30/pc	45/34/r
Kennewick	44/29/s	58/37/c	The Dalles	48/33/pc	54/41/r
Klamath Falls	54/16/s	57/20/c	Ukiah	51/27/s	54/34/c
Lakeview	54/14/s	57/18/pc	Walla Walla	45/32/s	56/44/c

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

RECREATION FORECAST TUESDAY

ANTHONY LAKES	PHILLIPS LAKE
Not as cold	Sunny
33 16	42 16
MT. EMILY REC.	BROWNLEE RES.
Partly sunny	Partly sunny
38 25	47 22
EAGLE CAP WILD.	EMIGRANT ST. PARK
Partly sunny	Partly sunny
33 15	41 19
WALLOWA LAKE	MCKAY RESERVOIR
Partly sunny	Sunny, but chilly
42 23	43 24
THIEF VALLEY RES.	RED BRIDGE ST. PARK
Plenty of sun	Partly sunny
44 15	44 24

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