

New wife's wardrobe doesn't measure up to cousins' taste

DEAR ABBY: My cousin recently married a lovely girl, someone he'd been dating for a couple of years. Our whole family loves her, and she's always been very sweet to us.

She's very intelligent and kind, but the issue is her wardrobe. She's pretty but refuses to wear nice clothes. Instead she wears baggy, boring clothes. Our family is fashion-conscious, and I know my cousin has suggested to her several times that she buy new clothing — to no avail. He thinks she's self-conscious about her body.



DEAR ABBY

Her birthday is coming up, and my sister and I would like to take her shopping as a birthday gift to buy her some nicer clothes. My cousin thinks she might not appreciate it, but he agrees that she needs new clothes. He also suggested buying her a gift card to somewhere, although that wouldn't solve the problem of which clothes she buys with it. Do you think that taking her clothes shopping for her birthday would be appropriate?

— FASHIONISTA IN CONNECTICUT
DEAR FASHIONISTA: I think it is a nice idea, as long as you do NOT frame it the way you have to me. A better way to make the offer might be to invite her for a lovely birthday lunch and some "retail therapy." If you then decide to peek into a couple of clothing stores, she might be willing. And if you find something appropriate and offer to treat her as a birthday gift, she might accept.

DEAR ABBY: My family is surrounded by neighbors who are all friendly. We have cookouts together regularly. Everyone contributes to the budget and food preparation except one neighbor. He's a single dad of 12-year-old twins, and they show up to every BBQ without bringing a dish or their own drinks, yet they all eat heartily. We have run out of food for the intended participants (who paid for the food) because of them. What's the best way to handle this situation without making an enemy of a neighbor?

— FED UP WITH FREELOADING
DEAR FED UP: Your neighbor may not be clear about the rules. It shouldn't earn you an enemy for life if you point out to this single dad of twins (with growing appetites)

that these get-togethers are potluck, which means everyone is expected to contribute to the cost of the food as well as bring a side dish so the food won't run out. Tell him what to bring. They should also help with the setup and cleanup. If he's uncooperative after that, he's a moocher and you all will be well rid of him if he takes offense.

DEAR ABBY: My husband of 12 years and I have an ongoing disagreement about the language he uses when he texts women friends. He opens his text with "Hi, Beautiful" or "Good Morning, Gorgeous." I consider this to be flirting, but he regards it as harmless even though he knows it hurts my feelings because he doesn't text that way to me.

I trust him and don't feel there's anything going on with any of these women, but I think he's playing with fire. The wrong woman may interpret it differently, and that's how affairs start. Do you think I am overreacting?

— MISUNDERSTOOD IN THE MIDWEST
DEAR MISUNDERSTOOD: Yes. Your problem with your husband isn't that he's calling other women beautiful and gorgeous. It's that he isn't complimenting you, and I think you should point that out to him.

DEAR ABBY: I was divorced three years ago after being married for 28 years. My ex-wife and I had spent the previous 10 years in counseling. I currently go to post-divorce counseling, and my counselor agrees that I was mistreated by my ex and our adult children, who treated me more like an employee. I have begun seeing a much younger woman, and two of my kids say any relationship with them is predicated on my dating someone "my own age." I feel this is wrong, and that it's a continuation of them treating me as a servant/dad, versus as a person. My counselor suggests walking away for a bit, to establish new boundaries. Your thoughts?

— BUTLER DAD IN TEXAS
DEAR DAD: I think you should listen to your therapist.

BAHAMAS

Storm cleanup resumes as Humberto swirls

By Danica Coto
The Associated Press

MCLEAN'S TOWN, Bahamas — Jeffrey Roberts lifted a mustard-yellow curtain from the ground to hunt for passports and other documents at the place where his family's home stood before Hurricane Dorian blasted into Grand Bahama Island.

What was underneath was sodden and unrecognizable. He shuffled across a white tile floor, the only clear sign this had once been a house, and found a pair of rusty old pliers, only to toss them in frustration. They clattered across the tiles, breaking the silence that had enveloped the fishing community of McLean's Town.

Roberts was one of thousands of people beginning to return to salvage what few scraps they can from the devastation of Dorian, even as the dark storm clouds of Tropical Storm Humberto hovered above to remind that that the storm season has not yet passed.

"We got to take what God gives us," Roberts said. In this case, at least, that was a break: Humberto narrowly missed the island over the weekend and was projected to curve north and then northeast, staying well off of Florida's east coast.

By late Sunday morning, the U.S. National Hurricane Center said the storm was located about 180 miles north-northwest of Great



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Jeffrey Roberts, 49, eats a plate of food while searching through the rubble of his relatives' home which was destroyed by Hurricane Dorian in Pelican Point, Grand Bahama, Bahamas, on Saturday.

Abaco Island and was moving at 7 mph north-northwest with maximum sustained winds of 65 mph. It was still rousing gusty winds across the northwestern Bahamas

The U.S. National Hurricane Center said it would likely become a hurricane by Sunday night, but would remain far from the Bahamas and the U.S. coast by the time it reaches that strength.

The storm briefly shuttered a couple of small airports, sent people in damaged homes to seek shelter and threatened to interrupt the distribution of sorely needed supplies, including food and water.

As the storm passed, however, Roberts and others were already returning to the task at hand: resuming their cleanup and recovery efforts in communities such

as McLean's Town devastated by Hurricane Dorian two weeks ago.

U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres visited the nearby island of Great Abaco on Saturday to support humanitarian efforts in the wake of the storm, which left thousands in need of food, water and shelter.

"Hurricane Dorian has been classified as Category 5. I think it's Category Hell," the secretary-general said, adding he was horrified by the "level of systematic devastation."

The islands' official death toll from the hurricane remained at 50 and the number of missing at an alarming 1,300 people, although officials cautioned the list is preliminary and many people could just be unable to connect with loved ones.

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	TONIGHT	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy, p.m. rain	Showers around	A couple of showers	Mostly cloudy and cool
Baker City	36	68 43	60 40	63 40	64 39
La Grande	41	65 47	59 45	64 43	65 44
Enterprise	39	63 46	57 43	61 42	62 44

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TEMPERATURES	Baker City	La Grande	Elgin
High Saturday	88°	85°	88°
Low Saturday	42°	44°	45°
PRECIPITATION (inches)			
Saturday	0.00	0.00	0.00
Month to date	0.23	0.93	1.04
Normal month to date	0.28	0.30	0.36
Year to date	6.52	12.22	21.85
Normal year to date	7.35	11.17	15.39

SATURDAY EXTREMES

NATION (for the 48 contiguous states)	
High: 112°	Death Valley, Calif.
Low: 23°	Bridgeport, Calif.
Wettest: 1.82"	Quillayute, Wash.
OREGON	
High: 91°	Rome
Low: 34°	Lakeview
Wettest: Trace	Astoria

WEATHER HISTORY

A low temperature of 27 degrees on Sept. 16, 1964, at Concord, N.H., ended the shortest growing season of any summer last century. Temperatures had stayed above freezing for only 100 days.

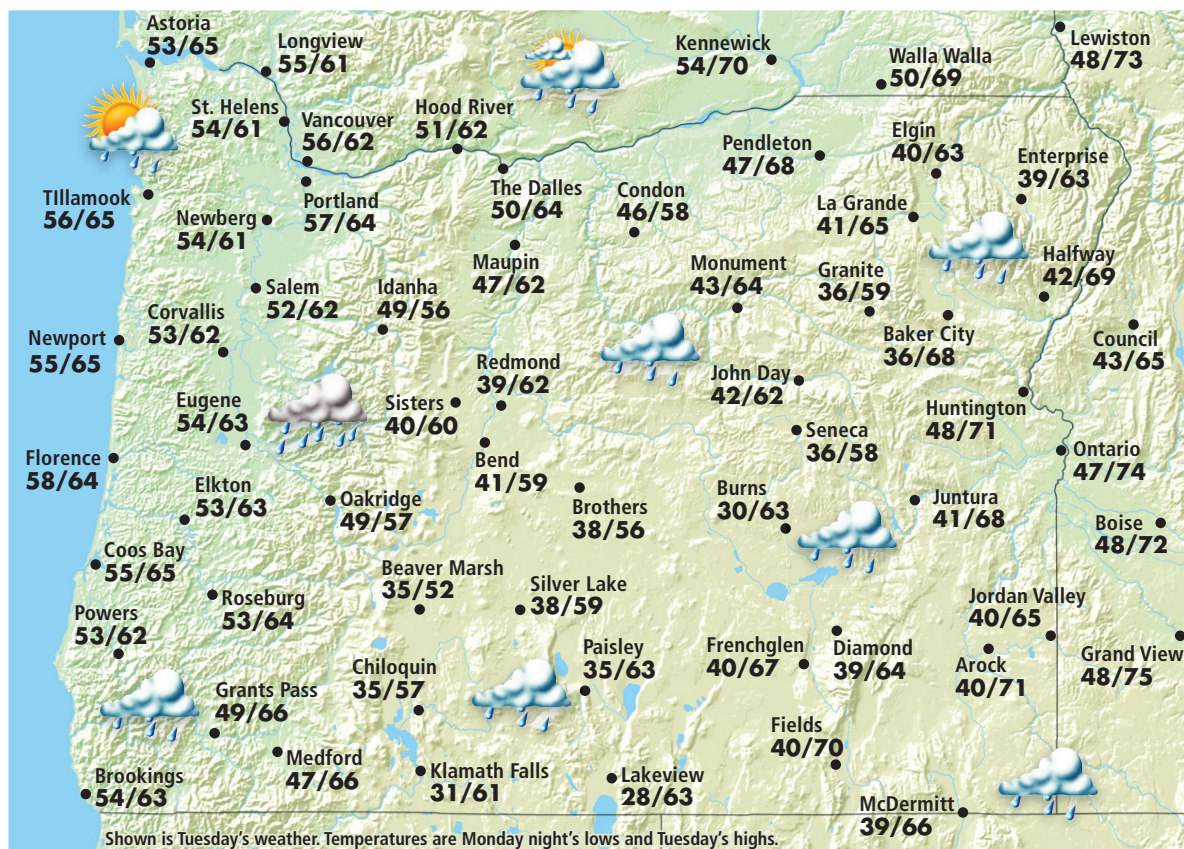
SUN & MOON

	MON.	TUE.
Sunrise	6:32 a.m.	6:33 a.m.
Sunset	7:02 p.m.	7:00 p.m.
Moonrise	8:32 p.m.	8:56 p.m.
Moonset	8:48 a.m.	9:50 a.m.

MOON PHASES			
Last	New	First	Full
Sep 21	Sep 28	Oct 5	Oct 13

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	65/52/r	67/51/sh	Lewiston	73/54/c	67/51/pc
Bend	59/43/sh	60/41/sh	Longview	61/54/r	67/50/sh
Boise	72/53/pc	65/48/s	Meacham	61/46/r	57/43/sh
Brookings	63/55/sh	64/52/sh	Medford	66/53/sh	65/51/sh
Burns	63/39/pc	61/38/sh	Newport	62/54/r	65/51/sh
Coos Bay	65/55/r	67/53/sh	Olympia	62/50/r	66/45/c
Corvallis	62/53/r	66/50/sh	Ontario	74/50/c	65/46/sh
Council Bluffs	65/47/c	60/44/sh	Pasco	70/51/pc	71/49/c
Elgin	63/47/r	59/44/pc	Pendleton	68/50/r	67/48/sh
Eugene	63/54/r	66/50/sh	Portland	64/57/r	67/55/sh
Hermiston	70/51/pc	72/51/c	Powers	62/54/r	66/53/sh
Hood River	62/52/r	70/52/sh	Redmond	62/41/sh	64/40/sh
Imnaha	68/53/c	62/49/pc	Roseburg	64/54/r	65/54/sh
John Day	62/51/r	60/45/sh	Salem	62/52/r	66/50/sh
Joseph	63/45/c	56/44/sh	Spokane	62/49/c	62/45/c
Kennewick	70/53/pc	72/50/c	The Dalles	64/52/r	70/52/c
Klamath Falls	61/40/c	57/35/sh	Ukiah	61/44/r	58/40/sh
Lakeview	63/38/pc	56/37/sh	Walla Walla	69/52/pc	68/51/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

Location	TUE. HI/Lo/W	WED. HI/Lo/W
ANTHONY LAKES	41 31	61 44
PHILLIPS LAKE	52 40	69 50
MT. EMILY REC.	50 37	59 42
BROWNLEE RES.	63 45	67 49
EAGLE CAP WILD.	68 43	65 47
EMIGRANT ST. PARK		
MCKAY RESERVOIR		
WALLOWA LAKE		
THIEF VALLEY RES.		
RED BRIDGE ST. PARK		

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