

Transportation is not the only issue after driving is restricted

DEAR ABBY: I have been in a relationship for 10 years. We live together as husband and wife, but for personal reasons, we decided marriage is not for us. I have been married and divorced twice and have three children. One is 17, and the older two are grown. None of them have cars. We live in a rural area without public transportation.

I was recently diagnosed with epilepsy and given a six-month driving restriction. Before my diagnosis, my boyfriend signed up to do a sport over the summer that takes him away four Sundays, our only day together. He does a different sport that takes him away for Labor Day. It upsets me that knowing I cannot get around and feel “trapped,” he hasn’t altered his plans in any way. He says I’m not as “trapped” as I feel, and I should use expensive ride-sharing services or rely solely on friends, which I feel is an imposition. I don’t have many friends, especially ones who live close.

Because he isn’t willing to modify his plans, I feel like I’m taking a back seat to his hobbies. Is this fair? What advice can you provide so I don’t feel as angry and resentful as I currently do? I still have five months to go on this restriction, and that is only if I am seizure-free.

— STUCK IN ILLINOIS

DEAR STUCK: Is it out of the question that you could accompany him to one or more of these Sunday games?

It appears your guy is centered solely on himself. Couples are supposed to have each other’s backs. Although you never stood at an altar and pledged “in sickness and in health,” after 10 years together, one would think the promise is implied. Consider this a wake-up call. It indicates that should you have more serious health problems down the line, this is what you can expect from him in the future.

That said, your present condition should improve by the end of the summer. Focusing on THAT fact may lessen your resentment right now. But don’t beat yourself up for having the feelings you do; right now, they are warranted.

If your children have driver’s licenses, perhaps they could drive you around so you’re not so isolated.

DEAR ABBY: We have a large break room at work where we gather to have lunch. Usually

there are six to eight nurses gathering at one time. Sometimes we bring lunch from home; other times we order out individually.

One co-worker constantly helps herself to others’ food without it being offered. Example: If you order fries with your lunch, she will reach over and grab some off your plate without asking. It makes the rest of us uncomfortable. We feel it is rude and unsanitary. How do we politely ask her to stop doing this?

— HUNGRY NURSES

DEAR HUNGRY: Politely ask? Politely TELL the woman you don’t want her removing food from your plates without permission. And if she does it again, use your fork to “discourage” her, and I’ll bet it won’t happen again.

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating a wonderful man for a little more than two years. We are both divorced and have children. Mine are 20 and 15; his are 12 and 10. We are very close, all of our kids get along, all the exes get along, etc.

I love him. Despite thinking I’d never feel this way again, it has happened. He treats me SO well — he is absolutely amazing to me. We go places, do things — dinners, family events, etc. I have never felt so loved and valued.

My issue is, he has not said the words “I love you” yet. We have discussed it a few times, but he is terrified to say it because of his divorce. I don’t want to pressure him, but how long should I wait for him to say it before moving on? As a side note, it took him forever to say it to his now ex-wife when they were dating.

— LOVING HIM

DEAR LOVING: Moving on? This man shows you by his actions the way he feels about you, and you admit that you have never felt so loved and valued. It takes no effort to say, “I love you.” Many people have been known to say it without meaning it. That said, after two years it would not be pushy to ask him what the future looks like from his perspective.

DEAR READERS: Along with the millions of Americans who are observing this Memorial Day, I add my prayer of thanks for those courageous men and women who sacrificed their lives in service to our country. May they rest in peace.

— ABBY

Tornadoes rake 2 Oklahoma cities, killing 2 and injuring 29

The Associated Press

EL RENO, Oklahoma — A tornado leveled a motel and tore through a mobile home park near Oklahoma City overnight, killing two people and injuring at least 29 others before a second twister raked a suburb of Tulsa more than 100 miles away, authorities said Sunday.

The first tornado touched down in El Reno, about 25 miles west of Oklahoma City, late Saturday night. It crossed an interstate and walloped the American Budget Value Inn before ripping through the Sky-view Estates trailer park, flipping and leveling homes, Mayor Matt White said at a news conference.

“It’s a tragic scene out there,” White said, adding later that, “People have absolutely lost everything.” He said the city established a GoFundMe site, the City of El Reno Tornado Relief Fund, for affected families. Several other businesses were also damaged, though not to the same extent as the motel.

The two people who were killed were in the mobile home park, White said. He did not provide additional details about them. The 29 people who were injured were taken to hospitals, where some were undergoing surgery. Some of the injuries were deemed critical, he said.

The National Weather Service gave the tornado an EF3 rating, meaning it had wind speeds of 136-165 mph. Personnel who investigated the damage said the tornado began around

10:28 p.m. local time Saturday and lasted for four minutes. The tornado was about 75 yards wide at its widest point and was on the ground for 2.2 miles.

The tornado was spawned by a powerful storm system that rolled through the state — the latest in a week of violent storms to hit the flood-weary Plains and Midwest that have been blamed for at least 11 deaths, including the two killed in El Reno.

Early Sunday, another tornado destroyed several buildings and downed trees and power lines in the Tulsa suburb of Sapulpa, which is 110 miles northeast of El Reno. Pete Sny-

der, a hydrometeorological technician with the weather service in Tulsa, said crews were assessing damage to determine the tornado’s rating. The area also experienced damage from strong straight-line winds, he said.

The Sapulpa Police Department said on its Facebook page that it hadn’t heard of any deaths and that only a few minor injuries had been reported.

Residents wandered around after sunrise to survey the damage, carefully avoiding fallen utility poles that blocked some streets. Among the buildings that were destroyed was a historic railroad building built in the early 1900s.

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	TONIGHT	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	Mostly cloudy	A t-storm in the area	A thunderstorm around	Showers and thunderstorms	A passing morning shower
Baker City	50	74 47	74 47	73 45	75 45
Comfort Index™	8	10	10	8	10
La Grande	53	74 48	74 50	72 46	74 47
Comfort Index™	8	9	10	8	10
Enterprise	48	70 46	71 47	69 46	70 47
Comfort Index™	8	8	9	10	10

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TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Saturday	67°	66°	74°
Low Saturday	43°	40°	42°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Saturday	Trace	0.01	0.98
Month to date	0.67	2.61	2.47
Normal month to date	1.16	1.58	1.78
Year to date	5.14	9.83	19.39
Normal year to date	4.21	7.39	11.47

AGRICULTURAL INFO.

HAY INFORMATION TUESDAY

Lowest relative humidity	40%
Afternoon Wind	NNW at 8 to 16 mph
Hours of sunshine	2.7
Evapotranspiration	0.18

RESERVOIR STORAGE (through midnight Sunday)

Phillips Reservoir	62% of capacity
Unity Reservoir	98% of capacity
Owyhee Reservoir	96% of capacity
McKay Reservoir	100% of capacity
Wallowa Lake	99% of capacity
Thief Valley Reservoir	107% of capacity

STREAM FLOWS (through midnight Saturday)

Grande Ronde at Troy	9050 cfs
Thief Valley Reservoir near North Powder	481 cfs
Burnt River near Unity	166 cfs
Umatilla River near Gibbon	404 cfs
Minam River at Minam	1570 cfs
Powder River near Richland	660 cfs

SATURDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)	Jesup, Ga.
High: 102°	
Low: 18°	Sunset Crater, Ariz.
Wettest: 4.05"	Clinton, Okla.

OREGON

High: 73°	Hermiston
Low: 23°	Crater Lake
Wettest: 0.31"	Florence

WEATHER HISTORY

A tornado struck the passenger train “Empire Builder” near Moorhead, Minn., on May 27, 1931. Of the 117 passengers, one died and 57 were injured. Five 70-ton coaches were lifted from the track.

SUN & MOON

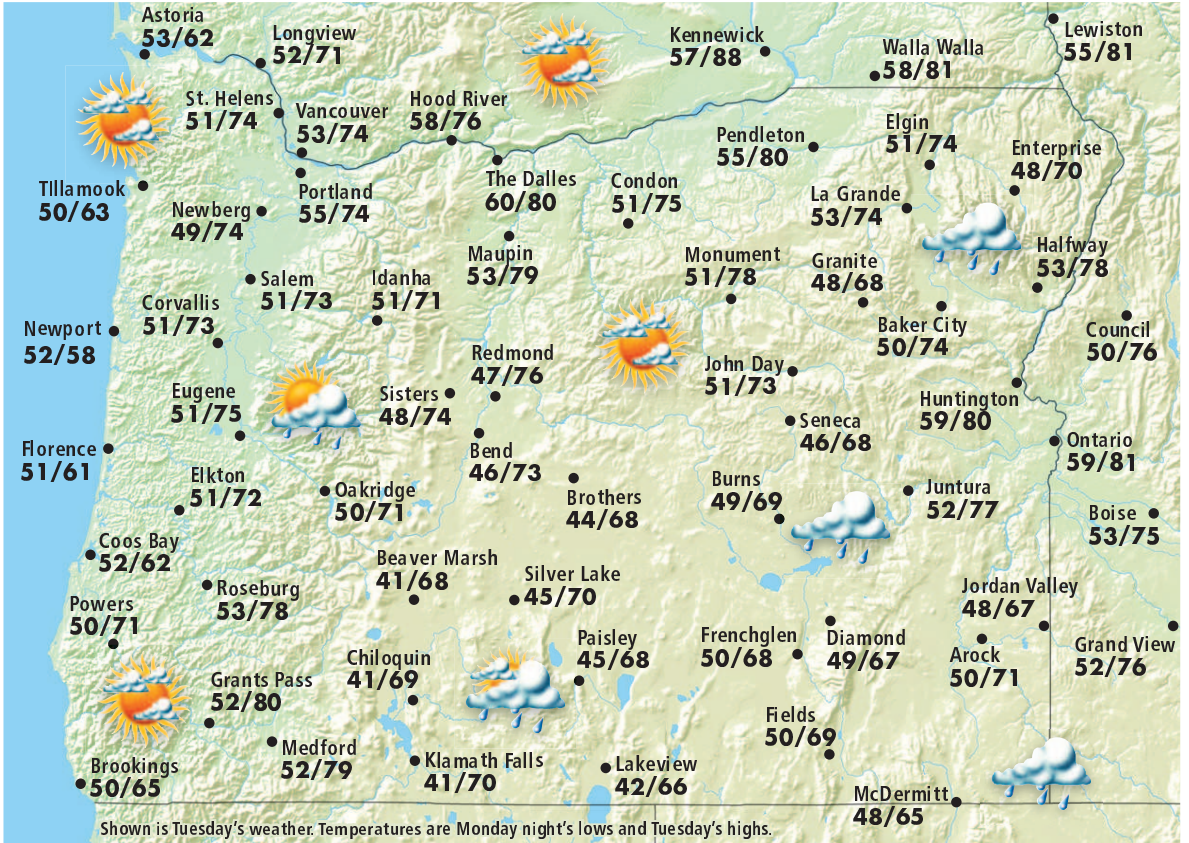
	MON.	TUE.
Sunrise	5:11 a.m.	5:11 a.m.
Sunset	8:28 p.m.	8:29 p.m.
Moonrise	2:23 a.m.	2:47 a.m.
Moonset	1:23 p.m.	2:25 p.m.

MOON PHASES

New	First	Full	Last
			
Jun 3	Jun 9	Jun 17	Jun 25

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	62/53/pc	62/52/pc	Lewiston	81/57/c	83/56/pc
Bend	73/44/t	75/45/pc	Longview	71/51/pc	70/50/pc
Boise	75/54/c	74/54/pc	Mecham	71/45/c	72/47/t
Brookings	65/51/pc	66/49/pc	Medford	79/52/pc	80/51/pc
Burns	69/46/t	69/44/pc	Newport	58/50/pc	60/50/pc
Coos Bay	62/52/pc	62/51/pc	Olympia	72/50/pc	72/49/pc
Corvallis	73/48/pc	74/49/pc	Ontario	81/56/c	80/55/t
Council	76/49/c	73/49/pc	Pasco	88/58/c	90/58/pc
Elgin	74/48/t	74/50/pc	Pendleton	80/55/c	81/55/pc
Eugene	75/49/pc	75/49/pc	Portland	74/53/pc	75/54/pc
Hermiston	87/60/c	87/59/pc	Powers	71/48/pc	71/49/pc
Hood River	76/55/pc	78/55/pc	Redmond	76/46/c	77/44/pc
Imnaha	76/50/t	79/55/t	Roseburg	78/52/pc	80/52/pc
John Day	71/49/t	71/49/t	Salem	73/48/pc	74/49/pc
Joseph	70/45/t	71/48/t	Spokane	80/55/pc	81/56/pc
Kennewick	88/58/c	89/59/pc	The Dalles	80/56/c	80/55/pc
Klamath Falls	70/42/pc	72/42/pc	Ukiah	72/45/c	71/44/pc
Lakeview	66/43/c	68/41/pc	Walla Walla	81/59/c	82/59/pc

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

RECREATION FORECAST TUESDAY

ANTHONY LAKES	A passing shower		PHILLIPS LAKE	Mostly cloudy	
49	35		70	44	
MT. EMILY REC.	A t-storm in spots		BROWNLEE RES.	Mostly cloudy	
61	45		79	51	
EAGLE CAP WILD.	Mostly cloudy		EMIGRANT ST. PARK	Mostly cloudy	
57	38		67	42	
WALLOWA LAKE	A thunderstorm		MCKAY RESERVOIR	Mostly cloudy	
70	45		79	53	
THIEF VALLEY RES.	Mostly cloudy		RED BRIDGE ST. PARK	A t-storm in spots	
74	47		74	48	



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